



# UNIVERSITY *of* ROCHESTER

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# INTRODUCTION

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The **University of Rochester** is one of America's leading private research universities. It consistently ranks among the top in federally financed science, engineering, medical, and other research. Along with this rigor, the University of Rochester operates on a personal scale, creating exceptional opportunities for undergraduate research, close work with faculty, and interdisciplinary study. The unique Rochester Curriculum invites students to study what they love with focus and flexibility. Through individual and collaborative efforts, our students and faculty improve themselves, each other, and our shared learning environment in the process.



# CITY OF ROCHESTER

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Encompassing the swift Genesee River and its six waterfalls, the City of Rochester is an urban setting with a relaxed suburban feel.

Rochester has grown since 1840 as a corporate, tech, and college town whose warm and diverse residents are never bored. The city's hot spots include the Memorial Art Gallery, Kodak Hall, three professional sports venues, the National Museum of Play, and the George Eastman House, a photography museum that attracts scholars from all over the world.

Rochester fostered the motion picture film industry, abolition, and the women's rights movement. Rochester's economy is dynamic with thousands of specialized, profitable firms in fields like optics and health equipment and technology. Residents have easy access to Lake Ontario beaches, Erie Canal recreation, and a vast greenbelt of gardens, parks, and summer festivals.



# AREAS OF STUDY

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## Popular Areas of Study:

Full list: [www.rochester.edu/college/academics/majors.html](http://www.rochester.edu/college/academics/majors.html)

African & African-American Studies

Anthropology

Audio & Music Engineering

Biomedical Engineering

Brain & Cognitive Sciences

Chemical Engineering

Chemistry

Computer Science

Creative Writing

Dance

Data Science

Digital Media Studies

Economics

Electrical & Computer Engineering

Environmental Science

Film & Media Studies

Gender, Sexuality & Women's Studies

Health, Behavior & Society

International Relations

Language, Media & Communication

Linguistics

Mathematics

Mechanical Engineering

Neuroscience

Optical Engineering

Philosophy

Physics & Astronomy

Political Science

Psychology

Religion



# SEMESTER DATES

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## FALL 2026

**Arrival:**

TBD

**Classes Begin:**

August 31, 2026

**Orientation:**

TBD

**Classes End:**

December 14, 2026

Orientation details:

[www.rochester.edu/  
College/orientation/  
students/exchange](http://www.rochester.edu/College/orientation/students/exchange)

**Final Examinations:**

December 18-23, 2026

## SPRING 2027

**Arrival:**

TBD

**Classes Begin:**

January 19, 2027

**Orientation:**

TBD

**Classes End:**

April 30, 2027

Orientation details:

[www.rochester.edu/  
College/orientation/  
students/exchange](http://www.rochester.edu/College/orientation/students/exchange)

**Final Examinations:**

May 4-9, 2027

For a complete academic calendar, including University holidays, visit: [www.rochester.edu/registrar/calendar.php](http://www.rochester.edu/registrar/calendar.php)

# STUDENT ENROLLMENT

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## UNIVERSITY-WIDE

11,000+ Students

### Full-Time

Undergraduate: 6,000+

Graduate: 3,000+

### Part-Time:

Undergraduate: 200+

Graduate: 1,000+

## DIVERSITY

### Male:

49%

### Female:

51%

### Non-binary:

<1%

### Black:

5%

### Native American:

<1%

### Hispanic/Latino

6%

### Asian American:

8%

### White, non-Hispanic:

42%

### International:

31%

### Multiracial:

2%

### Unreported:

6%

# STUDENT LIFE

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## STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

**90%**

Students involved in clubs  
and organizations

**300+**

Student organizations

## GREEK LIFE

**21%**

Students participating in  
Greek life

**17**

Fraternities

**17**

Sororities

## SPORTS

**23**

Varsity sports teams

## CAMPUS HOUSING

**90%**

Students living in campus housing

## RESEARCH

**77%**

Students involved in undergraduate research

# FACILITIES & HOUSING

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## FACILITIES

The University of Rochester's River Campus has one large gym, an outdoor stadium, five libraries, and more than twenty computer labs including departmental labs.

## HOUSING

Residence halls with shared rooms, compulsory meal plan, some self-catered apartments, as well as single rooms (not guaranteed). Exchange students are placed according to availability. Most residence halls are within walking distance from campus. Others are served by University shuttle. More information can be found on the Residential Life website: [www.rochester.edu/reslife](http://www.rochester.edu/reslife). Exchange students are expected to live in on-campus housing. If you wish to live off-campus, please contact the Center for Education Abroad ([abroad@rochester.edu](mailto:abroad@rochester.edu)) to discuss an exception.



# COURSES

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During the application process, students will be informed about registration, which will be completed before arrival. After arrival, students will have four weeks to modify their schedules.

## Language of Instruction:

English

## Credit Load:

Typically 16 credits (usually 4 courses)

Minimum credit load: 14 credits

Maximum credit load: 19 credits

## Restrictions:

School of Medicine and Dentistry courses and graduate courses at the Simon School of Business are not available (undergraduate courses at Simon School of Business are available).

Enrollment in Eastman School of Music courses and independent studies is possible upon faculty approval.

## Grading Scale:

<https://www.rochester.edu/bulletin/policies/academic/grading/>

## Course Listings:

[cdcs.ur.rochester.edu](https://cdcs.ur.rochester.edu) (Select school: **Arts, Sciences and Engineering**. Search by semester and subject)

# COSTS

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## ESTIMATED COSTS PER SEMESTER

\*Exact amounts are to be determined.

### Estimated Direct Costs:

(Charges will appear on your term bill)

Transportation fee: \$27

Activity fee: \$180

Mandatory health fee: \$480

Health insurance: \$1,860

Room and board: \$10,349

International student fee: \$70

Campus Mail Box: \$39

### Estimated Indirect Costs:

(Out-of-pocket expenses)

Personal: \$550

Books: UR Essentials Textbook Program



# **REQUIREMENTS & DEADLINES**

## **REQUIREMENTS**

### **Minimum GPA:**

3.0 minimum out of 4.0 (equivalent letter grading)

### **Prior Study:**

Must have completed at least one full year of course work at home university.

### **English Proficiency (When necessary):**

Duolingo English Test: 130

IELTS: 7.5 TOEFL iBT or iBT Home  
Edition: 100

## **DEADLINES**

### **Home University Nomination Deadline:**

Fall semester and full-year: March 1

Spring semester: October 1

### **Application Deadline:**

Fall semester and full-year: March 15

Spring semester: October 15

Learn more: [www.rochester.edu/college/abroad/exchange-students](http://www.rochester.edu/college/abroad/exchange-students)

# RESOURCES

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## **Bursar's Office:**

[www.rochester.edu/adminfinance/bursar](http://www.rochester.edu/adminfinance/bursar)

## **International Services Office:**

[iso.rochester.edu](http://iso.rochester.edu)

## **Student Health Insurance (REQUIRED):**

[www.rochester.edu/uhs/primary-care/mandatory-health-fee/](http://www.rochester.edu/uhs/primary-care/mandatory-health-fee/)

In some cases, health insurance can be waived. See information here:

[www.rochester.edu/uhs/primary-care/mandatory-health-fee/insurance-criteria/](http://www.rochester.edu/uhs/primary-care/mandatory-health-fee/insurance-criteria/)

All students are charged the Mandatory Health Fee.

## **Support Services:**

University Counseling Center:

[www.rochester.edu/ucc](http://www.rochester.edu/ucc)

Learning Center (offers study groups and tutoring):

[www.rochester.edu/college/cetl](http://www.rochester.edu/college/cetl)

Disability Resources:

[www.rochester.edu/disability/](http://www.rochester.edu/disability/)

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