FORDHAM COLLEGE AT LINCOLN CENTER

Fordham College at Lincoln Center (FCLC) is the dynamic liberal arts college on Fordham’s attractive and self-contained campus at the cultural and communications crossroads of Manhattan. The first Fordham school in Manhattan was founded in 1847, and Fordham schools evolved through locations in Chelsea and Lower Manhattan before moving in 1968 to the Lincoln Square neighborhood of the city’s West Side. This redevelopment included campuses for Fordham, the Juilliard School, and Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, which is home to the Metropolitan Opera, the New York Philharmonic, and the New York City Ballet. Other neighbors include CBS and ABC Television, the Time Warner Center, and Central Park.

FCLC is a close-knit intellectual and creative community of faculty and students that combines a traditionally strong Fordham liberal arts education with the innovative instructional and preprofessional opportunities readily available at our location amidst the world’s most remarkable concentration of artistic, cultural, media, commercial, and nonprofit institutions. The college provides majors in the humanities, social sciences, and natural science, as well as offering outstanding programs in theatre, dance, visual arts, social work, and education. A vast array of internship experiences are available, and coursework is enriched by incorporating the resources of Manhattan into the life of the college. FCLC’s affiliation with the Ailey School enables Fordham students to study at one of the country’s premier schools of dance. Fordham’s own Poets Out Loud series brings contemporary poets to campus to read and discuss their work. Distinguished authors, actors, politicians, and intellectuals regularly enrich the life of the college with talks and seminars.

The college’s urban location also allows students to confront the pressing social and ethical questions of modern life: issues of justice, equality, community, diversity, faith, and human dignity. Opportunities for community service and community-engaged learning are readily available. The social work and education programs immerse students in the work of the city. All seniors participate in a seminar on values and students that combines a traditionally strong Fordham liberal arts education with the innovative instructional and preprofessional opportunities readily available at our location amidst the world’s most remarkable concentration of artistic, cultural, media, commercial, and nonprofit institutions. The college provides majors in the humanities, social sciences, and natural science, as well as offering outstanding programs in theatre, dance, visual arts, social work, and education. A vast array of internship experiences are available, and coursework is enriched by incorporating the resources of Manhattan into the life of the college. FCLC’s affiliation with the Ailey School enables Fordham students to study at one of the country’s premier schools of dance. Fordham’s own Poets Out Loud series brings contemporary poets to campus to read and discuss their work. Distinguished authors, actors, politicians, and intellectuals regularly enrich the life of the college with talks and seminars.

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The College at a Glance

- FCLC has a student body of approximately 2,000, with small and personalized classes that are in keeping with the Jesuit tradition of caring for each student as an individual.
- The transition to college is facilitated by the First Year Experience program of special seminar events and a system of active faculty advising.
- The college welcomes transfer students. Each year many students receive credit for coursework completed at other universities and go on to complete their bachelor’s degrees at FCLC.
- Many graduates of the college continue their education at outstanding medical, dental, law, graduate, and other professional schools across the United States and abroad.
- A strong full-time arts and sciences faculty of about 150 is based at Lincoln Center and is augmented with colleagues from Rose Hill. Adjunct faculty bring special professional expertise to their classes.
- Many members of the faculty are well-known and established scholars, authors, and editors in a wide range of academic disciplines. Others are active practitioners, including painters, photographers, filmmakers, poets, composers, and award-winning actors and directors.
- FCLC maintains programs with the professional schools of Fordham University with whom we share the Lincoln Center campus and with the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at the Rose Hill campus.
- Our future scientists and physicians work with our multidisciplinary natural sciences faculty and pre-health advisors in their labs, with opportunities at Mount Sinai Hospital, Rockefeller University, Columbia, NYU, Einstein Medical College, and others. The Department of Natural Sciences takes particular pride in its mission: The department is focused on the science education of undergraduates in their lectures and associated labs and in mentoring undergraduate research.
- Qualified students may gain entry to the 3-3 Program with Fordham Law School and thereby save a year of study.
- Qualified students may participate in the 3-2 Cooperative Program in Engineering to receive a B.A. or B.S. degree from Fordham and a B.S. degree in engineering from Columbia University or Case Western Reserve University after a total of 5 years of study.
- Students who meet the requirements may apply for an accelerated master’s program in departments that offer a master’s degree, saving a year of study.
- Completion of the B.A. in social work enables graduates who matriculate at Fordham University School of Social Service to complete the M.S.W. degree in one year.
- The college, in collaboration with the Graduate School of Education, coordinates a teacher-education track leading to certification.
- Business courses offered on the Lincoln Center campus by Fordham’s Gabelli School of Business allow a student to complete a business minor.
- Faculty from theatre, English, and communication and media studies collaborate to offer a minor in creative writing.
- A visual arts complex offers students splendid facilities for painting, drawing, photography, video, and computer graphics.
- The innovative B.F.A. in dance combines the resources of Fordham and the Ailey School.
- Our Global Outreach and community service programs reflect Fordham’s Jesuit commitment to educate men and women who will use their education in the service of others.

Visit our website at fordham.edu/fclc.

Students should consult the university-wide sections of this bulletin for more information on academic programs, policies, and procedures.

The College Council

From its very inception, Fordham College at Lincoln Center has recognized that, in order to achieve its objectives, it should foster the development of an academic community among its faculty, students, and administrators. This academic community has manifested itself in the establishment of the College Council.

The College Council is a representative body of students, faculty, and administrators that assists in formulating policies for the college and making recommendations to appropriate University officers and bodies.
concerning University policies that affect the college. The dean of the college serves as chairperson of the council.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center Alumni Opportunities

All graduates of Fordham College at Lincoln Center (FCLC) are members of the alumni association by virtue of their graduation. Fordham alumni enjoy many opportunities to engage with current students and other alumni across the world. The goal of all alumni activities is to foster lifelong relationships between alumni and Fordham, and to create ways for alumni to share their talents and interests with the University.

The Office of Alumni Relations also sponsors numerous opportunities for FCLC alumni to interact with alumni from all of the schools within the University. The Fordham University Alumni Association connects alumni from all of Fordham’s schools. The young alumni program focuses on the specific needs of alumni who have graduated within the last 10 years. The regional club program maintains Fordham’s national and international alumni network. The cultural program capitalizes on the unique benefits of New York City for metro-area alumni. RamPass, the alumni ID card, affords alumni special discounts, and allows them to easily return to both campuses.

For more information about opportunities to get involved with the alumni program, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 212-636-6520 or visit fordham.edu/alumni_relations.