

***Hofstra University***  
***Supplier Diversity Initiative***

Hofstra University is committed to promoting supplier diversity and inclusion and expanding opportunities for small and diverse qualified suppliers to meet University goals and objectives. The University encourages minority, women-owned and small enterprises to participate and compete for University business. Expanding the supplier base fosters business opportunities for local and national businesses and promotes competition while driving cost savings.

The University supports Supplier Diversity by:

- Encouraging vendors to obtain and submit MWBE/SBE certifications
- Providing outreach and educational events through the Zarb School of Business's Institute of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, IdeaHub, MWBE Technical Assistance, Entrepreneurship Assistance, and ASCEND Long Island Programs. For more information, see: <https://www.hofstra.edu/innovation-entrepreneurship/>
- Participating in local and regional MWBE/SBE vendor fairs

Suppliers interested in providing goods or services to Hofstra University are encouraged to learn more by contacting the Procurement department at: [procurementservices@hofstra.edu](mailto:procurementservices@hofstra.edu) and submitting a [Supplier Qualification Form](#).

The Hofstra University Procurement department encourages minority, women-owned and small businesses to pursue certification or registration opportunities through the following organizations:

- NY Empire State Development (NYS MWBE)  
<https://esd.ny.gov/mwbe-new-certification>
- National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC)  
<https://nvbdc.org/>
- US Small Business Administration  
<https://certify.sba.gov/>
- National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC)  
<https://nglcc.org/>
- Disability:IN  
<https://disabilityin.org/>