### CLASS OF 2027! FALL 2023 Virtual Freshman Advising Presentation

This activity precedes your individual virtual advising session with an academic advisor





### Welcome to the Queens College Community!

# Welcome to the first experience of your college career!

- Attending college is a big deal! Know that you are not alone in this venture and we are here to help!
- This self-guided presentation is designed for you to learn about Queens College and prepare for your new educational environment and academic journey.
- Our goal is to help you acclimate to the College's academic and cocurricular programs and introduce you to resources that will ensure your academic success.

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### Academic Advising – A Shared Model

### Your Academic Advisor

#### in The Academic Advising Center

- General Education Requirements
- Major exploration, requirements, and educational planning
- College Policies & Procedures
- Curricular & Co-Curricular Experiences
- Referrals to Academic & Campus Resources

### Your Faculty Advisor

#### in the Respective Academic Department

- Detailed Understanding of the Academic Discipline
- Departmental Policies & Procedures
- Course Content and Academic Discussions
- Conversations and Mentoring about Affiliated Careers
- Undergraduate Research & Future Graduate Studies Goals

### **Your QC Bachelors Degree**

#### QC Core Requirements

#### QC BACHELOR'S DEGREE

120 credits 45 residency credits 2.0 minimum GPA

#### Electives

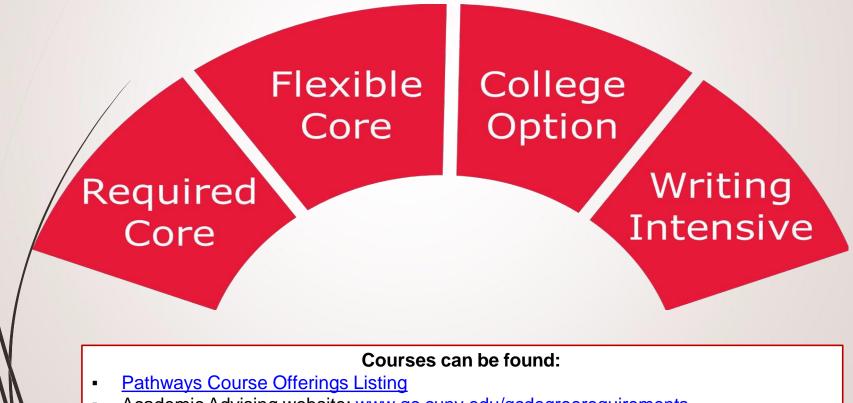
Minors Internships Dual Majors Study Abroad

#### Major Requirements

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree

### QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

Cannot use Pass / No Credit Grading Option for any courses applying to Pathways

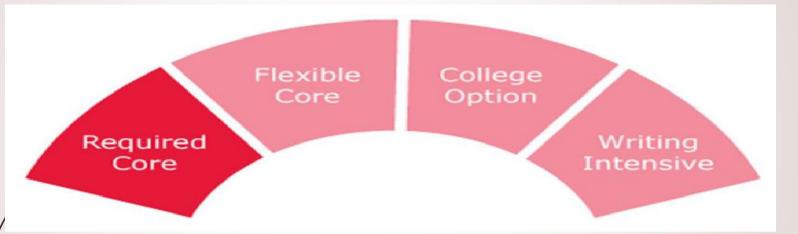


- Academic Advising website: <u>www.qc.cuny.edu/qcdegreerequirements</u>
- General Education at Queens College website: <u>gened.qc.cuny.edu</u>

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree The Required Core

### QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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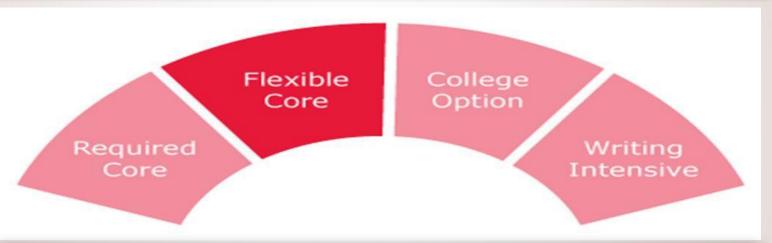
**Please note**: Students with an AA or AS degree from any domestic US accredited institution are exempt from the Required Core.

Composition I (EC I)	English 110
Composition II (EC II)	1 Course (English 110 Prerequisite)
Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	1 Course
Life and Physical Sciences (LPS)	1 Course

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree The Flexible Core

### QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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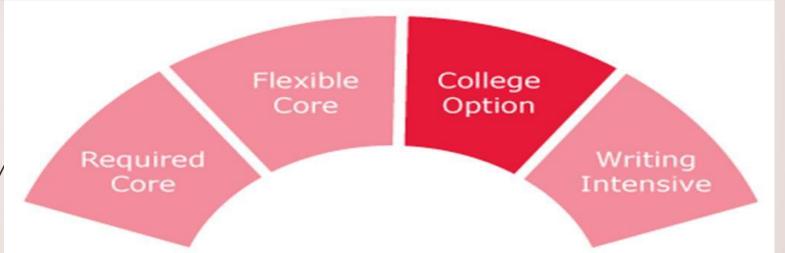
No more than two courses in any discipline (department) or interdisciplinary field. Please note: Students with an AA or AS degree are exempt from the Flexible Core.

World Cultures and Global Issues (WCGI)	1 Course	
Experience in its Diversity (USED) 1 Co		
Creative Expression (CE)	1 Course	
Individual and Society (IS)	1 Course	
Scientific World (SW)	orld (SW) 1 Course	
An Additional Flexible Core Course	1 Course	

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree College Option

### QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

Cannot use Pass/ No Credit Grading Option for any courses applying to Pathways All College Option courses must be completed <u>in residency</u> at Queens College.

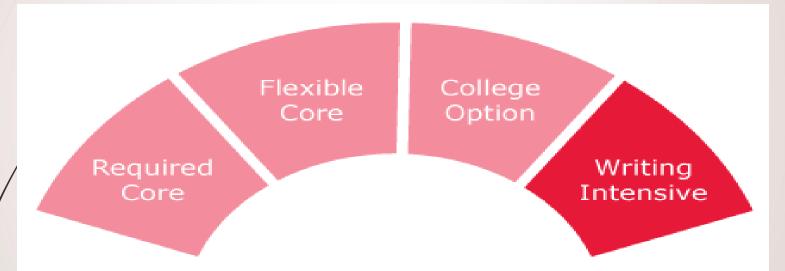


Literature	1 Course (English 110 Prerequisite)
Language	1 Course (Departmental Placement Required)
Science	1 Course
An additional College Option	1 Course (Chosen from LPS, Flexible Core, College Option, or Synthesis Course)

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree Writing Intensive Requirement

### QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

Cannot use Pass/ No Credit Grading Option for any courses applying to Pathways



- Students must complete <u>two Writing Intensive "W" courses.</u>
- At least one "W" must be completed in residency at QC.
- English 110 is a prerequisite for all "W" courses.
- "W" courses can often overlap with General Education categories, as well as some majors and minors.

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree The Major

### **QC Major Requirements**

Cannot use Pass / No Credit Grading Option for any course applying to Major.

Major Requirements

- Majors vary in the number of credits and courses required.
- The number of credits in a major can range from 31 credits to 92 credits.
- Some majors have entrance requirements/an application process.
- Most majors have maintenance and graduation criteria.
- See our Four Year Academic Maps for details: www.qc.cuny.edu/academicprogrammaps

## Learn About Majors!

Major → A subject of academic study chosen by you as your field of specialization

100 % sure of your major? Undecided? Changed your mind? GREAT! THAT IS COMMON. Let us help you! NO PROBLEM. We can help guide you!

### **Things to Know About Majors!**

Everyone completes a *minimum* of one major. We have over 100 from which to choose!
 Visit the <u>Center for Career Engagement and Internships</u> website for a skills assessment and career diagnostic test. Learn about the possible career connections to our majors.

Through the <u>QC Core Pathways Requirements</u>, you have the opportunity to explore many different areas.

- For a <u>comprehensive list of majors</u>, see the <u>Advising Center's website</u>.
- Some majors may have specific admissions and/or maintenance criteria.

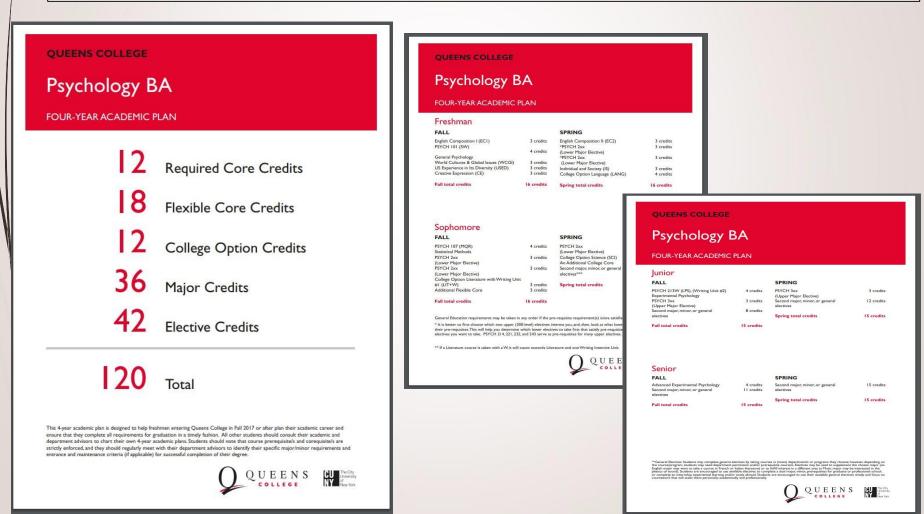
• For timely graduation, you are advised to **choose your major** by your Sophomore year (at the latest).

Don't be afraid to ask for help in choosing a major!

## **Academic Program Maps**

Explore your chosen area/s of study and review the term-by-term course outline and completion requirements. Be sure to consult with your advisor to set the best path for you.

#### www.qc.cuny.edu/academicprogrammaps



### Majors With Applications Processes and/or Entrance Criteria

There are programs that have pre-requisites, entrance criteria, and/or application requirements. Discuss with your advisor.

- BFA in Studio Art (not BA)
- <u>Business Administration</u> (Corporate Finance, International Business, or Actuarial Studies)
- Biochemistry
- <u>Chemistry</u>
- <u>Communication Sciences and Disorders</u> (Speech Pathology)
- Dance
- Design
- Drama/Theatre
- Elementary/Childhood Education
- <u>Music</u> (Aaron Copland School of Music)
- <u>Neuroscience</u>
- Nutrition and Dietetics
- Secondary Education

### Your QC Bachelor's Degree Electives

### **QC General Electives**

Can use Pass/No Credit for electives unless dual majors or minors.

#### Electives Minors Internships Dual Majors Study Abroad

- In order to graduate you must complete a minimum of **120 credits**.
- Depending on the size of your major, you may have a small or a large number of elective credits to fulfill.
- This area of the degree is a great opportunity to further develop your knowledge and skills set by supplementing your studies with practical experiences such as *internships* and *study abroad*.

### **Guarantee Your Graduation in Four Years**



QC in 4 is a <u>partnership</u> between YOU and Queens College. It is a <u>commitment</u> empowering you to achieve your goals and <u>GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS!</u>

You are automatically enrolled!

## Why QC in 4?

- Start <u>Graduate studies</u> faster!
- Begin your <u>career</u> sooner!
- <u>Save money</u> on tuition costs/loans-don't run out of financial aid!
- Be part of the 90% of Queens College students who graduate <u>debt-free</u>!
- Stay <u>focused</u> and <u>motivated</u>!
- <u>Guarantee</u> your degree!
- Get <u>support</u>: Know that there is a safety net and Queens College has your back!





## **How Will I Graduate in 4?**



### Plan

Review the Academic Program Map for your major and strategize with an advisor on how you will complete your degree. <u>Planning and meeting with an Academic</u> <u>Advisor early and regularly is KEY!</u> <u>Advising is mandatory—not optional!</u>

### Earn

Stay on track earning <u>at least 30 credits each year</u> and visit your Academic Advisor to make sure all of the credits you're earning are counting towards your degree.

### Complete

Successfully complete all required coursework for your degree in four years and we'll see you at graduation!

### **Graduate In 4 Years!**

- To graduate in 4 years you need to <u>Take 15</u> credits a semester (Fall | Spring).
  - > Discuss winter and summer options with your advisor.

#### > 120 credits = CLASS OF 2027!!!!

That is: 4 years = 8 semesters x 15 credits (approx. 5 courses per semester)

- > There are **FOUR SESSIONS** an academic year:
- Fall Semester starts end of August through mid December
- Winter Semester first three weeks of January
- Spring Semester end of January through end May
- Summer Sessions starts June through August 4 separate sessions. Take up to 15 credits.
- 2.0 GPA (C average) minimum GPA (Grade Point Average) required to maintain good academic standing. AIM HIGHER THAN THE MINIMUM!

Majors often require higher averages.

STAY ON TRACK! Do not drop, switch, or withdraw from coursework unless you have first discussed with an academic advisor. There can be academic and financial implications.

### **QC in 4 Commitment Form**

You will receive an email BEFORE your individual advising appointment. Please review and complete the <u>QC in 4 Commitment Form</u> that outlines student eligibility and responsibilities, plus QC responsibilities and program benefits. Please complete the form prior to your advising appointment.



#### QC in 4 Commitment Form Fall 2023

This will take approximately 7 minutes to complete.

*QC in 4* is an exciting program at Queens College recognizing the importance of earning your bachelor's degree in **four years**. *It is a partnership between Queens College and YOU*, a commitment empowering you to achieve your educational goals. Since Queens College is dedicated to creating an environment that ensures **your success**, all students committed to the *QC in 4* Program will have access to supportive advisement services, tools and resources to facilitate degree completion including Academic Program Maps that help you plan the path **from College Freshman to College Graduate**!

#### Student Eligibility

To be eligible for the Fall 2023 – Spring 2027 QC in 4 Program, students must satisfy the following conditions:

1. Be enrolled at Queens College as a new full-time freshman for the Fall 2023 semester.

2. Have appropriate high school preparation to pursue chosen course of study. \*

3. Be interested in pursuing a Bachelor's Degree program that participates in the QC in 4 Program. Enrollment in non-degree, non-academic professional and public programs or other off-campus programs does not qualify. \*\*

\*Speak with an Academic Advisor in the Academic Advising Center as students who need calculus for their chosen program of study can begin their math sequence before matriculation or utilize intersession coursework to become calculus-ready if they are not ready for the fall 2023 semester.

# Stay on Track towards your QC Bachelor's Degree



### Stay on track.

Take 15 credits a semester and you will be on track to graduate in four years. And if you're a full-time, in-state student, you can take 15 or even 18 credits each semester for the same cost as 12 credits.

Ready to register for additional classes? Get started by reviewing your academic plan with an advisor.



## **Complete Your File!**

Submit all final transcripts and score reports to the Undergraduate Admissions Office. Visit their website for information on virtual document submission of:

- Advanced Placement (AP) see how your scores will transfer
- Non CUNY College Preparatory Coursework
- High School Transcript and Proof of Graduation
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- ✤ International Baccalaureate (IB)
- ✤ A Levels

CUNY <u>College Now</u> courses and credits (but not grades)

will automatically be applied to your QC record.

**Undergraduate Admissions Office** 

Admissions@qc.cuny.edu

Jefferson Hall, Room 105 718-997-5600

## Immunization & Coronavirus Guidance

#### VAX INFO

As you prepare for your first semester at QC, visit the <u>CUNY Coronavirus website</u> for vaccination guidance and deadline. For more information, please refer to the <u>Student Guide to Vaccination Verification</u>.

#### **MMR/MEN IMMUNIZATION RECORDS**

Before submitting your **MMR/MEN** <u>Immunization Records</u> login to your **CUNYfirst account – Student Service Center** and view the **holds section**. Only students entering Queens College from a high school outside of the NYC DOE must submit their MMR records or one form of Acceptable Proof of Immunity. For a complete list, refer to page one of the Immunization Record form.

All students (**regardless of age**) must complete the <u>meningitis response form</u>. This information can also be self-managed through your CUNYfirst account.

**Please note:** You may also obtain your immunization records from your high school or other schools you attended. Upload all documents via a secured method in CUNYfirst. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

**Health Services Office** 

Healthquestions@qc.cuny.edu Frese Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor 718-997-2760

### Summer Session Opportunities Start College Now!

Get a head start on your Queens College experience and make faster progress towards earning your degree by registering for an online course or two this Summer 2023 at Queens College!

**2023 Summer Session Dates** 

Summer Session 1 – (4 Weeks) | June 5 to June 29 Summer Session 2 – (4 Weeks) | July 5 to July 31 Summer Session 3 – (6 Weeks) | July 5 to August 15 Summer Session 4 – (10 Weeks) | June 5 to August 15

CUNY's Summer 2023 course offerings will be conducted online, in person and in hybrid format.

- For session information, please refer to the <u>Summer Session</u> webpage.
- For Summer tuition information, please refer to the <u>Bursar's website</u>.
- For Summer Aid information Click here!

If you wish to take classes during the Summer 2023 sessions, please discuss this with your advisor during your session or begin the process by completing the Freshman Summer Session Intake Form.

## **Graduate With Honors!**

### **General College Honors**

- Requires a minimum 3.5 GPA.
  Keep In Mind: Most graduate schools accept a minimum of 3.0 GPA
- Complete a minimum of 45 credits in QC
- Pass/No Credit (P/NC) grades are not counted towards the 45 local credits

### **Departmental Honors**

Check with academic department(s) for specific requirements

#### **College Honors**

Cum Laude (3.5-3.749) Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.899) Summa Cum Laude (3.9-4.0)

For more information contact: <u>Office of Honors & Scholarships</u> Honors Hall, Room 16 718-997-5502 <u>qc\_honors@qc.cuny.edu</u>

## **Financial Aid**

- Maintain full-time credit load. Aim to complete 15 credits per semester/30 per academic year.
- Courses taken must apply towards degree requirements.
- Do not repeat courses taken previously. Discuss with an advisor first.
- Maintain acceptable GPA (minimum 2.0) & demonstrate Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), which is credit completion.
- Last day to add course(s) for Financial Aid Certification <u>Thursday, August 31, 2023</u>

When in doubt, speak with an academic or financial aid advisor.



## **Excelsior Scholarship**



The Excelsior Scholarship, in combination with other student financial aid programs, allows students to attend a CUNY college tuition–free.

#### In order to apply, students must meet eligibility requirements, including:

- Be residents of New York State
- Plan to attend a CUNY or SUNY college or university in pursuit of a two-year or four-year degree
- Be on track to graduate on time with an Associate's Degree in two consecutive years or a Bachelor's Degree in four consecutive years
- Please visit <u>www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior</u> for more information.

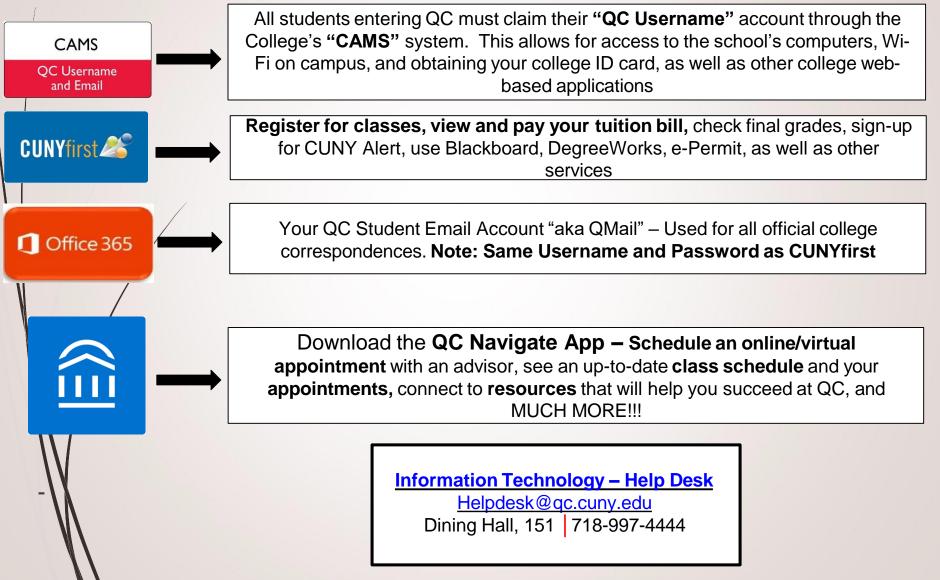
### VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR APPLICATION DEADLINE

## **The Billing Process**

- Once you are registered for courses your tuition bill will be generated. You will receive an email to your QC email account (*Office 365*) informing you of the bill due date, which is based on your initial date of registration.
  Please note: Tuition Bills are not mailed to your home.
- View your tuition bill and applied Financial Aid in your Self-Service/Student Service Center page on CUNYfirst.
- You are held financially and academically responsible once you are registered for classes. Should your intention change to attend QC, you must drop your classes. Non-payment <u>will not drop your classes</u>.
- Late fees will be assessed when adding/swapping courses after the semester has begun.

For payment due dates, liability schedule and payment options, please visit the <u>Bursar Website</u>.

## QC Technology: Accounts and Access



## **Be Sure to Utilize Resources**

### Explore the College's Resources & Use Them!

A major difference between High School and College is the expectation of <u>student engagement</u>, <u>planning</u>, and <u>pro-activity!</u>

Visit the <u>Freshman Advising Webpage</u> for important information & tools for your use ....beyond today!

## **Next Steps**

- The next step in the enrollment process is to complete the <u>10 Steps Before</u> <u>Your Virtual Freshman Advising and Registration Session</u> on the Freshman Advising webpage. You will learn about our academic offerings, degree options and campus resources.
- Be prepared for your one-on-one virtual appointment with an academic advisor to create your first semester programming and begin the discussion on your 4year academic planning.
  - If you have <u>not</u> received an Invitation to sign-up, please contact the New Student phone line at 718.997.5573 and leave a message. Someone will return your call promptly.

We are here to help make your transition to Queens College smooth and successful, and we look forward to meeting you.