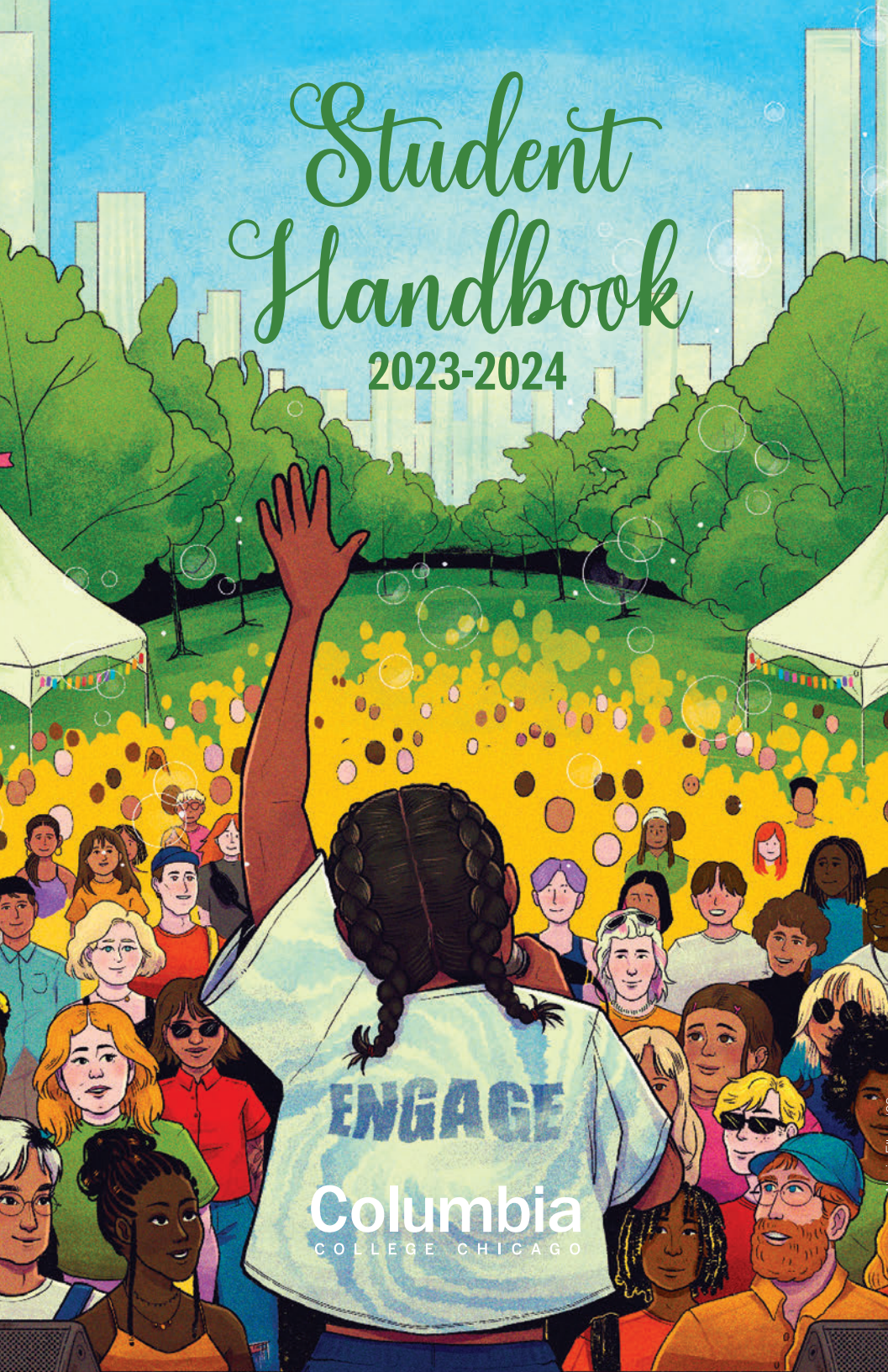


# Student Handbook

2023-2024



Columbia  
COLLEGE CHICAGO

Welcome or welcome back, as the case may be. I trust that you are looking forward to the year ahead. This is an exciting time to be a part of the Columbia College Chicago community, as we begin to implement a series of initiatives to promote curricular innovation, support student wellness and career development, and build new partnerships with creative industries and communities. If you are new to the college, be sure to explore the expanded orientation offerings through Engage Columbia, which are designed to enhance your success as a Columbia student.

This handbook is a guide not just to the college's policies and support services for students – both of which you should get to know – but to the customs and culture of this special place. That culture remains one of Columbia's most distinctive features; even I, who know this community well by now, am still astonished at the variety and richness of the programs, experiences, and resources on offer here. If you make it a point to explore all that is around you and to leave yourself open to that variety and richness, you will go a long way towards getting the most out of your student experience.

My work at Columbia, and that of the faculty and staff, is guided by our shared belief in the college's distinctive mission, which calls upon us to educate students who will "author the culture of their times" – a phrase, as some of you know, that means a great deal to me. So what will it take for you to become that author of the author of the culture of your time? My advice is to use your time here to get to know yourself, clarify your values, and figure out what you are good at and what you truly care about. That is the best way for you to determine how best to utilize your creative gifts, determination, and commitment to forge your own path in the world. And whatever field or career you pursue, accept nothing less than, in yourself and in others; engage passionately with the world around you; aim as high as you can; honor your voice, and believe in yourself in all that you do.

Best wishes for a successful and fulfilling academic year.

**Kwang-Wu Kim**  
President and CEO

# Columbia

COLLEGE CHICAGO

## 2023-2024 STUDENT PLANNER

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# WELCOME

New and Returning Students,

Welcome to our community of creative scholars and thank you for choosing to pursue your education at Columbia College Chicago. My staff and I have designed a variety of co-curricular programs and services that will enhance your Columbia experience. To maximize your academic success, I encourage you to take advantage of the programmatic efforts and services developed by the Student Affairs staff, which you may find to be both inviting and engaging. Below I have outlined the various Student Affairs offices and the ways in which you may become involved.

The Student Life staff supports a multitude of student groups that you may join, such as the Student Government Association and the Student Organization Council, through which you can directly impact campus life. Our Student Diversity and Inclusion office staff is also ready to hear your voice to ensure that you are a part of developing and enhancing our community of diverse learners.

Our Student Health and Support staff, along with our Office of Equity Issues staff, have developed an array of programs to support you academically, emotionally and mentally. Whether you would like to speak with someone about your personal development or any other topic, there is a staff person or campus resource available to you.

For those away from home, our Housing & Residential Experience staff are prepared to assist you in finding the right living space on campus. Their programs are designed to assist you in living in a community of artists. The residence halls are comfortable and conducive to collaboration.

The Student Center is your campus hub for events and activities, featuring a variety of student-focused spaces for dining, studying, relaxing, getting fit, and building community. You are encouraged to utilize the Student Center as a place to meet up, make art, and celebrate all that Columbia College Chicago has to offer.

As you matriculate at the college, the Career Center staff is here to help you identify opportunities to put the theories that you have learned in the classroom into practice. They can guide you in exploring your career path, packaging your portfolio for presentation to the wider arts and communications industries, securing an internship, and finding employment.

Best wishes on your academic journey and remember that my staff and I are here with a host of support services and resources that will assist you in your academic success.

**Sharon Wilson-Taylor, Ph.D.**

VP of Student Affairs

# Welcome to the Student Handbook and Calendar!

The Student Handbook and Planner is a practical guide to Columbia’s many resources on campus, online, and within our community. While this may seem overwhelming at first, your confidence and ability to navigate campus successfully will increase with persistence. Please take the time to familiarize yourself with every part of the college. Don’t wait until you are ready to graduate to find out there was a Digital Print Center (or a MakerSpace or a Student Organization) you needed the whole time!

We encourage you to check the Engage Columbia Portal for the most up-to-date information. If you have any questions about this handbook or the content within, please contact Student Affairs at 312-369-8595.

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# PHONE NUMBERS

**911** - Emergencies requiring Police, Fire, or Medical Services  
**Columbia College Chicago's 24/7/365 Security Command Center**  
**(312) 369-1111** Columbia Emergency Line  
**(312) 369-3220** Columbia Non-Emergency Line  
**311** City of Chicago Non-Emergency Services  
**(800) 273-TALK (8255)** Suicide Prevention Lifeline

ACADEMIC CENTER FOR TUTORING .....	(312) 369-8130
ACADEMIC SERVICES.....	(312) 369-7645
BOOKSTORE .....	(312) 369-7405
CAMPUS CARD.....	(312) 369-7140
CAREER CENTER .....	(312) 369-7280
COLUMBIA CENTRAL.....	(312) 369-7140
COUNSELING SERVICES .....	(312) 369-8700
DEAN OF STUDENTS .....	(312) 369-8595
HEALTH CENTER.....	(312) 369-6830
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.....	(312) 369-7001
LIBRARY .....	(312) 369-7900
HOUSING & RESIDENTIAL EXPERIENCE .....	(312) 369-7803
SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES .....	(312) 369-8296
STUDENT CENTER .....	(312) 369-8000
SWITCHBOARD .....	(312) 369-1000

## DIRECTORY

*[directory.colum.edu](http://directory.colum.edu)*

The directory offers a complete list of current Columbia phone numbers searchable by office, department, or name.

## HELPFUL WEB SITES

Academic Advising .....	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/advising">www.colum.edu/advising</a>
Academic Center for Tutoring.....	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/tutoring">www.colum.edu/tutoring</a>
Academic Services.....	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/academicservices">www.colum.edu/academicservices</a>
Bookstore .....	<a href="http://colum.bncollege.com">colum.bncollege.com</a>
Canvas.....	<a href="http://canvas.colum.edu">canvas.colum.edu</a>
Career Center.....	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/careercenter">www.colum.edu/careercenter</a>

Columbia Central	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/columbiacentral">www.colum.edu/columbiacentral</a>
Counseling Services	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/counseling">www.colum.edu/counseling</a>
Course Catalog	<a href="http://catalog.colum.edu">catalog.colum.edu</a>
Dean of Students	<a href="http://students.colum.edu/dean-of-students">students.colum.edu/dean-of-students</a>
Handshake	<a href="http://colum.joinhandshake.com">colum.joinhandshake.com</a>
Health Center	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/healthcenter">www.colum.edu/healthcenter</a>
Library	<a href="http://library.colum.edu">library.colum.edu</a>
Scholarship Information	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/scholarships">www.colum.edu/scholarships</a>
Services for Students with Disabilities	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/ssd">www.colum.edu/ssd</a>
Student Relations	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/studentrelations">www.colum.edu/studentrelations</a>
Ventra U-Pass	<a href="http://www.colum.edu/upass">www.colum.edu/upass</a>

## ENGAGE COLUMBIA

Engage Columbia is a series of in-person and digital programs, services, and offerings that occur in the Fall semester. These programs and tools are designed to connect and engage you as new and returning students to all Columbia has to offer. From student organizations, events, groups, peer-to-peer interaction, everything is in one place, at one time.

### ENGAGE PROGRAMS

Engage Columbia starts with your Orientation and then breaks down into several layers of engagement to help you connect to the College:

- **Engage Orientation** program
- **Engage Columbia** varied welcome programming
- **Engage 101: Homeroom** (for first-year students who would like to continue to connect and explore Columbia together on Fridays during the fall semester)
- **Engage 2.0** (A curated listing of events of interest to sophomore and transfer students ready to explore the College and career interests at a more in-depth level)

**Engage Columbia** is a new student program designed to help support your involvement and engagement outside the classroom. A broad variety of Engage Columbia programs will be hosted each week under specific categories that will help you explore and build your new community here at Columbia.

One of the great perks about participating in Engage Columbia programming is that you can win grant dollars just by attending events! Simply RSVP, check-in and attend events in all the major categories: **Community and Leadership; Diversity and Inclusion; Academic Resources; Health, Wellness, and Safety; Financial Literacy; and Career Planning.** Use the Engage Portal app to check in at events, or for those without smartphones, sign-up sheets will be provided at the events when you arrive.

Remember, you must attend one event in each of the 6 categories to qualify.

Winners will be determined and announced at Columbia Weekend in October.

Any student for whom Fall 2023 is their first term at Columbia can participate in the program.

The grand prizes will be awarded to 12 eligible freshmen and sophomores:

4 - \$1,500 grants

4 - \$1,000 grants

4 - \$500 grants

All programs are designed to connect you with other students, and inform you about the support, service, and engagement programs you deserve. All information can be found on the Engage app and at [students.colum.edu](http://students.colum.edu).

## **ENGAGE APP VIA CAMPUSGROUPS**

*[engage.colum.edu](http://engage.colum.edu)*

The **Engage Columbia app** is Columbia in your pocket! It is your mobile access to Columbia's resources, services, and social activities. You can use the app to check in at events, access your email, access Canvas and MyColumbia, view your calendar, get safety and security alerts, make friends on the feed, and do almost everything you need to navigate campus and your campus-related accounts. The Engage Columbia app is available on Google Play and in the Apple Store.

## **STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

Not just email (but check your email!) Columbia offers and supports a variety of online resources for managing and enhancing your educational and preprofessional experience.

Columbia offers impeccable online resources to help you with nearly anything you need. Students sign into Columbia applications using their MyColumbia ID and password.

**Please note:** If you were an incoming student in Spring 2022, you will login using your [lastname\(00\)@colum.edu](mailto:lastname(00)@colum.edu). If you were a student prior to Spring 2022, you will login using your [MyColumbiaID@colum.edu](mailto:MyColumbiaID@colum.edu).

Example

Username: or [Lastname\(00\)@colum.edu](mailto:Lastname(00)@colum.edu)

Password: Office 365 Password



## **STUDENT LOGIN AND EMAIL**

*portal.office.com*

*students.colum.edu/information-technology/office365*

Your gateway to all Columbia systems, tools and communications is your Columbia email address. This is your master key to accessing all Columbia systems that you will need to interface with as a student. Microsoft Office 365 offers Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneDrive, OneNote, and Microsoft Teams.

The official student email client for the Columbia College Chicago domain @colum.edu is Microsoft. All official Columbia email communication including registration information, billing information, financial aid information, and an all-student newsletter are delivered via Office 365. It is important that students check their accounts regularly. You can access your account via [outlook.office.com/mail/](mailto:outlook.office.com/mail/).

## **MYCOLUMBIA**

*my.colum.edu*

MyColumbia is the online tool that students use to register for courses, pay tuition and fees, check their academic progress, and update their contact information including emergency contact information.

## **WI-FI ACCESS**

*(312) 369-7001*

On campus, students can get WiFi access using the wireless network called Columbia Student. To join this network, students use their Columbia email address and password to login. This may prompt them to accept or 'Trust' a security certificate.

Additionally, Columbia is part of the Eduroam network, which allows use to access WiFi hotspots around the world using your school credentials.

## **MULTI-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION (DUO)**

*www.colum.edu/duo*

*guide.duo.com/add-device*

Columbia utilizes DUO Security to implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) on various software systems as well as on college hardware. Multi-Factor Authentication is an additional layer of security on top of user IDs and passwords, Single Sign-On, or VPN. To access campus systems, including email, you must set up DUO on your phone. When you login, you will receive a 'push' to the app to authenticate. If you have specific questions, please email [duoquestions@colum.edu](mailto:duoquestions@colum.edu).

## **GLOBALPROTECT (VPN)**

Columbia College Chicago uses GlobalProtect as its VPN. Installed on your computer, a VPN is an application that establishes a secure connection to the on-campus network for you to use when you are off-campus. GlobalProtect is available to all Columbia College Chicago users.

For information on installing GlobalProtect on various devices, please visit the Information Technology Client Services Center Technology Assistance Center (TAC) via Team Dynamix at <https://colum.teamdynamix.com/TDClient> under Knowledge Base >> Security.

## **CANVAS**

*[canvas.colum.edu](https://canvas.colum.edu)*

*[canvaslms@colum.edu](mailto:canvaslms@colum.edu)*

For 24/7 Canvas support, refer to the help link on the home page of Canvas.

Canvas is a learning management system used by Columbia College faculty to manage their courses. Students log in to Canvas with their Office 365 credentials. If an instructor uses Canvas, students may access syllabi, assignments, readings, resources, forums, wikis, course grades and other materials. Instructors will let their students know if they are using Canvas in a particular class. Students sign-in to Canvas with their Office 365 credentials.

## **SOFTWARE ACCESS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS**

***Adobe Creative Cloud***

*[students.colum.edu/information-technology/adobe](https://students.colum.edu/information-technology/adobe)*

*[creativecloud.adobe.com](https://creativecloud.adobe.com)*

Columbia offers all students an Adobe Creative Cloud account. Through this account, students can use a range of Adobe applications, from After Effects to Illustrator and InDesign, Spark, and Photoshop, along with centralized storage for those apps. To access this tool, sign-in with your colum.edu email address and select Company or School account.

## **LINKEDIN LEARNING**

*[www.colum.edu/linkedinlearning](https://www.colum.edu/linkedinlearning)*

*[portal.office.com](https://portal.office.com)*

LinkedIn Learning is the premier online training resource for anyone seeking exceptional, current, and relevant software training. Whether you use it to supplement your learning in the classroom or to teach yourself an entirely new skillset, LinkedIn Learning is a truly invaluable resource available to the Columbia community. Just log in to your Office 365 account and click on the LinkedIn Learning link in your applications list to get started.

## **QUALTRICS**

*[www.colum.edu/qualtrics](https://www.colum.edu/qualtrics)*

Qualtrics is an online survey tool available to all faculty, staff, and students at Columbia. This application includes robust survey development and tracking, survey collaboration, balloting, workflow, and reporting options. Qualtrics is accessible at [colum.qualtrics.com](https://colum.qualtrics.com) or from the Qualtrics icon in the Office 365 Apps menu. Students, faculty, and staff sign in to Qualtrics with their Office 365 credentials. First-time users should indicate they DO NOT already have a Qualtrics account so a new one will be set up for you automatically.

## **ZOOM**

*[colum.zoom.us](http://colum.zoom.us)*

[students.colum.edu/information-technology/managing-zoom-meetings](http://students.colum.edu/information-technology/managing-zoom-meetings)

Zoom is a video communications tool that allows you to host video conference calls with your students, fellow staff members, and classmates. Features such as screen sharing, white boards, polling, chat, and captioning make Zoom a robust choice for remote communication, collaboration, and online lecture delivery.

## **EVENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EMS)**

*[space.colum.edu](http://space.colum.edu)*

Reserve space for meetings, study groups, or club events using EMS.

## **PANOPTO**

*[colum.hosted.panopto.com](http://colum.hosted.panopto.com)*

Panopto fully integrates with Canvas courses and offers a central place to house digital assets, which can include Zoom cloud recordings, lecture recordings, screen capture recordings, as well as other audio or video recordings. Panopto offers key features which include screen and lecture recording capabilities, a robust video search, closed captioning, and video statistics. Video Discussions, Quizzes, and note taking capabilities are also available within each Panopto recording.

Students can access Panopto by clicking on ‘Panopto Video’ within a Canvas course. They may also sign in at [colum.hosted.panopto.com](http://colum.hosted.panopto.com) by selecting the ‘Colum AD’ sign in option and entering their Office 365 credentials.

## **VIRTUAL DESKTOP INFRASTRUCTURE (VDI)**

*[horizon.colum.edu](http://horizon.colum.edu)*

*[mypc.colum.edu](http://mypc.colum.edu)*

To access certain campus tools and systems remotely, students can use the VMWare Horizon as a VDI client. You can download the app to your computer or use the website version. To login, select the domain called COLUM, then use your 6-digit Columbia ID number as username, and your Office 365 password. **IMPORTANT!** If you started at Columbia College after September 7th, 2021, you login with your username.

## **PRINTING RESOURCES**

***Printer Kiosks***

*[students.colum.edu/information-technology/Student-Printing](http://students.colum.edu/information-technology/Student-Printing)*

Student Printing offers secure printing release, mobile printing compatibility, “Follow-Me” printing service that allows users to print documents to the kiosk location of their choice for a nominal fee. Students will be able to print from a personal device using the web print portal. Kiosks are located at:

- 624 S. Michigan, 1st Floor (Library) - 1 B&W, 1 Color
- 624 S. Michigan, 2nd Floor (Library) - 1 B&W
- 754 S. Wabash, 3rd Floor (Student Center) - 1 B&W
- 33 E. Ida B. Wells, 5th Floor - 1 B&W
- 623 S. Wabash, 1st Floor (Outside the Digital Print Center) - 1 Color
- 623 S. Wabash, 2nd Floor (Printmaking Facility) - 1 Color
- 623 S. Wabash, 4th Floor (Media Center) - 1 Color
- 623 S. Wabash, 6th Floor (Room 602A) - 1 Color
- 623 S. Wabash, 8th Floor (Prop Shop) - 1 Color
- 623 S. Wabash, 9th Floor (Computer Lounge) - 3 Color

Students can use the following payment methods: MyColumbia card (must deposit funds by visiting the Online Card office), Apple Pay, Google Pay, Samsung Pay, and credit cards (VISA, MasterCard, AmericanExpress, and Discover). Cost per-page ranges between \$0.09 and \$0.68.

## **DIGITAL PRINTING CENTER (DPC)**

*[www.colum.edu/dpc](http://www.colum.edu/dpc)*

The Digital Print Center is Columbia's on-campus, professional digital-output center, offering laser printing, archival, wide-format inkjet, and UV printing. Their printing and finishing services are available for a fee to students, faculty, and staff. They also provide binding, folding, vinyl cutting, bulk paper cutting, business cards, fabric printing, and other services. DPC staff can also inform and instruct on proper file setup, color management, resolution, print longevity, and paper types. Facilities include wide-format Canon printers that can produce archival prints up to 64 inches wide.

Students may submit print jobs to the Digital Print Center by accessing PRISMA Direct through the Office 365 applications menu. If you are having any difficulties, please email [DigitalPrintCenter@colum.edu](mailto:DigitalPrintCenter@colum.edu) for assistance.

## **STUDENT TECHBAR**

*(312) 369-7470*

*[students.colum.edu/information-technology/TechBar](http://students.colum.edu/information-technology/TechBar)*

*[TechBar@colum.edu](mailto:TechBar@colum.edu)*

The Student TechBar provides first-tier technical support to students, faculty, and staff at Columbia College Chicago. Student staff field tech questions through walk-up, in-person appointments, via online chat, phone, or TeamDynamix tickets. If the Student TechBar staff is unable to resolve an issue, then the inquiry is escalated through TeamDynamix to the necessary areas. Additionally, staff can direct student to appropriate alternative support resources, such as tech support within the academic departments, or Information Technology, especially if issues or questions are beyond the scope of the Student TechBar to solve.

## **REMOTE LEARNING SUPPORT**

*students.colum.edu/information-technology/remote-learning-support*

Resources and recommendations for students in the event of a campus closure due to weather, or some other emergency.

## **TECHNOLOGY TOOLBOX**

*www.colum.edu/techrec*

In Fall 2022, IT implemented the Technology Toolbox program, which indicates technology requirements by department and major. The Technology Toolbox identifies:

- A laptop or tablet that has faculty-recommended technical specifications designed to optimize career readiness
- The software you need to succeed in your classes and profession
- Additional technologies and devices that will be required by courses in each academic program

As a college that prepares future creative professionals, Columbia believes it is essential our students be equipped with the technology that meets the standards for their field. With this in mind, the college has obtained licenses for many software programs students can access, free of charge. Further, faculty in each of our disciplines have recommended specific hardware and software for students to purchase independently.

In addition to tech specs, the website lists links for potential discounts. For students who may need to use their financial aid package to purchase this educational technology can discuss their financial details, please contact Columbia Central at [columbiacentral@colum.edu](mailto:columbiacentral@colum.edu) or at (312) 369-7140.

## **CLIENT SERVICES, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SUPPORT**

*(312) 369-7001*

*colum.edu/techsupport*

*clientservices@colum.edu*

For technical support, contact Client Services who is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For support with Chromebooks, Zoom, VDI, and other academic applications and hardware issues, please submit a ticket through Team Dynamix - <https://colum.teamdynamix.com/TDClient/2029/Portal/Home/>

## **ACADEMIC SUPPORT**

From registration to tutoring, financial support to the library, Columbia offers a wealth of support. We are here for you.

## **ACADEMIC ADVISING AND COACHING**

**623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 300**

**(312) 369-7645**

***[www.colum.edu/advising](http://www.colum.edu/advising)***

Academic Advising helps students to clarify and take responsibility for their academic and career goals. All undergraduate students have an assigned academic advisor. New students are expected to meet with their academic advisor at least once a semester during their first year. After their first year, students should meet regularly with their academic advisor to develop their graduation plans, review their academic options, and formally declare their major and minor programs. In addition to academic advising, coaching is also offered to students who wish to receive additional support with study skills, time management, and other success strategies. This office collaborates closely with academic departments and faculty to ensure students receive holistic and appropriate academic support, mentorship, and guidance.

To make an appointment, log into MyColumbia and click the MyBookings tab. Then, click College Advising – SSC, or contact your advisor directly via phone, email, or Microsoft Teams chat.

## **ACADEMIC CENTER FOR TUTORING**

**33 E. Ida B. Wells Dr. | 1st Floor**

**(312) 369-8130**

***[www.colum.edu/tutoring](http://www.colum.edu/tutoring)***

***[tutoring@colum.edu](mailto:tutoring@colum.edu)***

The Academic Center for Tutoring provides students from all disciplines, backgrounds, and levels of expertise the opportunity to develop diverse skills and strategies that will enhance their academic success within a safe and inclusive learning environment. Tutoring interactions span a variety of formats and learning environments to meet individual student's academic demands. Tutors work collaboratively with students to produce knowledge through high-quality individual, small-group and large-group student-centered learning. Tutoring services are offered in writing, science, math, accounting and finance, foreign language, music theory, audio arts and acoustics, illustration, and software applications.

## **BOOKSTORE**

**624 S. Michigan Ave.**

**(312) 369-7405**

***[colum.bncollege.com/shop/columbia-chi/home](http://colum.bncollege.com/shop/columbia-chi/home)***

The Columbia Bookstore provides students with textbooks (new and used, rental and digital), course materials, general reading, and reference materials. The bookstore also supplies computer products, and Columbia gear. Students in some classes have the option to rent their textbooks through our rent-a-text program. The bookstore is the only retail outlet that works with Columbia's faculty to provide the course materials Columbia students will need. Students with Columbia Cash accounts or a

Book Charge can use these features at the bookstore. Students can also sell their used textbooks back to the bookstore for the books' current market value, after use.

## **COLUMBIA CENTRAL: ENROLLMENT AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

*600 S. Michigan Ave. | 3rd Floor*

*(312) 369-7140*

*[www.colum.edu/columbiacentral](http://www.colum.edu/columbiacentral)*

*[columbiacentral@colum.edu](mailto:columbiacentral@colum.edu)*

Columbia Central, a service model that integrates certain student financial and enrollment services into one office. Through this 'one-stop-shop' concept, you can work directly with counselors who have a holistic view of your account. You'll work with your Columbia Central counselor for financial aid and paperwork assistance, registration services, student records services, transcript orders, and more.

### **Campus Card Charge Program**

Beginning Fall 2023, Columbia will be implementing the Campus Card Charge program, which will replace the discontinued Book Charge and Meal Charge programs. Campus Card Charge funds will be redeemable at various locations on campus. Eligible students will be able to apply for the Campus Card Charge in the MyColumbia portal. Please visit the campus card website for information about this new program.

### **Cost of Attendance, Tuition and Fees**

*[www.colum.edu/tuition](http://www.colum.edu/tuition)*

Information on current tuition and fee rates, cost of attendance budgets, housing rates, and instructional resource fees are published by Columbia Central.

### **Federal Work-Study**

*[www.colum.edu/fundingsources](http://www.colum.edu/fundingsources)*

This federally-funded program provides part-time jobs to eligible undergraduate and graduate degree-seeking students while in school.

### **How To Pay**

*[www.colum.edu/howtopay](http://www.colum.edu/howtopay)*

For general information on payment due dates, payment methods, auto-debit payment plans, loans and grants, and your individual award letter, go to: [colum.edu/howtopay](http://colum.edu/howtopay). For your individual account information, login to MyColumbia and choose the MyFinancials tab.

### **Financial Aid Programs**

*[www.colum.edu/fafsa](http://www.colum.edu/fafsa) or [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov)*

To be considered for federal or state financial aid programs, students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) each year on October 1st.

## **Scholarships**

*[www.colum.edu/scholarships](http://www.colum.edu/scholarships)*

Columbia offers a variety of scholarships. To learn more about Columbia-based scholarships as well as external scholarship opportunities go to [colum.edu/scholarships](http://colum.edu/scholarships).

## **GLOBAL EDUCATION**

*[students.colum.edu/global-education/](http://students.colum.edu/global-education/)  
[edabroad@colum.edu](mailto:edabroad@colum.edu)*

Global Education assists students in their educational experiences outside the US, including studying abroad for credit through Exchange Programs, Columbia Faculty-Led Programs, and Approved Provider Programs. Students who are interested in earning credit or having other educational experiences while traveling to another country can set up an appointment with Global Education to discuss the range of education abroad programs options that are available to them as Columbia students.

## **HONORS PROGRAM**

*623 S. Wabash Ave. | Suite 600  
(312) 369-8604  
[www.colum.edu/honorsprogram](http://www.colum.edu/honorsprogram)  
[honors@colum.edu](mailto:honors@colum.edu)*

The Honors Program offers an enhanced educational experience tailored to our students seeking greater academic challenges. The Honors Program community brings together creative thinkers, intellectuals, writers, and communicators who seek to share ideas while studying and learning at the highest level. Honors Program students pursue deeper academic and creative challenges with some of Columbia's most engaged faculty members through a rich array of Honors courses on subjects as wide ranging as Post-Colonial Literature, Ethics and Economics, Animal Behavior Research Methods, Intro to Visual Culture, and dozens of other topics. The upper-level Undergraduate Research Initiative (URMI) course can also be taken for up to 3 hours of Honors credit. More information on the URMI program can be found on the Honors Program site. Because our Honors classes include students from all of Columbia's majors in the visual, performing, and media and communication arts, these courses create opportunities for collaborations and relationships that transcend the classroom.

### **Honors Course Characteristics**

- **Academic and Intellectual Challenges:** Honors courses provide engaging and academically challenging opportunities for all students. Classes are committed to inclusive academic excellence.
- **Interrogation of Power and Privilege:** Honors courses provide spaces where students can question how factors including race, class, gender, disability, and ethnicity influence culture and knowledge.
- **Independent Learning:** Honors courses provide opportunities for students to further develop their own areas of interest through independent and self-directed projects.



- **Smaller Class Sizes:** Honors courses provide robust mentorship from faculty instructors and, in many cases, more involvement with faculty members' scholarly and creative interests.
- **Scholarly Communities:** Honors courses provide academic and professional development through an expectation of collaboration, research, and interdisciplinary work.

Students can become eligible for the Honors Program in two ways: Students with excellent applications may be invited to join the Honors Program at admission. Alternately, any student who achieves and maintains a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or greater is eligible to take Honors courses and may declare into the Honors Program. Students who declare Honors, complete the required number of Honors credits (provided below\*), and maintain at least a 3.5 cumulative GPA will receive the designation "Honors Program Graduate" on their final transcript. This is distinct from Latin Honors, which is based solely on GPA. Please contact the Director of the Honors Program with questions at [honors@colum.edu](mailto:honors@colum.edu), or visit <https://students.colum.edu/honors/>.

\*Honors Program Credit Hour Requirement

Columbia College Chicago Honors Program is inclusive of those students who would like to pursue 'Honors Program Graduate' distinction and have earned transferable college-level credit prior to their first term of Columbia enrollment. College-level credit includes: Advanced Placement (AP), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), International A-Level, International Baccalaureate (IB), military credit, and transferable post-secondary coursework. For students who have earned prior to their first term of Columbia enrollment:

- 0–15 transferable credits: at least 15 Honors credits must be completed.
- 16–30 transferable credits: at least 12 Honors credits must be completed.
- 31–75 transferable credits: at least 9 Honors credits must be completed.

## **OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**

[\*www.colum.edu/registrar\*](http://www.colum.edu/registrar)

The Office of the Registrar is responsible for the management of student academic records, registration, immunization records, student directory information, the College Catalog, degree evaluation, degree audit, transfer services, and FERPA administration. Columbia Central serves as a 'one-stop shop' for both registration and financial concerns. For more information please visit the Columbia Central website.

### **Register for Classes**

[\*my.colum.edu\*](http://my.colum.edu)

Registration for continuing, degree-seeking students typically begins in the tenth week of the semester for the subsequent semester. Registration is conducted online through the portal. Students receive a notification in the MyColumbia portal indicating their registration date and time. Registration assignments are

based on the number of credits a student has earned plus those currently in progress. Students are required to resolve any existing registration holds (financial, advising, immunization, high school transcript, or dean of students holds) before they are eligible to register for classes. Students should check their holds in the MyColumbia portal beginning in week 6 so they can resolve any holds before registration begins. For more details, you can also visit [www.colum.edu/columbiacentral](http://www.colum.edu/columbiacentral).

## **LIBRARY**

**624 S. Michigan Ave.**

**(312) 369-7900**

***library.colum.edu***

The library provides rich physical and digital collections, services to support and expand research skills, space to study and collaborate, and programming that connects all of the above.

Need free, quality resources? Your student ID provides access to robust collections, including print books, e-books, physical and streaming films, music, articles, data, and much more, all selected to support and enrich your creative, academic, and entrepreneurial work. The library also offers access to all textbooks over \$40 via Course Reserves.

Would you like some assistance with research? Librarians are available to support your research and creative projects through live chat and email, online research guides, video tutorials, and Zoom research consultations.

Need access to technology? The library has computers, printers, scanners, 3D printers, a green screen, and other technologies available 75 hours a week, in addition to an equipment lending program that includes cameras, camcorders, projectors, digital recorders, and other resources to support your project and creative needs.

Want to connect with the Columbia community? The library programming and exhibits provide a wide range of opportunities to connect with both resources and each other. From learning new skills to working within a community of practice to winding down with others during regular gaming nights, there are a wide range of opportunities to connect across disciplines.

The library also offers a unique Little Food Library, available all hours the library is open for students experiencing food insecurity. Take what you need, give what you can.

The library has you covered, whether it is research, inspiration, learning, or community.

## **COLLEGE ARCHIVES & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS, CENTER FOR BLACK MUSIC RESEARCH**

*619 S. Wabash Ave. | 2nd floor*

*618 S. Michigan Ave. | 6th floor*

*(312) 369-7120*

*www.-colum.edu/archives*

Enhance your creative and educational projects while developing valuable research skills working with amazing materials. Peruse online digital collections. Request research sessions and consultations either remote or in-person. Explore collections of posters, publications, music created by people of African descent, historic college materials, artist books, and collections associated with disciplines taught at the college, all held on campus to assist in your research. These primary materials await your discovery; make an appointment and staff will work with you to suggest, locate, and share materials, either remotely or in-person, for your specific projects, class assignments, or own creative exploration.

## **STUDENT PERSISTENCE**

*623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 304*

*(312) 369-7645*

*students.colum.edu/academic-services/student-persistence*

The Office of Student Persistence helps students reach their goals by addressing barriers to degree completion and supporting equitable student success. In our efforts to support the strategic plan, we:

- Coordinate outreach campaigns that monitor and support the academic success of all students
- Facilitate the Scholars Project, which was created as part of Columbia's Social Justice Initiative to support students who identify as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, people of color) or first-generation college students
- Initiate academic progress reports (APRs) and coordinate outreach to students who are flagged as being at risk to fail a course
- Provide oversight for the Satisfactory Academic Progress and Petition for Exception processes
- Act as the administrator of Columbia's online caseload management/student success tool (SSC Navigate)
- Manage Columbia's Student Success Alerts, which allows staff and faculty to submit notifications when they are concerned about a student. Student Persistence ensures that the proper support person reaches out to each student.

## **Scholars Project**

In 2021, the Scholars Project was created as part of Columbia College Chicago's Social Justice Initiative, to better support students who identify as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and people of color) or first-generation college students. The Scholars Project's mission is to promote equitable student success by connecting students to key resources, helping them to identify their strengths, and empowering students

as they develop a sense of belonging at Columbia. The Scholars Project works with students from historically marginalized backgrounds in all aspects of their Columbia experience, both in and out of the classroom.

## **Objectives**

1. Build a community amongst the Scholars where they can thrive academically, personally, and professionally.
2. Increase student engagement with the Columbia College community through intentional partnerships and collaborative opportunities.
3. Enhance self-advocacy skills and navigational capital amongst students to strengthen relationships with staff, faculty, and peers.
4. Facilitate holistic workshops that strengthen awareness and understanding of self-identity, self-efficacy, and transferable skills.
5. Connect students with resources that will benefit their future goals. These resources may include: scholarships, career/internship opportunities, mentors, enhanced learning opportunities, and an expanding network of support both on and off campus.

## **TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

**33 E. Ida B. Wells Dr. | Room 523**

**(312) 369-8135**

**[www.colum.edu/trio](http://www.colum.edu/trio)**

The TRIO Student Support Services program (TRIO) assists first-generation students, income-eligible students, and/or students with a documented learning, emotional, or physical disability in achieving academic success. TRIO offers a variety of resources and services, including Project Advisors who aid students with academic and financial needs, scholarships, workshops, cultural enrichment activities, textbook and laptop loan programs, a computer lab with free printing, and a student lounge. Students need to complete an application to be considered for admission into the TRIO program. Students can apply at <https://botform.compansol.com/210493768905869>.

## **VOTER REGISTRATION: COLUMBIA VOTES!**

**[www.colum.edu/columbiavotes](http://www.colum.edu/columbiavotes)**

Columbia College Chicago encourages students to vote in every election. We make it easy for you and provide you with personalized assistance!

Visit our intranet site at <https://columbiacollege.sharepoint.com/sites/columbiavotes>. The site will explain your options and provide you with specific instructions for registering or reregistering as well as requesting a vote-by-mail ballot.

We also have voter registration geniuses (student workers) standing by to help. If something in the process is confusing, or you need to print a copy of your ID, or you need an envelope and a stamp, just email them at [vote@colum.edu](mailto:vote@colum.edu), and they'll help you solve the problem.

Your vote counts. Take steps to register and vote today.

## **SUPPORT AND SERVICES**

Your education matters to everyone at Columbia, and we offer support from the classroom to the residence hall. To make the most of your Columbia experience, take advantage of every service, office, and out-of-the-classroom experience you can. The days might feel long, but the time is short. Engage early and often.

**DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE / STUDENT HEALTH AND SUPPORT**  
**623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 303**  
**(312) 369-8595**

The Dean of Students Office oversees the offices of Student Health and Support, Housing & Residential Experience, and the Office of Equity Issues. The Dean of Students Office handles a variety of non-academic issues, including student misconduct, and it is dedicated to making Columbia's cultural and educational experiences outside the classroom both vibrant and enriching. The current Dean of Students is Douglas Eck, Ed.D., who can be reached at (312) 369-8595.

**Counseling Services**  
**916 S. Wabash Ave. | 5th Floor**  
**(312) 369-8700**  
***www.colum.edu/counseling***

Counseling Services provides students with a safe place to express their thoughts and feelings, explore alternative points of view, learn coping strategies, and manage the stresses of college life. Student tuitions and fees cover individual and group session therapy. Currently-enrolled Columbia College Chicago students may be assigned to group counseling or receive, as appropriate, up to 12 individual counseling sessions per academic year. Students may also participate in daily self-improvement groups provided by Counseling Services staff, or a Wellness Series Workshop scheduled throughout the academic year. Additionally, when suitable, students may receive linkage and/or referral to off-campus treatment providers. All therapeutic services are completely confidential. Students should contact (312) 369-8700 to schedule an appointment with a clinician. Students can complete anonymous online screenings for anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, eating disorders, substance abuse, and trauma through the website: [screening.mentalhealthscreening.org/columbiacollegechic](http://screening.mentalhealthscreening.org/columbiacollegechic).

**Office of Equity Issues**  
**623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 303**  
**(312) 369-8595**  
***students.colum.edu/title-ix***  
***titleix@colum.edu***

The Office of Equity Issues (Title IX Office) promptly response to and investigates all complaints of harassment and discrimination. The grievance procedures cover Sexual Harassment which includes quid pro quo sexual harassment, or sexual

assault, and other prohibited acts based on sex. Sexual Harassment may include, but is not limited to: Sexual Violence; Sexual Exploitation; Dating/Domestic Violence; and Stalking.

The Office of Equity Issues provides supportive measures to students who have experienced a Title IX, Sexual Misconduct or Harassment/Discrimination issue.

The complete policies covering Title IX Sexual Harassment, Student Sexual Misconduct, and Anti-Harassment and Discrimination can be found at [www.colum.edu/titleix](http://www.colum.edu/titleix).

### **Services for Students with Disabilities**

**623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 311**

**(312) 369-8296**

**[www.colum.edu/ssd](http://www.colum.edu/ssd)**

The Services for Students with Disabilities Office (SSD) coordinates support services and accommodations for students with a disability who self-identify and register with SSD. Disabilities include physical, psychological, and learning disabilities, and may be permanent or temporary. SSD works with faculty and staff to provide reasonable in-class and other campus accommodations for SSD students and to create awareness about disability-related issues. SSD provides a variety of services including advocacy for students, enhancement of student self-advocacy skills, access to adaptive equipment and software in a dedicated computer lab, free printing, and resource referrals. Students can start the easy 3-step registration process at [students.colum.edu/ssd/applying-for-accommodations](http://students.colum.edu/ssd/applying-for-accommodations).

All students with a disability are encouraged to contact SSD about services early. Deaf and hard of hearing students should contact the Manager of Interpreting Services as soon as they are admitted into Columbia to make the necessary arrangements for services at: (312) 369-8295 (voice) or [students.colum.edu/ssd/interpreting-services](http://students.colum.edu/ssd/interpreting-services).

### **Grievance Procedure for Students with Disabilities**

If a Columbia student believes that they have been discriminated against because of a disability by any Columbia personnel, the student has the right to seek a review of such concerns. A student with a disability has the option of pursuing either an informal complaint or a formal grievance. If a student opts to pursue an informal complaint, the student may later pursue a formal grievance if not satisfied with the resolution of the informal process. A student who is uncertain about filing an official grievance may consult informally with SSD or Columbia's current 504 Coordinator: Douglas Eck, Ed.D., Dean of Students | 623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 303 | (312) 369-8595

### **Student Assistance and Community Standards**

**623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 303**

**(312) 369-8595**

**[studentassistance@colum.edu](mailto:studentassistance@colum.edu)**

Student Assistance and Community Standards works with students to resolve

routine questions, issues, and challenges. Student Assistance can help students navigate institutional processes, notify instructors for short-term excused absences, and help students get back into a routine following a disruption. Student Assistance and Community Standards leads the College's comprehensive disciplinary approach to student conduct and behavior, working with students to adjudicate alleged violations while ensuring involved students have the resources, tools, and skills to succeed.

### **Student Relations**

***623 S. Wabash Ave. | Room 303***

***(312) 369-8595***

***[www.colum.edu/studentrelations](http://www.colum.edu/studentrelations)***

The Student Relations staff are licensed social workers and counselors that support students who may be experiencing difficulty. Through collaboration with staff and faculty members, families, and the greater Chicago community, Student Relations provides case management and solution-focused care to students to mitigate concerns. Student Relations staff may serve as clinical support, advocates for students in crisis, and liaisons for students who require additional resources at Columbia or within the city of Chicago. Common concerns addressed with students may include academic challenges, mental health issues, lacking basic needs such as housing or food, disruptive behavior, interpersonal conflict, difficult life transitions, and medical absence. Frequently, as is permitted by applicable confidentiality laws, Student Relations provides consultation for parents and faculty that may have a student concern. When notified of a concern, Student Relations conducts outreach to students and offers support and assistance. Interactions with Student Relations are brief and generally conclude when an issue has been sufficiently addressed.

### **Student Health Center**

***916 S. Wabash Ave. | 5th Floor***

***(312) 369-6830***

***[www.colum.edu/healthcenter](http://www.colum.edu/healthcenter)***

Columbia's Student Health Center can accommodate many of its students' basic health needs. A physician or nurse practitioner is available to provide outpatient clinical evaluation, treatment of minor illnesses and injuries, and evaluation and triage/referral for more serious illnesses and injuries. In the case of more serious health concerns, the Student Health Center can serve as a resource that helps direct students to more appropriate health care. Students do not incur any additional costs for their visits, except for vaccines. Call (312) 369-6830 to make an appointment or visit [www.colum.edu/healthcenter](http://www.colum.edu/healthcenter) for a complete list of services and the current hours of operation.

### **Wellness Fairs**

Each year, Student Health and Support hosts a Wellness Fair. A variety of vendors from the community come together to promote student wellness and well-being. Come to the Wellness Fair for information, giveaways, and on- and off-campus resources.

## **STUDENT LIFE**

Student Life at Columbia College Chicago is exciting and engaging, and unlike anything found on other college campuses. Student Life extends learning beyond the classroom through theory and practice in all forms of environment, venue and medium. We have designed programs to develop the whole student and strengthen academic success. Student Life consists of:

### **Department of Exhibitions, Performance and Student Spaces (DEPS)**

#### ***Multiple Locations***

*students.colum.edu/deps*

The Department of Exhibitions, Performance and Student Spaces (DEPS) manages galleries, performance spaces, and art boutique of Columbia College Chicago. An extension of the studios and classrooms, the department fosters vibrant environments for students to interact, and view and highlight their bodies of work within the larger urban community. The spaces provide students from every discipline with a myriad of opportunities to gain essential, hands-on experience, stimulating artistic expression and professional development through collaboration. DEPS Resources include:

#### **The Arcade**

***618 S. Michigan Ave. | 2nd Floor***

The Arcade takes its name from the building's previous incarnation when it was known as The Arcade Building. With sweeping views of Grant Park, the gallery exhibits all media, with a particular focus on providing solo professional exhibitions by scholarship recipients.

#### **C33 Gallery**

***33 E. Ida B. Wells Dr. | 1st Floor***

Located on the corner of East Ida B. Wells Drive and South Wabash Avenue, C33 is managed by a student coordinator in conjunction with DEPS. This gallery presents an average of seven exhibitions per year and hosts a wide range of student-authored work. C33 provides students of all disciplines the opportunity to present their work in a professional exhibition space through an open call that current Columbia College Chicago students can apply to each semester.

#### **Haus and Hokin Gallery at the Quincy Wong Center for Artistic Expression**

***623 S. Wabash Ave. | 1st Floor***

Turn left at the entrance to 623 S. Wabash to find the Quincy Wong Center for Creative Expression and visit HAUS, Columbia's student nightclub, featuring student talent throughout the academic year. Turn right and you find the Hokin Gallery, a partnership between DEPS and the Business and Entrepreneurship's Curatorial Studies program. The Hokin Gallery is a classroom, serving curatorial management students as they conceive, curate, design, market, and produce exhibitions in the gallery that doubles as a beautiful, peaceful student space for relaxing, studying, and for hosting events.



## **Herman Conaway Center and Glass Curtain Gallery**

***1104 S. Wabash Ave. | 1st Floor***

The Conaway Center is an open layout, multi-purpose event space and student hangout area. Hosting events such as concerts, dance, theater, panel discussions, job fairs, conferences, and fashion shows, the Conaway Center is home base for many Columbia students. Adjacent to the Conaway Center is the renowned Glass Curtain Gallery, Columbia College Chicago's 'teaching gallery'. The Glass Curtain presents museum-quality exhibitions, workshops, and visiting artist lectures, all of which help to create a dialogue essential to the development and growth of students within the arts.

## **ShopColumbia at Averill and Bernard Leviton Gallery**

***619 S. Wabash Ave. | 1st Floor***

***shop.colum.edu***

ShopColumbia is a boutique gallery and retail store featuring the work of Columbia College Chicago students, faculty, alumni, and staff. By fostering the representation and sale of professional work and talent from our many creative fields, ShopColumbia serves as an extension of the classroom by providing a professional environment to hone the process of presenting, marketing, and selling work to the public. Students earn 75% of sales, and artists have earned over \$450,000 since the shop opened in Fall 2008.

## **International Student and Scholar Services**

***618 S. Michigan Ave. | 4th Floor***

***(312) 369-7246***

***www.colum.edu/iss***

International Student and Scholar Services' (ISSS) mission is to provide a nurturing and supportive living and learning environment for Columbia College Chicago's international student and scholar community through advocacy, services, programming, and advising. We achieve this by providing exemplary service, immigration support, and by promoting engagement and collaboration throughout the Columbia College Chicago community.

## **Health Insurance for International Students and Scholars**

***(312) 369-7246***

***www.colum.edu/iss***

Columbia College Chicago's international student insurance plan is a no-waiver policy to provide quality health insurance at an affordable cost. All international students attending Columbia College Chicago on an F-1 or J-1 visa are automatically enrolled in the policy and their student account is billed at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. DACA, undocumented students, dual citizens, and some other visa categories may qualify for the plan. Please direct any questions regarding enrollment, coverage, or eligibility to [iss@colum.edu](mailto:iss@ Colum.edu).

## **Student Diversity and Inclusion**

**618 S. Michigan Ave. | 4th Floor**

**(312) 369-7569**

***students.colum.edu/student-diversity-and-inclusion/***

Student Diversity and Inclusion's (SDI) mission is to expand visibility and explore diversity while bringing students together of all identities to serve Columbia's incredibly talented student population. Serving students in a warm, welcoming, and authentic environment, SDI seeks to support students' intellectual, social, and cultural development. Expanding across the 4th floor of 618 S. Michigan Avenue, with a beautiful view of Columbia's 'quad', Grant Park, our resources, and spaces include a lounge, Multipurpose Studio, the Columbia Rack, and a Student Computer and Printing Lab.

## **THE OFFICES OF STUDENT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **New Student Programs**

**754 S. Wabash Ave. | 3rd Floor**

**(312) 369-8675**

***students.colum.edu/new/***

The Office of New Student Programs (NSP) supports and facilitates the transition of all new students into the Columbia community. NSP hosts campus Orientation as well as other first-year programs such as the Engage Columbia program. Engage Columbia is designed to introduce Columbia's new students into the larger community, while helping new students make valuable connections with resources and peers.

### **Student Activities and Student Programming Board (SPB)**

**754 S. Wabash Ave. | 2nd Floor**

***www.colum.edu/stuact***

Student Activities fosters community and collaboration through engaging and thoughtful college-wide events and programming that reflects and defines our campus culture. As part of our process, we provide learning and mentorship opportunities that harness the individual creative talents of our staff, student team and the greater Columbia Community. Traditions like New Student Convocation, Wicked Week, and Columbia's annual Manifest Urban Arts Festival. Student Activities also works with Columbia's Student Programming Board (SPB), a team of students committed to planning, promoting, and producing campus-wide programs that create and foster the unique artistic community on Columbia's campus. SPB enhances and unifies our community by working with other student organizations, faculty, staff, and alumni in coordinating unique events and activities.

## **THE OFFICES OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND LEADERSHIP**

**754 S. Wabash Ave. | 2nd Floor**

***www.colum.edu/studentleadership***

### **Student Government Association (SGA)**

SGA of Columbia College Chicago represents the student voice and endeavors

to construct a better campus environment through leadership and strong representation. It serves as a liaison between students and faculty, staff, and administration in order to ensure the welfare of our unique and diverse art and communication community. SGA meets every Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Student Center or via Zoom, when applicable.

### **Student Organization Council (SOC)**

*[www.colum.edu/soc](http://www.colum.edu/soc)*

The SOC represents the more than 60 professional, cultural, social, and special interest student organizations at Columbia. The SOC is committed to building a stronger campus community and provides students with opportunities to grow personally, professionally, and artistically. The SOC offers various workshops, provides funding for student organizations, encourages communication and collaboration among student organizations, and develops partnerships with various campus departments. The SOC meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 5 p.m. in the Student Center or via Zoom, when applicable.

### **Student Athletic Association (SAA)**

*[www.colum.edu/reneades](http://www.colum.edu/reneades)*

SAA provides opportunities for Columbia students to develop their physical, social, organizational, emotional, and competitive skills. The club sports teams, known as the Renegades, play a variety of sports in intercollegiate, social, and club leagues. Furthermore, the Renegades offer students another opportunity to build professional networks and enhance their social support systems. All teams are established and managed by students.

### **MakerSpace**

*754 S. Wabash Ave. | 2nd Floor*

*(312) 369-7877*

*[makerspace@colum.edu](mailto:makerspace@colum.edu)*

A student-centered MakerSpace that encourages and supports student creativity outside of a classroom setting. With a variety of tools, materials, and workshops, we offer a large, comfortable, and dynamic space for students to build their body of work.

### **STUDENT CENTER**

*754 S. Wabash Ave.*

*(312) 369-8000*

*[studentcenter@colum.edu](mailto:studentcenter@colum.edu)*

The Student Center is the central hub for our vibrant campus community; inviting collaboration, innovation, and versatility. Stop by to grab a bite to eat, relax between classes, or to catch up on classwork. The Student Center is home to several campus departments, such as, the Makerspace, Student Organizations and Leadership, New Student Programs, Student Communications, and the Career Center. Located at the Student Center, the Fitness Center is a fully-equipped gym facility with locker rooms, showers, and professional coaching for any fitness or wellness need. Right next door to the Fitness Center is a Reflection Space, dedicated to meditation and

prayer, with a front room to store belongings and to utilize the sinks or foot bath.

The Student Center hosts a variety of programs and activities that value wellness, culture, diversity & inclusion, collaboration, and creative expression.

## **HOUSING & RESIDENTIAL EXPERIENCE**

***30 E. Balbo Ave. | 2nd Floor***

***(312) 369-7803***

***students.colum.edu/residence-life***

***housing@colum.edu***

The Housing & Residential Experience Office currently offers Columbia students four on-campus living options:

30 East | 30 E. Balbo Ave.

University Center | 525 S. State St.

The Dwight | 642 S. Clark St.

The Arc | 37 W. Van Buren

Visit [www.colum.edu/housing](http://www.colum.edu/housing) for detailed descriptions of each location, including building amenities, floor plans, and image galleries. There are a variety of ways to get involved within your residential community. Your Resident Assistant (RA) serves as an excellent first point of contact for many of your campus questions. Housing & Residential Experience hosts a number of programs and social events throughout the year, offering you an enhanced opportunity to connect to the Columbia community and meet other students in your hall. Housing & Residential Experience also offers thematic living environments focused on the First Year Experience (FYE), Second Year Experience (SYE), honors housing, and gender-inclusive housing. Students can indicate on their application their choice to be placed in any one of these communities. Assignments will be made for these communities until capacity is reached.

## **CAREER**

### **CAREER CENTER**

***754 S. Wabash Ave. | 3rd Floor***

***(312) 369-7280***

***www.colum.edu/careercenter***

***careercenter@colum.edu***

The Career Center develops programs and services that provide you with self-knowledge, experience, and connections to industry. The Career Center can assist you with your personal career development. Staff are available to advise you on internships and other employment opportunities, connect you to industry professionals, assist you with your portfolio and resume, and support you in your on-campus job. Peer Coaches are also available for walk-in resume and cover letter appointments. You should plan to visit the Career Center throughout your

time at Columbia to ensure that you are ready to start your career in your field of interest upon graduation.

Log-on to Handshake at [colum.joinhandshake.com](http://colum.joinhandshake.com) for appointment booking and event registration. Appointments are available for all types of career support including job search, interview preparation, résumé and cover letter review, and portfolio advising.

### **Handshake**

***[colum.joinhandshake.com/login](http://colum.joinhandshake.com/login)***

Handshake is an online career services and job search platform offered to students by the Career Center. Columbia students can log-on using their Office 365 credentials to search for full-time, part-time, internship, freelance, volunteer, and on-campus employment opportunities. In addition, students can use Handshake to book appointments with Career Center staff, review career development and industry resources, and register for events, workshops, and job fairs.

Appointments are available for all types of career support-including job search, interview preparation, résumé and cover letter review, and portfolio advising.

## **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

As a community of learners, we have social contracts with each other and, of course, official policies. Please take a minute to familiarize yourself with Columbia's policies. Knowing the policies and procedures will help you protect yourself as a student. One great example is the add/drop policy, should you find yourself in a class that is not a good fit.

Know the policies are there for you, should you need them.

### **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

To ensure that students are fulfilling degree requirements and on track towards the completion of their degree, they should meet regularly with their academic advisor. Students are responsible for their own success and progress toward the completion of their degree, and they should utilize both the services of faculty in their departments and their academic advisors to assist with this process.

### **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

***[www.colum.edu/academicintegrity](http://www.colum.edu/academicintegrity)***

Students at Columbia enjoy significant freedom of artistic expression and are encouraged to stretch their scholarly and artistic boundaries. However, Columbia prohibits all forms of academic dishonesty. When such dishonesty is discovered, the consequences for the student can be severe. Students are responsible for reading and understanding the Academic Integrity Policy as it is outlined in the College Catalog each academic year. Please see [colum.edu/academicintegrity](http://colum.edu/academicintegrity).

## **ACADEMIC POLICIES**

*catalog.colum.edu*

Academic policies (for example: class standing, grading system, repeating courses, and academic grievance procedures) are published online each academic year in the College Catalog at [catalog.colum.edu](http://catalog.colum.edu). Students are responsible for reviewing and understanding Columbia's academic policies.

## **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT POLICY**

*<https://students.colum.edu/title-ix/pdf/cc-anti-discrimination--harassment-policy-10-31-22.pdf>*

Columbia is committed to maintaining an environment that respects the dignity of all individuals. Accordingly, Columbia will not tolerate harassment or discrimination based on religion, race, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, disability, ethnicity, or any other category protected by law by or of its students, faculty, or staff. This conduct may also be illegal under state, local, and federal law. To the extent practicable, Columbia will attempt to protect the Columbia community from harassment and/or discrimination by vendors, consultants, and other third parties who interact with the Columbia community. Columbia is promulgating this policy to reaffirm its opposition to harassment and discrimination and to emphasize that learning opportunities and employment opportunities must not be interfered with by such behavior.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Students are expected to attend classes and to complete assignments as required by the instructor. They should expect their academic progress to suffer if they miss classes. The mandatory attendance policy requires all faculty to report students who do not attend classes by week three within the 15-week semester, and earlier for shorter sessions. Students reported as non-attending will be withdrawn from the course and receive an "NS" grade on their academic record. Please see [catalog.colum.edu](http://catalog.colum.edu) for more information.

## **DROPPING | ADDING | WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES**

Students have a limited time to add and drop classes. Registration deadlines vary depending on the duration and start date of the specific course. Students may make changes to their class schedules (i.e., add or drop classes) at any time prior to the end of the official revision period. Students should be aware of the difference between dropping and withdrawing from a class and the impact it may have on their balance and financial aid.

If a student drops a course before the posted deadline, the course will not appear on the student's academic record and charges associated with that course will not appear on the account. Course withdrawals will appear on the record as W (withdrawal), students will be financially responsible for the course, and it will impact a student's Satisfactory Academic Progress.

Students are required to attend their classes during the program revision period, and

failure to attend a class will result in a “No Show” (NS) grade which is equivalent to a course withdrawal. Students are strongly advised to consult with an academic advisor in the College Advising Center before deciding to withdraw from a class.

For registration dates, please visit [www.colum.edu/columbia-central/where-to-start/semester-dates-deadlines](http://www.colum.edu/columbia-central/where-to-start/semester-dates-deadlines).

### **LATE WITHDRAWALS**

Columbia College Chicago recognizes there may be significant extenuating and mitigating circumstances affecting students (death of a relative, significant change in personal circumstances, etc.). A student may petition for an administrative withdrawal from classes after the end of the official withdrawal period by submitting a petition supported by appropriate documentation.

Questions regarding this process should be addressed to an academic advisor in the College Advising Center. Petitions for administrative withdrawals are evaluated and approved or denied by the Petition for Exception Committee. Students may appeal a denied petition and this request will be reviewed by the Assistant Vice President of SFS, Associate Provost for Academic Services, the Registrar, and Dean of Students. Their joint decision will be final. For further details about administrative withdrawal visit: [http://catalog.colum.edu/content.php?catoid=18&navoid=7326#academic\\_grievances](http://catalog.colum.edu/content.php?catoid=18&navoid=7326#academic_grievances)

### **DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY**

*[students.colum.edu/handbook/policies/drug-and-alcohol-policy](http://students.colum.edu/handbook/policies/drug-and-alcohol-policy)*

The Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 recognize that all employees, faculty, and students have the right to a workplace and educational environment that is drug free. On a more personal level, Columbia is also committed to providing individuals with counseling, referral, or rehabilitation programs for drug and alcohol abuse. As a result of these acts, Columbia is required to review college policy regarding drug and alcohol abuse and communicate this policy and the mandates of the acts. While it is not Columbia’s intention to intrude into a student’s private life, Columbia holds unalterably that an individual’s involvement with substance abuse, whether on- or off-campus, has an impermissible impact on the college’s environment and is an entirely justifiable institutional concern. Columbia College Chicago acknowledges the negative health risks of alcohol and illicit drug use. Such substances may have an impact on one’s cognition, organ and tissue function, and overall health. Students are encouraged to use the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA; [www.samhsa.gov](http://www.samhsa.gov)) as a resource for further information. Please read the following policy carefully as it will be strictly enforced.

### **Using or Selling Drugs or Alcohol While On-Campus or at College Events**

Columbia does not tolerate the possession, use, or distribution of drugs while on college property or at college events. Besides being dangerous for the student, other employees, faculty, students, and family, it is against the law. If a student

unlawfully manufactures, distributes, uses, sells, or possesses narcotics, illegal drugs, or controlled substances on college premises or at college-sponsored events, both on and off-campus, disciplinary action will be taken and the student's affiliation with the college may be terminated, even if it is a first offense. Students may also be prosecuted for a criminal offense. Students visiting or living in the Residence Center should refer to the Resident Handbook. An illegal drug includes any drug which is not legally obtainable in the United States, or which is legally obtainable but is being used in a manner different from that prescribed by a doctor of medicine or intended by the manufacturer. Over-the-counter or prescription medication which is prescribed by a doctor and is being used for its intended purpose is not considered an illegal drug. Students, irrespective of age, are not permitted to possess or consume alcohol on campus or at Columbia-sponsored events on- or off-campus. Faculty, administration, and staff are prohibited from serving or allowing students to consume alcoholic beverages on college premises or at events, meetings, or informal gatherings sponsored by Columbia. To the extent that students are present at a Columbia-sponsored event where alcohol is being served, event organizers must take measures to ensure that students do not consume alcohol. The Vice President of Student Affairs can make exceptions to this policy as appropriate. Violation of this policy will result in discipline, which may include immediate suspension or expulsion of students or suspension without pay, or termination of employees. Students needing assistance with substance abuse should contact Student Relations (312) 369-8595 or Counseling Services (312) 369-8700 for on-campus support. Some off-campus resources available to students may include:

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

**[www.chicagoaa.org](http://www.chicagoaa.org)**

**Gateway Foundation**

**(877) 381-6538**

**[www.recovergateway.org](http://www.recovergateway.org)**

**Harborview Recovery Center at  
Amita Health Saint Joseph Hospital**

**(855) 383-2224**

**<https://www.amitahealth.org/find-a-service/behavioral-medicine/>**

**Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation**

**(800) 257-7810**

**[www.hazelden.org](http://www.hazelden.org)**

**Rosecrance**

**(866) 330-8729**

**[Rosecrance.org](http://Rosecrance.org)**

**Smart Recovery**

**[www.smartrecoveryillinois.org](http://www.smartrecoveryillinois.org)**

**Substance Abuse and Mental Health  
Services Administration**

**(800) 662-4357**

**<https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline>**



### **If You Are Convicted of a Drug-Related Offense**

Columbia faculty, staff, or employees who are convicted of a drug-related offense, which occurred in the workplace or on campus, must report in writing their conviction to Columbia within five days of the conviction. A conviction means that you were found guilty or pleaded guilty, including a plea nolo contendere, or a sentence is imposed upon you by any judicial body that has responsibility to determine violations of the federal, state, or local criminal drug statutes. In addition to college sanctions, Illinois federal and local laws provide for fines and/or imprisonment for the unlawful possession, sale, manufacturer, or distribution of drugs or alcohol. The amount of the fines and the length of the imprisonment vary according to the type and amount of the substance involved the offender's past record for such offenses, and a variety of other factors.

### **FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS & PRIVACY ANNUAL NOTICE TO STUDENTS (FERPA)**

*[www.colum.edu/columbia-central/on-campus/ferpa](http://www.colum.edu/columbia-central/on-campus/ferpa)*

Columbia College Chicago complies with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 ("FERPA" or the "Act"), as amended, by publishing an annual notice to students of their rights under the Act in Columbia College Chicago's Catalog and Student Handbook.

Students may inspect and review their education records by submitting a written request to the Registrar. Columbia will provide the student with an opportunity to inspect and review his or her education records within a reasonable time after receiving the request, not exceeding 45 days from receipt of the request. Students' education records are maintained under the supervision of the Registrar in the Office of the Registrar, Room 611, 600 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, 60605.

Students have the right to provide written consent before Columbia discloses personally identifiable information from students' education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent (e.g., regarding disclosures to certain College officials and concerning information designated in this policy as directory information, as explained below, and other circumstances).

Under one exception, Columbia discloses education records without a student's consent to "School Officials" with "Legitimate Educational Interests." A School Official is a person employed by Columbia in an administrative, supervisory, academic, research or support staff position; a person serving on the board of trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official may also include a volunteer, consultant, or contractor outside of Columbia who performs an institutional service or function for which the College would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the College with respect to the use and maintenance of personally identifiable information from education records. A School Official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

By way of illustration and not limitation, the following personnel are granted access to education records without prior written consent of students when such individuals have legitimate educational interests: the Registrar, the General Counsel's Office, Student Services Directors, Student Financial Services, Information Technology, the College Advising Center the President of the College, the Provost, the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Deans and the Chairpersons of the academic departments, and any of their agents. Student educational records are made available to the above designated persons and offices for record maintenance, evaluation and advising, financial aid evaluation, review for disciplinary and academic action, and billing, among other legitimate educational interests.

Another exception permits Columbia to disclose a student's directory information without the student's consent. Columbia designates the following as directory information: the student's name; information on whether or not a student is registered at the College during the term in which the information is requested; grade level; dates of attendance; information concerning the student's graduation status, including whether or not he or she has graduated from the College, the date of any degree awarded, and the type of degree awarded; major field of study; awards received; the student's photograph; participation in officially recognized activities, sports, and organizations; and student ID number, user ID, or other unique personal identifier used by the student to communicate in electronic systems. Students who do not want Columbia to disclose the above information must notify the Registrar in writing. The form for opting out of the release of directory information is available at [www.colum.edu/columbiacentral](http://www.colum.edu/columbiacentral).

Upon request, Columbia also discloses education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled, if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer.

As required by FERPA, Columbia maintains a record of written requests for access to and each disclosure of personally identifiable information. Each student has the right to inspect and review the record of written requests and disclosures. A student has the right to request amendment of any education records that he or she believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA. The procedure to seek amendment of a student's education records is as follows:

A written request must be submitted to the Registrar, specifically identifying the part of the record the student wants changed, stating the reason for the requested amendment, and attaching any supporting documentation to the request.

Within a reasonable time after receiving the request, but in no event longer than 45 days, the Registrar will issue a decision in response to the student's request. If the College decides not to amend the record as requested, the College will notify the student of his or her right to a hearing before a panel of the associate deans (Academic Standards Review Committee) on the request to amend. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when

notified of the right to a hearing. The decision of the Academic Standards Review Committee is final.

If the Academic Standards Review Committee denies the student's amendment request, the student has the right to include a written statement setting forth his or her reasons for disagreeing with the Committee.

### **Federal Student Financial Aid Penalties for Drug Law Violations**

*[www.colum.edu/drugviolations](http://www.colum.edu/drugviolations)*

Federal law provides that a student who has been convicted of an offense under any federal or state law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving financial aid shall not be eligible to receive any federal or grant, loan, or work assistance.

### **SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP) POLICY**

*[www.colum.edu/sap](http://www.colum.edu/sap)*

All students are required to meet Columbia's standards of Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) which includes a minimum GPA, minimum completion rate, and maximum timeframe to degree completion.

### **STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT**

*[www.colum.edu/codeofconduct](http://www.colum.edu/codeofconduct)*

Columbia is proud of its creative and diverse community of faculty, students, and staff who create and participate in educational opportunities in the arts, media, and communications. Columbia provides a caring environment; one in which freedom of expression is valued and civility is observed. Students are encouraged to value our community and to accept responsibility for their individual behavior as well as for the common good.

Columbia's Code of Conduct exists to guide the creation of our community while providing expectations of behavior to ensure all members of our community are able to thrive in the educational space. Students should be thoroughly familiar with the academic and general requirements and policies of Columbia, as stated in the Columbia Catalog, Student Handbook, course schedule, and other official Columbia materials and publications. In addition, it is understood that students assume responsibility for the behavior of their guests on campus. Students are expected to share information regarding Columbia policies with their guests and to ensure that their guests' behavior conforms to Columbia's expectations. Faculty and staff are available to provide assistance and guidance to students concerning Columbia requirements and policies; however, the responsibility for understanding and meeting Columbia requirements rests with the student. Members of the Columbia community can report alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct through this website. Download a PDF of the Code of Conduct at [www.colum.edu/codeofconduct](http://www.colum.edu/codeofconduct).

## **Student Expectations and Responsibilities**

*[www.colum.edu/studentresponsibilities](http://www.colum.edu/studentresponsibilities)*

Columbia emphasizes the responsibility of each student to participate in the educational process. This involves the conscientious preparation of assignments and the recognition of the frequent interdependence of students when individual contribution to a group or class effort is required.

### **TITLE IX SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES**

*<https://students.colum.edu/title-ix/pdf/ccc-title-ix-sexual-harassment-policy-procedures-10-31-22.pdf>*

Columbia College Chicago (the “College” or “Columbia”) is committed to maintaining an environment that respects the dignity of its students, faculty, and staff and is free from discrimination of any kind. As required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and its implementing regulations (“Title IX”), the College does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs or activities (including, without limitation, in admissions and employment). Sexual Harassment (which includes quid pro quo sexual harassment, sexual assault, and other prohibited acts based on sex, as defined in section X) is a form of sex discrimination. In compliance with Title IX, this Title IX Sexual Harassment Policy & Procedures (the “Policy”) requires a consistent institutional response to any allegation of Sexual Harassment regarding which the College has Actual Knowledge [as defined in section XIII(A)(1)] that is: (a) in a College Education Program or Activity [as defined in section XIII(A)(2)], and (b) involves conduct that occurred in the United States of America. This Policy applies to all Columbia faculty, staff, students, as well as to third parties (the “Community”), regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

## **COMMUNICATION AND NEWS**

Did we tell you that Columbia students have something to say? Yeah, ok. This is where they (you) say it.

### **THE COLUMBIA CHRONICLE**

*[columbiachronicle.com](http://columbiachronicle.com)*

The Columbia Chronicle is Columbia College Chicago’s award-winning, student-run news operation. The Chronicle staff produces daily digital content, including breaking news, feature stories, photo galleries, video, and podcasts. Readers can explore articles in several sections—Campus, Arts & Culture, Metro, and Opinions. Stay up to date with what’s happening on campus by subscribing to the Chronicle’s daily email newsletter. Print editions of the newspaper can be found on in the lobby of any Columbia building on select Mondays during the academic year. Visit [ColumbiaChronicle.com](http://ColumbiaChronicle.com) and the Chronicle’s social media accounts year-round for daily digital content.

## **ECHO MAGAZINE**

*[www.colum.edu/academics/initiatives/echo-magazine](http://www.colum.edu/academics/initiatives/echo-magazine)*

*Echo Magazine* is a professional-caliber publication created every spring semester by Journalism and Design students in the College Magazine Workshop, a capstone course offered in the Communication Department. It regularly wins top national awards in student magazine competitions.

## **ALLIUM, A JOURNAL OF POETRY AND PROSE**

*[allium.colum.edu](http://allium.colum.edu)*

In Fall 2020, the English and Creative Writing Department began production on a new literary magazine, *Allium, A Journal of Poetry and Prose*. *Allium* is edited and produced by students and Creative Writing faculty, with an on-line and print presence. The English and Creative Writing Department thanks the Efroymsen Family Fund for their generous support of the journal. The journal aspires to publish diverse voices and a variety of forms and genres, from the traditional to the experimental. *Allium* can be found here: [allium.colum.edu/](http://allium.colum.edu/)

## **WCRX**

*[wcrx.colum.edu](http://wcrx.colum.edu)*

WCRX 88.1 FM is Columbia's student-run radio station. The station provides opportunities for unique content creation and broadcasting services to the Columbia campus and surrounding communities. The station's format is Top 40, with evenings offering specialized programming, including sports, news/talk, hip-hop, rock, and alternative and our long-running Masters in the Mix. WCRXFM is committed to our community by airing programming that is responsive to the interest and needs of our listeners. And dedicated to embodying professional, ethical, and legal standards while promoting leadership experiences for its students.

## **STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS**

*754 S. Wabash Ave. | 3rd Floor*

*[students.colum.edu](http://students.colum.edu)*

Student Communications (StuCom) informs and engages students through our virtual student center, The Student Loop. Serving as the hub of all student print, video, photo, social media, and online communications, StuCom mines the wealth of Columbia student talent to create engaging and informative content.

Employing a host of student workers who develop, produce, execute, and edit the content, StuCom operates as a media/communications agency to distribute and push our student produced work through a variety of traditional and non-traditional communication channels. Student workers develop top-rate portfolio pieces for their professional presentation, while our talented student body is highlighted, promoted, engaged, and informed. The Student Loop is an award-winning gem, seen only at Columbia College Chicago.

# NAVIGATION

Trains, bikes, cars, and every student's favorite card... the Ventra U-Pass. The U-pass is your best friend if you are traveling downtown because transit fares add up fast! Also, do not be afraid to (safely) explore the city. It is our campus.

## **BICYCLES**

Students will find bike racks located outside almost every building on campus. Bikes must always be locked with an effective bike lock. Bikes are not allowed inside any academic buildings but are allowed in the residence halls. The campus is very accessible by bicycle. The Lakefront Trail to the Museum Campus interchange, then to Michigan Avenue and 11th Street provides a mostly automotive traffic-free path to campus. Wabash Avenue is marked with bike lanes from Harrison south to Cermak. Dearborn Street has north- and south-bound bike lanes from Kinzie to Polk. Chicago's bike sharing program is called Divvy, and it has several automated bicycle rental stations positioned around campus.

## **CAMPUS CARD AND VENTRA U-PASS**

***600 S. Michigan Ave. | 3rd floor  
(312) 369-7140***

The Campus Card is also a student's ID. It connects students to many services at Columbia and allows students into buildings and events. New students receive their Campus Cards during Orientation. No appointment required to replace lost/stolen Campus Card and UPass. For more details on how to take advantage of the Campus Card, visit [www.colum.edu/campuscard](http://www.colum.edu/campuscard).

The Ventra U-Pass is a discounted transit fare card, which offers full-time students unlimited rides aboard all Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) buses and trains during the fall, spring and summer semesters. The Ventra U-Pass does not require a transfer or surcharge and allows daily ridership, including weekends. Note: the U-Pass does not include Metra or PACE, which can be purchased separately using the Ventra app or website. Columbia Central and Columbia Connect will communicate to students about the U-Pass program. Visit [colum.edu/upass](http://colum.edu/upass) for distribution and activation information.

Students who need to replace a lost or stolen campus card should contact Columbia Central. There is a \$25 fee for replacing a lost ID card, and the fee to replace a U-Pass is \$50. Students can check-out a temporary ID card from the main desk at the Student Center.

## **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

***(888) YOUR-CTA  
[transitchicago.com](http://transitchicago.com)***

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) allows Chicago residents to travel almost anywhere in the city and most times of the day or night. Visit [transitchicago.com](http://transitchicago.com) or call 1.888.YOUR.CTA to find current bus and train schedules and fare information.

The CTA offers riders both text and web-based alerts, providing information about each bus or train's current location and expected arrival. Full-time students are provided with a Ventra U-Pass, which they pay for as part of their fees when they register for classes. Ventra U-Passes provide each eligible student unlimited ridership on any CTA bus or train during the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Visit [www.colum.edu/upass](http://www.colum.edu/upass) for complete information about the Ventra U-Pass. For suburban residents, the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) provides transportation options, including Metra trains and PACE buses, to and from the city to many Chicagoland suburbs and even some Chicago neighborhoods. Visit [rtachicago.com](http://rtachicago.com) for current routes and schedule information.

## **PARKING**

Students who drive to school will need to park in a lot or use meter parking around the South Loop campus. The parking meters in Chicago are owned and operated by a private company. Hourly rates will vary by location and typically, meters are in operation from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., including weekends and holidays. There are several parking lots and garages around the South Loop, especially along Wabash Avenue and State Street. Daily parking rates are seasonal and tend to spike during peak holiday and festival times. Shop around for the best bargain and ask about monthly plans and student discounts - they are available, but students have to ask. The security desk in each building has a stamp to validate parking for many of the area's participating lots.

## **CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY**

**911** - Emergencies requiring Police, Fire, or Medical Services

**Columbia College Chicago's 24/7/365 Security Command Center**

**(312) 369-1111** Columbia Emergency Line

**(312) 369-3220** Columbia Non-Emergency Line

**(312) 369-SAFE (7233)** for Security Escort

Columbia College Chicago provides a safety and security program on campus. Our 24-hour Security Command Center includes dispatching capabilities and a video surveillance and emergency communications network that is staffed around the clock.

Our technical systems include alarm system monitoring, emergency telephones in multiple locations across campus and emergency notification technology, Everbridge, a mass notification voice email and text notification system. To complement our 24/7 campus security patrols, security officers may use marked security vehicles, Segways, and bicycles. Most campus buildings have a security station staffed by contracted security officers in the lobby. Leased residential facilities are staffed by security personnel provided, supervised, and managed by the individual property management companies.

## **CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS** **(312) 369-3220**

***students.colum.edu/safety/emergency-communications-everbridge.html***

Everbridge is Columbia's emergency mass notification communications system, which may be used to inform the campus community of emergency situations as well as cancellations and closures caused by severe weather.

Students may sign up to receive text messages, phone calls, and/or emails as news pertaining to any form of emergency situation is issued. To receive these updates, students must provide the college with up-to-date emergency contact information to ensure they are notified.

Students should update contact information in MyColumbia under MyProfile, Update My Contact Information.

## **SECURITY ESCORT PROGRAM**

**(312) 369-7233**

***students.colum.edu/safety/security-escort-program***

Columbia College Chicago has an after-hours Security Escort Program to help students and employees travel safely between campus locations and from campus locations to pre-designated mass transit stations. The Security Escort Program is available seven days a week from 6 p.m.–1 a.m. during the Fall and Spring semesters by calling (312) 369-SAFE.

# **COLUMBIA HISTORY, TRADITIONS, AND CELEBRATIONS**

Columbia is a community rich with non-traditional traditions, history, and celebrations. Yes, Columbia has fun traditions like events. A notable example being Manifest, a massive end-of-year celebration that forefronts the work of graduating undergraduate and graduate students all wrapped up in a festival! Also, take some time to get to know the history behind the college. It is always inspiring to know what made this college what it is today.

PS: Columbia was founded by a woman. Just sayin.'

## **HISTORY**

Columbia College Chicago was founded in 1890 as the Columbia School of Oratory by Mary A. Blood and Ida Morey Riley, graduates of the Monroe Conservatory of Oratory, now Emerson College, in Boston, Massachusetts. The school focused on the teaching of elocution, public speaking, and physical culture.

In 1904 the school changed its name to the Columbia College of Expression and in 1927, the college aligned with the Pestalozzi-Froebel Teachers College, adding coursework in education, broadcasting, and dramatic arts. The school left this partnership in 1944 with a revised name, Columbia College, and Norman Alexandroff



as president, adding new disciplines that returning WWII veterans wished to study: television, advertising, film, and business.

In 1961, Mirron (Mike) Alexandroff served as president, evolving the curriculum into a liberal arts foundation and a progressive social agenda. He added new programs to enhance the diverse arts and media fields already taught at the college.

Columbia was awarded full accreditation in 1974 by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and soon thereafter purchased its first building, 600 S. Michigan Ave, in the South Loop, its permanent College home. In 1984, Columbia received full accreditation for its graduate programs.

Dr. John B. Duff was named president in 1992, and during his tenure, the school changed its name to Columbia College Chicago, and expanded its educational programs, adding coursework emphasizing digital, media, design skills, and interdisciplinary studies.

In 2000, Dr. Warrick L. Carter served as president and ushered in new student-based initiatives such as Manifest and ShopColumbia, worked to add more student housing on campus, and built Columbia's first South Loop newly constructed building, the Media Production Center.

In July 2013, Dr. Kwang-Wu Kim became Columbia College Chicago's tenth president. He holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree and an artist diploma from the Peabody Institute of Johns Hopkins University. He is an outspoken advocate for the arts, a proponent of expanding the role of creative practice in society and seeks to change the approach to how artists are educated.

Dr. Kim has directed a campus-wide refashioning of college curriculum and an institution-wide commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, which he defines as "a commitment to becoming an anti-racist institution, a place where every voice can be expressed and heard, and every identity, narrative, and history is honored and valued." He also built the second newly constructed South Loop building, the Student Center.

Building on its heritage of creativity, innovation, and strength, Columbia College Chicago continues to challenge its students according to the school's motto, "esse quam videri" – to be rather than to seem. The college encourages its students to author the culture of their times, with Columbia College Chicago graduates possessing the agile and flexible skills necessary to thrive in their careers as creatives.

## **MISSION**

*[about.colum.edu/mission](http://about.colum.edu/mission)*

Columbia College Chicago is an undergraduate and graduate institution whose principal commitment is to provide a comprehensive educational opportunity in the arts, communications, and public information within a context of enlightened liberal education. Columbia's intent is to educate students who will communicate

creatively and shape the public's perceptions of issues and events and who will author the culture of their times. Columbia is an urban institution whose students reflect the economic, racial, cultural, and educational diversity of contemporary America. Columbia conducts education in close relation to a vital urban reality and serves an important civic purpose by active engagement in the life and culture of the city of Chicago.

## **TRADITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS**

### **New Student Convocation**

*September 2, 2023*

New Student Convocation is Columbia's welcome event for new students in the fall semester. This annual event features Columbia's president, student leaders, a student services exposition, performances, games and more. All new students should plan to attend their departmental Connections Sessions before joining us for Convocation. Stay tuned for more information on how to attend this festive kickoff event!

### **Wicked Week**

*late October*

Wicked Week brings together the campus community to celebrate Halloween through dance parties, pumpkin carving, a haunted house, reptiles, psychic readings, Scary-oke, concerts, and other spooky encounters.

### **ShopColumbia Holiday Market**

*shop.colum.edu*

*Early December*

ShopColumbia, Columbia College Chicago's art boutique, hosts a month-long showcase of one-of-a-kind items designed and created by Columbia artists. The Holiday Market features over 150 student, alumni, faculty and staff artists selling unique gifts, fine art, photography, paintings, clothing, fashion accessories, stationery, music, zines and more!

### **Manifest Arts Festival**

*www.colum.edu/manifest*

*Friday, May 10, 2024*

Manifest is Columbia College Chicago's signature event that shows graduating senior and graduate student work. As an annual tradition and defining ritual, Manifest brings the entire community together to celebrate our creative spirit and develop long-lasting, memorable relationships and connections.

### **Commencement**

*www.colum.edu/commencement*

*Saturday, May 11 and Sunday, May 12, 2024*

Columbia College Chicago celebrates its graduates with a uniquely festive and creative Commencement event each spring. This year, we will recognize the accomplishments of our graduates with an enhanced virtual celebration

featuring all the elements of our in-person ceremonies. For continued updates and information about commencement, visit [students.colum.edu/commencement](https://students.colum.edu/commencement).

## **STUDENT CALENDAR**

As a student, you will want to know your vacation days, right? You will also want to know what the add/drop class deadlines are and many other dates like, maybe...  
**REGISTRATION!**

So, do not forget what day it is, what to do that day, or what is due that day. We have included critical dates for everything in one place. On time, on task, onward.

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TUESDAY

Independence Day

• No Classes

JUL

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WEDNESDAY

JUL



# Columbia

COLLEGE CHICAGO

# JUL

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

Capybara Appreciation Day

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

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• Residence Hall Move-In

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TUESDAY

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• Residence Hall Move-In

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• Residence Hall Move-In

• Residence Hall Move-In

THURSDAY

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• Residence Hall Move-In

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Labor Day

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TUESDAY

• Fall Semester starts

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WEDNESDAY



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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

• Add Deadline - Fall

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TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

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Rosh Hashanah (Begins at sundown)

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• Drop Deadline - Fall

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TUESDAY

Talk Like a Pirate Day

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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Yom Kippur *(Begins at sundown)*

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• National Disability Awareness Month begins

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MONDAY

Transgender Day of  
Remembrance

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

• Thanksgiving Break

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Thanksgiving Day  
• Thanksgiving Break

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Chanukah (Begins at sundown)

THURSDAY

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PRIORITIES

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SUNDAY

Human Rights Day

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SUNDAY

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- Residence Hall Move-Out  
Deadline for Non-Returning  
Students

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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First Day of Winter

THURSDAY

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• Holiday Break

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**PRIORITIES**

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SUNDAY

• Holiday Break

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MONDAY

Christmas Day

• Holiday Break

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TUESDAY

Kwanzaa (*Begins*)

• Holiday Break

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WEDNESDAY

• Holiday Break

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• Holiday Break

THURSDAY

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SUNDAY

• Holiday Break

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MONDAY

New Year's Day

• Holiday Break

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JAN

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TUESDAY

• J-Term starts

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WEDNESDAY

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**14**

SUNDAY

JAN

**15**

MONDAY

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

JAN

JAN

**16**

TUESDAY

JAN

**17**

WEDNESDAY

JAN



21

SUNDAY

JAN

22

MONDAY

• Spring Semester starts

JAN

JAN

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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**28**

SUNDAY

JAN

**29**

MONDAY

• Add Deadline - Spring

JAN

**30**

TUESDAY

JAN

**31**

WEDNESDAY

JAN

FEB



Black History Month begins

THURSDAY

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Groundhog Day

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

• Drop Deadline - Spring

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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MONDAY

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**13**

TUESDAY

Mardi Gras

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**14**

WEDNESDAY

Valentine's Day

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THURSDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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International Women's Day

FRIDAY

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**PRIORITIES**

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SUNDAY

Ramadan (*Begins at sundown*)  
Daylight Saving Time Begins

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**17**

SUNDAY

St. Patrick's Day

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**18**

MONDAY

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**19**

TUESDAY

First Day of Spring

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**20**

WEDNESDAY

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World Poetry Day

THURSDAY

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• Withdrawal Deadline - Spring

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

• Spring Break

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TUESDAY

• Spring Break

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WEDNESDAY

• Spring Break

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• Spring Break

THURSDAY

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FRIDAY

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**PRIORITIES**

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SUNDAY

Easter

• Trans Day of Visibility

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

Autism Awareness Day

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

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Day of Silence

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

World Art Day

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**16**

TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

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THURSDAY

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

Passover *(Begins at sundown)*

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TUESDAY

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THURSDAY

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

International Dance Day

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

Asian American and Pacific  
Islander Heritage Month  
begins

MAY



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SUNDAY

MAY

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MONDAY

MAY

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TUESDAY

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- Manifest
- Spring Semester ends

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- Commencement

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- Mother's Day
- Commencement
- Deadline to Move-Out of Residence Halls

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Memorial Day

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• Summer Semester starts

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# ENGAGE

**ACADEMIC RESOURCES**  
**COMMUNITY AND LEADERSHIP**  
**DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**  
**HEALTH, WELLNESS AND SAFETY**  
**FINANCIAL LITERACY**  
**CAREER PLANNING**

## WHAT IS ENGAGE COLUMBIA?

Engage Columbia is a new student program designed to help you learn to navigate campus, and to support your involvement and engagement outside of the classroom.

**Just by attending great programming and events you can become eligible for a scholarship!**

### HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

Attend as many Engage Columbia events as possible in each category: **Career Planning; Community and Leadership; Diversity and Inclusion; Financial Literacy; Health, Wellness and Safety; Academic Resources.** Scan the QR code on display at the event before you leave. By attending events and scanning the codes, you will be given event attendance credit. The more events you attend, the more eligible you are to win one of 6 grants!

Scholarships will be awarded for: **\$1,500.00**  
**\$1,000.00**  
**\$500.00**

Look out for another new student program called Engage 101! It's a Friday session, featuring access to grant money, activities, group discussion, resource information and more!

For more information contact: New Student Programs | **312.369.8675** or email **newstudentprograms@colum.edu**

# CAMPUS MAP

Building locations for the core of Columbia's South Loop campus buildings are listed below. Visit [colum.edu/buildinghours](http://colum.edu/buildinghours) to see a complete list of buildings that house Columbia classes and their hours of operation throughout the year.



## CAMPUS MAP

1. 33 E. Ida B. Wells Drive
2. 600 S. Michigan Ave. / Alexandroff Campus Center
3. 619 S. Wabash Ave.
4. 618 S. Michigan Ave.
5. 623 S. Wabash Ave.
6. 624 S. Michigan Ave.
7. 754 S. Wabash Ave. / Student Center
8. 916 S. Wabash Ave.
9. 72 E. 11th St. / Getz Theater Center
10. 1014 S. Michigan Ave. / Music Center
11. 1104 S. Wabash Ave.
12. 1306 S. Michigan Ave. / The Dance Center
13. 1312 S. Michigan Ave. / Sherwood Community Music School
14. 1600 S. State St. / Media Production Center
15. 525 S. State St. / University Center
16. 642 S. Clark St. / Dwight Lofts
17. 37 W. Van Buren St. / The Arc

- A. Harrison Red Line CTA Station
- B. LaSalle Blue Line CTA Station
- C. Roosevelt CTA Station (Red, Green, and Orange Lines)
- D. Harold Washington Library CTA Station  
(Brown, Pink, Purple, and Orange Lines)
- E. Van Buren Metra and South Shore Station
- F. Museum Campus / 11th St. Metra and South Shore Station

- Academic and Administrative
- Residence Centers
- Public Transit