

QUEENS COLLEGE FACT SHEET
FALL 2026 / AY 26-27

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Queens College Website	http://www.qc.cuny.edu
Queens College at a Glance	https://www.qc.cuny.edu/communications/wp-content/uploads/sites/21/2023/09/QC_at_a_Glance_23.pdf
Academic Calendar	<p>Online Academic Calendar Each semester lasts 15 weeks. There is one week of final exams:</p> <p><u>Fall 2026:</u> Friday, August 28, 2026 – Monday, December 21, 2026</p> <p><u>Spring 2027:</u> Late January – Late May</p>
Nomination & Application Deadlines	<p><u>FALL 2026 / AY 26-27 DEADLINES:</u> Nomination: Tuesday, March 24th, 2026 Application: Tuesday, March 31st, 2026</p>

OFFICE DETAILS	
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Incoming Website for Partners & Students	https://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/sa/incoming-exchanges/
Study Abroad Office Website	http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Course Offerings	<p>Students can enroll in any course while at Queens College as long as they have met the pre-requisites (if any).</p> <p>Exchange applicants are encouraged to explore the different departments before arrival on the Queens College Website.</p> <p>When they are finally accepted into the university, they will have access to CUNYfirst and search for classes offered the following semester. There is no guarantee you will be able to enroll in all of your desired courses.</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">Students can only take 4 classes (12 credits)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In general, Exchange Students are not allowed to take English “W” courses, as they are very intensive. Exceptions may be made for English majors. This rule does not apply to native speakers. • Education & Computer Science classes are <u>not</u> guaranteed. • BALA (Business) may have restrictions on the number of BALA courses one student can take • Students—with the exception of music students—are also not allowed to take Graduate Courses (700-level Courses).
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<p style="text-align: center;">Course Offerings (Cont'd)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a graduate student would like to study at Queens College, he/she must enroll in undergraduate classes. • Music students must audition. <p>Early November- Spring courses are posted on CUNYFirst.</p> <p>March/April - Fall courses are posted on CUNYFirst.</p> <p>Course Search: In order to search classes, students must follow this link.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the link does not work, try using a different browser. <p>Institution: Select: Queens College Term: 2026 Spring Term (until 2026 Fall Term is posted, but note that classes change from one semester to the next) → Next Subject: [Select your desired subject] Course Career: Undergraduate</p> <p>Press “Next” Then, click on the green arrow to see the results.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Duration of Exchange</p>	Fall Semester/Spring Semester/Academic Year
<p style="text-align: center;">Course Load</p>	4 courses per semester = 12 Credits MANDATORY
<p style="text-align: center;">Grading System</p>	Letter Grades and Grade Point Equivalentents A+ 4.0 97-100 A 4.0 93-96 A- 3.7 90-92 B+ 3.3 87-89 B 3.0 83-86 B- 2.7 80-82 C+ 2.3 77-79 C 2.0 73-76 C- 1.7 70-72 D+ 1.3 67-69 D 1.0 60.0-66 F 0.0 below 0-59

<p>Explanation of Grading System</p>	<p>Excellent (A+, A, A-) Very good (B+, B, B-) Average (C+, C) Poor (C-, D+, D) Failure (F)</p>
<p>LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT</p>	<p><u>MINIMUM SCORES TO BE ELIGIBLE:</u></p> <p>TOEFL iBT: 61 IELTS: 6 Pearson Academic: 44 Duolingo: 95</p> <p>We also accept:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TOEFL MyBest Scores • TOEFL iBT Home Edition <p><u>IMPORTANT:</u> Failure to submit students’ language scores with their application documents will greatly delay their acceptance.</p> <p>We do <u>not</u> accept any other tests, such as Cambridge English.</p>
<p>NOMINATION & APPLICATION INFORMATION</p>	<p><u>FALL 2026 / AY 26-27 DEADLINES:</u> Nomination: Tuesday, March 24th, 2026 Application: Tuesday, March 31st, 2026</p> <p>Partners should forward our application documents to their nominees and then should submit their nominees’ application documents in one email.</p> <p>We will only be accepting digital applications via email: bzahran@qc.cuny.edu</p> <p>For each nominee, please email us just one PDF/student that contains all of the application documents in order and one separate JPEG/PNG Portrait Photo/student.</p> <p>So, if you nominate 2 students, kindly send us 2 PDFs and their JPEG/PNG pictures.</p> <p>(See Step-by-Step Instructions for more information)</p>
<p>Deadlines for Registration</p>	<p>Students should register for courses <i>immediately</i> after we email them their</p>

	<p>registration information. Courses fill up quickly.</p> <p>When exchange student finally select classes, the deadline to add/drop courses is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall/Academic Year: End of August/1st week of September • Spring: End of January/1st week of February
Enrollment	<p>Around four to six weeks after receiving all the application materials, Queens College will send the visa paperwork and admission information to the home university of the students. Admission information includes the CUNY first Student ID and how to enroll for classes.</p>
Language of Teaching	<p>All courses are taught in English, unless they choose to enroll in Foreign Language courses during the semester.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Foreign Language Classes Offered:</u> Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Modern Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish

VISA INFORMATION

Visa Requirements	<p>Students must apply for a J-1 Visa to study at Queens College. When the students have sent all the required materials a part of the application, they will be sent the visa paperwork they must take to the American consulate/embassy in order to obtain the Visa. This will be 2-4 weeks after the reception of their acceptance email.</p>
Health Coverage	<p>You must purchase health insurance for your entire stay in the United States before you travel to the United States.</p> <p>You can use an insurance company from your own country or an international company.</p> <p>Please see “7a. International Insurance Requirements_Updated” & “7b. International Insurance Providers List” for more details.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Health Coverage (Continued)</p>	<p>Here is one suggestion for you: http://www.isoa.org/</p> <p>Please follow these steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply and pay for health insurance online - If an American address is needed when purchasing insurance, please use the following address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 64-80 Kissena Blvd Flushing, NY 11367 U.S.A. (This is the address for the Summit dormitory the Queens College on campus dormitory) - Once you have purchased your health insurance, you will receive a bill/receipt. <p>Shortly after you arrive to the U.S., Blanche will email you about a J1 Visa Requirement, which your insurance will be needed for.</p> <p>For your medical insurance- write the following address:</p> <p>King Hall Rm. 203, 65-30 Kissena Blvd Flushing, NY 11367 U.S.A.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Working in the U.S.</p>	<p>The process of receiving clearance from the U.S. government to work on campus can be lengthy, and <u>most opportunities are for yearlong students</u>.</p> <p>You can work on campus, but you must complete the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Obtain a letter on letterhead from the department wanting to hire you. 2. Email the letter and your DS-2019 form (Visa Letter) to Patrick O’Connell: Patrick.Oconnell@qc.cuny.edu. 3. Go to the nearest Social Security office 4. You will receive a social security card in two-four weeks. 5. More detailed steps here <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The information is designed for F-1 degree seeking students, but it also applies to J-1 students <p>Again, this mainly applies to yearlong students since the process is so lengthy.</p>

ARRIVAL INFORMATION	
IMPORTANT DATES	<p><u>Dorm Payment Deadline</u> Mid-August</p> <p><u>Mandatory Arrival Date & Dorm Move-In Day</u> Tuesday, August 25th (<i>Tentative</i>)</p> <p><i>There is no specific time by which students must arrive, but it is ideal to arrive between 9am-5pm. If students arrive after this time, that is fine, as well.</i></p> <p><u>Mandatory Orientation:</u> Weds., August 26th, 2026</p> <p><u>Welcome Day:</u> Thursday, August 27th</p> <p><u>First Day of Classes:</u> Friday, August 28th</p> <p><u>Last Day to Switch Classes:</u> Thursday, September 3rd</p> <p><u>Last Day of Fall 2026:</u> Monday, December 21st, 2026</p>
MANDATORY Orientation	<p><u>Fall Semester:</u> Weds., August 26th, 2026</p> <p><u>Spring Semester:</u> End of January</p>
Housing	<p>Students should apply for housing as soon as they submit their exchange applications!</p> <p>On-campus housing is first-come, first-served. Typically, all of our exchange students are easily able to obtain student housing, but we cannot officially guarantee this.</p> <p>Priority is given to Academic Year students. Spring students also have a higher chance of securing a dorm room.</p> <p>As mentioned above, our students are usually able to obtain a room; but this also depends on the number of residents in the dorm, so students should be open to off-campus housing, as well.</p> <p>Once a student receives a contract from the Summit, this means that he/she is guaranteed a room.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The housing contact is automatically created for Fall 2026 & Spring 2027. One-semester students must have

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the contract changed to Fall 2026 only before signing the document.

- If you no longer want the room, DO NOT sign the contract.
- Students who sign a contract with the Summit and then cancel are subject to a [cancellation fee](#) (at least \$1,000).

Students who sign up for two semesters at the dorm will not be allowed to change housing from on-campus to off-campus after the end of the first semester.

On Campus Housing (The Summit Dorms)

Academic Year 2025 – 2026 Prices:

- **Shared Double Room:** \$6,675 per semester
- **Single Occupancy Room:** \$8,450 per semester
- **AY 26-27 Prices will be updated within the next few months (check the websites below).**
- **Dorm prices change every year and are likely to increase in the future.**

Students should complete an application to the Summit as soon as their exchange application is submitted.

- For **more information** about our **dorms**, please consult the following websites:
[-https://www.qc.cuny.edu/sa/floor-plans/](https://www.qc.cuny.edu/sa/floor-plans/)
[-www.qc.cuny.edu/housing](http://www.qc.cuny.edu/housing)
- The **application for the Summit** is found [here](#)
- Under “**Guarantor Information**,” submit your parents’ information. Under “**Guarantor Information**,” submit your parents’ information.
- **Emergency Contact:** If it does not allow you to insert an international number, use our office as the Emergency Contact: 718-997-4909

Dorm Payment

Information on paying for the dorm can be found [HERE](#).

Students can pay in their currency via CUNYFirst. Wire Transfers are also possible.

Off-Campus Housing

To look for housing off campus, you will need to do an online search.

Here are some off campus housing resources (Queens College is not affiliated with any of these websites):

- <https://www.studenthousing.org/and/cuny/>
- <https://www.foundstudy.com/>

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<p style="text-align: center;">Transportation</p>	<p>Students commuting to campus can purchase an OMNY Card or tap their credit card/phone to pay for subways and busses. The new fare for a single ride is \$3. More information here.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Exchange Student Activities & Arts & Events Fee</p>	<p><u>ARTS AND EVENTS FEE</u> \$250 – Mandatory for all exchange students Due at Orientation</p> <p>The Queens College Study Abroad Office brings students on cultural events & excursions within the boroughs of New York City to Shows, Sports Games, Bowling, Central Park Picnics, Observatories, and more. These events give the students a greater understanding of the American culture and allow them to step out of their comfort zones and make friends with local and international exchange students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Yearlong Students:</u> Enrolling in the Arts & Events Program is mandatory for your first semester, but optional for your <u>second</u> semester at Queens College. If you wish, you can participate again for an additional \$250.
<p style="text-align: center;">IMPORTANT NOTES ON STUDENT FEES</p>	<p>TUITION: Free (covered by our exchange)</p> <p>FEES: Certain courses have Material & Transportation Fees/course fees that you are responsible for paying (these can range from \$10 - \$300+).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Global Search, when you are searching for classes, it will usually say something along the lines of: “This course has an M&T Fee.” <p><u>OTHER FEES:</u> -Arts & Events Fee: \$250 - Mandatory for all exchange students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Yearlong Students:</u> Enrolling in the Arts & Events Program is mandatory for your first semester, but optional for your <u>second</u> semester at Queens College. If you wish, you can participate again for an additional \$250.

IMPORTANT NOTES ON STUDENT FEES (CONT'D)	<p>-Fee for Switching Classes after the Semester Starts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may be charged an \$18/day fee for switching classes after the semester starts. • Unfortunately, we cannot waive this. <p>-Transcripts: Once the semester ends, students will be sent information on ordering transcripts online, which comes with a fee of ~\$10 that we, unfortunately, cannot waive.</p>
Queens College Student Clubs & Activities	<p>There are dozens of clubs for students to join when they are here at Queens College. Here is a link for activities on and off campus for students to engage in student life.</p>
Students with Disabilities	<p><u>Mission Statement:</u> The Office of Special Services for Students with Disabilities is dedicated to providing supportive services to all students with disabilities by ensuring accessibility to all academic and social activities and to teach self-advocacy for their success at Queens College and leadership roles in society.</p> <p>If a student needs extra time, or any other services, they should tell us at orientation and tell their professors on the first day of classes.</p> <p>Further information can be found here.</p>