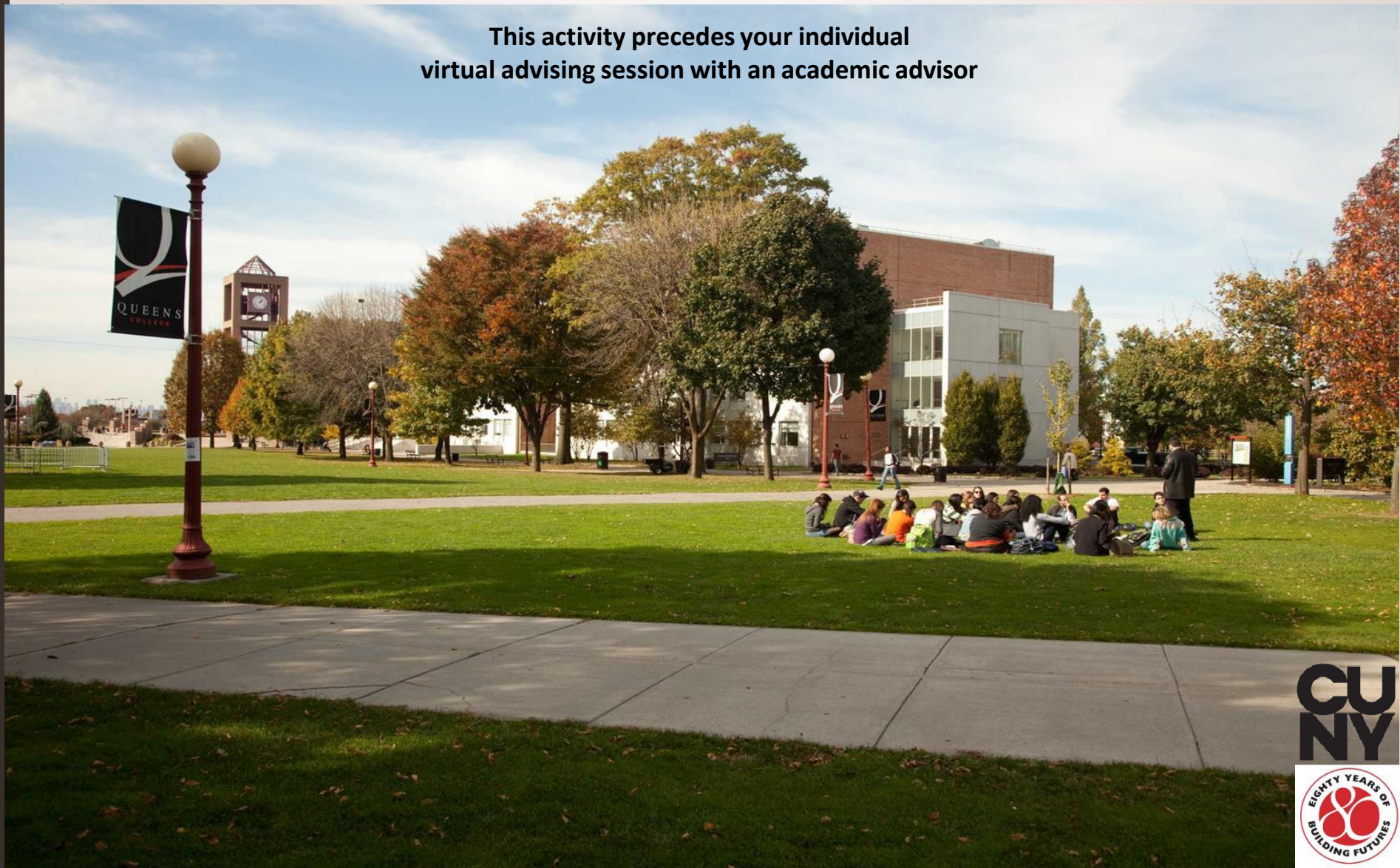


CLASS OF 2029!

SPRING 2026 Freshman Advising Presentation

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



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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

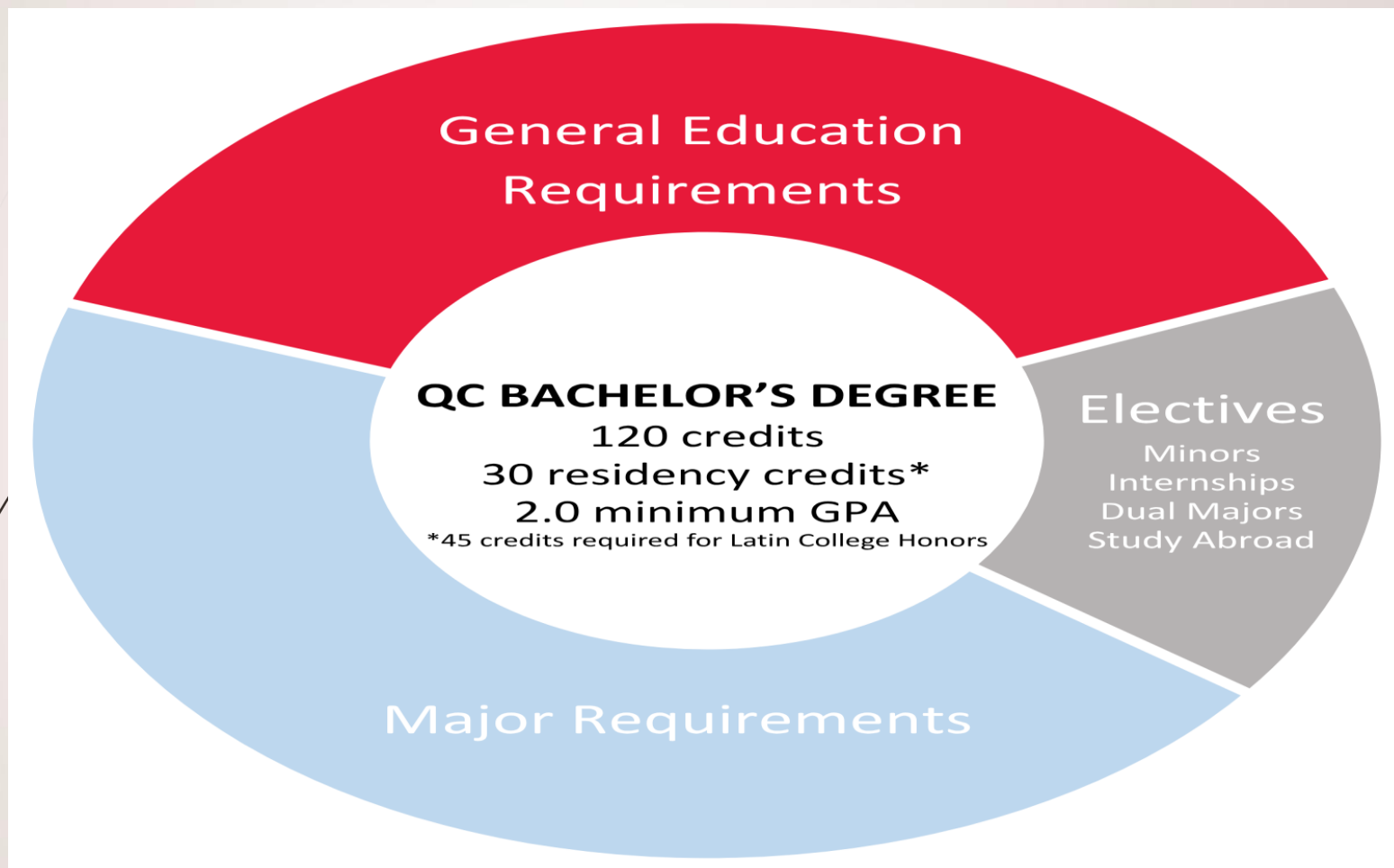
Your Academic Advisor in The Academic Advising Center

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Your QC Bachelors Degree



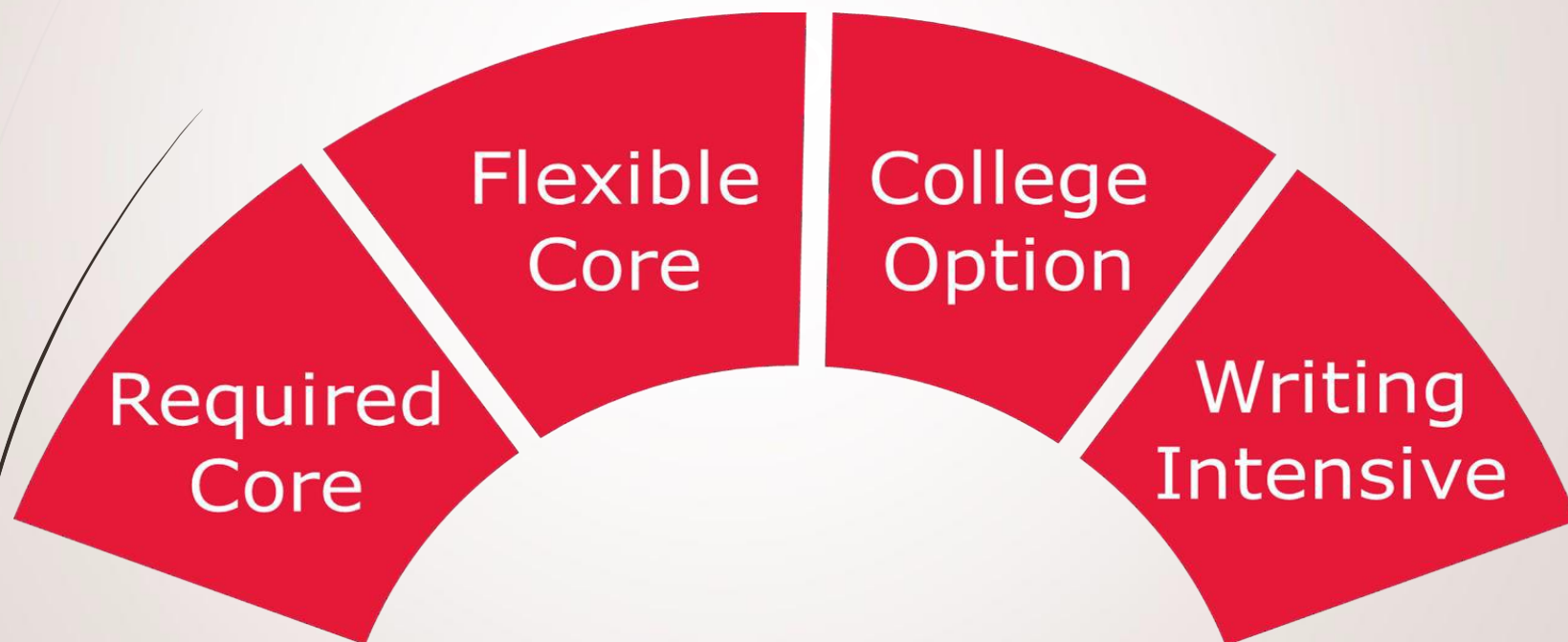
***45 credits required for Latin College Honors**
Honors designation for the Latin Honors is as follows:

Summa Cum Laude: 3.900 and up
Magna Cum Laude: 3.75 – 3.899
Cum Laude: 3.500 – 3.749

Your QC Bachelor's Degree

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)

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



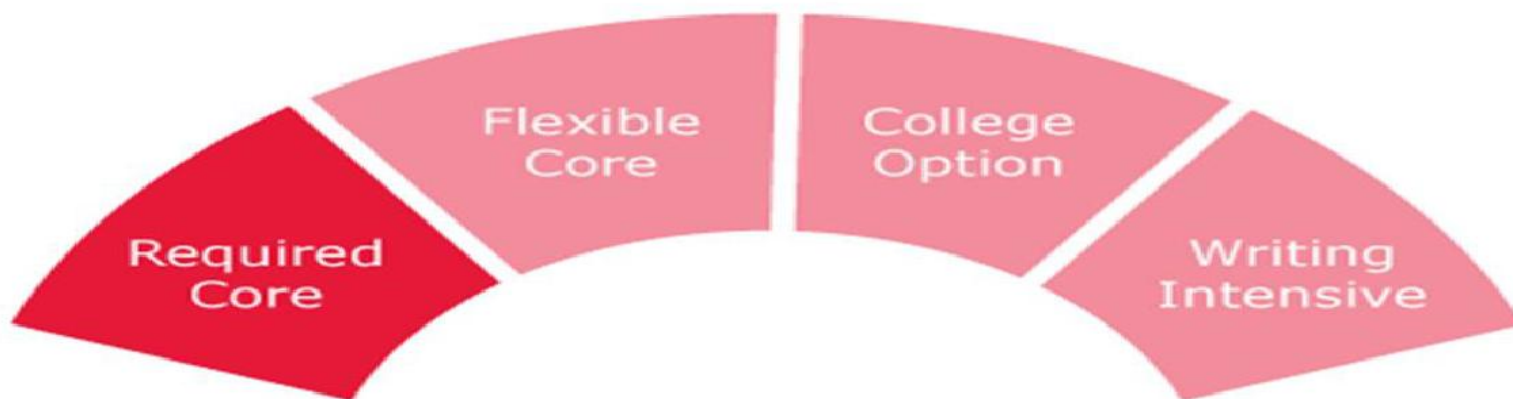
Courses can be found:

- Academic Advising [Degree Requirements](#)
- [Pathways Course Offerings](#)
- [General Education at Queens College](#)

Your QC Bachelor's Degree

The Required Core

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)



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

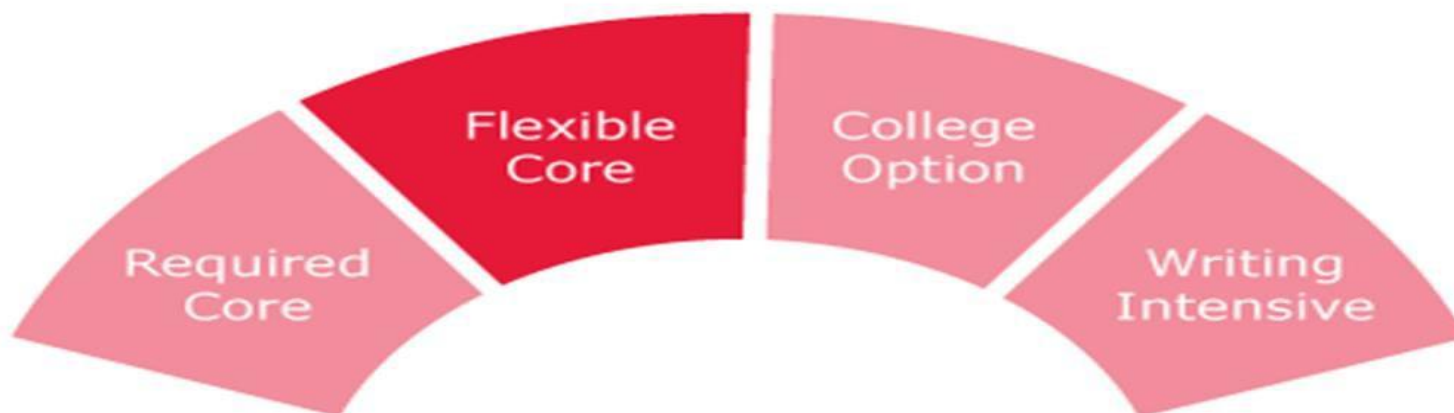
Composition I (EC I)	English 110
Composition II (EC II)	1 Course (English 110 Prerequisite)
Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	1 Course
Life and Physical Sciences (LPS)	1 Course

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Your QC Bachelor's Degree

The Flexible Core

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)



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.

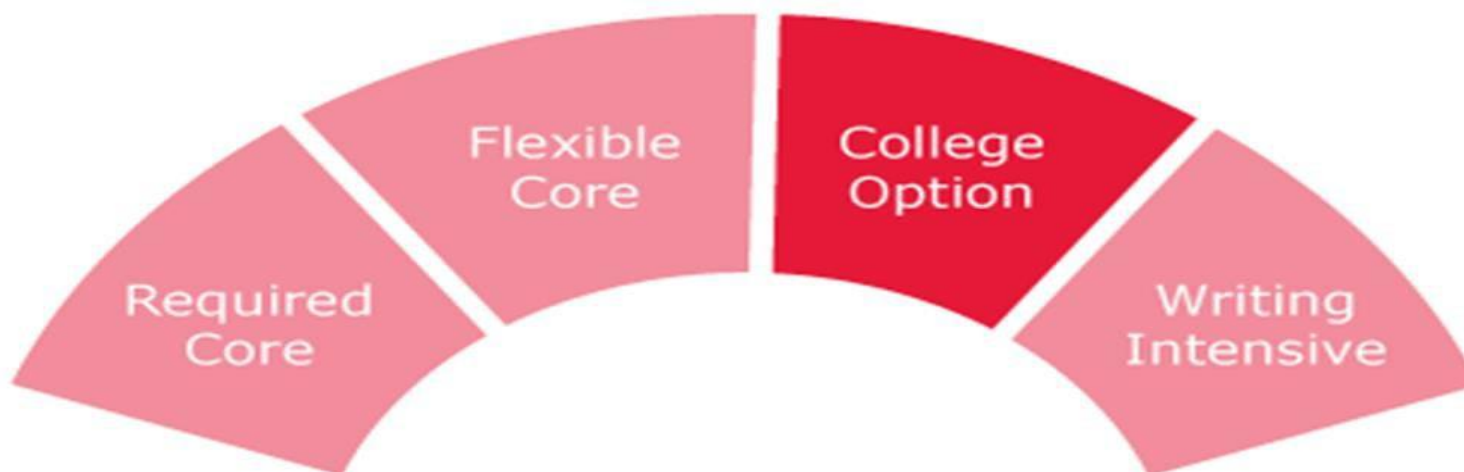
World Cultures and Global Issues (WCGI)	1 Course
US Experience in its Diversity (USED)	1 Course
Creative Expression (CE)	1 Course
Individual and Society (IS)	1 Course
Scientific World (SW)	1 Course
An Additional Flexible Core Course	1 Course

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Your QC Bachelor's Degree

College Option

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)



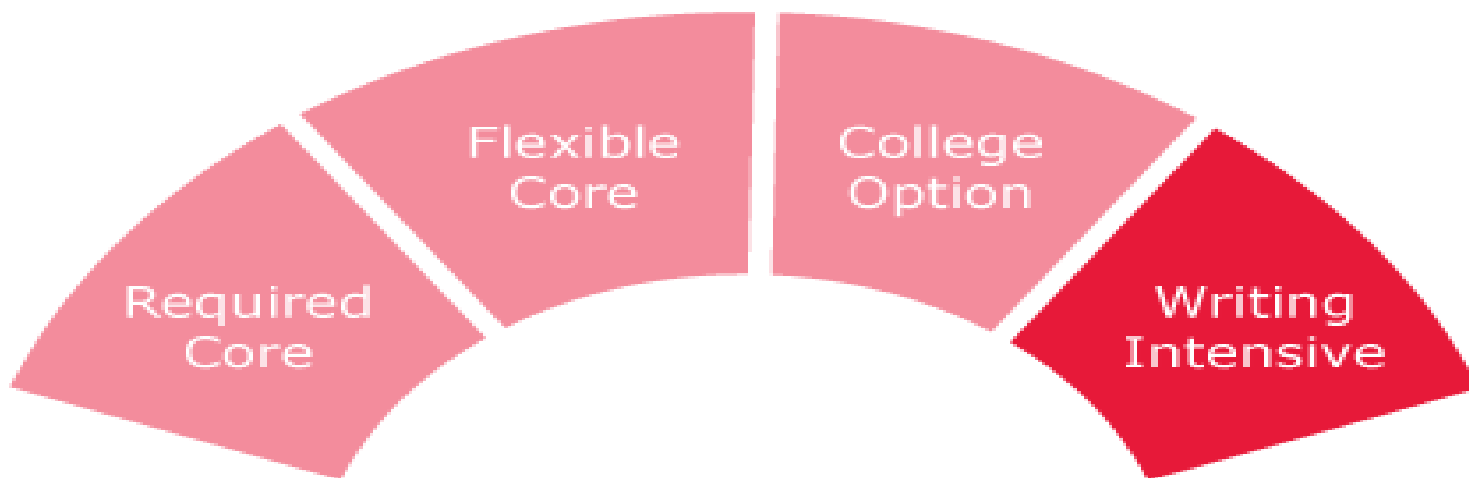
Literature	1 Course (English 110 Prerequisite)
Language	1 Course (Departmental Placement Required)
Science	1 Course
An additional College Option	1 Course (Chosen from LPS, Flexible Core, College Option, or Synthesis Course)

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.

Your QC Bachelor's Degree

Writing Intensive Requirement

QC Core Requirements (Pathways)



- 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.

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

Your QC Bachelor's Degree

The Major

QC 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:

<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/aac/degree-programs-maps/>

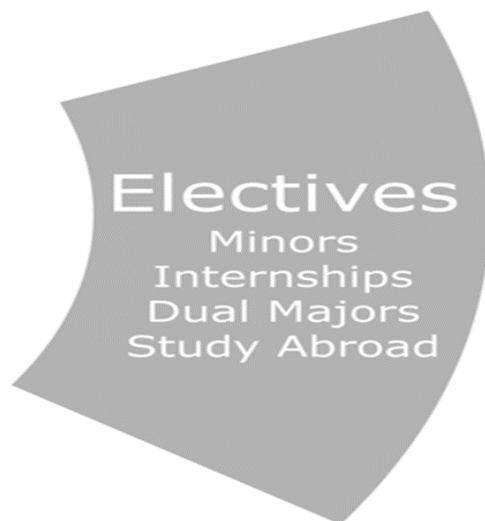
Cannot use Pass/ No Credit Grading Option for any courses applying to **Major**

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*.

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](#)
- [& Dance](#)
- [Elementary/Childhood Education](#)
- [Neuroscience](#)
- Nutrition and Dietetics
- [Secondary Education](#)

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!**

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.

<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/aac/degree-programs-maps/>

QUEENS COLLEGE

Psychology BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12 Required Core Credits

18 Flexible Core Credits

12 College Option Credits

36 Major Credits

42 Elective Credits

120 Total

This 4-year academic plan is designed to help freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2017 or after plan their academic career and ensure that they complete all requirements for graduation in a timely fashion. All other students should consult their academic and department advisors to chart their own 4-year academic plans. Students should note that course prerequisites and corequisites are strictly enforced, and they should regularly meet with their department advisors to identify their specific major/minor requirements and entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for successful completion of their degree.

QUEENS COLLEGE

Psychology BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

Freshman

FALL			SPRING		
English Composition I (EC1)	3 credits		English Composition II (EC2)	3 credits	
PSYCH 101 (SW)	4 credits		*PSYCH 2xx (Lower Major Elective)	3 credits	
General Psychology	3 credits		*PSYCH 2xx (Lower Major Elective)	3 credits	
World Cultures & Global Issues (WCGI)	3 credits		Individual and Society (IS)	3 credits	
US Experience in Its Diversity (USED)	3 credits		College Option Language (LANG)	4 credits	
Creative Expression (CE)	3 credits				
Fall total credits	16 credits		Spring total credits	16 credits	

Sophomore

FALL			SPRING		
PSYCH 107 (MQR)	4 credits		PSYCH 2xx (Lower Major Elective)		
Statistical Methods	3 credits		College Option Science (SCI)		
PSYCH 2xx (Lower Major Elective)	3 credits		An Additional College Core		
PSYCH 2xx (Lower Major Elective)	3 credits		Second major, minor, or general electives***		
College Option Literature with Writing Unit #1 (LIT+VW)	3 credits				
Additional Flexible Core	3 credits				
Fall total credits	16 credits		Spring total credits		

General Education requirements may be taken in any order if the pre-requisite requirement(s) is/are satisfied. It is better to first choose which two upper (300-level) electives interest you, and then, look at what lower their pre-requisites. This will help you determine which lower electives to take first that satisfy pre-requisite electives you want to take. PSYCH 214, 221, 232, and 243 serve as pre-requisites for many upper electives.

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



QUEENS COLLEGE

Psychology BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

Junior

FALL			SPRING		
PSYCH 213W (LPS), (Writing Unit #2)	4 credits		PSYCH 3xx (Upper Major Elective)	3 credits	
Experimental Psychology	3 credits		Second major, minor, or general electives	12 credits	
PSYCH 3xx (Upper Major Elective)	8 credits				
Second major, minor, or general electives			Spring total credits	15 credits	
Fall total credits	15 credits				

Senior

FALL			SPRING		
Advanced Experimental Psychology	4 credits		Second major, minor, or general electives	15 credits	
Second major, minor, or general electives	11 credits				
Fall total credits	15 credits		Spring total credits	15 credits	

***General Electives: Students may complete general electives by taking courses in (most) departments or programs they choose; however, depending on the major program, students may need department permission and/or pre-requisite courses. 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 prerequisites for graduate or professional school, or complete an internship, experiential learning, or other study abroad. Students are encouraged to use their available general electives wisely and focus on coursework that will assist them personally, academically and professionally.

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 | qc_honors@qc.cuny.edu

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Prepare for Registration

- Complete Your File
- Placement Information
- Prepare for Registration

Complete Your File!

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

- [Advanced Placement \(AP\)](#)
- **Non – CUNY** College Preparatory Coursework
- High School Transcript and Proof of Graduation
- [College Level Examination Program \(CLEP\)](#)
- [International Baccalaureate \(IB\)](#)
- A – Levels

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

Placement Information

First-Year Writing

Before your advising session please review the [First Year Writing Guide](#) for important information about your required writing courses. ENGL 110 is the first course in our writing sequence, but additional options are available for students who may benefit from extra support. Be ready to share your writing course preference during your session.

ESL/Reading & Writing Placement

If you are a new or continuing student and have not met your [CUNY Reading and Writing Proficiency Requirements](#), please refer to the [Testing Office](#) for guidance and next steps.

Math Placement

To determine which Math course you should begin with, review the [Math Placement Information](#). If you have additional questions, you may email the [Math Department](#) at MathPlacement@qc.cuny.edu.

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Prepare for Registration

Before your one-on-one advising session with a professional academic advisor, review the [Spring 2026 Pathways Course Offerings Listing](#) to identify General Education requirements and courses that interest you.

You may also begin building a “shopping cart” of potential courses using [Schedule Builder](#) via CUNYfirst. For guidance, refer to the [CUNYfirst Student Center tutorials](#).

Stay on Track towards your QC Bachelor's Degree

Take

15

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.

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Important Reminders

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- **Billing Process**
 - **Financial Aid/Excelsior Scholarship**
 - **Immunization Information**
 - **QC Technology Accounts**
 - **QC Resources**
 - **NEXT STEPS**

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](#).**

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Financial Aid

- Maintain a full-time credit load. Aim to complete **15 credits** per semester/30 per academic year.
- Courses must apply towards your declared major/minor, General Education requirements, or necessary general electives.
- 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 – **Sunday, February 1, 2026**
- When in doubt, speak with an academic or financial aid advisor.

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

▪ Please visit www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior for eligibility requirements and more information.

APPLY TODAY!!! (See HESC website for details and deadline)

Excelsior Scholarship

A banner image showing a diverse group of students in a classroom setting. Overlaid on the image is the text 'Excelsior Scholarship Application' and 'Putting Students First'.

Excelsior Scholarship Application

Putting Students First

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 for more information.

[VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR APPLICATION DEADLINE](http://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior)



Immunization Information

MMR/MEN IMMUNIZATION RECORDS

Before submitting your **MMR/MEN** [Immunization Records](#) 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 [meningitis response form](#). 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. [Click here](#) for more information.

[Health Services Office](#)

Healthquestions@qc.cuny.edu

Frese Hall, 3rd Floor | 718-997-2760

QC Technology: Accounts and Access



CAMS

QC Username
and Email

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, Wi-Fi on campus, and obtaining your college ID card, as well as other college web-based applications

CUNYfirst

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

Office 365

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

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Be Sure to Utilize Resources

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 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.