



NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

A GUIDE TO LIFE AT NYU



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NYU students have so many different interests and goals, and yet, despite how diverse the community is, you can truly be yourself here. At NYU, you'll find a community where you're accepted and embraced.”

Jordan Spencer

Concentration in Black women's representation in marketing and advertising, Gallatin School of Individualized Study



CONGRATULATIONS!

You've worked hard for this moment. Like, really hard. You'll be on campus before you know it. In the meantime, we hope you use the tips and advice in this guide to help you envision what lies ahead.

What's life like as an NYU student?

We went straight to the experts to find out.



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Everyone is driven, but at the same time, everyone is kind and willing to help others. We're a close community in one of the largest cities in the world, and that's pretty amazing.”

Elliott Ingram

Theatre, NYU Tisch School of the Arts



THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY

- ■ ■ You already know the NYU community is made up of bold thinkers, doers, change-makers, and innovators, because that's who you are. You have that same spark—you're driven and inspired. You're curious about the world around you, and you're not afraid to ask the big questions. The NYU student body is diverse, and each student brings their unique perspectives and experiences into each and every room they enter.

But don't just take our word for it. While we have you **here**, get to know more about the community that will soon be your own and the students you'll call friends.

TOP
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NYU has been ranked one of the United States' top 10 dream schools every year for over a decade by The Princeton Review

MAKING FRIENDS 101



“Put yourself out there! It can be scary initially, but don't worry—you'll receive the same energy you put into the world.”

Cecily Johnson
Dual Major in Film and Television, NYU Tisch, and French, College of Arts and Science (CAS)

“Don't be afraid to make conversation during the in-between moments.”

Olivia Federici
Media, Culture, and Communication; Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development

“Be open to trying new things and you'll meet new people everywhere you go.”

Lana Davydov
Computer Science, CAS

“Join everything you can during NYU Welcome!”

Hannan Abraham
Childhood Education/Childhood Special Education (grades 1–6), NYU Steinhardt



NYU Welcome is jam-packed with fun for students. Held at the beginning of every semester, each of the nearly 500 events is uniquely crafted to help support your transition to NYU. A few of our favorite events include:

- Club Fest
 - Drag Bingo
 - Restaurant Week
 - Film Festival
 - Broadway Cabaret
 - Excursions around New York City
 - Comedy shows
- And so much more!



“The **Sasaki Garden** is my favorite spot to hang out because it is a bit of a reprieve from the bustle of college and the city. I've spent hours underneath the beautiful trees catching up with my friends. I also do a lot of thinking in the garden, walking up and down the various paths and enjoying the sounds of the fountains.”

Jake Vitarelli
Dramatic Writing, NYU Tisch

A few of our favorite hangout spots:

“Walking around the **West Village**.”

“**Chinatown!** So much food and so many things to explore.”

“**Playa Bowls** on MacDougal Street.”

“The lawn of **Washington Square Park**.”

“Anywhere in **SoHo**.”

“**Maman** for a coffee and sweet treat.”

What Makes NYU Unique?

“The diversity. And I don’t mean that only in the sense of people being from everywhere but in terms of **who** the people are. All my friends here are doing different things they’re passionate about. It’s so refreshing.”

Anjana Rajesh

*Business and Technology Management,
NYU Tandon School of Engineering*



“Everyone is passionate about a niche or interest you wouldn’t expect, and that passion drives their academic and personal lives.”

Olivia Federici
Media, Culture, and Communication; NYU Steinhardt

NYU’s student body represents

50 AND OVER **130**
STATES COUNTRIES

Over

20%

of first-year students are the first in their families to attend college or university

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Over a quarter of students in the Class of 2027 are international



“When I first started here, I was worried it would be hard to make NYU feel like home, but I was completely wrong. There are so many ways to meet people: in class, through student housing, and in clubs and organizations. I always find myself bumping into friends while walking around campus.”

Katrina Morgan

Integrated Design and Media, NYU Tandon

“Living on campus and seeing familiar faces every day helped build my sense of community. It’s a great way to make friends.”

Jordan Spencer

Concentration in Black women’s representation through marketing and advertising, NYU Gallatin

Over 11,000 students call NYU’s 20 residence halls home. So, what makes them great?

“Support from the **resident life team.**”

“**Access to amenities**—especially the laundry.”

“**Being in the heart of the city.**”

“**The community!**

If you’re worried about making friends in college, living on campus is your best bet!”

“**The friends, the dinners, the vibes!**”

“**The extra spaces** like dance practice rooms and study lounges.”

“**The events** hosted by resident assistants and Hall Council.”

“**Free HBO!**”



“We are a diverse and accepting community where everyone has a place and everyone belongs. My peers are amazing and talented. They are passionate and ready to shape a better future for all.”

Andrew Wang
*Music Theory and
Composition, NYU
Steinhardt*



DID YOU KNOW?

NYU is home to more than 300 student-led clubs and organizations. There's truly something for every interest.



Here are some of our community's favorite student organizations:

- Bechdel Test Comedy
- Black Student Union
- Book Buddies
- Cheese Club
- Dancers/Choreographers Alliance
- eSports
- Femmes in Film
- Future Fashion Group
- Google Developer Student Club
- Hospitality Business Society
- Mycology Group
- Queer Union
- STEMinist
- Swing Dance Society
- Teaching and Learning Club

“

My advice to any new student is to join as many clubs as you can. I've met all my best friends through student organizations.”

Jake Vitarelli
Dramatic Writing, NYU Tisch

Jake's favorite student club?
Broke People Play Festival, dedicated to promoting new works by student theatre-artists



THIS IS YOUR CITY

■ ■ ■ ■ New York City hums with creativity and innovation—and you are about to become part of what makes this city unique. The excitement is everywhere, from the bright lights of Broadway to the runways of New York Fashion Week and from Wall Street’s buzz to the bustling Brooklyn Commons. When you call New York City home, you have access to its limitless resources and opportunities. Its neighborhoods, restaurants, parks, museums, and markets are yours to explore.

No one knows this better than an NYU student. Where will you let the city take you first?



“I grew up in a big city myself, but New York is something different. It’s mesmerizing, chaotic, and it took a bit of getting used to. But once you get used to it—there’s just nowhere better.”

Anjana Rajesh

Business and Technology Management, NYU Tandon

“New Yorkers are so much kinder than they’re made out to be. They might not smile at you on the street, but they’ll hold the door when they see you running to catch the bus.”

Cecily Johnson
*Dual Major in Film and Television,
NYU Tisch, and French, CAS*

What’s surprised you the most about living in New York City?

“I love how the city complements what we learn in the classroom and vice versa.”



“It’s not as hard to navigate as it seems—or as loud as people say it is.”

“Every area of the city is different.”

“How many niches there are. When people say you can find almost anything in the city, they are not exaggerating.”

“How easily accessible everything is. With New York City as your starting point, you can go to so many places.”



2,000+

pizzerias in New York City

Pizza>>>>

“**Appas Pizza** on First Avenue serves Korean-style pizza and has an ambience that makes it a great place to catch up with friends or celebrate after a tough exam.”

Zoe Kim
Biochemistry, CAS

A few of our favorite places to grab a slice:

- **Joe's Pizza** on Carmine Street
- **Two Boots Pizza** on Avenue A
- **Prince Street Pizza** in SoHo
- **Village Pizza** on Eighth Avenue
- **Artichoke Basille's Pizza** on MacDougal Street
- **Nuovo York Pizza** on East Ninth Street
- **Little Italy Pizza** on University Place



3.6 MILLION

people ride in the New York City subways each day

Our best subway advice:

“**Map your route beforehand** on your phone and use the subway signs to guide you.”

“**Always check the direction of the train!** The most important thing is knowing whether you’re going uptown or downtown.”

“**Use Google Maps**—no shame in the map game.”

“**Trial and error!** It took me a few weeks to figure it out.”

“**Use all your senses** and be aware of your surroundings.”



What is the best part about living in New York City?

“In New York, everything is so accessible. The whole world is at your fingertips.”

Maya Oppong

Dual Major in Film and Television, NYU Tisch, and Sociology, CAS



“The pure diversity of the people you are surrounded by and the opportunities laid out in front of you.”

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“The people! The endless possibilities of things to do!”

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“I love that I can leave class and immediately go to a Broadway show or a book-signing.”

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“You get to meet people from all walks of life.”

300+

languages are used throughout the city

8 MILLION

people call New York City home



Coffee break!

“Every food and drink item at **Matto Espresso** is \$3. This cost includes different kinds of milk and flavor pumps too. I can order a latte and almond croissant for just \$6, which is amazing as a college student.”

Cecily Johnson

Dual Major in Film and Television, NYU Tisch, and French, CAS

Some of our favorite cafes:

- **The Bean** on Broadway
- **La Colombe Coffee Roasters** on Lafayette Street*
- **Librae Bakery** at Cooper Square
- **Mille-Feuille Bakery Cafe** on La Guardia Place
- **Stumptown Coffee Roasters** on West Eighth Street

*While we love their Lafayette Street location, La Colombe Coffee Roasters has numerous stores across the city where you can enjoy their coffee.



Bodega: A NYC Staple

Bodegas (Spanish for store) have a rich history in New York City. The first bodegas started popping up in the city nearly a century ago and were primarily owned by Spanish and Cuban immigrants. Today, the name pays homage to the bodega's Hispanic roots, and these community-based grocery stores are fundamental to city culture.

“**Heavenly Market and Deli** is a great place for a midnight snack. They're open 24 hours and students get 10 percent off. I usually get the chopped cheese with chipotle mayo—it's great every time.”

Megan Xiao

Applied Psychology, NYU Steinhardt



DID YOU KNOW?

Nearly 30,000 acres of New York City is made up of parks. That's almost 14 percent of the city!

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When the weather is nice, nothing beats the ambience of Washington Square Park. Grab a blanket, spread out under a tree, and let the gentle hum of the city be your background music.”

Ben Bonnici
Theatre, NYU Tisch



While Washington Square Park is basically our backyard, there are many other great parks close by:

- Brooklyn Bridge Park
- The High Line
- Hudson River Park
- Stuyvesant Square Park
- Union Square Park



THIS IS YOUR CAMPUS

- ■ ■ NYU's New York City campus is one of a kind. Whether
 - ■ ■ you're rushing to class through historic Greenwich
 - ■ ■ Village or catching the shuttle bus to Downtown
- Brooklyn, our campus is infused with the energy of the city surrounding it. From our research labs to our classrooms, New York City's spirit is echoed in everything we do.

Since you're here, check out a few favorite campus and student life resources you'll soon be calling your own.



“The benefit of being at a University with a global campus is that you have a wide network to help you with anything at any time, literally. NYU gives us the tools to always present our best work and become people who know how to ask for what we need.”

Jordan Spencer

*Concentration in Black women's representation in marketing and advertising,
NYU Gallatin*



1.27 BILLION spent on research in 2022

#1 in research at NYC universities according to the National Science Foundation (2022)

Come Study with Us

“There’s a reason Bobst Library is legendary among NYU students. If the towering bookshelves don’t inspire you, the sheer variety of study environments will. From its whisper-quiet floors to the more lively communal spaces, Bobst is the Swiss Army knife of study spots.”

Ben Bonnici
Theatre, NYU Tisch

Best quiet study spot:

“**Bobst Library** overlooking Washington Square Park.”

“The **Global Public Health building’s 1st floor**; there’s a wall full of plants.”

“The 2nd floor student lounge at the **Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences** on Fifth Avenue.”

“8th-floor study cubicles in **Bobst!**”

“The **Paulson Center.**”



Best group study spot:

“**Kimmel’s 7th floor.**”

“The lower level floors of **Bobst Library.**”

“Your dorm room.”

“The Student Commons in **726 Broadway** or the **Tisch Basement.**”

“Also the **Paulson Center!**”

“To say that I love the International Student Center (ISC) is an understatement. It probably is up there with my favorite places on campus. ISC is a hub for cross-cultural exchange and a place to meet other international students.”

Neyl Loukil-Borrás
Business, with a concentration in finance, NYU Stern School of Business

Whether they’re personal, professional, or academic, NYU has a resource available to help you achieve your goals. Want to start your own business? Add meditation into your daily routine? Ace your next essay? Or find the perfect internship?

Here are a few on-campus resources students mentioned as their most used:

- Academic advisers
- Athletics facilities
- Bobst Library*
- NYU Safe Ride
- Professors’ office hours
- Office of Student Success
- University Learning Center
- Wasserman Center for Career Development
- The Writing Center

*The Bobst Library and its helpful librarians received the most votes from NYU students for most-used campus resource.

6M+

volumes available at NYU’s libraries

10,000

visitors Bobst Library receives each day when school is in session

Over

43,000

linear feet of archives

“At the core of NYU’s Downtown Brooklyn campus is the **NYU Tandon MakerSpace**—one of the University’s best-kept secrets. It’s home to creativity and collaboration, and its resources and machinery are open to everyone.”

Kathryn Lee
*Interactive Media Arts,
NYU Tisch*



8:1

Student-to-faculty ratio

2,900+

undergraduate courses available

Class Is in Session



With **10 undergraduate schools and colleges**, each spanning a different academic focus, NYU gives you the opportunity to explore just about any topic that interests you. Plus, a dedicated community of professors and advisers will support you in and out of the classroom as you work toward achieving your academic and career goals.

“One of the many things that makes NYU unique is that we have over **250 majors and minors** to pick from. Regardless of your interests, there’s a class at NYU for you. I love that I’ve been able to pursue both music composition and health science. Plus, seminar-style classes let you get to know your classmates really well and learn about all the super cool things your professors are involved with.”

Andrew Wang

Music Composition and Theory, NYU Steinhardt

With almost 3,000 classes to choose from, you’ll have so much to explore.

A few of NYU's stand-out classes:

“**Nutrition and Health** with Professor Lisa Young. She did such a great job of debunking common misconceptions about food and restoring our relationship with food.”

“Any and every **anthropology class**. They force you to think of the world in unexpected ways and question everything you’ve ever known.”

“**Writing the Essay** definitely surprised me in how much I enjoyed it. I found it really engaging.”

“My favorite class has been **(De)Tangling the Business of Black Women’s Hair** with Professor Shatima Jones.”

“**Social and Cultural Analysis 101** changed my life!”

“So many of the faculty at NYU are carrying out cutting-edge research in their fields. There is so much to learn from them beyond the textbooks.”

Zoe Kim

Biochemistry, CAS

What’s your favorite memory with a faculty member?

“I took an **Intro to Dinosaurs** class last semester, and the professor took us on a fossil excavation trip. It was really cool.”

“Talking to my **Medical Anthropology** professor about his research after class.”

“Chatting with my **acting teacher** after going to a play she directed.”

“The **immense support** I received when I switched majors.”

NYU’s faculty includes:

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Nobel laureates

17

MacArthur Fellowship “Genius Grant” recipients

8

Pulitzer Prize winners

7

Academy Award winners



DID YOU KNOW?

NYU is home to 16 global locations, including its New York City campus.

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When you study away at NYU, your global site becomes a home away from home. Each location is its own mini NYU campus. This makes it easier for students to acclimate and enjoy their time studying abroad.”

Olivia Federici

Media, Culture, and Communication; NYU Steinhardt, who studied away at NYU Florence



NYU'S GLOBAL NETWORK

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Accra, Ghana

Berlin, Germany

Buenos Aires, Argentina

Florence, Italy

London, England

Los Angeles, CA, United States

Madrid, Spain

New York, NY, United States

Paris, France

Prague, Czech Republic

Shanghai, China

Sydney, Australia

Tel Aviv, Israel

Tulsa, OK, United States

Washington, DC, United States



“I love the **Market at Sidestein** because they accept my meal plan and there is rarely a line. I am able to grab a quick, filling snack or meal and take it to my next class. It’s also the most centrally located grab-and-go style dining hall on campus, so you don’t have to go out of the way when you’re between responsibilities.”

Jordan Spencer

Concentration in Black women’s representation in marketing and advertising, NYU Gallatin

All this information make you hungry? We’ve got you covered. Here are some favorite spots for students to grab a quick snack:

“The **closest local coffee shop** is always a good bet.”

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“You can’t go wrong with a **food truck**, especially the ones by Bobst Library.”

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“The new **Wegmans!**”

“**The Kimmel Marketplace** is so quick and easy.”

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“I love **ME Chicken Rice** on West Third Street.”

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“**Sweetgreen** or **fresh&co** will hit the spot if you want something healthy.”



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NYU ABU DHABI



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Everyone at NYU Abu Dhabi shares a passion: wanting to leave their mark on the world. I've never been surrounded by so many people who care so much about what they do—it is a truly inspiring community.”

Angelina Gerlich

Social Research and Public Policy



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The diversity of our community is extremely unique. You get to connect with people from all around the world and learn about their cultures, experiences, and languages.”

Sipan Hovsepiyan
Electrical Engineering



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The NYU Abu Dhabi
Student Body

120+
COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED

100+
LANGUAGES KNOWN
BY STUDENTS

MAKING FRIENDS 101



“Be yourself. Use your own genuine interests to pick your classes, major, and extracurricular activities. From there, you’ll find your people. Don’t rush yourself and don’t forget upperclassmen, faculty members, staff, and even the cats on campus can be your friends!”

Sarah Atieno Were
Chemistry

“Don’t be shy and talk to people! Everyone is super approachable here.”

Mustafa Bakir
Computer Science

“Talk to people! What I have found helpful is commenting on something interesting someone said in class. Then, ask them to grab lunch with you.”

Shahad Alsaqqaf
Literature and Creative Writing

“Involve yourself in events and spaces. Go to floor and student interest group events, and talk to people in class.”

Sara Alawadhi
Social Research and Public Policy

“I love **D2**, the Campus East restaurant. There’s nothing like sitting with your friends for hours after you finish a meal, just talking about life and sharing stories from your different upbringings.”

Angelina Gerlich
Social Research and Public Policy

A few of our favorite hangout spots:

“**Saadiyat Beach**.”
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“**The Highline** on campus—it’s beautiful and easily accessible.”
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“**Boba Bae!** It’s a little boba shop that’s opened up near the Welcome Center. It’s filled with good vibes, lovely staff, and amazing boba!”

NYU Abu Dhabi is home to more than **50 student interest groups** (SIGs). From arts to STEM and culture to cooking, there is something for every interest.

Here are a few of our community’s favorite SIGs:

- Abu Dhabi Christian Fellowship
- Advocacy, a group focused on community service and human rights
- Al Diwan, a group interested in Arabic poetry and literature
- Craft Circle
- Ecoherence
- ExposureAD, a photography SIG
- Melting Pot, for students interested in cooking
- Model United Nations Society at NYUAD
- PAUSED: Video Games Society
- Space Bar, an astronomy SIG
- Taaqa Student Energy
- United Arab Emirates (UAE) Majlis
- weSTEM, for women, nonbinary people, and male-identifying allies interested in STEM

“I like to park by the water in **West Yas** and hang out while watching the sunset.”
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“Walking by **the Highline** and listening to the laughter and celebrations is a beautiful feeling in itself!”

What Makes NYU Abu Dhabi Unique?

“The amount of different personalities, backgrounds, and perspectives I have met at NYU Abu Dhabi is beyond anything I had hoped for. It allowed me to practice empathy and understanding, and I am proud to say that it molded me into a more open-minded person.”

Amina Rotari

Arab Crossroads Studies and Political Science



“NYU Abu Dhabi is extremely diverse and thrives on community. You will be put in situations where you will have to listen to people from other backgrounds to understand their cultures. It has been such a refreshing experience and it’s taught me so much.”

Shahad Alsaqqaf

Literature and Creative Writing

“Our willingness to connect and accomplish makes us an entirely unique community. We tap into the potential of our students and faculty, and form relationships while doing so.”

Sarah Atieno Were

Chemistry

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NYU’s World University Ranking by *Times Higher Education*



“The best part about living on campus is the small conversations you’ll have while doing laundry, walking to your dorm, or taking the elevator. You’ll be around people with such interesting stories to tell, and getting to know them is definitely a highlight of the NYUAD experience.”

Angelina Gerlich

Social Research and Public Policy

Living on campus is an integral part of being an NYU student. So, what do they love about it?

“The dorms are like a little town full of friends and colleagues.”

“There’s no need for a commute, no need for cooking. This saves at least two to three hours a day, which is so great.”

“Living with my best friend.”

“Living so close to your friends as well as having the convenience of being close to your classes.”

“The dorms are very spacious.”

“It’s a small community where everyone sees and knows each other.”



“I had always been in schools where the majority of the population was local. But at NYU Abu Dhabi, I’ve built connections with many different people, breaking social boundaries and building bridges between friends of different ethnicities and cultures. It has given me a chance to learn about things I never expected, both in and out of the classroom.”

Mohamed Alhosani
Computer Engineering



DID YOU KNOW?

NYU Abu Dhabi is home to a wide variety of physical fitness classes, intramural teams, and university sports teams for students to take part in and enjoy.

“Swimming is like a supercharger for me. It gives me energy and puts me in a good mood for the whole day. Being part of the NYU Abu Dhabi swimming team helps me push myself beyond my limits, and it’s been a great place to meet friends.”

Sipan Hovesejian
Electrical Engineering



Here are a few of our community’s favorite teams and athletic classes:

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Dragon boat racing
- Floor hockey
- Futsal
- Jiu-jitsu
- Rock climbing
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Touch rugby
- Track and field
- Volleyball
- Water sports
- Yoga



THIS IS YOUR CITY

- ■ ■ Abu Dhabi hums with creativity and innovation—and you are about to become part of what makes this city unique. The capital of the United Arab Emirates, it's an international crossroads of politics, culture, and commerce. When you call Abu Dhabi home, you have access to its many resources, opportunities, and surprises. From the brilliant marble walls of the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque to the skyscrapers that compose the city's iconic skyline, there is so much for you to explore.

No one knows this better than an NYU Abu Dhabi student. Where will you let the city take you first?



“The cultural and linguistic immersion that living in the Emirates has allowed me is incomparable to anything I have experienced before.”

Amina Rotari
Arab Crossroads Studies and Political Science

What is the best part about living in Abu Dhabi?

#1

Numbeo Safety Index has ranked Abu Dhabi as the world's safest city for eight consecutive years



“I wanted to be in Abu Dhabi to see what it was like and take this leap of faith. I'm super happy with my decision.”

Lin Ye
Double Major in Psychology and Philosophy

“Everything is accessible and convenient.”

“You can visit the beach, the desert, and Mangrove National Park all in the same day.”

“As a newcomer with a different background, I feel respected.”

“The Abu Dhabi community is so considerate and welcoming at all times, day and night.”

“I really love the people in Abu Dhabi and their willingness to help one another.”

“The food!”



Abu Dhabi's markets are a feast for the senses. From seafood to spices, the city's markets are perfect places to dive into Abu Dhabi's rich culture, try new foods, and explore.

“The markets here are amazing. The fish market near Corniche is close to campus and one of the most authentic places in the city. There's also a dates market where you can try the best dates around and sample a variety of nuts, dried foods, and fruits.”

Sipan Hovsepian
Electrical Engineering

Get a taste of the world through Abu Dhabi's vibrant international culinary scene.

“Abu Dhabi has a rich food scene with a mix of local and international cuisines. I've enjoyed trying traditional dishes like mandi and madfoon. Some of my favorite spots include **Bu Tafish** for seafood and **Filini Garden** for Italian dishes. The variety is really impressive.”

Omar El Hajj
Computer Engineering

A few of our favorite places to grab food in Abu Dhabi:

“**Allo Beirut** has crispy falafel with sesame seeds, and it's super affordable.”

“If my friends and I are feeling fancy during the weekend, we hike down to the Corniche and eat at **Taon Korean Restaurant**.”

“There are so many great food options in Abu Dhabi, but my personal favorite is **Dragon Bao Bao**, a Chinese restaurant in the city.”

“**Mosaic Restaurant** is beautiful and has great falafel!”

“The restaurants at **Mamsha Al Saadiyat** are really nice. They're right by the beach, making them a great place to just sit and enjoy your meal!”

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most prominent languages throughout the city: Arabic, English, Urdu, Malayalam, and Hindi

About **2.5 MILLION** people call Abu Dhabi home



Coffee break!

“**Blacksmith Coffee Company** is a convenient place to stop after classes and catch up on studies to the sound of soft music and lively chatter. The service is wonderful, and they always add a personal touch. You have to try their creamy, rich tiramisu. Best tiramisu I’ve had yet, by far!”

Sarah Atieno Were
Chemistry

A few of our favorite cafes:

- % Arabica
- LOCAL
- Mysk, which is on campus!
- Otaku, where you’ll find the “Best matcha in Abu Dhabi!”
- Society at Mamsha Al Saadiyat

NYU Abu Dhabi offers students daily, free shuttle service to and from the city, but there are plenty of ways to get out and explore. **Our advice for navigating Abu Dhabi:**

“**Get a bus card.** Navigating the city is so much easier and cheaper with it.”
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“**Download a map of Abu Dhabi,** so you have it offline”
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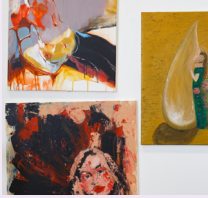
“Pin the places you want to go to on **Google Maps** so you save time when you’re out exploring.”



“Once you **plan your first excursion** into the heart of the city or just beyond its borders, learning to navigate will naturally follow.”
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“You can get nearly everywhere from the **central bus station** near Al Wahda Mall, since the city is intuitively built.”
.....

“If you’re going to be a navigation pro, you just have to get out and explore. **Bus 170** stops at our Welcome Center on a regular schedule.”



DID YOU KNOW?

The NYU Abu Dhabi Arts Center hosts some of the world's most influential artists and performers. And tickets are **FREE** for students!

“ The free student pass to the NYU Abu Dhabi Arts Center is great because there are so many events. I've been to a number of them. I totally loved *The Storyville Mosquito* by Kid Koala. It opened up my mind and deepened my understanding of a lot of things about performance, contributing to my degree.”

Yelyzaveta Datsenko
Interactive Media



In addition to the Arts Center, here are a few of our community members' favorite places to dive into arts and culture in and around Abu Dhabi:

- Emirates Palace
- Mandarin Oriental Hotel
- The Louvre Abu Dhabi
- Mangrove National Park
- The National Aquarium Abu Dhabi
- Qasr Al Hosn
- Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque



THIS IS YOUR CAMPUS

- ■ ■ NYU Abu Dhabi's Saadiyat Island campus is one of a kind. Whether you're rushing to class through Campus Center or sprawling out to study under the palm trees in Central Plaza, there's space for you to pursue all of your interests and nearly 40 acres to explore. And from our research labs to our classrooms, the energy of our vibrant, international community is echoed in every space you enter.

Since you're **here**, check out a few favorite campus and student life resources you'll soon call your own.



“The quality and range of resources at NYU Abu Dhabi definitely influenced my choice to come here. We have strong support resources, including academic help, mental health services, and recreational facilities. I feel well taken care of and secure.”

Omar El Hajj
Computer Engineering

Come Study with Us



"If you like a small peaceful aquarium, the perfect indoor temperature, brightly colored couches, and a range of comfortable furniture, then studying in the **Career Development Center** is for you! Its hidden location makes it quite peaceful."

Sarah Atieno Were
Chemistry



Best quiet study spot:

"The **Baraha rooms** if they're empty,"

"The **Student Affairs** suite at night"

"The **Reading Room** on the library's second floor is especially quiet, and there are really nice couches."*

"**Computer lab in A1-A.**"

*The NYU Abu Dhabi Library's Reading Room received the most votes for best study spot. Students noted that the intense silence is a great motivation to keep going.

Best group study spot:

"The library **Group Study Rooms!**"

"The **Marketplace!** It's really central, and you always see people you know."

"The rooms next to **Baraha** are really quiet and spacious. They have all the necessary equipment for a group."

"**Empty classrooms in A3.** The main computer and projector make it easy to work with a group, and the speakers make for good music on a late-night study spree."

Whether they're personal, professional, or academic, NYU has a resource available to help you achieve your goals. Want to start your own business? Add meditation into your daily routine? Ace your next essay? Or find the perfect internship?

Here are a few on-campus resources students mentioned as their most used:

- Academic advisers
- Athletics facilities
- Health and Wellness Center
- The library
- The online student bulletin and portal
- Professors' office hours
- The Registrar
- The Writing Center

"I really love the Career Development Center. Their staff is so helpful and introduced me to my first internship opportunity at a start-up company in Sweden established by NYU Abu Dhabi alumni. They can also connect you with tutors for the LSAT and GRE and help you finish those before you graduate."

Lin Ye

Double Major in Psychology and Philosophy

CAMPUS MAP



“NYU Abu Dhabi has an incredible selection of classes and majors from STEM fields to humanities and social sciences, and our Core Curriculum adds so much flavor to our holistic education. I’m majoring in Arab Crossroads Studies and Political Science, but I am also able to minor in Peace Studies, explore creative writing courses, and learn about arts education in various parts of East Asia.”

Amina Rotari
*Arab Crossroads Studies and
Political Science*



NYU Abu Dhabi graduates have become

- RHODES SCHOLARS**
- SCHWARZMAN SCHOLARS**
- FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS**
- ERASMUS MUNDUS SCHOLARS**

#1

in Study Abroad
2025 by *US News
& World Report*

Class Is in Session



At NYU Abu Dhabi, the opportunity to explore just about any topic that interests you is a reality. With a dedicated community of professors and advisers to support you, you'll find guidance in and out of the classroom as you work toward achieving your academic and career goals.

“That’s the beauty of NYU Abu Dhabi—you can take classes that are outside the scope of your major, learn from them, and then apply those concepts in your trajectory as you go.”

Stefan Mitikj

Double Major in Political Science and Social Research and Public Policy

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Areas of undergraduate study

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Average class size

370+

Faculty members

50+

Number of nationalities represented by faculty

With more than 600 classes to choose from, you have so much to explore.

A few of stand-out classes:

“Take **Animal Perspectives** as your colloquium. When else will you get to study film and science together? While taking this class, I found joy in science for the first time.”

“In my last January Term class **Media and Mass Atrocities in Africa**, we traveled to Rwanda and had the opportunity to speak to journalists and radio broadcast agencies. Being able to learn about something in the classroom, and then actually go and see what you’re learning about is an incredible experience.”

“In **Computer-Aided Design**, we physically designed our own machines or modified them. I felt the spirit of engineering while I was taking that course.”

“My **First-Year Writing Seminar: Resilience at the Margins** explored the largest, smallest, and least discussed niches in human alteration. We used concepts and situations we were familiar with, mixing history, philosophy, and TikTok to not only pique our interest, but ground our understanding.”

“One of the pros of attending NYU Abu Dhabi is the small faculty-to-student ratio, meaning that you have easy access to your faculty. During my studies, I received support during office hours and worked with professors on some events outside the classroom.”

Al Reem Al Hosani
Art and Art History

A few things students love about NYU Abu Dhabi faculty:

“There is no one better to give you advice than the professionals themselves—and at NYU Abu Dhabi, they are right within reach.”

“The first time I presented my own research, I was really nervous, but my professor was so supportive, and his kindness gave me the courage to get through it. At the end of my presentation, he was the first person to congratulate me.”

“When I was switching majors from Chemistry to Biology, my professors explained to me what different careers look like within the sciences. They were excited to share their experiences and help me make my decision.”



DID YOU KNOW?

With 16 global locations, including the NYU Abu Dhabi campus, NYU opens up a world of possibilities for you to explore.

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I studied away in Sydney, and it was one of my favorite semesters. The NYU Sydney team put in so much effort curating activities and outings that spoke to everyone. We went to a rugby game and a Shakespeare play. We went on multiple hikes and beach trips. The outings made it easy to connect and create friendships with NYU students from other campuses.”

Shahad Alsaqqaf
Literature and Creative Writing



NYU'S GLOBAL NETWORK

- Accra, Ghana
- Berlin, Germany
- Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Florence, Italy
- London, England
- Los Angeles, CA, United States
- Madrid, Spain
- New York, NY, United States
- Paris, France
- Prague, Czech Republic
- Shanghai, China
- Sydney, Australia
- Tel Aviv, Israel
- Tulsa, OK, United States
- Washington, DC, United States



Has all this info made you hungry? We've got you covered! There are a ton of great convenience stores on and close to campus where students can find fun, filling, and healthy snacks:

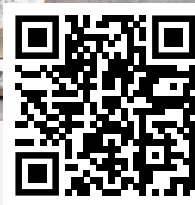
"If I need to grab a snack on campus, I go to the convenience store at the Campus Center."

"Grandiose Supermarket is right in front of the University, so it's really close, has reasonable prices, and a huge variety of products."

"Carrefour has everything. They're quite the international brand, and have reasonable prices too. How to get there? Just take the school shuttle to Yas Mall and head to the lower ground floor."

"LuLu Hypermarket is so affordable and has everything you need for your weekly grocery shopping."

"Waitrose in The Galleria Al Maryah Island Mall. There may be more popular stores around, but this one is great because it's not too big, making it less intimidating when you're new and trying to find your way around."



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ANYWHERE**

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 NYU SHANGHAI



A young man with curly hair, wearing a white and purple t-shirt and a backpack, stands on the left. A young woman with glasses, wearing a purple and white varsity jacket, sits on a stone ledge on the right. They are in a modern campus courtyard with trees and a building in the background.

A GUIDE TO LIFE AT NYU SHANGHAI



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NYU SHANGHAI



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The NYU Shanghai community is incredibly diverse and everyone has their own unique background. It's so interesting to see how everyone interacts with one another and how we all can share the same ideas and goals, even though we come from very different places.”

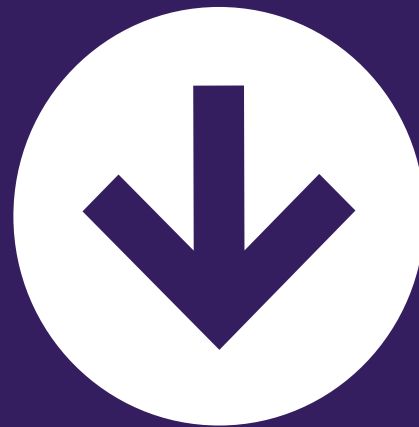
Kaye Richelle Duarte
Neural Science



CONGRATULATIONS!

You've worked hard for this moment. Like, really hard. And you'll be on campus before you know it. In the meantime, we hope you use the tips and advice in this guide to help you envision what lies ahead.

Wondering what life as an NYU Shanghai student is like? We went straight to the experts to find out.



THIS IS YOUR COMMUNITY

■ ■ ■ You already know the NYU community is made up of bold thinkers, doers, change-makers, and innovators like yourself. You have that same spark—you're driven and inspired. You're curious about the world around you and not afraid to ask the big questions. At NYU Shanghai, each student brings their unique perspectives and experiences into every room they enter.

But don't just take our word for it. Read on to find out more about the community that will soon be your own and the students you'll call friends.

MAKING FRIENDS 101

Here are a few words of advice from current NYU Shanghai students on how to connect and build new friendships.

“My advice is to join various clubs, activities, or sports teams to widen your friend group and find people who have the same interests as you. In class ask someone to grab lunch or review for a test together.”

Poonyisa Chutichetpong
Business and Finance

“A simple smile can sometimes lead to great conversations!”

Queena Lin
Interactive Media and Business

“Talk to people in your orientation group and your classes. But honestly, the closest friendships I have made just happened randomly. You never know who you’re going to meet!”

Joyce Tam
Global China Studies and Social Science (Political Science)



Orientation is a week jam-packed with fun! You'll connect with your new classmates and prepare for life at NYU Shanghai, participating in events, workshops, dialogues, language prep, and academic advising sessions. A few of our favorite Orientation Week events include:

- Move-in Day
- Fun Olympics
- Qilin Fest
- Qilin Forum
- Campus tours
- And so much more!

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“Orientation week is a fantastic opportunity to meet your new classmates and form connections.”

Lily Blair
Interactive Media and Business



Chosen by students as the official NYU Shanghai mascot, the qilin is described in Chinese literature as having a dragon's head, a horse's hooves, an elk's body, and an ox's tail. The mythical creature is said to bring good luck, prosperity, and success.

The NYU Shanghai Student Body

70+

Number of countries represented

40+

US states represented

30+

Chinese provinces represented

Here are some of our favorite hangout spots:

“My friends and I always go to a speakeasy called Dead Poet. It has amazing drinks and the best caramel popcorn.”

Florence Zhang
Global China Studies and Social Science (Political Science)

“My favorite spot to relax on campus is in the courtyard on the lawn. When the weather is nice, I grab lunch or read with my friends there. It's one of the most popular places for students.”

Nigel Dai
Data Science



Find out what it's like to study in a city as unique as you are!

“NYU Shanghai is different from the ‘usual’ university experience. We are a more tight-knit school, so you get to know most of the people in your grade. And because we are a small number of people, we form closer bonds with professors and faculty as well.”

Queena Lin
Interactive Media and Business

“NYU Shanghai is one of the most diverse and inclusive communities of all the Chinese universities. As students living in the city, we’re visitors and locals at the same time. It feels amazing when we celebrate all the Chinese and Western holidays on campus.”

Florence Zhang
Global China Studies and Social Science (Political Science)

18%

of NYU Shanghai’s Class of 2027 are the first in their families to attend college or university

The Jingyao Residence Halls are in the Houtan area of the city’s Pudong District, a 10-minute shuttle bus ride from the New Bund campus. So, what do students love about the residence halls?

“I love that each suite has its own **bathroom, washer and dryer,** and **kitchen.** The apartment-style residence hall helps me feel more independent.”

“Living together with your friends and classmates makes it very easy to make plans, hang out, or study **together.**”

“**SHUTTLE BUSES!** They are so convenient and allow me to sleep in, and I don’t worry about how I’m getting to school.”

“The nearby **park!**”

“All your **friends** are in one place!”





“The diversity of students is, in my opinion, what makes NYU Shanghai unique. Learning from different backgrounds, experiences, life goals, and expertise has broadened my perspective and helped me learn and adapt to working with people from diverse cultures.”

Poonyisa Chutichetpong
Business and Finance

Students agree that joining a club is a great way to make friends and find community. NYU Shanghai is home to more than three dozen student-led clubs and organizations. And if there's a club you'd like to join that doesn't exist, you'll get the support you need to start your own!



20+

Number of clubs
available for students
to join

Here are some of our community's favorite student organizations:

- A Capella Club
- Board Game Club
- Dance Club: Stars of Shanghai
- eSports
- Green Shanghai
- Environmental Club
- Law and Policy Society
- Model United Nations
- Philosophers Club
- Queer and Ally Society
- Qilin Folk Music Group
- Thespians Theatre Club
- Undergraduate Business Association
- Women Empowered in STEM

“My favorite club is 24 Frames, a film club where I served as president last year. We hosted the annual filmmaking race and also several screenings. You could join our events whether you enjoyed watching movies or making them.”

Nigel Dai

Data Science



“I started the Qilin Boxing Association. We teach students basic self-defense skills and footwork, with professional instructors leading weekly classes. I also lead a small class for females to learn how to defend themselves in emergency situations.”

Lily Blair

*Interactive Media
and Business*





THIS IS YOUR CITY

■ ■ ■ Shanghai hums with creativity and innovation—and you are about to become part of what makes this city unique. The excitement is everywhere, from the picturesque and historic buildings of the Bund to the dazzling nightly light show of the city's ultramodern skyscrapers, and from the bustling atmosphere of Nanjing Road to the peaceful cafes and verdant parks of the former French Concession. When you call Shanghai home, every corner you turn brings an opportunity to be surprised. The city's neighborhoods, restaurants, parks, museums, and markets are yours to discover and explore.

No one knows this better than an NYU Shanghai student. Where will you let the city take you first?

"Shanghai is a city full of culture, new ideas, and technology. It is a melting pot of both the old and the new aspects of China, making it a really wonderful place to spend your college years. I've learned so much since I've lived in Shanghai, and it's definitely made me a better person."

Kaye Richelle Duarte

Neural Science



“The best part about living in Shanghai is that there’s always something to do here. From cafe hopping and night walks near the Bund to thrift store shopping and foodie tours, there’s always something waiting to be explored.”

Nigel Dai
Data Science



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What has surprised you the most about living in Shanghai or China in general?

“Shanghai is actually an old city, and there are not always tall buildings around you. This is the **uniqueness** of Shanghai—it manages to preserve some old, typical Chinese streets, surrounded by breathtaking views of the modernized city.”

“The **food** here really surprised me for both its variety and authenticity. Since Shanghai is a really international city, it has amazing restaurants that serve food from around the globe. Plus China itself has distinct food styles from city to city, so there are many different types of food you can try.”

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“How **safe** it is!”

831 KM

Length of the Shanghai metro, the longest metro system in the world

508

Number of stations in the Shanghai metro

6, 8, 11

Metro lines that lead to NYU Shanghai’s New Bund campus

How to get around Shanghai on public transportation:

“If you can’t read Chinese, download the **Shanghai Metro app** to help you navigate. If you can, I recommend using **GaoDe Map (高德地图)**, which allows you to call cabs at affordable prices. Make sure to add your metro pass to Alipay, similar to Apple Pay, for easier access, and so you don’t have to worry about keeping track of a physical metrocard.”

A few of our favorite places to find authentic Shanghaiese dumplings:

Yang’s Dumplings

“I love Yang’s Dumplings because they have the best pan-fried dumplings, with soup inside! It’s cheap and filling, and there are tons of different flavors to try. They also have really good soup noodles perfect for a comfort meal!”

“My favorite dumpling spot has to be **King Guotie Shop (大王锅贴)**, which is a restaurant that I have never been to in person but have ordered waimai or delivery from so many times. A terrific thing about Shanghai is that deliveries are super affordable, convenient, and fast, so that it’s a prevalent dining choice for everyone.”



Shanghai’s version of the xiaolongbao, or soup dumpling, is thought to have originated in the city’s Nanxiang area in the late 19th century.

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“**Din Tai Fung** is a classic choice that consistently delivers quality food and service. I particularly love their soup dumplings, shrimp wontons, and fried rice.”

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“The **NYU Shanghai cafeteria**.”

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“The dumpling spots at **Yu Garden**.”

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“Pay attention to the **signs** and **directions**, and compare them to the ones in your app so you don’t end up on the wrong side. Make use of Apple Maps or Chinese apps—they’re really helpful in navigating!”

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“Hop on the metro to **explore** Shanghai, and after a while you will become familiar with the city.”

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“Don’t be scared to **ask locals** and other people for help, because they are all very nice and will try to help you whenever they can.”

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“You got this! The metro will be your favorite form of transportation—it’s **cheap** and **efficient!**”

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“Always be mindful of your surroundings and just **follow the signs**, and you’ll never get lost.”

What is the best part about living in Shanghai?

"The **diversity** of the city, including its people, food, culture, and architecture. It is a mix of everything in the same place."

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"Being in the **center of everything!**"

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"The best part about living in Shanghai is its **blend of modern convenience and rich cultural heritage**. The city offers a great public transportation system, a diverse culinary scene, and numerous opportunities for both professional and personal growth."

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"**Everything!** I really enjoy studying in Shanghai. Our campus and dorms are in a great location and are close to everything. The food and activities are so abundant, from cake baking to pottery welding. Nightlife is also lively and vibrant. Transportation and deliveries are so fast and convenient as well!"

Shanghai is the

3RD

largest city in the world by population

26 MILLION+

people call Shanghai home

The largest groups of residents who are not Chinese are from **Japan, the United States, and South Korea**.

"I love how everything in Shanghai changes in a way that's so fast yet also so slow. There's something for everyone here; you really just have to look for it."

Mahrugh Shaikh Riaz
Business and Marketing



Coffee Break!

"There are so many cute cafes in Shanghai! I love going to the cafes in the Jing'an and Huangpu districts because of the beautiful surroundings. I would recommend a cafe called **Naive**. It is operated by a publishing corporation, so everything from the coffee names to the decor has a book theme. It is also really close to the Bund, a view you cannot miss in Shanghai."

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"My favorite cafe is **Nudake Haus Nowhere** located in the Huangpu district. Being half-Korean, this shop reminds me of home, especially since their matcha lattes are famous in Seoul."

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"**Manner Coffee**: you can find this cafe in every city in China. They offer a wide variety of coffee and other drinks, and it's super convenient to order on your phone through WeChat. My favorite are their iced Americano with two extra shots or a matcha with coconut water!"

A few of our favorite cafes:

- Luckin Coffee
- Manner Coffee
- Naive
- Nudake Haus Nowhere
- Starbucks Reserve Roastery



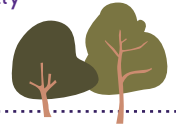
“My favorite place to go when the weather is nice is Qiantan Sports Park. It offers beautiful flowers and a scenic view of the river, making it a great spot for biking, running, or having a picnic. The trails are perfect for getting your steps in.”



When you need a study break, nothing beats a change of scenery or getting outside. The city's parks are a big hit with students. Here are a few of our community members' favorite places to go and things to do:

“I like to walk to a nearby park, especially when the weather is nice.”

Chynna Julienne Dorado
Interactive Media and Business



“I really enjoy **city walks**, so I love just aimlessly strolling around the city and chatting with my friends, maybe stopping for food or boba, and of course taking photos!”

“My go-to place to relax is **Qiantan Sports Park**.”

“I go to **Century Park** for a cute picnic or to **Jing'an** for all the trendy spots and cafes.”

“**Nanjing Road, Xuhui Road, Wulumuqi Road**, and many other streets in Shanghai have a mix of both ancient Chinese style and a modern, more Westernized look. The Bund can't be missed!”





THIS IS YOUR CAMPUS

NYU Shanghai's campus is one of a kind. Whether you're riding the free campus shuttle bus from Jingyao Residence Hall to class or having a lively discussion with friends in the light-filled Magnolia House lounge area, NYU Shanghai's campus is infused with the energy of the city surrounding it. From our research labs and recital hall to our classrooms and makerspaces, Shanghai's energy is echoed in everything we do.

Since you're **here**, check out a few favorite campus and student life resources you'll soon call your own.



"From on-campus counseling services to academic advising and tutoring, NYU Shanghai has everything you need to thrive. Don't hesitate to reach out and make use of these valuable resources."

Lily Blair
Interactive Media and Business

COME STUDY WITH US

"I like to study in the quiet room with huge windows on the west side's 3rd floor. It's very peaceful, and you get a really good view of Shanghai."

Kaye Richelle Duarte
Neural Science



Best quiet study spot:

"My favorite spot is under the **'friendship' tree** in the courtyard. Between classes I love sitting there to catch up on readings or enjoying coffee from one of our on-campus cafes."

"The **3rd floor reading space** or the **6th floor of the library**."

"**Peet's Coffee** on a weekday."

"The **study cubbies** located around the school."



Best group study spot:

"The **study rooms** outside the library."

"The **4th-floor lounge area** is a very popular spot. It has lighting and outlets and it's close to the vending machines!"

"I like to **book a study room** or host study nights at the **residence hall**."

"**Group study rooms** are plentiful, quiet, and easy to book, and some have monitors or white boards to boost your experience."



100%

of NYU Shanghai students graduate proficient in Mandarin



3,000+

Job and internship postings listed on Handshake, the Center for Career Development's database, each year

37,000

Almost physical volumes available at the library

Whether they're personal, professional, or academic, NYU Shanghai has a resource available to help you achieve your goals. Want to start your own business? Add meditation to your daily routine? Ace your next essay? Or find the perfect internship? Here are a few on-campus resources students mentioned as their most-used:

- Academic advisers
- The library's research databases
- Professors' office hours
- The Academic Resource Center
- The Center for Career Development
- Study rooms in the library
- The Fitness Center



"I go to the Academic Resource Center almost every week. They have professional tutors who help you with your general writing assignments and specific course questions. I go to see an ARC fellow when I'm confused about course content, when I have difficulty organizing my paper, and sometimes simply when I feel anxious about an assignment and need someone to brainstorm with."

Florence Zhang
Global China Studies
and Social Science
(Political Science)

CLASS IS IN SESSION

At NYU Shanghai, you can choose from 19 distinct undergraduate majors from Global China Studies and Humanities to Biology and Computer Systems Engineering. Along with your classmates, the NYU academic community is made up of dedicated faculty members, advisers, and support staff, who are all ready to help you work toward achieving your academic and career goals.

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Majors available to NYU Shanghai undergraduates

8:1

Student-to-faculty ratio at NYU Shanghai

With more than 250 courses to choose from, and thousands more when you study across NYU's global network, you'll have so much to explore.

Here are a few NYU Shanghai courses that stood out to students:

"My favorite course so far is **Creative Coding Lab**, an interactive media arts class. I love it because it combines the skills I've learned through my Data Science major with creativity and pushes me to be more sensitive to the world and my surroundings."

"I loved **Global Connections**. I learned a lot about Shanghai history and went on several field trips to places that were once only historical sites. The final project about how to renovate a historical site into a modern business was really interesting."

"One of my favorite classes is **Life Design** with Professor Emily Tsiang. This course helps you find meaning and purpose in everyday life and regain focus on your mental well-being amidst the demands of college life."

"In the gender studies class **Women in China**, we learned about women and their lives throughout different periods of Chinese history. Hearing my classmates' ideas and the professor's personal anecdotes made the class feel very intimate and personal."

"The student-to-faculty ratio is smaller here than at the other NYU campuses. This helps when reaching out to professors because they all know you personally. I believe this really makes it easier to study and learn in class."

Kaye Richelle Duarte
Neural Science

NYU's faculty includes

6

Nobel laureates

17

MacArthur Fellowship "Genius Grant" recipients

8

Pulitzer Prize winners

7

Academy Award winners

"Many NYU professors I've met are very passionate about their profession. Their dedication has spoken to me and helped me realize which career I want to pursue. One of my neuroscience professors was the director of the NYU Langone Children's Hospital. She'd often talk about her experiences working with patients. That really motivated me."

Queena Lin
Interactive Media and Business

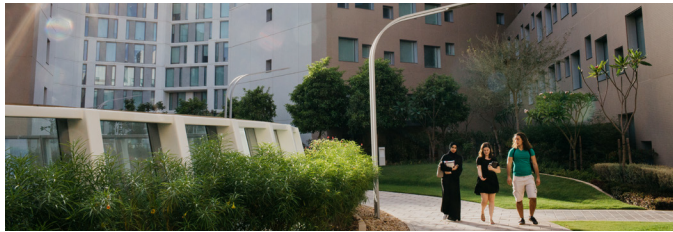
What's your favorite memory with a faculty member?

"When our professor took a team of students out for pho after we put on a show for fashion week."

"On the last day of Intermediate Chinese II, I had to do a final oral presentation. I was very nervous, but my Chinese professor brought us snacks and gave us these stamps with our own Chinese names. We were all so touched. I ended up being able to present well, and we all had a really great time."

"My best memory with a faculty member is the field trips we took to nursing homes, communities, and cafes that employ seniors for the class Experience Studio, which explored themes of aging and ageism."

"My favorite memory is with my Chinese teacher. I often go to her office hours to ask questions after class. We always have nice conversations about life, career, traveling, and Thai food."



“The best part of studying away is the connections you build and the different people you meet. The friends I made studying away are friends I would never have met otherwise.”



Queena Lin
Interactive Media and Business

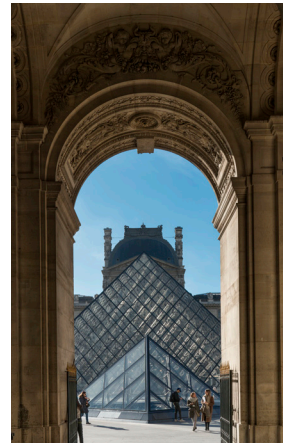
18%

of NYU Shanghai students studied abroad in fall 2023

NYU is home to

16

global locations, including its Shanghai and New York City campuses



NYU Global Locations:

- Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- Accra, Ghana
- Berlin, Germany
- Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Florence, Italy
- London, England
- Los Angeles, CA, United States
- Madrid, Spain
- New York, NY, United States
- Paris, France
- Prague, Czech Republic
- Shanghai, China
- Sydney, Australia
- Tel Aviv, Israel
- Tulsa, OK, United States
- Washington, DC, United States



We hope all of this information has gotten you excited to come to NYU Shanghai. Once you arrive, here are a few of the best places on campus to take a celebration selfie. And don't forget to tag **@meetnyu** and **@nyushanghai** so your friends and family can celebrate too!

“From the bridge on the **3rd floor of the West Building** when the sunlight comes through.”

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“In the **courtyard** where you can see the entire campus with the nice natural sunlight.”

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