

Introduction for International Students

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A wide-angle photograph of the Columbia University campus. In the foreground, a large, dark bronze statue of a seated figure, likely a historical figure, is positioned on a raised platform. Behind the statue, a wide, paved walkway leads towards a large, multi-story brick building with many windows, some of which are illuminated. The building has a classic architectural style with arched windows and a flat roof. To the right of the main building, there is a taller, more modern-looking building. The sky is overcast, and the overall atmosphere is that of a busy university campus.

Columbia University: Overview

- Top Ten global university
- 20 Schools, 200+ institutes and research centers
- 4,205 full-time faculty
- 32,032 students from 153 countries
- 84 Nobel Prize winners

Living in New York City

Home to thousands of multinational companies

Important industries and landmarks

Living laboratory for students

Broadway theater and great museums

24,000+ restaurants



Introducing The School of Professional Studies

- Innovative and market-driven programs
- Faculty with strong academic and professional backgrounds
- Programs span from pre-college to graduate degrees:

17 MS Degrees

Summer Sessions

16 Certificate Programs

Pre-College Programs

Post-Baccalaureate Studies

American Language Program

Visiting Student Programs

Online Courses

Want to learn more?

Check out:

<http://sps.columbia.edu/>

to see what all our
programs have to offer!

Study any time of the year



Spring

January 11-
April 26, 2021



Summer

May 3 – August 6, 2021



Fall

September 8 –
December 23, 2020



Program Options for International Students

Visiting Students (Fall & Spring)

Take credit courses with Columbia students

Create a customized program of study with an academic advisor

Choose from over 3,000 courses in 100 subject areas:

<http://www.columbia.edu/cu/bulletin/uwb/>

12 credits per term (length: 12 weeks)

***TOEFL 100 Required**

Visiting Students: Summer Sessions Courses

Choose course from 100 subject areas including:

International Affairs Economics Statistics
Psychology Business Biotechnology American Studies
Environmental Studies Chemistry Computer Science
Social Sciences Technology and Information Studies
Film Studies Engineering Mathematics Communication
Negotiation Education Political Science Human Rights

12 credits per term (length: 12 weeks) or 6 credits per term (length: 6 weeks)

**2 courses per session; TOEFL 100 required*

Certification Programs

Pursue a subject of interest for academic and career development

- Actuarial Science
- Bioethics
- Business
- **Critical Issues in International Relations***
- Enterprise Risk Management
- **Human Rights***
- Narrative Medicine
- Sustainability Analytics
- Sustainable Water Management
- Sustainable Finance
- **United Nations Studies***

12 Credits (4 courses), TOEFL 100 required.

*Offered in the summer only

Advanced Certificate Programs

Advanced preparation for graduate school and career advancement

- [Advanced Graduate Certificate in Business](#)
- [Biotechnology](#)
- [Advanced Graduate Certificate in Classics](#)
- [Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology](#)
- [Psychology](#)
- [Quantitative Studies for Finance](#)

24 Credits (about 8 courses), alumni benefits, and OPT eligible, TOEFL 100 required.

Business School Cross-Registration

- One week window before classes start to cross-register
- Only open to post-baccalaureate and graduate visiting students.
- You can apply for 3 MBA courses and if space permits applicants can enroll for 1 course per semester.
- Only courses with open capacity will be made available for cross-registration.

For more details:

<http://www8.gsb.columbia.edu/programs/mba/academics/classes/cross-registration>



Columbia Resources

Academic Resources

Academic Advising

- One-on-one meetings with an academic advisor
- Customized academic plans

Writing Center

- Workshops available
- By appointment or drop-in

University Events and Lectures



columbia.edu/events/today.html

Columbia Resources

22 libraries

Use computers, copiers, and printers with your Columbia ID

Study spaces for quiet study, sociable study, and group study

Butler Library open 7 days a week

For more information, go to: library.columbia.edu

Fitness Center



Full gym | Running track | Pool
Fitness classes | Personal training | Tennis Courts

A wide-angle photograph of the Metropolitan Museum of Art's neoclassical facade. The building features a series of tall columns and large arched windows. In the foreground, a busy city street is visible with several yellow taxis in motion, blurred to indicate speed. A large group of people is gathered on the wide steps leading up to the museum entrance. The sky is overcast with grey clouds.

PASSPORT TO NEW YORK

Free entry to 34 NYC museums and discounts at participating restaurants, theatre and performing arts

For more information, go to <http://artsinitiative.columbia.edu>

More to do and see...

- Empire State Building
- Museum of Modern Art
- Times Square
- World Trade Center memorial
- Shop on 5th Ave.
- Metropolitan Museum of Art
- New York Public Library
- High Line park
- Film festivals
- Street fairs
- Bryant Park
- Rockefeller Center
- Central Park
- Little Italy
- China Town
- West Village
- Wall Street
- NYC pizza
- Rent a Citi Bike
- Stroll around Alphabet City



Housing Options



Housing

On-Campus housing is only available for summer students.

For more information, visit:
<https://housing.columbia.edu/>



Off-Campus Housing Assistance (OCHA)

<https://ocha.facilities.columbia.edu/>

Telephone: 212-854-2773

401 West 119th Street

Monday through Friday
between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00
p.m.



Useful Housing Websites

- Various options in NYC: *<http://sps.columbia.edu/alp/student-resources/housing-dining-and-health>*
- International House: *www.ihouse-nyc.org*
- NYC Rental Guidelines: *www.housingnyc.com*
- Rental Market Report: *www.citi-habitats.com/market.php*

The background image shows the University of Michigan Law School building, a large neoclassical structure with a prominent dome and a portico of columns. To the left is another large building, and in the distance, a Gothic-style tower is visible. The scene is set against a sky with scattered clouds. A solid teal color is overlaid on the entire image. A thin white horizontal line is positioned above the text.

Application Requirements

Application Checklist

Online application form
\$80 application fee (waived)
Official transcript from
university, translated by World
Education Services
GPA: 3.0 and above
Statement of Purpose
TOEFL or IELTS Score
I-20 application for F-1 visa
Application Code: EDUDEN



Important Note on WES Evaluations



WORLD EDUCATION SERVICES

If your post-secondary credentials are from an institution outside of the United States, the Office of Admissions also requires you to submit a World Education Services, Inc. (WES) course-by-course evaluation for admissions consideration.

This requirement is waived for students applying to our undergraduate visiting student program.

Programs with Additional Requirements

- *Certification Programs - resume, standardized exam*

Please check School of Professional Studies Summer website for more detailed application information.

F-1 Visa Requirements

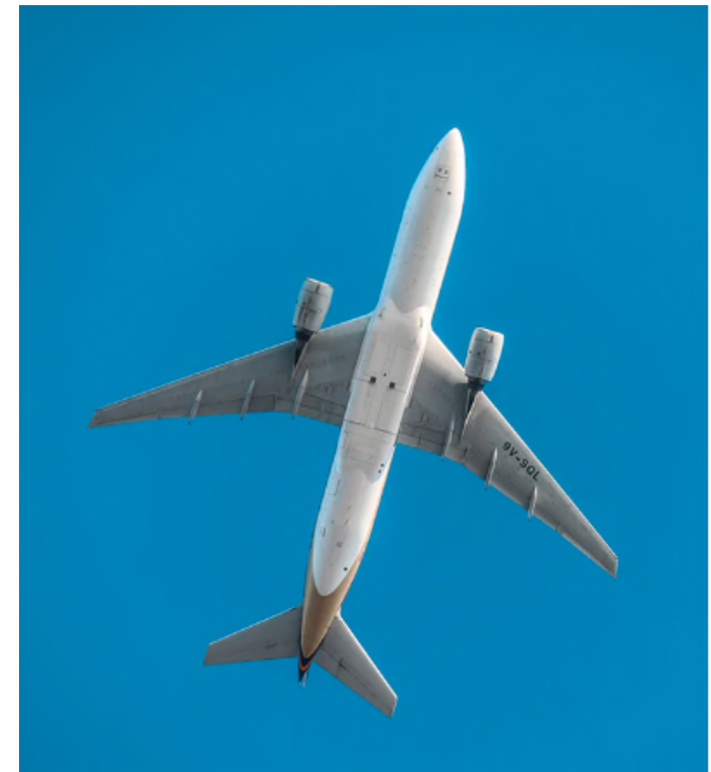
International students on an F-1 visa must take a full-time course load:

Summer term:

- 6 credits (2 courses) for each 6-week session
- 12 credits (4 courses) for each 12-week session

Fall/Spring semesters:

- 12 credits (4 courses)



Apply Online

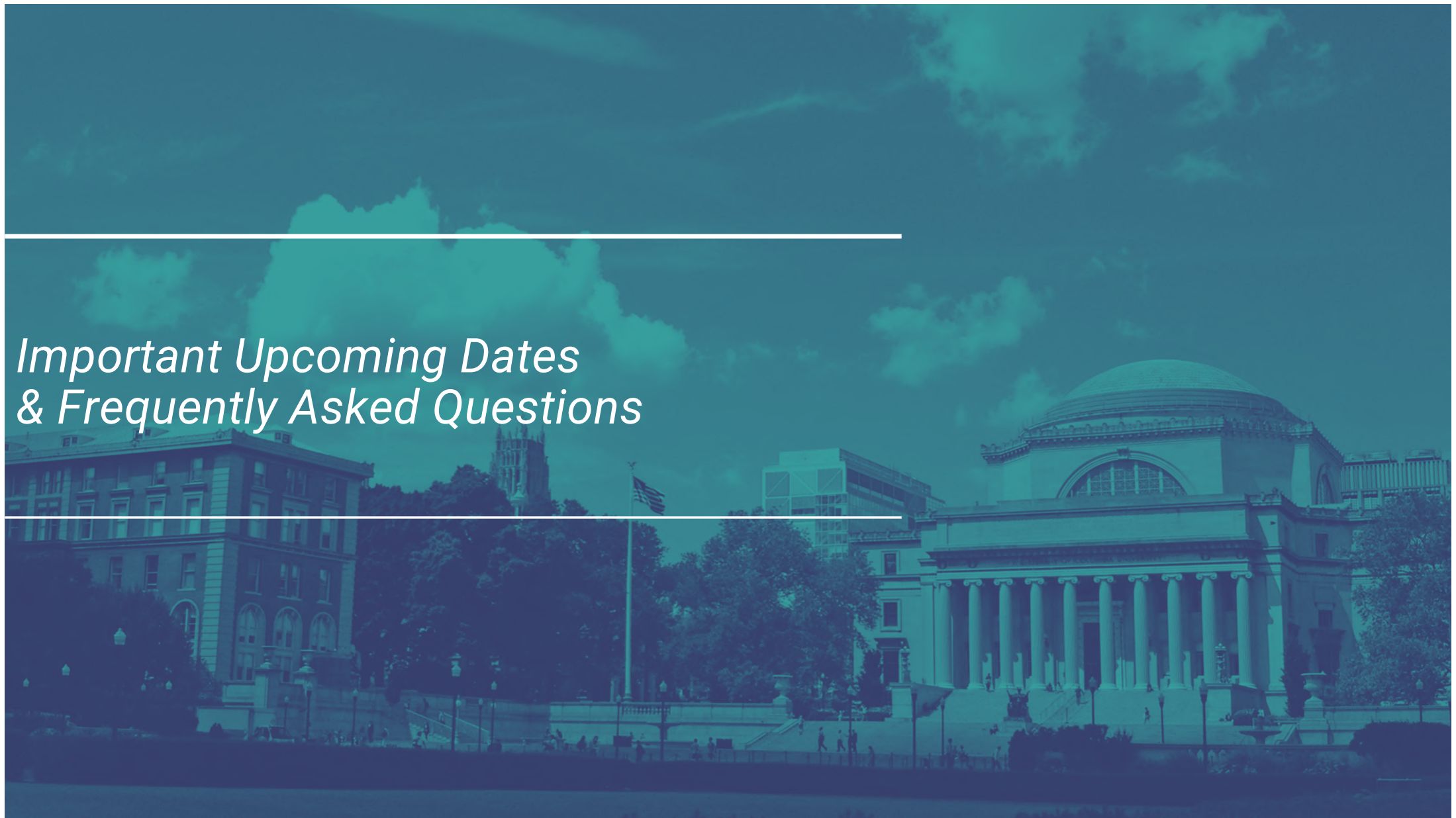
Visiting
Students

APPLY NOW

*Contact EDU for more information
regarding the application process*

**Application Code: EDUDEN*





Important Upcoming Dates & Frequently Asked Questions

Tuition and Fees

Tuition for Visiting Student Program (\$2,132 per credit x 12)	\$25,584
Estimated Fees	\$ 1,600
Health Insurance (One Semester)	\$ 1,400
Estimated Living Expenses, 4 months in New York City	<u>\$ 12,600</u>
Total estimated cost for one semester	\$ 41,184

Tuition: <http://sps.columbia.edu/visiting-students/tuition-and-fees>

Insurance: <http://health.columbia.edu/student-insurance/about-columbia-insurance-plan>

** Tuition and fees are subject to change as per Board of Trustee approval.*

Important Spring Dates and Deadlines

Spring Application Deadline: **November 15th**

Spring Semester Starts: **January 11th**

Spring Semester Ends: **April 26th**

FAQs

- Is my English proficiency requirement satisfied if I went to in the U.S. or if I completed my bachelors and/or masters degree in English school?
- When will I get a decision?
- Can I select specific courses when I apply?
- Can I defer enrollment?

Questions

