

**QUEENS COLLEGE FACT SHEET**  
**FALL 2023**

**If the COVID-19 situation worsens, incoming study abroad for Fall 2023 is subject to be cancelled at any time.**

<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Queens College Website</b>	<a href="http://www.qc.cuny.edu">http://www.qc.cuny.edu</a>
<b>Queens College at a Glance</b>	<a href="https://www.qc.cuny.edu/ab/qc-at-a-glance/">https://www.qc.cuny.edu/ab/qc-at-a-glance/</a>
<b>Academic Calendar</b>	<p><a href="#">Online Academic Calendar</a>            Each semester lasts 15 weeks. There is one week of final exams:</p> <p><b>Fall 2023:</b> Friday, August 25, 2023 –            December 20, 2023</p> <p><b>Spring 2024:</b> End of January 2024 –            End of May 2024</p>
<b>Nomination &amp; Application Deadlines</b>	<p><b><u>FALL 2023 DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b>Nomination:</b> Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>  <b>Application:</b> Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup></p> <p><b><u>SPRING 2024 DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b>Nomination:</b> Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>  <b>Application:</b> Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup></p>

<b>OFFICE DETAILS</b>	
<b>Director &amp; Exchange Programs Coordinator</b>	<p><b>Patrick F. O’Connell</b>            Interim Executive Director of QC Global            Phone: +1-718-997-4440  <a href="http://www.qc.cuny.edu/OGEI">www.qc.cuny.edu/OGEI</a></p> <p><b>Blanche Zahran</b>            Exchange Programs Advisor            Email: <a href="mailto:Blanche.Zahran@qc.cuny.edu">Blanche.Zahran@qc.cuny.edu</a>            Tel: +1-718-997-4909</p>
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<b>Address</b>	<b>Queens College, CUNY</b> <b>Study Abroad Office</b> <b>King Hall, Room 203</b> <b>65-30 Kissena Blvd.</b> <b>Flushing, N.Y. 11367</b>
<b>Telephone &amp; Fax</b>	Tel: +1-718-997-5125 Fax: +1-718-997-5055
<b>UPDATED:</b> <b>Incoming Website for Partners &amp; Students</b>	<a href="https://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/sa/incoming-exchanges/">https://www.qc.cuny.edu/academics/sa/incoming-exchanges/</a>
<b>Study Abroad Office Website</b>	<a href="http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad">http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad</a>

### ACADEMIC INFORMATION

<b>Course Offerings</b>	<p>Students can enroll in any course while at Queens College as long as they have met the pre-requirements (if any).</p> <p>Exchange applicants are encouraged to explore the different departments before arrival on the Queens College Website.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>Students can only take 4 classes (12 credits)—NO EXCEPTIONS.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In general, <b>Exchange Students are not allowed to take English “W” courses, as they are very intensive.</b> Exceptions may be made for English majors. This rule does not apply to native speakers.</li> <li>• Education classes are <u>not</u> guaranteed.</li> <li>• BALA (Business) may have restrictions on the number of BALA courses one student can take</li> <li>• Students—with the exception of music students—are also not allowed to take Graduate Courses (700-level Courses).</li> <li>• If a graduate student would like to study at Queens College, he/she must enroll in undergraduate classes.</li> <li>• Music students must audition.</li> </ul> <p><b>October or November-</b> Spring courses are posted on CUNYFirst.  <b>March-</b> Fall courses are posted on CUNYFirst.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Course Offerings (Cont'd)</b></p>	<p><b>Course Search:</b> In order to search classes, students must follow this <a href="#">link</a>.          If the link does not work, try using a different browser.</p> <p><b>Institution:</b> Select: Queens College  <b>Term:</b> 2023 Fall Term          → Next  <b>Subject:</b> [Select your desired subject]  <b>Course Career:</b> Undergraduate</p>																																				
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Explanation of Grading System</b></p>	<p>Excellent (A+, A, A-).          Very good (B+, B, B-).          Average (C+, C).          Poor (C-, D+, D).          Failure (F).</p>																																				
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT</b></p>	<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>IMPORTANT:</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>																																				
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Deadlines for Registration</b></p>	<p>Students should register for courses <i><b>immediately</b></i> 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:        Fall/Academic Year—1<sup>st</sup> week of September        Spring –1<sup>st</sup> week of February</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><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 style="text-align: center;"><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 style="text-align: center;"><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 style="text-align: center;"><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 style="text-align: center;"><b>Working in the U.S.</b></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 from the department wanting to hire you.</li> <li>2. Take the letter and your DS 219 form (VISA letter) and go to the International office –King Hall, 207 and speak to Patrick O’Connell.</li> <li>3. Go to the nearest Social Security office</li> <li>4. You will receive a social security card in two weeks.</li> </ol>

	Flushing Social Security Office 138-50 Barclay Ave Flushing, NY – 11355
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<b>ARRIVAL INFORMATION</b>
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<b>IMPORTANT DATES</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Dorm Payment Deadline</u></b>          To Be Determined          (Around August 18th)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Move-In Day (Dorms)</u></b>          To Be Determined          (Around August 22nd)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Mandatory Orientation:</u></b>          Around August 23rd  <i>(To Be Confirmed)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Welcome Day:</u></b>          Thursday, August 24th  <i>(To Be Confirmed)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>First Day of Classes:</u></b>          Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Last Day to Switch Classes:</u></b>          Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Last Day of Fall 2023:</u></b>          Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup></p>
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<b>MANDATORY Orientation (Arrive BEFORE this date)</b>	<p><b><u>Fall Semester:</u></b> Around August 23<sup>rd</sup> <i>(To Be Confirmed)</i></p> <p><b><u>Spring Semester:</u></b> End of January <i>(To Be Announced)</i></p>
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<b>Housing</b>	<p>Students should apply for housing AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!</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, but again, it is <b><u>NOT</u></b> guaranteed, so <b><u>students should be open to off-campus housing, as well.</u></b> Spring semester students also have a higher chance of securing a room.</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>• If you no longer want the room, DO NOT sign the contract.</li> <li>• Students who sign a contract with the Summit and then cancel are subject to a <a href="#">cancellation fee</a> (at least \$1,000 as of Fall 2019).</li> </ul>
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**Housing**  
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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 2022-2023\* Prices:**

- **Shared Double Room:** \$5,847/semester
- **Single Occupancy Room:** \$7,600/semester

○ **\*AY 2023-24 Prices Coming Soon...**

- **Dorm prices change every year and are likely to increase in the future.**

For more information about our dorms, please consult the following websites:

- <http://queenscollegehousing.com/floor-plans/>
- <http://queenscollegehousing.com/>

**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.

**Dorm Payment**

Information on paying for the dorm can be found [HERE](#).

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”)
- [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/)
- <http://streeteasy.com/for-rent/nyc>
- <http://jcsa.com/> (In Japanese)

Some of our students have also found housing through Facebook.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Transportation</b></p>	<p>Students commuting to campus can purchase a monthly Metro Card, which can be used on subways and busses and costs \$127.00 per month for an unlimited card or \$2.75 per ride. More information <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Queens College also has a free <a href="#">shuttle bus</a> that takes students to nearby subway stations.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Exchange Student Activities &amp; Arts &amp; Events Fee</b></p>	<p><b><u>ARTS AND EVENTS FEE</u></b>  <b>(\$200 – Mandatory – Due at Orientation)</b></p> <p>The Queens College Study Abroad Office brings students on cultural events &amp; excursions within the 5 boroughs of New York City to Broadway Shows, Sports Games, Bowling, Central Park Tours, Lunches, Dinners, 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>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Queens College Student Clubs &amp; Activities</b></p>	<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>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Students with Disabilities</b></p>	<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>