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Columbia University provides an array of opportunities for highly qualified international students and professionals to immerse themselves in a culture of excellence at a world class teaching and research university.

Open to students and professionals at many levels of their educational and career paths, gateway programs offer many opportunities.

Achieve Your Academic and Professional Goals

- Enhance your academic record
- Change your academic direction
- Transfer credits earned
- Build credentials for graduate study
- Earn a master's degree
- Prepare for leadership roles in the professions of the future
- Compete successfully in the international job market
- Improve your English language and cross-cultural communication skills

Broaden Your Horizons

- Live in the most exciting city in the world
- Experience the arts and culture of New York City
- Develop a global network of colleagues and friends
- Enjoy an intellectually rigorous learning experience
- Access world-class faculties and libraries

In order to qualify for a student visa through Columbia University, students must be enrolled in full-time study for 12 or more points (the equivalent of four courses). Students must be in good academic standing to be considered for admission. TOEFL iBT score requirements vary by program. If you do not meet the English proficiency requirement, you may take American Language Program English courses in advance or concurrent with for-credit coursework. Please visit ce.columbia.edu/prospective-students/international-students-introduction for more information on the application process.

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WHY COLUMBIA?

At Columbia University you will find an historic Ivy League university renowned for its scholarship and teaching excellence situated in the dazzling city of New York—the “city that never sleeps.” This is Columbia.



Among the Nation's Top 10

Columbia consistently ranks among the top 10 universities in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* survey. Founded in 1754, Columbia University in the City of New York is a leading academic and research university. Columbia continually seeks to advance the frontiers of knowledge and to foster a campus community deeply engaged in understanding and addressing the complex global issues of our time.

Crossing Academic and Professional Boundaries

The mission of the Columbia University's School of Continuing Education is to transform knowledge and understanding in service of the greater good. Our innovative and rigorous programs integrate knowledge across disciplinary boundaries, combine theory with practice, leverage the combined expertise of our students and our faculty, and connect global constituencies.



A Unique Campus

Columbia's beautiful Morningside campus houses all of the School of Continuing Education's activities, from academics to student life and athletics. It is also home to great science research facilities; and the Schools of Law, Business, Engineering, the Arts, International and Public Affairs, Graduate Arts and Sciences, and General Studies, Columbia College, and Teachers College.



In the Heart of a Vibrant City

Columbia offers the unique experience of a true college campus in the middle of New York City, with endless opportunities for enrichment. New York City has something for every taste and interest. A truly international city, New York welcomes students from around the globe to take explore the arts and culture, attend opera at the Met, go to a Broadway theater production, visit the world-class museums, walk through Central Park, and explore the Village, Chelsea, Soho and all of Manhattan's neighborhoods. The city's safe, reliable public transportation systems make all that the city has to offer convenient and accessible.



VISITING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

Our Visiting International Student Programs may be for you if you are currently enrolled in a bachelor's or master's degree program at another college or university and you want to take courses for credit. The program will help you to:

- enhance your academic record
- take courses for transfer to your home institution
- change your academic direction
- refine your English language and cross-cultural communication skills
- build credentials for graduate study

ACADEMIC YEAR STUDY



Visiting international students may enroll in full-time study for a summer term, a fall or spring semester, or a full year in a wide variety of undergraduate- and graduate-level courses, certificates and programs in over 50 areas of study, taught by Columbia's distinguished faculty. The School's academic advisors help students select a program or build a customized program that meets your academic and professional goals.. They help you select courses and introduce you to the wide array of services offered through the University. As a visiting student at Columbia you will gain access to all campus facilities; one of the 10 largest academic library systems in the country, computer labs, the gym and fitness center, as well as numerous cafes and lounges all over campus.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

In order to qualify for a student visa through Columbia University, students must be enrolled in full-time study for 12 or more points (the equivalent of four courses). Students must be in good academic standing, meet criteria for admission required by each program, and present a TOEFL iBT score of 100+ to be considered for admission. If you do not meet the English proficiency requirement, you may take American Language Program English courses in advance or concurrent with for-credit coursework.

For more information, visit
ce.columbia.edu/visiting-students

SUMMER SESSIONS

Make the most of your summer by taking fascinating, challenging courses and certificate programs taught by Columbia's distinguished faculty and visiting professors. Offering hundreds of courses throughout the Arts and Sciences, Summer Session courses extend and complement the academic year for visiting students, and they open the intellectual and physical resources of the University to international students seeking career and academic enrichment.

COURSES FOR VISITING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Visiting international students may enroll for a summer term in a wide variety of undergraduate- and graduate-level courses in over 50 areas of study, taught by Columbia's distinguished faculty.

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SUMMER CERTIFICATES

Certificates for Undergraduate Students Only

- Business Edge

Certificates for both Undergraduate and Graduate Students

- Critical Issues in International Relations
- Human Rights
- United Nations Studies

Certificates for Graduate Students Only

- Biotechnology
- Business
- Quantitative Studies for Finance

Certificates for Executives

- Executive Education in Global Communications

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SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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For more information, visit
ce.columbia.edu/summer

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The Postbaccalaureate Studies Certificate Programs (PSCP) may be for you if you already hold a bachelor's degree and wish to prepare yourself for graduate school or academic or professional advancement. You have the opportunity to take University courses and develop a unique program based on your needs, or you may follow a specific, prescribed curriculum in numerous subject areas. Certificates require completion of four to eight courses.

Biotechnology

The program is ideal for college graduates with little or no background in biology who want graduate school preparation in biotechnology. The course plan is also useful for those interested in a career change or likely to work in fields that interact with the biotechnology industry, such as business or law.

Business

The program provides a comprehensive overview of the core fields of business. Through the rigorous curriculum, students master business fundamentals, and develop specialized knowledge in marketing, finance and management, while strengthening their strategic thinking skills. International students must either complete their coursework exclusively online, or take on-campus courses exclusively as a full-time student.

Business Edge

This program helps undergraduate students gain the fundamental business skills necessary to distinguish themselves in their field and to bolster their resume with a certificate from Columbia University.

Classics

The curriculum is designed to improve the linguistic skills necessary for graduate study in classics and classical studies. It also prepares students for doctoral programs in ancient history, art history, philosophy, religion and medieval studies.

Critical Issues in International Relations

Jointly offered by Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs and School of Continuing Education, the program provides intensive study in the theory and practice of modern international politics. **SUMMER ONLY**

Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Biology

The program develops competency in the core sciences related to environmental biology—chemistry, biology, earth sciences, statistics and conservation biology.

Human Rights

Offered by the Institute for the Study of Human Rights at Columbia University through the School of Continuing Education, the curriculum emphasizes a multifaceted approach, focusing on economics, gender, and legal issues relating to the international struggle for human rights. **SUMMER ONLY**

Psychology

The program is for college graduates who did not major in psychology but who want graduate school preparation in the field.

Quantitative Studies for Finance

The program is for college graduates who have some background in mathematics and statistics and want graduate school preparation in the mathematics and statistics of finance and financial engineering.

United Nations Studies

Jointly offered by Columbia's School of International and Public Affairs and School of Continuing Education, students explore the role of the United Nations Security Council in international peacekeeping and the U.N.'s economic development activities.

SUMMER ONLY

Executive Education in Global Communications

This two-week summer program teaches corporate communications executives to develop and practice effective communications strategies to respond to the challenges and opportunities presented by operating in the global marketplace.

Sustainability Analytics

The program provides prospective graduates with the expertise to use sustainability-related information across any enterprise. The courses focus on key topics in reporting, accounting, metrics and indices, as well as monitoring procedures.

Sustainable Water Management

The program will equip professionals with the advanced skills and knowledge of integrated water management and water systems analysis. It will introduce concepts of hydrology, public policy and regulation, economics, finance, and conflict resolution to provide sophisticated and multidisciplinary training at the nexus of science, social science and public policy.

Postbaccalaureate Studies

Qualified individuals with bachelor's degrees who do not wish to pursue a structured certificate program may work with an advisor and design their own course of study, drawing on over 50 subject areas.

For more information, visit
ce.columbia.edu/postbac

Additional certificate programs are in development,
expanding our suite of programs through 2013.

TOEFL iBT score requirements vary by certificate program.

GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS



Our Master of Science (M.S.) degree programs may be for you if you are seeking to acquire essential knowledge and skills, advance your career, and compete successfully in the international job market in one of several new and emerging professions—the professions of the future. Our professional master’s programs prepare you to take initiative, move nimbly across frameworks, and implement solutions to challenges worldwide. They do so by integrating knowledge across academic boundaries, combining theory with practice, and leveraging the combined expertise of our students, faculty, and leaders in business, industry, and government. Master’s candidates develop the knowledge and skills needed for leadership positions in a variety of professional sectors. The Master’s degree programs that can be taken on a full-time basis are described here.

Actuarial Science

The M.S. in Actuarial Science prepares postgraduates with strong mathematical aptitude to pass the first four industry examinations required for entry into and advancement in the field. The program gives promising students the opportunity to study with some of the best minds in the country, and provides an academic experience that extends beyond the limits of basic test preparation by providing a community of like-minded peers and rigorous and structured coursework. ce.columbia.edu/actuary

Bioethics

The M.S. in Bioethics provides students with the training to work professionally on issues in bioethics, and grounds them in historical, philosophical, legal, and social-scientific approaches and models for addressing bioethics. The program prepares students to work in various capacities within this new and ever-growing field, and includes a concentration in global bioethics—the first of its kind in the United States. ce.columbia.edu/bioethics

Communications

The M.S. in Communications trains students to develop critical thinking, collaboration, ethical judgment, reasoning, persuasion, writing, and complex problem-solving skills. Aptitude in these areas is essential for success in today's rapidly changing communications industry.

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Information and Knowledge Strategy

The M.S. in Information and Knowledge Strategy teaches students to plan, design and evaluate initiatives in knowledge and information across a wide spectrum of global environments, including corporations, government, educational and nonprofit institutions. Students also develop a critical insight into the legal, social and cultural factors that influence an organization's ability to leverage information, and learn to solve problems that impact process, human resources and technology. Courses are taught on-campus and online.

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Narrative Medicine

The M.S. in Narrative Medicine seeks to strengthen the overarching goals of medicine, public health, and social justice, as well as the intimate, interpersonal experiences of the clinical encounter. The master's program aims to fulfill these objectives by educating a leadership corps of health professionals and scholars from the humanities and social sciences who will imbue patient care and professional education with the skills and values of narrative understanding.

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Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

The M.S. in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution is designed to train professionals to be effective negotiators and problem-solvers. The curriculum emphasizes a pragmatic approach to resolving conflicts that arise in human resource management, community and labor organization, education and health administration, and law and business.

ce.columbia.edu/negotiation

Sustainability Management

The M.S. in Sustainability Management program formally trains and educates sustainability professionals in a variety of industries. The program uses sophisticated environmental measurement tools and cutting edge environmental science to help students fully understand the systematic and organizational role of sustainability in any organization.

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BLENDING AND ONLINE PROGRAMS

Master of Science in Information and Knowledge Strategy

The most critical challenge facing organizations today is managing the analysis, evaluation and dissemination of data, information and knowledge for strategic decision making. Columbia University's Master of Science in Information and Knowledge Strategy program trains students to develop the leadership skills needed to address this challenge.

This sixteen month Executive Format program is framed by three residencies in New York City. The required residencies take place Wednesday through Sunday at the start of the fall semester, in mid-April of the spring semester, and at the start of the subsequent fall semester.

Between each residency students will complete classes online throughout the fall, spring, summer and subsequent fall semesters. The online component of the program is a highly interactive experience that uses the School's innovative distance learning platform. Students and faculty communicate through a unique social networking function in ways that extend and enhance the impact of traditional learning experiences. Courses are flexible by design, and include a combination of live events, asynchronous community-driven activities and self-study. The online component is separate from and does not substitute for the in-person residencies.

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Business Certificate

Students from advanced undergraduates to professionals in a wide range of fields will find their professional development needs met by the Columbia Business Certificate program. Offered both on campus and online, the rigorous curriculum helps students master business fundamentals in marketing, finance, and management while strengthening their strategic thinking skills.

Online students interact with faculty and fellow classmates with a cutting-edge social networking platform that extends and enhances the impact of the traditional learning experience. Courses include live online lectures with a combination of community-driven activities and self-study. The flexibility of the schedule allows for busy working professionals and students who may not live in New York City to participate.

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Additional online programs are in development, expanding our suite of programs through 2013.

AMERICAN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Whether your goal is to attend an American university or to achieve professional success in the global economy, the American Language Program (ALP) offers a variety of programs designed to dramatically increase your proficiency with written and spoken English. Courses are offered at 10 levels of English proficiency, from beginner through intermediate, to very highly advanced: on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), from A1 to C1. Students who attend one or more semester-length courses can make significant strides in preparing to compete in the international job market or to become stronger applicants to degree programs in the U.S. Using the cultural resources of New York City and the experiences and viewpoints of a vibrant international student population, the American Language Program faculty members help students think critically, creatively, and effectively—and to do it in accurate, sophisticated English.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM

Intensive Program

A series of intensive English courses that are offered year-round. These courses help students develop grammatical accuracy, pronunciation, fluency, listening and reading comprehension, and writing ability at all levels of English proficiency, from beginner to near-native speaker levels.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Advanced Academic Preparation

A seven-week summer course for students who are making plans to enter a degree program in the United States. The course includes sophisticated university-style seminar discussions, student presentations, and practice in academic writing: use of correct citation form, exploration of issues in academic honesty, and techniques for research paper writing. Students must present a TOEFL iBT score of 90+.

English for Professional Purposes: Business

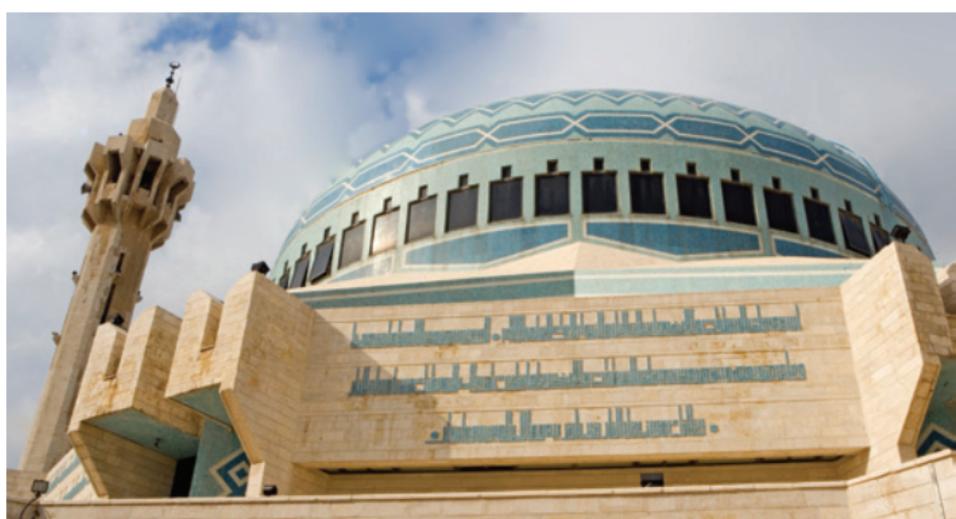
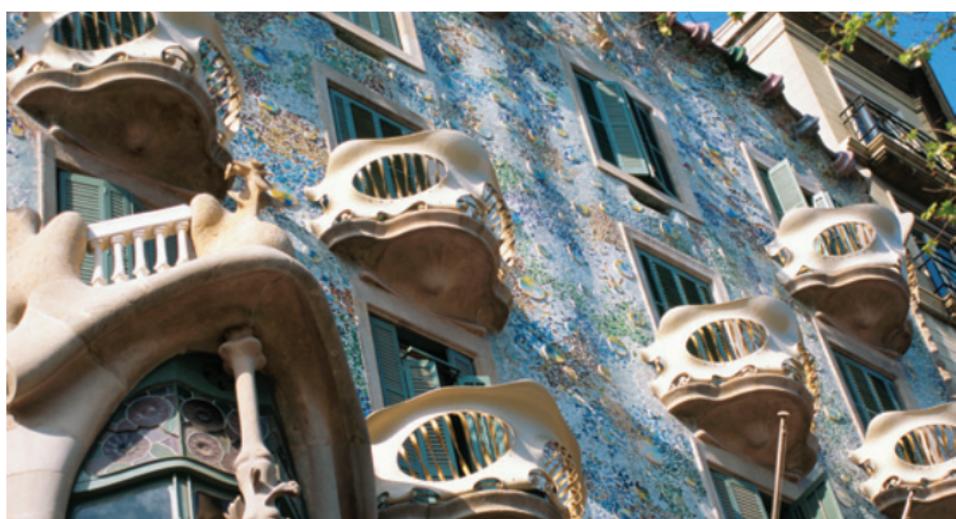
English language course for business professionals and pre-M.B.A. students. This course employs the business case-study method, along with visits to New York businesses, and attendance at special lectures delivered by business professors and other professionals. Students must present a TOEFL iBT score of 90+ and a bachelor's degree, but not necessarily one in business.

English for Professional Purposes: Law

English language course for legal professionals and pre-law students. This course uses the fundamental concepts and the essential structures of the U.S. legal system as the context in which students solidify, expand and refine their use of advanced professional English. Students must present a TOEFL iBT score of 100+ and a degree in law, whether at the bachelor's level or higher.

For more information, visit
ce.columbia.edu/alp

SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



For more information, visit
ce.columbia.edu/hs

If you are a high school student entering grades 9 through 12 or freshman year of college, Columbia University's Summer Programs for High School Students (SPHSS) offers you the opportunity for intensive study and new experiences in New York City, Barcelona, and the Middle East.

STUDY IN NEW YORK CITY

Columbia offers highly motivated students the opportunity of a lifetime: a world-class educational experience set in the most exciting city in the world. Students choose from a broad range of rigorous curricular options including the sciences, business, the arts, and more. SPHSS welcomes international students who are proficient in English from dozens of countries. Often international students select the College Preparatory curricular option which is an intensive review in four major skill areas: math, critical reading, expository writing, and study skills.

STUDY IN BARCELONA

Columbia offers a secondary school study-abroad program in Barcelona, Spain, where the academic experience includes immersion in one of the world's richest cultures. In this program, academic work breaks out of the classroom and into the city itself, providing an exciting and mind-expanding journey into Barcelona's art, culture, traditions, and heritage. The program is mounted in collaboration with the University of Barcelona. Prior knowledge of Spanish is not required.

STUDY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

The program offers a unique chance to combine substantive reading and classroom work at Columbia University in New York City and study at the prestigious King's Academy in Manja, Jordan, with field trips to several extraordinary historical sites. Students emerge from this program with a working knowledge of the modern Arab world, rudimentary conversational Arabic, and unforgettable first-hand experience of Jordanian lifestyles.

Participation in the Summer Program for High School Students does not constitute the basis for securing a student visa. Applicants are not required to submit TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or IELTS (International English Language Testing System) scores. However, students' English proficiency should be equivalent to 90 or above on the Internet-Based TOEFL or at least 6.5 on the IELTS.

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