

QC English MA Program Spring 2022 Announcements

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The Spring 2022 semester officially begins on **Friday, January 28**. You can find the Queens College academic calendar with important dates and deadlines at <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/pages/calendar.aspx> and the CUNY-wide academic calendar at <https://www.cuny.edu/academics/academic-calendars/>.

Please note that the last day to DROP classes for a 100% tuition refund is **Thursday, January 27**. The last day to ADD classes is **Thursday, February 3**.

Other important dates to keep in mind:

- **Tuesday, February 8** follows a Friday schedule
- There are **no classes** scheduled on **Monday, February 21** (President's Day) and **Friday, April 15 – Friday, April 22** (Spring Recess).
- For students planning to graduate Spring 2022, the deadline to file for graduation via your CUNYfirst Student Center is **March 1**. (Details re: the graduation ceremony will be announced later in the semester.)
- The last day of classes (and the last day to drop a course with a W grade) is **Tuesday, May 17**, and the Spring 2022 semester officially ends on May 24.

We will continue to communicate any updates from QC and CUNY re: the spring semester via the [MA listserv](#).

SPRING 2022 ADVISING

Due to the pandemic, we will continue advising virtually this semester. If you have any questions or need help, please email BOTH of us to ensure the quickest possible response.

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Email is the easiest and fastest way to reach us, but if you would like to request a virtual appointment, please email us with your availability and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Please be sure to check your QC email regularly (and also add any other primary email addresses to your CUNYfirst account), as the College and your professors may be communicating with you that way. For routine inquiries (e.g., for faculty contact info), please consult the English Department website at <http://english.qc.cuny.edu/> or contact the English Department Office (english@qc.cuny.edu).

CHECK (AND DOUBLE-CHECK) YOUR SCHEDULE

Before the semester begins, please take a moment to log-in to your CUNYfirst account and check that you're registered for your courses. If for some reason your registration has been canceled by the Bursar, or if you're registered for the wrong courses, it's much easier to sort out any issues if they're caught before the semester begins.

In Spring 2022 (and likely going forward), some of our English MA courses will be taught in-person and some will be taught online. When you check your schedule, please double-check the instruction modes for your courses. Please note that ENGL 636 and 720 have changed their modes of instruction to online.

If you're taking an in-person course, please confirm your classroom location the day of your first meeting, as classrooms can sometimes be changed at the last minute. Also note that, out of an abundance of caution, some in-person courses may meet online temporarily at the start of the semester. If this is the case, professors will communicate with students in advance, so please be sure to check your QC email regularly for any updates.

If you're taking an online course, your professor will communicate how to join and access their class. If you don't hear from them by the first day of the semester, please email them directly to request this info. Faculty emails can be found on the department website at <http://english.qc.cuny.edu/people/>.

ADDING A COURSE AND REQUESTING AN OVERTALLY

If you are looking to add a spring course, there are still several classes with open seats, including ENGL 681, 701, 702, 720, 729, 781-03, and 781-04. Please review the updated course descriptions (see attached) and confirm current availability by checking the Schedule of Classes on CUNYfirst.

If you wish to overtake into a course that is already closed, please email the professor and ask for their permission to overtake and/or to be placed on the class waiting list. Please keep in mind that instructors have no obligation to overtake you into classes once they're full and that all instructor decisions are final.

VACCINATION VERIFICATION AND MASKING

A reminder that all CUNY students taking in-person or hybrid classes in Spring 2022 are required to be fully vaccinated and to get a booster once eligible (5 months after Pfizer or Moderna or 2 months after J&J), unless they've been granted a medical or religious exemption. If you haven't already, please be sure to **upload your proof of vaccination and booster to CUNYfirst**.

Please also keep in mind that everyone is still **required to wear a mask** indoors on campus, regardless of vaccination status, except when briefly eating or drinking while maintaining social distancing. Everyone is also still required to mask outdoors on campus when unable to maintain social distancing.

Please note that pandemic-related policies and procedures may continue to evolve so, again, be sure to check your QC email regularly for updates and important announcements. Up-to-date COVID-related info and guidelines for CUNY can be found at <https://www.cuny.edu/coronavirus/> and for QC at <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/community/Coronavirus/Pages/Default.aspx>. You can also find resources via the QC Provost's website at <https://provost.qc.cuny.edu/>.

QC HUB

The QC Hub is a centralized location where you can get answers to questions or resolve any issues related to financial aid, registration, student records, and other bureaucratic matters. You can reach them via email at QCHub@qc.cuny.edu; live-chat with them by clicking on the "Live Support!" link at <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/registrar/Pages/Welcome.aspx> during their open hours; or make a virtual appointment via QC Navigate at <https://navigate.qc.cuny.edu/>. If you contact the QC Hub and don't get a response within a week, please let us know so we can follow up.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS)

If you experience any online account issues or other tech-related problems, please contact ITS for help (<https://www.qc.cuny.edu/computing/Pages/New.aspx>). You can request an appointment with them at https://bit.ly/ITS_ServiceDesk, live chat with them via their website above during their open hours, submit a ticket at <https://support.qc.cuny.edu/support/tickets/new>, or email them at support@qc.cuny.edu. You can also find some common student tech issues and solutions at <https://support.qc.cuny.edu/support/solutions/15000043651>.

QCARD

The QCard is your official QC student ID, and you will need it to gain access throughout campus. If you don't already have a QCard, you can find info on how to obtain one at <https://www.qc.cuny.edu/StudentLife/services/online/qcard/Pages/gettingyourcard.aspx>.

ROSENTHAL LIBRARY

You no longer need to make an appointment to access the Rosenthal Library building but will need your QCard for entry. The QC Libraries' in-person operations will resume on January 26, with evening hours beginning on January 31 and weekend hours beginning February 5. Visit their website (<https://library.qc.cuny.edu/>) for their full schedule/hours and for help with your research (<https://library.qc.cuny.edu/services/research/ask-us/>).