



COLUMBIA SUMMER 2013

Information for International Visiting Students

*Broaden your education.
Expand your horizons.*

Study at Columbia University in New York City this summer

- An Ivy League university experience
- A world-class faculty
- A historic campus in Manhattan

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

SUMMER SESSIONS 2013

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The Columbia University Summer Sessions offers a wide variety of undergraduate and graduate-level courses taught by Columbia and visiting faculty. The courses are academically rigorous, but you will also sample the vibrancy of New York City while you learn. Summer students have access to a state-of-the-art student center, gym, and recreational facilities, as well as one of the largest library collections anywhere.

Columbia welcomes students to take courses in either or both of the Summer Sessions:

First six-week session (D): May 28–July 5, 2013
Second six-week session (Q): July 7–August 16, 2013

In order to be eligible for a student visa, students must register for at least 6 points of credit (usually 2 courses) in a six week session or 12 points of credit (usually 4 courses) in the entire 12-week summer period. Students may select courses from any of the following subject areas:

American Studies

Anthropology

Arabic Summer Program

Architecture

Art History and
Archaeology

Astronomy

Biological Sciences

Business

Chemistry

Classics

Composition and Rhetoric

Computer Science

Creative Writing

Drama and Theatre Arts

Earth and Environmental
Sciences

East Asian Languages and
Cultures

Ecology, Evolution, and
Environmental Biology

Economics

Engineering

English and Comparative
Literature

English for Speakers of
Other Languages

Film Studies

French and Romance
Philology

Fundraising

Germanic Languages and
Literatures

Greek

History

Human Rights

International Affairs

Italian

Latin

Latin American and
Caribbean Studies

Mathematics

Middle Eastern, South
Asian and African Studies

Music

Philosophy

Physics

Political Science

Premed

Psychology

Religion

Russian Language

Slavic Languages and
Literature

Sociology

Spanish and Portuguese

Statistics

Visual Arts

For a list of summer courses, click the following link, and then click the name of a subject:
<http://ce.columbia.edu/summer/courses>

Key Information

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be an enrolled graduate or undergraduate student in good standing
- Minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA
- TOEFL: 100

Application Process

INTERESTED STUDENTS CAN ACCESS THE ONLINE APPLICATION BY CLICKING:
<https://app.applyyourself.com/?id=col-sce>

- To ensure that you have enough time to obtain your F-1 visa prior to departure, it is strongly recommended that students have their application complete with all supporting documents by:

SUMMER SESSION	APPLICATION DEADLINE	PROGRAM DATES
Session D	March 15	May 28–July 5
Session Q	April 15	July 8–August 16

- The required supporting documents are:
 - *Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended*
 - *English language proficiency test results*
 - *Resume (for those applying to Certificate Programs)*
- Admissions decisions will be delivered 1–2 weeks after an application is complete with supporting documents. Decision notification will be delivered through the online application system.
- Admitted students are required to submit a course Registration Form (you will receive a link to this in your decision letter), and should do so as soon as possible to reserve space in your desired classes.

Housing

Limited campus housing is available for students enrolled in the Summer Sessions and the American Language Program.

Rate: approximately \$1,500 for each session.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition

\$8,724 for two courses (6 points)

Fees

This listing is intended to summarize possible charges that could be incurred against a student's account. Certain charges depend upon specific circumstances, as noted. Fees that are not billed to the student account, such as course fees or placement test fees, may be required but are not listed here.

Student Activity Fee	\$30.00
International Services Charge	\$50.00
Transcript Fee	\$95.00
University Facilities Fee/Student Life Fee	\$179.00 – fewer than 12 points \$361.00 – 12 points or more.
Health Service Fee	\$196.00

Residential students are required to enroll in the Health Service Program.

Please note: *X-rays, laboratory tests, prescriptions, or care by a specialist outside of Health Services will be in the financial responsibility of the student and his/her medical insurer. Visiting summer students are not eligible for Columbia's Student Medical Insurance Plan, and are advised to provide themselves with appropriate coverage.*

Other fees

Fees for the following situations:

Withdrawal Fee (required of any student who drops all courses for which he or she has registered)	\$75.00
Course-Related Fees	varies by course

Visa Application Process

Students should begin compiling the visa application materials now, since they will need to be submitted to the International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO) no later than April 29, 2012. It will take ISSO approximately three weeks to process completed visa applications.

The following materials must be submitted:

- A photocopy of the letter or email of admission from the admissions office of your school
- A photocopy of the identification page of your passport. If you do not have a passport, be sure to enter your name on the AVC form EXACTLY as it is on your passport application.
- A signed and dated letter from you describing how you will pay for your tuition, fees and living expenses for the summer.
- Documents that show that you have enough funds available now for your tuition, fees and living expenses. Please note that in 2011 the total amount required in the documentation had to be equal to \$11,727. The 2012 amount will likely increase by 3%.

Information about your funding documents

It is very important to remember that you must prove you can pay for your studies twice--first to the ISSO before we issue an I-20 and again to the Consular Officer who decides whether to issue your entry visa.

Your funding documents must show that the estimated cost of tuition, fees and living expenses are readily available liquid assets. Readily available liquid assets include checking or savings accounts, money market accounts, or certificates of deposit (time deposits) with maturity dates of less than one year.

The following funding documents ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE under any circumstances: investment portfolios of any kind (equities, bonds, mutual funds, etc.), retirement plan accounts, tax returns or other tax filing documents, deeds to any real estate, leases with rental income, etc. If you plan to use money from the sale of investments or the sale of real estate or personal items (such as your car), you must sell the investment or property or item and place the proceeds of the sale into a checking or savings account, a money market account or a certificate of deposit (time deposit) with a maturity date of less than one year.

The ISSO cannot issue your I-20 until you have clearly shown that you have available funds that equal or exceed your estimated expenses for the year.

Additional Programs Offered by the School of Continuing Education

The School of Continuing Education (SCE) offers professional master's degrees, ten levels of English language instruction, and access to hundreds of Arts and Sciences courses through its Postbaccalaureate Studies program.

American Language Program

Whether your goal is to attend an American university or achieve professional success in the United States, our intensive programs are designed to dramatically increase your proficiency with written and spoken English. The American Language Program offers a unique educational and cultural experience.

<http://ce.columbia.edu/alp>

Master's Degree Programs

Rigorous, professionally oriented degree programs for working students who seek intensive training in a particular field.

- Actuarial Science
- Bioethics
- Communications Practice
- Information and Knowledge Strategy
- Narrative Medicine
- Negotiation and Conflict Resolution
- Sustainability Management

Postbaccalaureate Studies

Access to classes in the Arts and Sciences for graduate school preparation or professional advancement for qualified individuals with bachelor's degrees. Numerous certificate programs are also available.

The Postbaccalaureate Studies and Certificate Programs offer qualified individuals with bachelor's degrees the opportunity to take University courses for graduate school preparation and career advancement. Advisors help students develop a customized course of study. Certificates are offered in in biotechnology, business, classics, critical issues in international relations, ecology, evolution, and environmental biology, executive education in strategic communications, psychology, quantitative studies for finance, and United Nations studies.

Whatever your academic goals, we look forward to welcoming you to Columbia University this summer!