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New College Partnerships with Boston College and Colgate University

Palo Alto, California (January 16, 2020) — QuestBridge proudly announces Boston College (BC), located in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts and Colgate University, located in Hamilton, New York, as its newest college partners. QuestBridge's 42 college partners are top research universities and liberal arts colleges committed to increasing the presence of outstanding students from low-income backgrounds on their campuses and to making their institutions accessible and affordable to high-achieving students from all backgrounds.

Founded in 1863 and grounded in ideals inspired by its Jesuit founders, Boston College is an institution dedicated to developing students that will challenge themselves to serve and impact others. Located just a short drive from downtown Boston, Boston College students can benefit from being a part of a large, vibrant college town while celebrating the traditions particular to BC. "It is an honor to be invited to join QuestBridge, which for 25 years has been the gold standard for identifying talented, low-income students and setting them on a path to attend some of the nation's best colleges," says John Mahoney, Vice Provost for Enrollment Management at Boston College. Grant Gosselin, Director of Admission at Boston College adds, "This partnership will enhance BC's ability to identify and enroll gifted students from a wide range of communities across the country, including rural areas that we would not have the capacity to visit. For many low-income students, access to highly selective institutions has often seemed unattainable. QuestBridge has changed that."

Colgate University, located in a small, historic town in central New York, is known for its stunning campus and liberal arts education that prepares students to be global citizens. As one of the nation's oldest colleges, Colgate seeks to create a nurturing environment to develop enlightened thinkers and is committed to creating an inclusive and diverse student body. "Colgate must continue to attract a high-achieving student body that reflects the vibrant and powerful diversity of our nation," says Colgate President Brian W. Casey. "Like our recently announced No-Loan Initiative, joining QuestBridge is another important step to help ensure that we are enrolling the most talented students regardless of their family's income. Their efforts to connect the nation's most talented low-income students with the best colleges and universities are laudable, and I am so proud that Colgate is now part of this important network."

Both Boston College and Colgate University will participate in QuestBridge events in 2020 geared toward helping high school juniors selected as QuestBridge College Prep Scholars prepare for selective college admissions. In Fall 2020, they will consider applicants through the QuestBridge National College Match, a college and scholarship application process that connects students from low-income backgrounds with admission and full four-year scholarships to QuestBridge college partners. The first QuestBridge Scholars at BC and Colgate will matriculate in Fall 2021.

"We are thrilled to welcome Boston College and Colgate to our QuestBridge partnership. They are two exceptional institutions that will offer unique, life-changing educational opportunities to our QuestBridge Scholars," says Ana McCullough, QuestBridge Co-Founder and CEO. "We are moved by their commitment to making their campuses accessible, affordable, and welcoming to students from diverse backgrounds across the U.S., and we look forward to working with them in the months and years ahead."



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About QuestBridge:

QuestBridge, a national non-profit based in Palo Alto, California, connects the nation's most exceptional, low-income youth with leading institutions of higher education and further life opportunities. By recruiting, developing, and motivating these students — beginning in high school through college to their early career — QuestBridge aims help talented low-income students attend the nation's best colleges and to support them to achieve success in their respective careers and communities.

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