

INFORMATION SHEET Academic Year 2017-2018

GENERAL INFORMATION	
Queens College Website	http://www.qc.cuny.edu
Queens College at a Glance	http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/Glance/Pages/default.aspx
Academic Calendar	Fall 2017:August 25, 2017 – December 20, 2017Spring 2018:January 27, 2018 – May 24, 2018Each semester lasts 15 weeks. There is one week of final exams.
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Education Abroad Office Website	http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudyAbroad	
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 CUNY first and search for classes offered the following semester. There is no guarantee you will get all the desired courses. 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. October or November- Spring courses are posted on CUNYFirst. March- Fall courses are posted on CUNYFirst. This link is a search that students can use to explore the departments 	
	to see which classes are offered currently. <u>https://home.cunyfirst.cuny.edu/psp/</u> <u>cnyepprd/GUEST/HRMS/c/</u> <u>COMMUNITY_ACCESS.CLASS_SEARCH.</u> <u>GBL?FolderPath=PORTAL_ROOT_</u> <u>OBJECT.HC_CLASS_SEARCH_GBL</u> <u>&IsFolder=false&IgnoreParamTempl=FolderPath</u> <u>%25252cIsFolder</u>	
Duration of Exchange	Fall Semester/Spring Semester/Academic Year	
Course Load	4 courses per semester = 12 Credits	



Grading System	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
Explanation of Grading System	Excellent (A+, A, A-). Very good (B+, B, B-). Average (C+, C). Poor (C-, D+, D). Failure (F).
Deadlines for Nominations	NOMINATION DEADLINES Fall or Academic Year in NY- Spring in NY- <mark>September 15th</mark>
Application	When students are nominated by the home university, Queens College will send the application material to the home university contact to be then disbursed to the students. All application materials must be received either in the specified form stated on the instructions in order for the application to be complete. Students receive the instructions when given the application. <u>APPLICATION DEADLINE</u> Please email us a PDF of each student's completed application, before <u>mailing us the hard copy</u> of application materials Fall/Academic Year— March 26 th Spring—October 15 th
Deadlines for Registration	Students should register for courses <i>immediately</i> after we email them their Registration Information. Courses fill up quickly. When exchange student finally select classes, the deadline to add/drop courses is as follows: Fall/Academic Year—1 st two weeks of September Spring –1 st week of February



Enrollment	Four 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.
Language of Teaching	All courses are taught in English, unless they choose to enroll in Language courses during the semester

VISA INFORMATION	
Visa Requirements	Students must apply for a J-1 Visa to study at Queens College. 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.
Health Coverage	You must purchase health insurance for your entire stay in the United States before you travel to the United States. You can use an insurance company from your own country or an international company. Here is one suggestion for you: http://www.isoa.org/ Please follow these steps: - Apply and pay for health insurance online - If an American address is needed when purchasing insurance, please use the following address: - 64-80 Kissena Blvd Flushing, NY 11367 U.S.A. (This is the address for the Summit dormitorythe Queens College on campus dormitory) - 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. It must be given to the International Student services Office at Queens College.bill with you to the States. It must be given to the International Student services Office at Queens College. For your medical insurance- write the following address: King Hall Rm. 203, 65-30 Kissena Blvd Flushing, NY 11367 U.S.A.
Working in the U.S.	You can work on campus but you must complete the following: 1. Get a letter from the department wanting to hire you.



	 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. Go to the nearest Social Security office You will receive a social security card in two weeks. Flushing Social Security Office 138-50 Barclay Ave Flushing, NY - 11355	
ARRIVAL INFORMATION		
MANDATORY Orientation (Arrive BEFORE this date)	Fall Semester: August 24 th , 2017 CUNY-Paris Students: August 23 rd , 2017 Spring Semester: last week of January 2018	
Housing	The application for housing should start after students are nominated. On-campus housing is first-come, first served and <u>NOT</u> guaranteed. Priority is given to Academic Year students. Students who sign in for two semesters will not be allowed to change housing from on Campus to off campus after the end of the first semester. On Campus Housing On-campus housing can range from \$6,010 (shared double room) - \$7,537 (single occupancy room) per semester. For more information about our dorms, please consult the following websites: http://queenscollegehousing.com/floor-plans/ http://queenscollegehousing.com/ Off Campus Housing To look for housing off campus, you will need to do an online search. Here are some off campus housing resources: 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 https://www.zillow.com/homes/Flushing-Queens-New-York- NY_rb/	



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Transportation	Students commuting to campus can purchase a monthly Metro Card, which can be used on subways and busses and costs \$121.00 per month. Queens College also has a free shuttle bus that takes students to nearby subway stations.
Student Activities	There are dozens of clubs 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. <u>http://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudentLife/Pages/default.aspx</u>
Students with Disabilities	 Mission Statement: 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. 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. Further information can be found at: https://sl.qc.cuny.edu/oss/index.php