



**NORTH CENTRAL**  
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# International Quick Facts



## Degrees and Accreditation

- Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
- Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.)
- Bachelor of Music Education (B.M.E.)
- English Language Institute (ESL)
- Master's degrees online
- Fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

## Honors and Awards

- Ranked No. 13 among "Best Colleges" in the Midwest by U.S. News and World Report 2020
- Ranked among "Best Midwestern Colleges" by Princeton Review 2019
- One of Forbes' "America's Top Colleges" 2018
- Ranked among "Best Colleges for Your Money" by Money Magazine 2018
- Designated a "Changemaker Campus" by Ashoka U—an initiative of Ashoka, the world's largest and leading network of social entrepreneurs 2018.
- 2015 Senator Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Campus Internationalization

## Degrees and Majors

The B.A. (Bachelor of Arts) degree is awarded in more than 60 areas of study in a variety of interdisciplinary areas. The B.S. (Bachelor of Science) degree is awarded in actuarial science, applied mathematics, biochemistry, biology, chemical microscopy, chemistry, computer science, economics, engineering, exercise science, health science, mathematics, neuroscience, nuclear medicine technology, physics, psychology and radiation therapy. The B.B.A. (Bachelor of Business Administration) degree is awarded in accounting, business economics, entrepreneurship, finance, human resource management, international business, management and marketing. The B.M.E (Bachelor of Music Education) degree is awarded in music education choral and instrumental.

## Programs of Study

### UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS AND MINORS (BACHELOR'S DEGREES)

Accounting  
Actuarial Science  
Animation\*  
Anthropology  
Applied Communication\*  
Applied Mathematics  
Art Education  
Art History  
Biochemistry  
Biology  
» Biological Science  
» Biology Professions  
» Biomedical Science  
» Health Professions  
Business  
Business Economics  
Chemical Microscopy†  
Chemistry  
» ACS - Certified Chemistry  
Chicago Area Studies\*  
Chinese  
Classical Studies\*  
Communication Studies  
Community Health Promotion\*  
Computer Science  
Conflict Resolution\*  
Dance\*

East Asian Studies

» China  
» Japan  
Economics  
Education Studies  
» Elementary  
» Secondary  
Elementary Education  
Engineering  
» Computer  
» Electrical  
» Mechanical  
Engineering Physics (3+2 Engineering)  
English  
» Literature  
» Writing  
English Education  
English Language Learner\*  
Entrepreneurship  
Environmental Studies  
» Science and the Environment  
» Society and the Environment  
» Sustainability  
Ethical Leadership  
Ethics\*  
Exercise Science  
Film and Screen Studies\*  
Finance  
French  
French and Francophone Studies  
Gender and Sexuality Studies\*  
German

German Studies

Global Studies  
Graphic Design  
Health Science  
History  
History of Ideas\*  
Human Resource Management  
Interactive Media Studies  
» Convergent Media  
» Interactive Technology  
Interdisciplinary Science  
International Business  
Japanese  
Journalism and Media Communication  
Language Arts and Linguistics\*  
Management  
Marketing  
Mathematics  
Middle Eastern and North African Studies\*  
Music  
» Jazz Studies  
» Liberal Arts  
» Performance  
Music Education  
» Choral  
» Instrumental  
Musical Theatre  
Neuroscience  
» Behavioral  
» Molecular  
Nuclear Medicine Technology†

Organizational Communication

Philosophy  
» Law and Society  
Physics  
Political Science  
Professional Spanish\*  
Professional and Technical Writing\*  
Psychology  
» Industrial/Organizational  
» Psychology\*  
Public Relations\*\*  
Radiation Therapy†  
Reading\*  
Religious Studies  
Secondary Education  
» Art  
» Biology  
» English  
» History  
» Math  
» Music  
» Foreign Language licensure in Chinese, Spanish, French and German  
Social Change Leadership\*  
Social Entrepreneurship  
Social Innovation\*  
Social Science/History  
Sociology  
Spanish

Sport Management

» Digital Marketing  
» General Business  
Studio Art  
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)\*  
Theatre  
» Acting  
» Directing and Dramaturgy  
Theatrical Design and Technology

### SHIMER GREAT BOOKS SCHOOL

Humanities  
Liberal Studies  
Natural Sciences  
Social Sciences

### PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Health Sciences  
» Dentistry  
» Nursing  
» Occupational Therapy  
» Optometry  
» Pharmacy  
» Physical Therapy  
» Physician Assistant  
» Podiatry  
» Veterinary Medicine  
Law  
Medicine

## Location and Campus

- Beautiful 68.5-acre/28-hectare campus just a two-minute walk from downtown Naperville and the train station
- Commuter trains to Chicago in 30 minutes
- Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) just 30 minutes from campus
- Naperville, Illinois, ranked "Safest City in America"

## Our Students Come From

Argentina, Australia, Bhutan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Brazil, Burundi, China, Colombia, Czech Republic, Ecuador, Estonia, France, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Ireland, Japan, Macedonia, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Norway, Philippines, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States, Venezuela, Vietnam... and more!

## Student Population

Undergraduate ..... 2,650  
Graduate ..... 270  
International ..... 110  
Countries represented ..... 40

## Estimated Costs 2020-2021

Tuition & Fees ..... \$41,180  
Room & Meals ..... \$12,222  
**Estimated Total ..... \$53,402\***

*\*Room costs vary by residence hall. Students should also budget for insurance, books and personal expenses.*

## Scholarships

### Freshman

- International Presidential: \$28,000
- International Honors: \$25,000
- #YouAreWelcomeHere: \$3,000
- ELI To Degree: \$2,250-\$9,000

### Transfer

- International Excellence: \$24,000
- International Merit: \$21,000
- International Campus Enrichment: \$3,000
- ELI To Degree: \$2,250-\$9,000

**Over 95% of new students receive scholarships or grants.**

\*Minor only

\*\*Minor beginning Fall 2020

† Not available to students in F-1 status

# International Quick Facts

## Academics

- Core curriculum and 128 total credits to graduate with a Bachelor's degree
- Advanced Placement (AP) credit
- International Baccalaureate (IB) credit
- College Scholars Honors Program
- Transfer credit available

## Faculty

- 153 full time (111 tenure track)
- 100% of tenure-track faculty have Ph.D. or terminal degree in field
- Average class size 20
- Student-to-faculty ratio 14:1

## Student Services

- Center for Global Education (CGE) provides orientation and international student advising.
- Tutors, writing center and language resource center are available to all students at no additional cost.
- Residence Life provides convenient, safe living arrangements.
- Additional services include a health center and education abroad advising.

## Distinctive Academic Opportunities

- Nationally recognized Model UN, Mock Trial, Forensics and Enactus teams
- Award-winning, student-run WONC-FM 89.1 radio station
- Richter Grants
- Undergraduate student research
- Education abroad
- Coffee Lab

## English Language Institute (ELI)

- Full-time, year-round English as a second language (ESL) program
- Conditional undergraduate admission available
- Five convenient starting points each year
- No minimum TOEFL required
- Summer options available
- ELI to Degree Scholarships available for undergraduate study at North Central

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## Career Development

- Job-search skills and strategies are taught to all students beginning their first year.
- Internships, work-related experiences and career exploration are strongly supported.
- Full-time professional staff provide expert career and graduate school guidance.
- Graduate and professional school advising and planning are actively promoted by Career Development staff and by faculty.
- Corporate recruiters interview qualified North Central students and alumni through consortium events and activities.
- Services to alumni are provided at no cost.

## Athletics

- North Central student-athletes compete in 27 intercollegiate sports in NCAA Division III and the College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (CCIW).\*
- North Central has won 38 team national championships and 137 individual national championships.
- A total of 434 student-athletes have earned 1,137 All-America selections.
- 355 student-athletes have earned 597 national academic awards.

### Men's Sports

- Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball, Wrestling

### Women's Sports

- Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Track & Field, Triathlon, Volleyball, Wrestling

### Recreational Sports

- Intramurals: Badminton, Basketball, Bowling, Dodgeball, Flag Football, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball

\*No athletic scholarships are offered, and students must be enrolled in a degree program to participate in intercollegiate sports.

## International Application Process

### International Freshman Application Process

- Undergraduate Application (online)
- Official high school transcript (past three years)
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 preferred (4.0 scale)
- Official English proficiency documentation (below)

### International Transfer Application Process

- Undergraduate Application (online)
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
- Course descriptions for transfer credit evaluation
- Official high school transcript
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 preferred (4.0 scale)
- Official English proficiency documentation (below)

### English Proficiency Documentation

The minimum English proficiency documentation required to be considered for direct admission to a degree program includes (choose one):

- Official TOEFL score of 79 IBT (Institution Code: 1555)
- Official IELTS score of 6.5
- Official SAT EBRW score of 490 (Institution Code: 1555)
- Official ACT English score of 19 (Institution Code: 1096)
- Grades of 'C' or higher in English writing courses taken at a U.S. college or university (transfer applicants)
- Successful completion of North Central's English Language Institute (ELI)

### Conditional Admission Application Process

Students who do not have the required level of English proficiency may apply for conditional undergraduate admission by submitting a completed undergraduate application and official transcripts. Full admission is awarded upon successful North Central ELI completion.

### Visa

Admitted students who will need an F-1 student visa must also submit a passport copy and financial documentation for an I-20 form.

### Priority Deadlines

Offers of admission are made on an ongoing basis. Complete applications are due three months prior to intended start term for students applying from outside the United States or two months prior to intended start term for students already studying in the United States.