Power of YOU Mission
The mission of the Power of YOU program is to expand college access, improve student performance and close achievement gaps.

What is The Power of YOU
The Power of YOU also referred to as POY is an academic support and scholarship program that provides intensive student advising, community engagement and leadership opportunities to all participants. We offer tuition-free degree completion, an advisor assigned to you until you complete your degree and assistance mitigating barriers toward your academic goals.

Am I Eligible to Apply?
Are you a current senior in High School? Will you graduate in the spring of 2021? If so:
• Complete the online application at minneapolis.edu/poyapply
  • This is a 2 in 1 application! Once you complete the POY application, you have completed the application for Minneapolis College and there is no application fee!
  • All are encouraged to apply. However, low income students are given preference for admission.

• Submit the 2021-2022 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at and complete the entire financial aid process; this means checking your email for information from Minneapolis College’s Financial Aid Department as often as possible or until you receive an award letter.
  • go to www.fafsa.ed.gov
  • Minneapolis College School Code: 002362

Next steps, After Application is Submitted
You will need to complete all items on the list below by August 16, 2021 to solidify your acceptance.
• Complete the FAFSA by July 26
• Activate your StarID
• Log into your college email
• Read your college email daily and complete financial aid tasks
• Once you receive an Award letter from Financial Aid, email it to powerofyou@minneapolis.edu
• Attend a POY Orientation

Would you like more information? Please visit our website at www.minneapolis.edu/poy or email the Program Director Ms. Arcelle Taylor at powerofyou@minneapolis.edu
Minnesota College Power of YOU Application Process
2021-2022 School year Deadline is August 16, 2021

Community Engagement Hours
All POY students are required to complete 10 Community Engagement hours each semester. These hours can be completed by hosting two POY, D3 or PSEO Orientations. 10 hours of community service can also be fulfilled at an outside organization or through involvement in an on-campus student organization.

POY Participant Requirements
The Power of You requires our students to: Enroll at full-time status (12-15 credits each semester)
*exceptions apply, please speak to your Power of YOU Advisor regarding your particular circumstance.

• Attend classes on time daily
• Maintain a 2.0 grade point average each semester
• Meet with your Power of YOU Advisor three times each semester
• Participate in 2 POY, D3 and PSEO Orientations or 10 hours of community service or involvement in a student organization
• Complete Professor Feedback Forms before midterm exams each semester

Applicant must complete all of these steps to be considered and accepted into the Power of YOU program.

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