

Urban Studies BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12 Required Core Credits

18 Flexible Core Credits

12 College Option Credits

36 Major Credits

42 Elective credits

This 4-year academic plan is for freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2025.

Our 4-year academic plans are illustrative examples of integrated degree requirements and course sequencing for each of the College's programs of study which are designed to ensure degree completion in a timely manner. Students are advised to meet with professional and faculty advisors to tailor their degree maps to their individual interests (academic and career goals), as well as other considerations including course offerings and the incorporation of winter and summer sessions. Course pre-requisite/s and co-requisite/s are strictly enforced, as are entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for the successful completion of the degree.

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Freshman

FALL

English composition I (EC1)	3 credits
Individual & Society (IS)	3 credits
World Culture & Global Issues (WCGI)	3 credits
Creative Expression (CE)	3 credits
Scientific World (SW)	3 credits

Fall total credits **15 credits**

SPRING

English Composition II (EC2)	3 credits
Life & Physical Science (LPS)	4 credits
Math & Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	3 credits
URBST 101 (USED)	3 credits
Urban Issues: Poverty and Affluence	
General Elective	3 credits

Spring total credits **16 credits**

Sophomore

FALL

College Option Science (SCI)	3 credits
College Option Literature (LIT+W) With Writing Intensive Unit*	3 credits
College Option Language (LANG)	4 credits
URBST 105 (USED)	3 credits
Urban Politics	
An Additional College Option	3 credits

Fall total credits **16 credits**

SPRING

URBST Electives (See department for the approved list of elective courses)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives**	12 credits

Spring total credits **15 credits**

General Education requirements may be taken in any order if the pre-requisite requirement(s) is/are satisfied.

* If a Literature course is taken with a W, it will count towards Literature and one Writing Intensive Unit.

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Junior

FALL

URBST Electives (See department for the approved list of elective courses)	3 credits
URBST 200	3 credits
Methods in Urban Research***	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Fall total credits **15 credits**

SPRING

URBST Electives	6 credits
URBST 221	3 credits
Making Public Policy ***	
Second major, minor, or general electives	6 credits

Spring total credits **15 credits**

Senior

FALL

URBST 330/330W (W)	3 credits
Contemporary Urban Theory	
URBST Electives	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Fall total credits **15 credits**

SPRING

URBST 370/371	3 credits
Note: this is an internship/service Learning course that places students in a community organization; students must take 370/371 in their final semester.	
URBST Electives	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	10 credits

Spring total credits **16 credits**

***General Electives: Students may complete general electives by taking courses in (most) department/s or programs they choose; however, depending on the course/program, students may need department permission and/or prerequisite course/s. Electives may be used to supplement the chosen major (an English major may want to take a course in French or Italian literature) or to fulfill interest in a different area (a Music major may be interested in the physics of sound). Students are encouraged to use available electives to complete a dual major, minor, pre-requisites for graduate or professional school, or complete and internship, experiential learning and/or study abroad. Students are encouraged to use their available general electives wisely and focus on coursework that will assist them personally, academically and professionally.

*** Some major courses require students to take the prerequisites courses first or departmental permission.

General Education requirements may be taken in any order if the pre-requisite requirement(s) is/are satisfied.