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 co-curricular 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
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Your QC Bachelors Degree

QC Core Requirements

QC Bachelor’s Degree
120 credits
45 residency credits
2.0 minimum GPA

Major Requirements

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- Minors
- Internships
- Dual Majors
- Study Abroad
Your QC Bachelor’s Degree

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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

Courses can be found:
- Pathways Course Offerings
- Academic Advising Degree Requirements
- General Education at Queens College
Your QC Bachelor’s Degree

The Required Core

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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

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

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<tr>
<th>Required Core</th>
<th>English 110</th>
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<td>Composition I (EC I)</td>
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Your QC Bachelor’s Degree

The Flexible Core

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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

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<td>World Cultures and Global Issues (WCGI)</td>
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<td>US Experience in its Diversity (USED)</td>
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<td>Individual and Society (IS)</td>
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<td>Scientific World (SW)</td>
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<td>An Additional Flexible Core Course</td>
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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 in residency at Queens College.

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<th>Literature</th>
<th>1 Course (English 110 Prerequisite)</th>
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<td>Language</td>
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<td>Science</td>
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<td>An additional College Option</td>
<td>1 Course (Chosen from LPS, Flexible Core, College Option, or Synthesis Course)</td>
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Students must complete two Writing – Intensive “W” courses.
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.

- 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:
  https://www.qc.cuny.edu/aac/degree-programs-maps/
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 Center for Career Engagement and Internships website for a skills assessment and career diagnostic test. Learn about the possible career connections to our majors.
▪ Through the QC Core Pathways Requirements, you have the opportunity to explore many different areas.
▪ For a comprehensive list of majors, see the Advising Center’s website.
▪ 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!
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.

https://www.qc.cuny.edu/aac/degree-programs-maps/
Majors With Applications Processes and/or Entrance Criteria

The Queens College programs listed below have entrance criteria, pre-requisites, and/or application requirements. If you are not yet ready to apply, advisors will discuss options with you.

- Aaron Copland School of Music
- BFA in Studio Art
- Business Administration (Corporate Finance, International Business, or Actuarial Studies)
- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Communication Sciences and Disorders (Speech Pathology)
- Design BFA
- Drama, Theatre & Dance
- Elementary/Childhood Education
- Neuroscience
- 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.

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

- **Non – CUNY** College Preparatory Coursework
- High School Transcript and Proof of Graduation
- College Level Examination Program (CLEP)
- **Advanced Placement (AP)** – see how your scores will transfer
- **International Baccalaureate (IB)**
- **Advanced International Certificate of Education Program (AICE)**

CUNY *College Now* 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
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:
Office of Honors & Scholarships
Honors Hall, Room 16
718-997-5502 | gc_honors@qc.cuny.edu
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 – **Wednesday, January 31, 2024**

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

Financial Aid – [https://www.qc.cuny.edu/faid/](https://www.qc.cuny.edu/faid/)

Financialaid@qc.cuny.edu
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 [www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior) for more information.

VIST 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 **will not** drop your classes.

- 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 [Bursar Website](#).
QC Technology: Accounts and Access

All students entering QC must claim their “QC Username” account through the College’s “CAMS” system. This allows for access to the school’s computers, WiFi on campus, and obtaining your college ID card, as well as other college web-based applications.

Register for classes, view and pay your tuition bill, check final grades, sign-up for CUNY Alert, use Blackboard, DegreeWorks, e-Permit, as well as other services.

Your QC Student Email Account “aka QMail” – Used for all official college correspondences. Note: Same Username and Password as CUNYfirst.

Download the QC Navigate App – Schedule an online/virtual appointment with an advisor, see an up-to-date class schedule and your appointments, connect to resources that will help you succeed at QC, and MUCH MORE!!!

Information Technology – Help Desk
Helpdesk@qc.cuny.edu
Dining Hall, 151 | 718-997-4444
Explore the College’s Resources & Use Them!

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

Visit the Freshman Advising Webpage for important information & tools for your use ...beyond today!
Next Steps

- The next step in the enrollment process is to complete the [10 Steps Before Your Virtual Freshman Advising and Registration Session](#) 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 4-year academic planning.
  - *If you have not* 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.