## Were You an ASA College Student?

New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) is a civil legal services nonprofit organization offering free legal assistance to current and former ASA College students.

Contact our ASA student hotline for free legal advice. Call us at **212-659-6166** or send us an email at **asahotline@nylag.org**. You can learn more about us at **nylag.org/asa**.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

- **Did ASA College Close?** Yes, ASA closed on February 24, 2023.
- Can my ASA credits transfer? Yes. ASA's closure should not affect the transferability of your credits. In other words, you should be able to transfer your credits from ASA to another school just the same as you could have before ASA closed. That said, not all schools accept ASA credits, and some schools will accept only a few credits from ASA.
- Can my ASA student loans be cancelled? Students who were enrolled at ASA within 180 days of closure (on or after August 28, 2022), will be eligible to discharge (cancel) their federal student loans through a program called closed school discharge. However, you cannot get your ASA loans cancelled if you complete your program of study through an approved teach-out. ASA students may also be eligible for other student loan assistance and cancellation programs. The loan discharge application is free and easy. Contact NYLAG to learn more about your individual situation and apply.
- How can I obtain a copy of my ASA College transcript? New York State is helping ASA Students access their transcripts. Follow the instructions here: <a href="https://www.nysed.gov/asacollege">https://www.nysed.gov/asacollege</a>. ASA previously allowed students to access their transcripts through Parchment Exchange: <a href="https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/32515115/institution">https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/32515115/institution</a>.
- I graduated from ASA. Is my degree valid? Yes. ASA's closing should not affect the validity of your degree. In other words, you should be able to use your degree from ASA just the same as you could have before ASA closed. ASA was accredited while you attended, so your degree still counts as being from an accredited school.
- What should I do if ASA owes me money or I am worried I owe money to ASA? Contact us for advice on your particular situation.

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