



## **INFORMATION SHEET**

### **Academic Year 2019-2020**

<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="http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/Glance/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.qc.cuny.edu/about/Glance/Pages/default.aspx</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 2019:</b> End of August – End of December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Final Examinations:</u> Mid-End of December</li> </ul> <p><b>Spring 2020:</b> End of January – End of May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Final Examinations:</u> Mid-End of May</li> </ul>
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<b>ACADEMIC INFORMATION</b>	
<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). 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 get all the desired courses.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Education classes are <u>not</u> guaranteed.</p> <p>Students—with the exception of music students—are also not allowed to take Graduate Courses (700-level Courses).</p> <p><b>October or November-</b> Spring courses are posted on CUNYFirst. <b>March-</b> Fall courses are posted on CUNYFirst.</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>
<b>Duration of Exchange</b>	Fall Semester/Spring Semester/Academic Year
<b>Course Load</b>	4 courses per semester = 12 Credits
<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



	<p>B+ 3.3 87–89</p> <p>B 3.0 83–86</p> <p>B- 2.7 80–82</p> <p>C+ 2.3 77–79</p> <p>C 2.0 73–76</p> <p>C- 1.7 70–72</p> <p>D+ 1.3 67–69</p> <p>D 1.0 60.0–66</p> <p>F 0.0 below 0-59</p>
<b>Explanation of Grading System</b>	<p>Excellent (A+, A, A-).          Very good (B+, B, B-).          Average (C+, C).          Poor (C-, D+, D).          Failure (F).</p>
<b>Nomination &amp; Application</b>	<p><b><u>DEADLINES:</u></b>  <b><u>FALL/ACADEMIC YEAR</u></b>          Nomination: February 15<sup>th</sup>          Application: March 26<sup>th</sup></p> <p><b><u>SPRING</u></b>          Nomination: September 15<sup>th</sup>          Application: October 15<sup>th</sup></p> <p>When students are nominated by the home university, Queens College will send the application materials to the home university, who should forward them to their students.</p> <p>Please email us a PDF of each student's completed application, before <b><u>mailing us the hard copy</u></b> of application materials:</p> <p>QUEENS COLLEGE, CUNY          Mohamed Tabrani          Study Abroad Office          King Hall, Room 203          65-30 Kissena Blvd.          Flushing, N.Y. 11367          USA</p>
<b>Deadlines for Registration</b>	<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:          Fall/Academic Year—1<sup>st</sup> week of September          Spring —1<sup>st</sup> week of February</p>



<b>Enrollment</b>	Around 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.
<b>Language of Teaching</b>	<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>Foreign Language Classes Offered:</b> Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Modern Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish</li> </ul>

<b>VISA INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Visa Requirements</b>	<p><b>Students must apply for a J-1 Visa to study at Queens College.</b></p> <p>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>
<b>Health Coverage</b>	<p>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:  <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 dormitorythe 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. It must be given to the International Student services Office at Queens College. It must be given to the International Student services Office at Queens College.</li> </ul> <p>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>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. Get 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> <p>Flushing Social Security Office 138-50 Barclay Ave Flushing, NY - 11355</p>
<p><b>ARRIVAL INFORMATION</b></p>	
<p><b>MANDATORY Orientation</b> <b><u>(Arrive BEFORE this date)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Fall Semester:</u></b> Last week of August (To Be Announced)  <b>CUNY-Paris Students:</b> Last week of August (To Be Announced)  <b><u>Spring Semester:</u></b> last week of January (To Be Announced)</p>
<p><b>Housing</b></p>	<p>Students should apply for housing AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! <b>On-campus housing is first come, first served and <u>NOT guaranteed</u>.</b> 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></p> <p>Students who sign up for two semesters will not be allowed to change housing from on campus to off campus after the end of the first semester.</p> <p><b><u>On Campus Housing (The Summit Dorms)</u></b>  <b><u>AY 2018-19:</u></b> On-campus housing ranged from \$6,190 (shared double room) - \$7,763(single occupancy room) per semester.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dorm prices change every year.</li> </ul> <p>For more information about our dorms, please consult the following websites:  <a href="http://queenscollegehousing.com/floor-plans/">http://queenscollegehousing.com/floor-plans/</a>  <a href="http://queenscollegehousing.com/">http://queenscollegehousing.com/</a></p> <p><b><u>On Campus Housing Application</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Under “<b>Guarantor Information</b>,” submit your parents’ information.</li> <li>• Be sure to read the “<b>Terms and Conditions</b>” carefully.</li> </ul>

## Dorm Payment

### Paying Dorm Fees At Once

There are two options that students can utilize in order to pay their dormitory fees at once:

**International Wire Transfer**

**eCheck**

### Paying by Card - Payment Plan

#### Payment Plan

While students were allowed to pay their full dorm fee by card in the past, this is no longer an option.

Students wishing to pay by card must enroll in a payment plan. The dorm fee will be paid in different installments (it will **NOT** be paid all at once; instead, a portion of the fee will be taken out each month). The **enrollment fee** for the payment plan is a one-time payment of **\$95 per semester**

## Housing (Continued)

### 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>
- [http://www.zillow.com/homes/Flushing-Queens-New-York-NY\\_rb/](http://www.zillow.com/homes/Flushing-Queens-New-York-NY_rb/)
- [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)

## 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.



<b>Student Activities</b>	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.
<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 at: <a href="https://sl.qc.cuny.edu/oss/index.php">https://sl.qc.cuny.edu/oss/index.php</a></p>