

## QUEENS COLLEGE FACT SHEET

### FALL 2025

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Queens College Website	<a href="http://www.qc.cuny.edu">http://www.qc.cuny.edu</a>
Queens College at a Glance	<a href="https://www.qc.cuny.edu/communications/wp-content/uploads/sites/21/2023/09/QC_at_a_Glance_23.pdf">https://www.qc.cuny.edu/communications/wp-content/uploads/sites/21/2023/09/QC_at_a_Glance_23.pdf</a>
Academic Calendar	<p><a href="#">Online Academic Calendar</a> Each semester lasts 15 weeks. There is one week of final exams:</p> <p><b>Fall 2025:</b> August 25, 2025 – December 21, 2025</p> <p><b>Spring 2025:</b> End of January 2026 – End of May 2026</p>
Nomination & Application Deadlines	<p><b><u>FALL 2025/AY 25-26 DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b>Nomination:</b> Mon., March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025  <b>Application:</b> Mon., March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025</p> <p><b><u>SPRING 2026 DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b>Nomination:</b> Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025  <b>Application:</b> Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025</p>

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Incoming Website for Partners & Students	<a href="https://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/sa/incoming-exchanges/">https://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/sa/incoming-exchanges/</a>
Study Abroad Office Website	<a href="http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad">http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad</a>

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Course Offerings

Students can enroll in any course while at Queens College as long as they have met the pre-requirements (if any).

Exchange applicants are encouraged to explore the different departments before arrival on the Queens College Website.

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.

#### **Students can only take 4 classes (12 credits)**

- 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 not 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).
- If a graduate student would like to study at Queens College, he/she must enroll in undergraduate classes.
- Music students must audition.

**March/April** - Fall courses are posted on CUNYFirst.

**Early November**- Spring courses are posted on CUNYFirst.

**Course Search:** In order to search classes, students must follow this [link](#).

<b>Course Offerings (Cont'd)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the link does not work, try using a different browser.</li> </ul> <b>Institution:</b> Select: Queens College <b>Term:</b> 2025 Spring Term (until 2025 Fall Term is posted, but note that classes change from one semester to the next) → Next <b>Subject:</b> [Select your desired subject] <b>Course Career:</b> Undergraduate
<b>Duration of Exchange</b>	Fall Semester/Spring Semester/Academic Year
<b>Course Load</b>	4 courses per semester = 12 Credits MANDATORY
<b>Grading System</b>	Letter Grades and Grade Point Equivalents 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
<b>Explanation of Grading System</b>	Excellent (A+, A, A-) Very good (B+, B, B-) Average (C+, C) Poor (C-, D+, D) Failure (F)
<b>LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT</b>	<p><b><u>MINIMUM SCORES TO BE ELIGIBLE:</u></b></p> <p><b>TOEFL iBT: 61</b>  <b>IELTS: 6</b>  <b>Pearson Academic: 44</b>  <b>Duolingo: 95</b></p> <p>We also accept:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TOEFL MyBest Scores</li> <li>TOEFL iBT Home Edition</li> </ul> <p><b><u>IMPORTANT:</u></b>        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><b>NOMINATION &amp; APPLICATION INFORMATION</b></p>	<p><b><u>FALL 2025/AY 25-26 DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b>Nomination:</b> Mon., March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025  <b>Application:</b> Mon., March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025</p> <p>Partners should forward our application documents to their nominees, and then should submit their nominees' application documents in one email.</p> <p><b>We will only be accepting digital applications via email:</b> <a href="mailto:blanche.zahran@qc.cuny.edu">blanche.zahran@qc.cuny.edu</a> / <a href="mailto:bzahran@qc.cuny.edu">bzahran@qc.cuny.edu</a></p> <p>For each nominee, please email us just <b>one PDF/student</b> that contains all of the <b>application documents in order and one separate JPEG/PNG Portrait Photo/student</b>.</p> <p>So, if you nominate 2 students, kindly send us 2 PDFs and their JPEG/PNG pictures.</p> <p><b>(See Step-by-Step Instructions for more information)</b></p>
<p><b>NOMINATION &amp; APPLICATION INFORMATION (CONT'D)</b></p>	
<p><b>Deadlines for Registration</b></p>	<p>Students should register for courses <b><i>immediately</i></b> after we email them their 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"> <li>• <b>Fall/Academic Year:</b> End of August/1<sup>st</sup> week of September</li> <li>• <b>Spring:</b> End of January/1<sup>st</sup> week of February</li> </ul>
<p><b>Enrollment</b></p>	<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 CUNYfirst Student ID and how to enroll for classes.</p>
<p><b>Language of Teaching</b></p>	<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"> <li>• <b><u>Foreign Language Classes Offered:</u></b> Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Modern Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish</li> </ul>

## VISA INFORMATION

<p><b>Visa Requirements</b></p>	<p><b>Students must apply for a J-1 Visa to study at Queens College.</b> When the students have sent all the required materials a part of the application, they will be sent the visa paper work 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>
<p><b>Health Coverage</b></p>	<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” &amp; “7b. International Insurance Providers List” for more details.</p> <p>Here is one suggestion for you:  <a href="http://www.isoa.org/">http://www.isoa.org/</a></p> <p>Please follow these steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Apply and pay for health insurance online</li> <li>- If an American address is needed when purchasing insurance, please use the following address:</li> <li>- 64-80 Kissena Blvd Flushing, NY 11367 U.S.A. (This is the address for the Summit dormitory the Queens College on campus dormitory)</li> <li>- Once you have purchased your health insurance, you will receive a bill/receipt. Bring this copy of your paid health insurance bill with you to America.</li> </ul> <p>It must be given to the International Student services Office at Queens College. 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><b>Health Coverage (Continued)</b></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"> <li>1. Obtain a letter on letterhead from the department wanting to hire you.</li> <li>2. Email the letter and your DS-2019 form (Visa Letter) to Patrick O’Connell:  <a href="mailto:Patrick.Oconnell@qc.cuny.edu">Patrick.Oconnell@qc.cuny.edu</a>.</li> <li>3. Go to the nearest Social Security office</li> </ol>
<p><b>Working in the U.S.</b></p>	

	<p>4. You will receive a social security card in two-four weeks.</p> <p>5. More detailed steps <a href="#">here</a> -The information is designed for F-1 degree seeking students, but it also applies to J-1 students</p> <p>Again, this mainly applies to yearlong students since the process is so lengthy.</p>
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ARRIVAL INFORMATION	
<b>IMPORTANT DATES</b>	<p><b><u>Dorm Payment Deadline</u></b> Mid-August</p> <p><b><u>Mandatory Arrival Date &amp; Dorm Move-In Day</u></b> End of August (<i>Exact Date Coming Soon...</i>)</p> <p><b><u>Mandatory Orientation:</u></b> End of August (<i>Exact Date Coming Soon...</i>)</p> <p><b><u>First Day of Classes:</u></b> Monday, August 25th, 2025</p> <p><b><u>Last Day to Switch Classes:</u></b> Sunday, August 31st, 2025</p> <p><b><u>Last Day of Spring 2025:</u></b> Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025</p>
<b>MANDATORY Orientation (Arrive <u>BEFORE</u> this date)</b>	<p><b><u>Fall Semester:</u></b> End of August (<i>Exact Date Coming Soon...</i>)</p> <p><b><u>Spring Semester:</u></b> End of January</p>
<b>Housing</b>	<p>Students should apply for housing as soon as they submit their exchange applications!</p> <p><b>On-campus housing is first-come, first-served, and <u>not guaranteed</u>.</b></p> <p>Priority is given to Academic Year students. Spring students also have a higher chance of securing a dorm room.</p> <p>That being said, our students are usually able to obtain a room; but this also depends on the number of residents in the dorm, so <b><u>students should be open to off-campus housing, as well.</u></b></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"> <li>• <b>Be sure to let the Summit know that you are only staying at Queens College for Fall 2025 <u>BEFORE</u> signing the contract</b></li> <li>• Yearlong students who apply to the dorm must stay there both semesters.</li> </ul>

**Housing**  
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- 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 2024 – 2025 Prices:**

- **Shared Double Room: \$6,400 per semester**
- **Single Occupancy Room: \$8,250 per semester**
  - **AY 2025-26 prices are not yet available**
  - **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/>
- [www.qc.cuny.edu/housing](http://www.qc.cuny.edu/housing)

**On Campus Housing Application (HERE)**

- Check off “International Student” at the top. This will allow you to insert international numbers.
- Under “**Guarantor Information**,” submit your parents’ information. Under “**Guarantor Information**,” submit your parents’ information.
- Be sure to read the “**Terms and Conditions**” carefully.
- **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.citihabitats.com/new-york-real-estate/exclusive-buildings/other-queens/the-opal/30>
- <http://www.nyhabitat.com/new-york-apartment/furnished>
- <http://jumpoffcampus.com/>
- <https://www.studenthousing.org/buildings>
- <http://newyork.craigslist.org/que>
- [http://www.zillow.com/homes/Flushing-Queens-New-York-NY\\_rb/](http://www.zillow.com/homes/Flushing-Queens-New-York-NY_rb/)  
 (Change from “For Sale” to “For Rent”)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://www.trulia.com/for_rent/40.709079853747,40.756428377198,-74.029749776073,-73.947352315135_xy/14_zm/">https://www.trulia.com/for_rent/40.709079853747,40.756428377198,-74.029749776073,-73.947352315135_xy/14_zm/</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://streeteasy.com/for-rent/nyc">http://streeteasy.com/for-rent/nyc</a></li> <li>• <a href="http://jcsa.com/">http://jcsa.com/</a> (In Japanese)</li> </ul> <p>Some of our students have also found housing through Facebook.</p>
<b>Transportation</b>	<p>Students commuting to campus can purchase a monthly Metro Card, which can be used on subways and busses and costs \$132 per month for an unlimited card or \$2.90 per ride. More information <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
<b>Exchange Student Activities &amp; Arts &amp; Events Fee</b>	<p><b><u>ARTS AND EVENTS FEE</u></b>  <b>(\$250 – Mandatory – Due at Orientation)</b>  <i>This fee was increased due to inflation in NYC.</i></p> <p>The Queens College Study Abroad Office brings students on cultural events &amp; excursions within the 5 boroughs of New York City to Shows, Sports Games, Bowling, Central Park Tours, Lunches, 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>
<b>Queens College Student Clubs &amp; Activities</b>	<p>There are dozens of <a href="#">clubs</a> 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>
<b>Students with Disabilities</b>	<p><b><u>Mission Statement:</u></b> 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><b>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.</b></p> <p>Further information can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>