



Spring 2025 Freshman Key Points Checklist

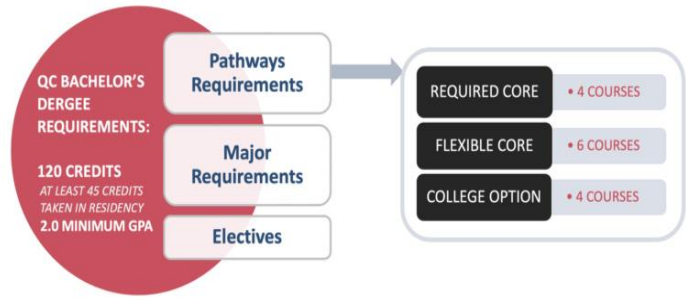
This document is intended to assist you in preparing for your **Freshman Advising and Registration Session**.

Please be sure to read it carefully and complete this checklist. Detailed information regarding all Key Points are included in the [Freshman Advising Webpage](#) – 10 Steps to Complete BEFORE and AFTER your session!

All students at Queens College must complete CUNY Pathways (general education) requirements and a major area of study. Your general education courses give you the opportunity to study a broad range and variety of subjects, while your major courses explore a particular discipline in depth.

The Pathways framework has three parts: **Required Core**, **Flexible Core**, and **College Option**. All students must complete two **Writing Intensive courses**, which may overlap with courses taken for Pathways or Major requirements. At Queens College, the Pathways curriculum is an education in the liberal arts and sciences.

These courses form the foundation of your college studies, ensuring that whatever your field of expertise, you'll always be able to draw on a well-rounded educational background.



- Refer to the [Spring 2025 Pathways Course Offerings Listing](#) and begin to identify classes you would like to take to satisfy the QC Core Requirements. You may identify more than one for each category.
- [Explore Majors at QC](#) - All students are required to [declare](#) and complete one major to earn their degree.
- How many credits would you like to take next semester?**
 - **Note:** A minimum of 12 credits is required to be a full-time student. Take 15 credits per semester to stay on track to earn 30 credits per year and graduate in 4 years. Utilize the winter and summer semester to catch up on credits. If receiving the Excelsior Scholarship, you must earn 30 credits per academic year to maintain the scholarship.
 - **Time Management:** School and work are not the only things that take up time in your schedule. You must include time for commuting, family responsibilities, social life, personal care, and – of course- sleep!
- Submit all official score reports (AP, IB, etc.) and official transcripts to [Undergraduate Admissions](#) for evaluation.
- Contact the [Math Department](#) for placement if interested in a major in the Sciences, Math, Business, Computer Science
- Setup your [Technology Accounts](#): CUNYfirst, CAMS, & QMAIL (student email).
- Tuition Payment: **Once classes begin – Saturday, January 25th for Spring 2025 – you are financially and academically responsible for them.** Adding, dropping, and swapping may incur financial liabilities.
 - Each semester, Financial Aid will be based on the coursework that you are registered for **by 11:59pm on the Last Day to Add a Class. For Spring 2025 the deadline is Friday, January 31, 2025.** This means if you are registered for fewer than 12 credits or the wrong courses, you may only receive part-time aid or no aid at all.
 - Please refer to the [Bursar's Office Newsletter](#) and [Financial Aid Services](#) for details.

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- Peers provide individual mentoring support to new undergraduate students to aid in your journey to thrive academically and socially during your first year at QC.