

Founded in 1831, New York University is one of the largest private universities in the United States. The University, which includes 18 schools, colleges and institutes, occupies five major centers in New York City. There are more than 50,000 students enrolled in all of our schools.

NYU comprises the following colleges and schools: College of Arts and Science, Liberal Studies, School of Law, School of Medicine, College of Dentistry, Graduate School of Arts and Science, The Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, Leonard N. Stern School of Business, School of Professional Studies, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, Silver School of Social Work, Tisch School of the Arts, the Gallatin School of Individualized Study, College of Global Public Health, and the Tandon School of Engineering.

The center of NYU is the Washington Square campus in the heart of Greenwich Village. One of the city's most creative and energetic communities, the Village is a historic neighborhood that has attracted generations of writers, musicians, artists, and intellectuals. Beyond the Village, New York City becomes an extension of the University's campus. In addition to its Manhattan locations, the University is also located in Brooklyn with the second oldest school of engineering and technology in the country, and has numerous research facilities.

## Available NYU Schools & Faculties Open to Exchange Students through the NYU International Exchange Program

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### Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate exchange students are not assigned to specific schools or faculties. Undergraduate exchange students have access to all undergraduate courses offered at NYU, provided that they meet the course's requirements and space is available. Please refer to the *Course Registration, Availability and Restrictions* section for more details.

### Graduate Students\*

Graduate exchange students may apply to the faculties below, and their application must be accepted by the department to which they are applying. In reviewing the application, departments will be evaluating students based on academic achievement, as well as the applicant's academic fit with the department in terms of past coursework taken and research interests.

- Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS) (select departments)
- Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development
- Silver School of Social Work (all departments)
- Tisch School of the Arts (Department of Cinema Studies and Performance Studies, Fall semester only)

## Application Deadlines

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### *Fall Semester or Full Year*

- Nominations should be submitted to NYU by **February 1st**
- Applications are due **February 15th**

### *Spring Semester*

- Nominations should be submitted to NYU by **September 1st**
- Applications are due **September 15th**

## Admission Requirements

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### Application Materials

#### Undergraduate Students

A complete online application, includes:

- Statement of purpose
- Signed agreement to terms and conditions of exchange program
- English Language test report (see below)
- Course Preferences
- Official copies of all undergraduate academic transcript, grade reports, or mark sheets (and certified translations)

#### Graduate Students

A complete online application, includes:

- Statement of purpose
- Signed agreement to terms and conditions of exchange program
- English Language test report: TOEFL or IELTS (see below)
- Course preferences
- NYU Graduate School and corresponding Department
- Official copies of all **undergraduate** academic transcripts, grade reports, or mark sheets (and certified translations) and copy of diploma or degree certificate
- Official copies of all **graduate** academic transcripts, grade reports, or mark sheets (and certified translations)
- Two letters of reference from the home institution's faculty
- Updated Resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV)

### English Language Proficiency Testing

Students are required to submit English language test results to demonstrate English proficiency. All students must include with their applications an **official copy** of their test results before the application deadline. The results cannot be more than **2 years old** by application submission.

| Accepted Tests:                            | Required for which Students?                             | We do not have any minimum test score requirements, but competitive applicants will receive:  |
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| TOEFL iBT                                  | Accepted for <u>undergraduate or graduate</u> applicants | 100 minimum total score required on the internet-based test with no less than 22 on any section<br><b>Note:</b> we strongly recommend that applicants' writing and speaking sections have a combined score of at least 47 |
| IELTS Academic                             | Accepted for <u>undergraduate or graduate</u> applicants | Score of 7.0 with no less than 6.0 on any section<br>Note: we strongly recommend a 7.5 minimum score and that the applicants' writing and speaking sections have a combined score of at least 14                          |
| PTE Academic                               | Accepted for <u>undergraduate</u>                        | 70 and above  |
| Cambridge English: Advanced or Proficiency | Accepted for <u>undergraduate</u>                        | 191 and above   |
| Duolingo English Test                      | Accepted for <u>undergraduate</u>                        | 130 and above   |
| iTEP-Academic Plus                         | Accepted for <u>undergraduate</u>                        | 4.5 and above   |

### English Language Proficiency Testing Exemption

The following **undergraduate** students are exempted from submitting an English Language Proficiency test:

- The student is enrolled in a degree program where the official language of instruction is 100% in English.
  - Your international office must reach out to the exchange coordinator via email to confirm that you are enrolled in a degree program where the official language of instruction is 100% in English.
- A national from a majority native English speaking country (Americas, United Kingdom, Australia, Ireland etc...). Passport is required.
- Home University is based in a majority native English speaking country (Americas, United Kingdom, Australia, Ireland etc...). Passport is required.

Each **NYU Graduate** school and Faculty has different English proficiency exemption requirements. Please reach out to the NYU Exchange Coordinator ([international.exchange@nyu.edu](mailto:international.exchange@nyu.edu)) if you have any questions.

## Application Process

### Nominations

Partner schools will receive a link to our nomination portal no later than a month before the nomination deadlines. See deadlines above. Within the portal, school representatives will be required to fill the following information:

- *Nominator Information:* Name, Email, Institution
- *Student Information:* Name, Email, Date of Birth, Legal Sex, Course Level (Undergraduate or Graduate), Term Desired, NYU Site Location
- *Official Transcript:* Can be Uploaded by Nominator or Student at a later date
- *Test Scores:* Test Type, Test Score and Test Report

### Student Application

All students will receive a unique link to their application via a study away portal after the nomination deadline when their nomination has been reviewed. Students should not submit any other application to NYU unless prompted to submit the International Exchange application by The Office of Global Programs. Within the portal, **Graduate students** will also be prompted to select an available NYU Graduate School and corresponding Graduate Department and related courses.

## Academics

### Academic Calendar

#### Fall 2025 Semester

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| First day of classes       | September 2, 2025                      |
| Fall Break                 | October 13, 2025                       |
| Holiday: Thanksgiving Day  | November 27, 2025 - November, 28, 2025 |
| Last Day of Classes        | December 11, 2025                      |
| Reading Day (Exam Prep)    | December 12, 2025                      |
| Fall semester examinations | December 15, 2025 - December 19, 2025  |
| Winter Recess              | December 22, 2025 - January 1, 2026    |

## Spring 2026 Semester

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|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| First day of classes         | January 20, 2026                |
| Holiday: President's Day     | February 16, 2026               |
| Spring Break                 | March 16, 2026 - March 20, 2026 |
| Last Day of Classes          | May 5, 2026                     |
| Reading Day (Exam Prep)      | March 6, 2026                   |
| Spring semester examinations | May 7, 2026 - May 13, 2026      |

*Calendar Subject To Change. Please visit the [NYU Academic Calendar](#) for the most up to date calendar*

### Credit System

Undergraduate students who participate in the International Exchange Program must register for a minimum of 12 credits or maximum of 18 credits of coursework during each semester at NYU to be considered full-time. Graduate students must register for a minimum of 9 credits of coursework during each semester at NYU to be considered full-time. The maximum number of credits Graduate students can enroll in is at the discretion of the department. Most courses are 4 credits. However, across the University, some courses may range from 1-8 credits. Please consult the relevant school course listings.

### Course Registration, Availability and Restrictions

A list of courses currently being offered can be found on [NYU's Public Course Search on Albert](#). On Albert Public Course Search you can find more information about the course descriptions, instruction mode, course location, course dates and times, and more. Courses that will be offered during the next semester are usually listed on the website by November (for the following Spring semester courses) or March (for the following Fall semester courses).

NYU will make every effort to assist exchange students to register for the courses they request. However, students should understand that not all courses listed in the school bulletins will be offered each semester, and some courses will have limited enrollment capacity and/or prerequisites that may prevent them from enrolling in the course. In addition, several undergraduate departments restrict enrollments by non-majors until after students majoring in that discipline have enrolled, including:

- All departments in the Stern School of Business
- Most departments in Tisch School of the Arts, with the exception of Open Arts courses in the Spring semester
- Most departments in Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development
- Most departments in the College of Nursing

- Some departments in the College of Arts and Science (Economics, Biology and Computer Science and Math in the Courant Institute of Mathematics)
- Many departments in Tandon's School of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Integrated Digital Media, and Biomolecular Sciences)

Due to the large number of NYU students who study off-campus during the Spring term, it is typically easier to enroll in high-demand courses during the Spring semester. Please note that courses in popular majors such as Computer Science, Mathematics and Economics are often oversubscribed and can be very challenging to get into for non-majors, regardless of the semester of attendance.

After an **Undergraduate** student has been accepted into the exchange program, they will work with **Global Programs New York City (GPNYC)**, who will guide them throughout the course registration process.

**Graduate** students should request registration information from the department into which they have been accepted. In general, graduate students may only take classes within their desired major of study unless granted special permission from their admitted school/department.

## Immigration

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You need to obtain your visa before arriving in the United States. You must apply for the visa as far in advance as possible to allow maximum time for processing. You may not be allowed to enroll for courses at NYU if you do not have the proper documentation.

The NYU Office of Global Services (OGS) will assist you with any questions regarding requirements for student visas. Admitted students will be required to provide a copy of their valid passport and documentation showing financial support. Students are provided with a Certificate of Eligibility (DS-2019) and an official letter of acceptance upon receipt of their passport copy and financial documentation. Students should check with their own consulate regarding the cost of their Visa to the USA.

## Cost of Attendance

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Partnership agreements through the NYU International Exchange Program grant a tuition and registration fees waiver to exchange students since students must pay their home school tuition and fees. Unless your University has an agreement with NYU that states otherwise, students are responsible to pay to NYU charges associated with student health insurance, housing, meal plans, Office of Global Services fee, and unique course fees.

Students receive electronic bills directly from the NYU Office of the University Bursar and are responsible for paying balances in US dollars. Information about payments including how to pay via wire transfer is available on the [NYU Bursar web page](#).

**Scholarships:** All exchange students receive tuition waivers; however, there are no other scholarships available for exchange students through NYU. Contact your home institution to see if your university has a partnership agreement with NYU that includes any form of compensation.

## Health Insurance

A specific NYU health insurance policy is required. Exchange students are automatically enrolled in the NYU Comprehensive Plan. Students can choose to downgrade to the NYU Basic Plan by completing an online form. The following are the health insurance rates for the 2024-2025 academic year:

| Insurance Coverage Type | Annual<br>8/21/24-8/20/25 | Fall<br>8/21/24-1/8/25 | Spring<br>1/9/25-8/20/25 |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Basic</b>            | \$4,177                   | \$1,614                | \$2,563                  |
| <b>Comprehensive</b>    | \$4,644                   | \$1,794                | \$2,850                  |

Please note: the insurance fee for the Spring and Summer semesters is combined; it is not possible to separate this charge into Spring and Summer semesters individually.

The 2024-2025 Student Health Insurance Brochure can be found on [NYU's Student Health and Insurance](#). In the brochure you can find a full summary of benefits for the Basic Plan and Comprehensive Plan.

## Health Insurance Waiver

If a student already has medical insurance that offers equivalent or greater coverage than that required by NYU, the student may request to waive the Comprehensive fee by completing an online waiver (additional information provided after admission).

To avoid being obligated to pay for two health insurance plans, please do not purchase another health insurance plan before your request to waive NYU insurance is approved. Your waiver will not be processed until the NYU Student Health Insurance Services confirms that your insurance plan meets the University's requirements.

Students will be asked to submit a copy of their insurance identification card and insurance policy, translated into English, for evaluation before the waiver can be approved. Before students purchase an insurance plan that may be unacceptable for waiving, they should follow the instructions for waiving the

health insurance [here](#).

## Housing

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Exchange students have the option to apply for a room in an NYU managed residence hall and live with other NYU students but **NYU Housing is not guaranteed**. Residence halls offered to exchange students vary from apartment-style with shared kitchen areas to traditional hall style, although most will be placed in apartment-style housing. Please note that housing is not guaranteed, and we are better able to accommodate exchange student housing requests in the Spring semester.

New York University is committed to the educational and personal development of its students and views the experience of residence hall living as contributing to this development. We provide rewarding residence hall living for about 12,000 graduate and undergraduate students in 21 locations throughout New York City. For more information about on campus housing options, please visit [NYU's On Campus Living website](#).

Exchange students may indicate if they are interested in living on campus in their exchange program application; they also have another opportunity to indicate interest in housing after acceptance. An online housing waitlist application is available to students after they are accepted into the exchange program. Students who enroll at NYU in the spring semester will have their housing assignments e-mailed to their NYU email address in early January and students who enroll in the fall semester will have their assignments e-mailed to their NYU email address in mid-August.

## Living Expenses (Estimates only)

Currency in the United States is the US dollar. For current currency exchange rates, please visit [www.xe.com/ucc](http://www.xe.com/ucc) or [www.oanda.com](http://www.oanda.com).

- **On-Campus Housing:** \$5,120 – \$13,360 per semester (2024-2025 housing rates). Please visit the [Housing Rates and Payments website](#) for more information.
- **Food/Meals:** University meal plans range from \$1,616 to \$3,225 per semester (2024-2025 rates) depending on the plan and campus location. For more meal plan info visit [NYU's Meal Plan Website](#). Meal plans are required for students living in NYU Housing.
- **Books:** ~\$300-500 per semester.
- **Local transportation:** varies; approximately \$25 - \$132 per month.

In general, you can expect your regular monthly living expenses (excluding housing costs) to be at least \$1200-\$1500.

## NYU Office of Residential Life and Housing Services Contact

- 726 Broadway, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor
- New York, NY 10003
- e-mail: [housing@nyu.edu](mailto:housing@nyu.edu)



- If students choose to live off-campus, NYU has created [this web page](#) which provides guidance on how to find an apartment for rent in New York City and the surrounding area.

## Useful Websites

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- NYU Website: <http://www.nyu.edu>
- College of Arts and Science bulletin: <http://bulletin.cas.nyu.edu/page/home>
- Graduate School of Arts and Science Bulletin: <http://bulletin.gsas.nyu.edu/page/home>
- Classes: [https://sis.nyu.edu/psc/csprod/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/NYU\\_SR.NYU\\_CLS\\_SRCH.GBL](https://sis.nyu.edu/psc/csprod/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/NYU_SR.NYU_CLS_SRCH.GBL) (for registration details and a list of courses that are currently being offered at NYU)
- Housing and Dining: <http://www.nyu.edu/life/living-at-nyu.html>
- Health Insurance: <http://www.nyu.edu/life/safety-health-wellness/student-health-center.html> (for information on health insurance and the University Health Center)
- Office of Global Services: <http://www.nyu.edu/ogs> (to learn about student visas and for other information relevant to international students)
- Moses Center for Student Accessibility: <https://www.nyu.edu/about/leadership-university-administration/office-of-the-president/office-of-the-provost/office-of-studentaffairs/student-health-center/moses-center-for-student-accessibility.html>

## Frequently Asked Questions

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*Q. What university facilities are open to exchange students?*

A. Most facilities that are open to full-time matriculated students are open to exchange students as well. Of course, the university libraries and computer labs are open to all students. Exchange students are also eligible to use the University Health Center and counseling services (fees will vary depending on the student's specific health insurance policy). In addition, there are a variety of student counseling and tutoring services offered on campus. Help with finding internships or academic-related employment is available at the [Wasserman Center for Career Development](#), which also provides assistance in resume-writing and interview skills.

NYU has a variety of sports teams and intramurals offered to everyone, as well as two fully-equipped sports centers/gymnasiums open to all NYU students (404 and Palladium). Palladium was opened in 2002, and features a great selection of brand new machines, an Olympic swimming pool, a rock climbing wall, and television screens to watch during your work-out. However, exchange students are not allowed to participate in the NYU NCAA Division III athletics teams. For more information on sports and gym facilities at NYU, please visit their [website](#).

*Q. Do exchange students have to purchase a meal plan?*

A. NYU requires all first-year students irrespective of academic status, living in residence halls to participate in an NYU Dining Meal Plan. If living on campus, you will automatically be assigned an NYU Meal Plan that can be adjusted. Students living off-campus are not required to have a meal plan, but may select any meal plan option. There are twelve different dining facilities where meal plans can be used, including one kosher café and five traditional buffet dining halls. There are twelve different meal plans available, ranging in price from \$1,616 to \$3,225 per semester. For more meal plan info visit [NYU's Meal Plan Website](#).

*Q. Are there clubs and student organizations available at NYU?*

A. The university offers a variety of clubs and organizations, including over 300 student run clubs. If you do not find a club that suits your interest you are welcome to get a few other interested students together and form your own unique club. The Center for Student Life organizes the student run clubs. For more information on current clubs or starting a club, please visit: <https://www.nyu.edu/students/getting-involved/clubs-and-organizations.html>.

*Q. Is it possible to extend the expiration date of my visa?*

A. Students on J-1 visas are allowed a grace period of up to thirty days after the expiration date of their visa before they must leave the country. Similarly, students may arrive in the U.S. no more than 30 days before the starting date of their visas.

In some cases, students may petition to have their visas extended if they are engaged in an internship (academic training) or other work project that is intrinsically related to and necessary for their program of study.

For answers to other questions about visas, travel, employment and other issues related to international students in the U.S., please visit the website of NYU's Office of Global Services, [www.nyu.edu/ogs](http://www.nyu.edu/ogs)