

Advancing Knowledge with Purpose



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
School of Professional Studies





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# Columbia University

22

libraries

12+

on-campus dining halls and cafés

More than

200

research institutes and centers, including a wide range of world-class laboratories

54

members of the National Academy of Sciences

A university alumni network of more than

300,000

82

Nobel Prize winners are Columbia alumni, faculty, or former faculty. More Nobel Laureates have graduated from or taught at Columbia than any other university in the Ivy League

146

faculty in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, which studies and sets the nation's direction of research in science and technology policy, global security, social policy, and the humanities. Its founders include Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, and George Washington

More than

1,200

US patents issued across research areas over the past 20 years

100

new start-ups founded by Columbia students, alumni, and faculty

18

members of the National Academy of Engineering

31

NCAA Division I teams, 40+ club and 40+ intramural sports



60+

a cappella, comedy, dance, film, music, and theatre clubs and organizations

500

clubs and organizations. From the Columbia University Society of Hip-Hop to America Reads, from the Alpine Racing Team to the King's Crown Shakespeare Troupe, from the Scientists and Engineers for a Better Society to the Journal of Politics & Society, from the Chicanx Caucus to Bach Society — you'll find not one club per interest area but dozens with as much vibrancy and diversity as our students

First

gay-rights advocacy group on any college campus

First

African American advocacy group on a multiracial campus

First

college literary magazine



## SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

8,000+

SPS alumni

100+

areas of study for visiting students

50+

programs and counting

20+

courses to choose from in marketing, finance and leadership

17

Master's Degrees

15+

Advanced Certificates and Certifications of Professional Achievement

50+

award-winning faculty who are leaders in their respective fields



# Columbia School of Professional Studies

At Columbia University School of Professional Studies, we are innovators, we are scholars, and we are thought leaders, upholding Columbia's long-standing tradition of excellence. Our interdisciplinary programs advance knowledge with purpose, preparing students for careers with real-world impact as they progress along the continuum, from high school, to graduate degrees, to lifelong learning.

Our access initiatives open doors to higher education, creating advancement opportunities for talented and deserving students. With cutting-edge approaches and modalities, we build best-in-class learning experiences across a diverse range of instructional environments.

Our roots are in the community of Columbia's campus, but our reach is far wider — throughout New York City and through our extensive presence around the world. With engaged alumni, students, and faculty, we are building a global community of innovation, learning and leadership to prepare professionals for the future of work. We are the Columbia University School of Professional Studies.



## Why Choose Columbia SPS?

### BEST-IN-CLASS ACADEMICS

- An Ivy League education at one of the top universities in the world.
- SPS faculty build best-in-class learning experiences across a diverse range of instructional environments.
- We follow a Scholar-Practitioner model, which means that our instructional approach is focused on bringing real-world experiences to the classroom setting.

### THE NEW YORK ADVANTAGE

- NYC is home to leading institutions in industries like finance, technology, healthcare, real estate, media, and culture.
- SPS students live and learn in one of the world's most dynamic and global cities, with access to a wealth of professional and personal opportunities. Our programs build connections with some of the most prominent firms, innovative start-ups, and influential organizations on the local, national and global stage.

### COLUMBIA COMMUNITY

- The connections you make here will last a lifetime, continuing to provide opportunities to expand your perspective, support your professional development, and build a fulfilling career.



# Faculty Spotlight

KITTY KAY CHAN, PH.D.



## Applied Analytics

*Academic Director, Professor in Practice of Applied Analytics*

Dr. Kitty Kay Chan specializes in quantitative analyses for practical application in regulatory oversight, law enforcement, performance and damage valuation, strategic development, and policy assessment. Prior to joining SPS, Dr. Chan led data analytics efforts for New York State. As the Chief Data Analytics Officer, she served as the State's expert in data analytics and worked with stakeholders to develop strategies and build analytics products to derive actionable information from data across State agencies and functions.

STEVEN COHEN, PH. D.



## Sustainability Management

*Senior Vice Dean of Columbia SPS; Academic Director of Sustainability Management; Professor in Practice of Public Affairs; Director of the M.P.A. program in Environmental Science and Policy; Director of the Earth Institute's Research Program on Sustainability Policy and Management*

Dr. Cohen served as a policy analyst in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from 1977 through 1978 and 1980–81, and as consultant to the agency from 1981 through 1991, from 1994 to 1996 and from 2005 to 2010. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of Homes for the Homeless, the Board of Directors of Willdan Energy Solutions, and the Board of Directors of the Institute on the Environment.

ROBERT KLITZMAN, M.D.



## Bioethics

*Academic Director of Bioethics; Professor of Psychiatry*

Robert Klitzman, M.D., is a professor of psychiatry at the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Joseph Mailman School of Public Health, and the Academic Director of the Master of Science in Bioethics program at Columbia University. He co-founded and for five years co-directed the Columbia University Center for Bioethics, and directed the Ethics and Policy Core of the HIV Center for 10 years. He has published over 120 scientific journal articles, eight books, and numerous chapters on critical issues in bioethics including genetics, neuroethics, HIV prevention, research ethics, and doctor-patient relationships.

**"Our students learn from talented faculty and from each other through stimulating discussions inside and outside the classroom. I love helping students learn and explore new ways of thinking so they build expertise and careers."**

*Steve S.; Interim Program Director, M.S. in Human Capital Management*

ARTHUR LANGER, ED.D.



## Technology Management

*Professor of Professional Practice; Academic Director of the M.S. in Technology Management program; Director of the Center for Technology Management*

Dr. Arthur Langer has numerous published articles and papers relating to service learning for underserved populations, IT organizational integration, mentoring, and staff development. He consults with corporations and universities worldwide on information technology, staff development, management transformation, and curriculum development. He is also the Chairman and Founder of Workforce Opportunity Services, a nonprofit social venture that provides scholarships and careers to underserved populations around the world.

BETH FISHER-YOSHIDA PH.D.



## Negotiation & Conflict Resolution

*Academic Director; Professor of Practice; Vice Chair of Faculty*

Dr. Fisher-Yoshida is Co-Executive Director of the Advanced Consortium on Cooperation, Conflict and Complexity (AC4) and Director of the Youth, Peace and Security (YPS) program, both housed in the Earth Institute at Columbia University. In her role at YPS she has been working to develop systemic approaches to building more effective communities through youth leadership in Medellín, Colombia, using a Social Lab approach. Her firm, Fisher Yoshida International, focuses on leading organizations through change by improving communication and creating shared goals and practices to align with the organization's mission and vision. She works globally with clients and speaks conversational Japanese, having lived and worked in Japan for 13 years.

ALEXANDRA MERCERON, M.A.



## Strategic Communication

*Lecturer; Discipline of Strategic Communication*

Alexandra M. Merceron is an active consultant who specializes in helping organizations leverage the power of digital, social and traditional media to influence audiences for the greater good. Before joining Columbia SPS, Merceron was the Health Communication Specialist and Digital Research Scientist at the U.S. Food & Drug Administration's Center for Tobacco Products in Washington, DC, where she spearheaded digital measurement and analytics efforts for national anti-smoking campaigns. Prior to that, she held management posts at top media companies *Harvard Business Review*, *Boston Globe*, *The New York Times Co.*, *Harvard Education Publishing Group*, *Billboard* magazine and AOL Time Warner, among others.



# Life at Columbia SPS

Residence hall life, small class sizes, research and team projects, clubs and student government — these are just a few of the things that bring our students together. Student life begins on our campus in Morningside Heights, extends into New York City and out into the world.



## One-on-One Advising:

Our program-specific advisors connect with students in an individualized and flexible manner, providing them with guidance on course planning, university resources, and policies and procedures to help them succeed academically, professionally, and personally.



The **Office of Student Life** hosts many great events throughout the year such as: excursions to NYC institutions, One World Trade, Broadway shows, and sporting events. Programs include virtual and in-person wellness workshops, networking and social events, game nights, CommuniTea conversations surrounding topics like diversity and inclusion, and more.



Students can also get involved in **student government, clubs, organizations, and community service events.**



**Columbia Residential** manages more than 150 apartment buildings, with most units located in the Morningside Heights, Manhattan Valley, and Manhattanville neighborhoods, near our many campuses in the Upper West Side and throughout other locations in New York City.\*



**“My favorite aspect of the program has to be the small class size and integration of guest speakers – leading voices in the industry, no less – into lectures and discussions.”**

Leda S.; M.S. in Sports Management



\*Student housing consists of dormitory suite-style housing and shared apartments, as well as a limited number of studio and one-bedroom units that are prioritized for couples and families. A very limited number of larger units are available for students with children. Limited housing availability for graduate students.



# Career Design Lab

The Career Design Lab supports current students and alumni with individualized career coaching, including career assessment, resume and cover letter writing, internship and job search strategy, personal branding, interview skills, career transitions, and salary negotiations. Wherever you are in your career journey, the Career Design Lab team will support students in all phases of career development.

The Career Design Lab offers many opportunities for students to develop their skills and connect with and network with the marketplace through innovative programming that includes:

- Career and Networking Fairs
- Industry Showcases
- Executive Case Series
- Information Sessions with Employers
- Pitch Competitions
- e-Mentorship

The CDL's robust online resources include:

- The Career Design Course
- Premium Subscriptions
- Video Library
- Degree-Specific Toolkits
- Workshop Series

**"Our career advancement activities and workshops are designed in response to our students' specific needs and provide them with skill enhancements they can apply immediately."**

*Teresa C., Director of Master's Insurance Management*



## Empathy

We meet students where they are and provide individualized and customized coaching.

## Creative

We provide creative career design spaces both virtually and physically and strive for innovation.

## Value-Driven

We practice reframing our perspectives with a growth mindset. We value efficiency and make data-informed decisions.

## Empowerment

We believe in empowering students to build lifelong career skills, to hold themselves accountable, and to take ownership over their careers. We are passionate about our work and believe in self-empowerment.

## Authenticity

We build authentic and effective relationships.



# Our Home: New York City



Our location in NYC offers students the unique opportunity to take advantage of one of the most diverse and dynamic places in the world. At our fingertips are a vast array of academic, professional, and cultural experiences.

## 8 million

people, an amazing percentage of whom are experts, visionaries, and global leaders

## 40

Broadway theatres

## 150

museums and countless galleries

Over

## 100

NYC-Columbia service and research partnerships

Over

## 200

libraries throughout New York City

**“Connecting with people different from ourselves stimulates the imagination; and when we learn to see the world through a multiplicity of eyes, we make ourselves more nimble in mastering, and integrating, the diverse fields of knowledge awaiting us.”**

*Lee C. Bollinger; President, Columbia University*

Career-impacting events like industry conferences, speaker series, and networking opportunities are offered regularly.



AJAY SURESH, ALANKIT ASSIGNMENTS



Our students live and learn in one of the world's most dynamic and global cities, with access to a wealth of internships, as well as mentors and job opportunities in prominent firms, innovative start-ups, and influential organizations.



Arts and culture are experienced daily through museums and galleries, theaters, sporting events, fashion shows, thousands of restaurants and more.



# Alumni

Upon graduation, you automatically become a member of the Columbia Alumni Association (CAA), a global network of 350,000+ Columbia University alumni and the School of Professional Studies Alumni Association, a global network of 8,000+ alumni from 70+ countries. As alumni, you will continue to receive support for your personal and professional goals through the many resources we offer.

The relationships you build at Columbia will broaden your professional network. The interactions among diverse and accomplished students, access to the Columbia University community, and our network of alumni in various industries are invaluable benefits to help you as you develop your career.

Columbia SPS graduates are leaders across sectors and a wide variety of industries. They hold positions in Fortune 500 companies, run global nonprofits, shape government policies, and start innovative enterprises. Alumni from the School of Professional Studies make up a global community of scholars and professionals that are making a difference in the world.

**“SPS has allowed for a challenging academic experience all while working my full-time job – which has granted me the ability to advance as a professional and student. I look forward to taking the lessons of leadership I’ve learned and applying them in a real-world setting.”**

*Jenna Carr; M.S. in Nonprofit Management*



## ALUMNI RESOURCES

- Career Connections and Networking Opportunities
- Connect with fellow Columbians on Columbia University's Alumni Community portal
- Access to the Career Design Lab
- Access to Columbia Libraries
- CAA Arts Access, Columbia Magazine, and Exclusive Discounts
- Auditing and Lifelong Learner programs that offer exclusive access to courses, podcasts, seminars, and other online learning opportunities
- Join a Regional Alumni Club or Shared Interest Group to stay engaged globally



# Admissions and Financial Aid

## Admissions Requirements<sup>1</sup>

### NON-DEGREE

- Completed application form
- Nonrefundable application fee
- Your resume<sup>1</sup>
- Letters of recommendation<sup>1</sup>
- Statement of Academic Purpose
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions<sup>2</sup>
- Students whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency

### MASTER'S DEGREE

- Completed application form
- Nonrefundable application fee
- Your resume
- Letters of recommendation<sup>1</sup>
- Statement of Academic Purpose
- Supplemental Essay<sup>1</sup>
- Video Essay
- Test scores<sup>1</sup>
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions<sup>2</sup>
- Students whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency

<sup>1</sup> Requirements vary per program. Please refer to the program website for the most accurate information.

<sup>2</sup> International coursework: Students who have completed coursework at an international institution are required to submit any international transcripts through WES. More detailed information about this and all of our other requirements can be found on our website.

## Financial Resources

We realize that financing your studies is a major investment in your future. A degree from Columbia maximizes the return on your investment to create opportunities of limitless potential. Many SPS students tap into different combinations of personal savings, loans, external scholarships or grants, and partial or full sponsorship from employers. Our Office of Student Affairs, in conjunction with the Office of Student Financial Planning, assists students with the process of obtaining the right resources to finance your education.

### OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL PLANNING

- Outside Funding Sources
- Merit Fellowships
- Federal Loans and Work Study
- Private Loan Programs
- U.S. Military Veterans Assistance Programs
- Columbia University Scholarship for Displaced Students
- Columbia University HBCU Fellowship Program

# SPS Programs of Study

With 17 Master's degrees and a variety of flexible courses and formats, our rigorous programs meet students where they are and take them where they want to go – on their terms and throughout their lives.

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## M.S. in Actuarial Science

Columbia's Actuarial Science program is internationally renowned for its breakthrough curriculum and esteemed faculty. The program curriculum is designed to anticipate and exceed industry needs. It equips students with the tools, knowledge, and skills to excel in the evolving workplace. The program fosters leaders in today's rapidly evolving actuarial and related workplaces by having students learn from experts and leading practitioners, as well as develop soft skills and work experience for future success. Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared to assume leadership positions and meet ever-expanding opportunities.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Recent college graduates, career changers, and prospective actuaries interested in starting a career, career advancement, and exam preparation.

### FEATURES

- A leading-edge curriculum that includes predictive modeling, machine learning, risk management, and financial markets and investments in addition to a solid actuarial foundation
- A course of study that covers main actuarial paths and prepares students for the associate actuarial examinations of the Society of Actuaries (SOA) and the Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS)
- Core courses taught by actuaries and analytical professionals who have PhDs and 15+ years of industry experience
- Participation from nearly 200 industry leaders, potential employers, and alumni including CEOs, CFOs, Chief Risk Officers, and leaders from SOA and CAS, who interact directly with students through courses and special events
- A supportive, familial, and fun environment in which students, faculty, and alumni build lifelong connections

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Knowledge of elementary economics, linear algebra, and multivariate calculus

ON-CAMPUS; 3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 3 YEARS PART-TIME

#### Certificate of Professional Achievement

*Required Experience:* Strong academic record in mathematics, statistics, economics or quantitative studies

ONLINE; 3 YEARS (6 CONSECUTIVE TERMS)



*"After coming to my first job fair here, I heard back from multiple companies looking to interview me. The program offers in-person networking opportunities you wouldn't get online."*

**Susan Shen**  
'18SPS, Actuarial Science  
Actuarial Associate, Buck



## M.S. in Applied Analytics

Rapid innovation in data collection and processing technologies requires organizations to find professionals who can use data to deliver insights. Columbia's Master of Science in Applied Analytics program prepares students with the practical data and leadership skills to succeed. The program combines in-depth knowledge of data analytics with the leadership, management, and communication principles necessary to impact decision-making at all levels in an organization.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Individuals looking to enhance decision-making using data within a wide range of functions, including finance, operations, marketing, or sales.

### FEATURES

- Exposure to analytical tools, methods and management skills to address diverse business challenges
- Learn how to influence an organization's strategic direction through the implementation of analytics processes
- Learn to source, store, and model the data needed to answer questions and produce value
- Capstone project opportunity that synthesizes program content with practical, real-world challenges

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Ability to demonstrate critical thinking and leadership skills

ON-CAMPUS (OR ONLINE FOR PART-TIME OPTION); 3 CONSECUTIVE TERMS FULL-TIME OR 6 CONSECUTIVE TERMS PART-TIME; CAPSTONE PROJECT

*Note: Students registered in an on-campus option may participate in on-campus and online courses. Students registered in the online option may participate only in online courses. The Summer term is optional for full-time students.*



*"The program provides the skills to bridge the gap between business practices and technology."*

**José Manuel Peña Mendez**  
'17SPS, Applied Analytics  
Portfolio Manager, AFP Habitat

## M.S. in Bioethics

Columbia's Master of Science in Bioethics program is multidisciplinary at its core, with partners and advisors from the university's nationally ranked top-10 programs in medicine, law, public health, business, journalism, international affairs, and philosophy. The program grounds students in interdisciplinary approaches and models to address the most pressing bioethical challenges. The program prepares students to act as responsible and responsive leaders in this ever-growing field.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Professionals, graduates and recent undergraduates (pre-med and pre-law) who work or plan to work in healthcare, law, policy, advocacy, consulting, or related fields.

### FEATURES

- An innovative, highly interdisciplinary curriculum
- Accreditation: obtain Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit
- Two program formats: on campus or fully online
- Master's thesis: conduct research and/or literature review and analysis

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Professional or academic experience or interest in healthcare, biotechnology, and related fields

ON-CAMPUS\* OR ONLINE\*; 3 OR 6 TERMS MASTER'S THESIS

#### Dual Degree in Bioethics and Public Health (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Professional or academic experience or interest in healthcare, biotechnology, and public health

ON-CAMPUS OR HYBRID (ON-CAMPUS AND ONLINE)

#### Certification of Professional Achievement

*Required Experience:* Professional or academic experience or interest in healthcare, biotechnology, and related fields

ONLINE; UP TO 3 YEARS, PART-TIME

*\* Switching between on-campus and online is possible with administrative approval.*

*"Bioethics should be an integral part of medical training from the beginning."*

**Dr. Seth Waldman**

'19SPS, Bioethics

Director, Division of Pain Management at the Hospital for Special Surgery, NYC; Clinical Assistant Professor, Anesthesiology, Cornell University



## M.S. in Construction Administration

Now more than ever, there is a greater need — and opportunity — for leaders in the critical discipline of management of the construction industry. Columbia University's Master of Science in Construction Administration program prepares construction professionals and those in related fields to step up to and lead and shape our built environment. Graduates develop rewarding careers with some of the world's most respected architecture, engineering, construction, and management firms, entrusted with delivering many of the most impactful projects of our time.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Those looking to advance or launch their own development, construction, or consulting firm. Individuals who want to ground themselves in construction management fundamentals, hone skills, and advance into upper levels of management.

### FEATURES

- In-depth coverage of key topics in construction project management
- A distinguished faculty of scholar-practitioners and industry leaders
- Innovative curriculum focusing on commercial and residential building
- A Capstone Project: actionable management plan or project manual for a current New York City-based construction project

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* At least 2–3 years industry experience, family business experience or strong internship experience  
ON-CAMPUS\*; 3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR 6–10 TERMS PART-TIME;  
CAPSTONE PROJECT

\* Some business courses are available online as preapproved electives.



*"You need the diploma and the experience, especially in New York City... At SPS, I gained a strong professional network and expanded my leadership skills."*

#### Robert Kipp

'15SPS, Construction Administration  
General Superintendent, Delta CM Team, LaGuardia Airport; Youngest General Superintendent of a Megaproject in the United States

## M.S. in Enterprise Risk Management

Integrated picture of both upside and downside volatility across an entire enterprise. Columbia's Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) allows you to apply a value-based ERM approach to help organizations make better risk-reward decisions at the highest levels by balancing technical ERM skills with effective communication skills, enhancing the strategic planning process, and designing and implementing customized ERM frameworks to increase the likelihood of an organization achieving its goals.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Individuals who plan to pursue or advance a career in enterprise risk management and expand their abilities in specialized risk management areas.

### FEATURES

- A customizable course of study: flexible course study
- A practical approach: develop tools that have been tested in the marketplace
- A focus on all risk sources including: strategic, operational, financial, and insurance risk

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

ON-CAMPUS OR ONLINE (LIVE INTERACTIVE CLASSROOM);  
3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 6 TERMS PART-TIME

#### Certification of Professional Achievement (Full-time or Part-time)

ON-CAMPUS OR ONLINE (LIVE INTERACTIVE CLASSROOM)\*\*; 1–4 TERMS

#### Non-Credit Courses

ON-CAMPUS OR ONLINE (LIVE INTERACTIVE CLASSROOM);  
CUSTOM TIME COMMITMENT

\*\* Switching between on-campus and online instruction requires administrative approval.



*"Companies were specifically interested in my risk management experience. So, I consistently referred back to the program...I received a lot of offers."*

#### Molly Sun

'17SPS, Enterprise Risk Management  
Product Manager, Cloud Platform, AutoDesk



# M.S. in Human Capital Management

Organizations that view human resources as merely business-serving are rapidly falling behind in the global marketplace. Now more than ever, organizations need innovative, business-driving strategies that address human capital challenges through data-driven, market-based insights and organization-wide integrated solutions.

Columbia University's Master of Science in Human Capital Management (HCM) prepares graduates to be world-class HCM strategists able to address changing needs in building and motivating talented, engaged workforces in the private, public, academic and not-for-profit sectors. Graduates are prepared to advance their careers while driving organizational excellence in the new world of work.

## PROGRAM OPTIONS

### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Seasoned professionals with a minimum of 3 years of experience

ON-CAMPUS OR ONLINE\*; 3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 6 TERMS PART-TIME; CAPSTONE SEMINAR

*\*Please inquire about the intake terms available for the full-time online option.*



*"The connection between Human Capital Management and financial performance is often considered elusive. The HCM program provided me with the tools to make those connections tangible so I can effectively leverage HCM as a key differentiator in driving strategy and financial performance."*

**Ramona Garcia**  
'20SPS, Human Capital Management

## WHO SHOULD APPLY

More-senior HCM professionals striving to enhance their skill sets, individuals outside HCM who want to build their HCM capabilities and transition to roles in HCM, and emerging HCM professionals who want to grow their careers.

## FEATURES

- An agile approach that anticipates and adapts to changes in the field
- A faculty of world-class scholar-practitioners
- An innovative and analytics-driven curriculum designed for real-world application and career growth
- Join a global network of distinguished faculty, career coaches, and cohort peers who engage in relevant and timely discussions about workplace challenges, aspirations, and HCM trends
- The curriculum is designed for immediate, real-world application and career growth. There are multiple opportunities to explore and discuss personal work challenges and aspirations with faculty, career coaches and other students





## M.S. in Information and Knowledge Strategy

Columbia's M.S. in Information and Knowledge Strategy (IKNS) transforms knowledge-based practitioners into knowledge-driven leaders. Interdisciplinary in nature, this degree has its underpinnings in information and knowledge management, organizational development, social science, psychology, and economics. The IKNS program marries research and theory with the lived experiences of distinguished academics and leading practitioners, creating a curriculum that educates the next generation of executives on how to effectively leverage the knowledge capital of their organizations to drive growth, productivity, and societal impact. Students in the IKNS program will develop a holistic approach to leading people and organizations while mastering proficiency in collaboration, strategic thinking, innovative design, evidence-based decision-making, and digital transformation.

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Half-time or Part-time)

STUDY WHILE EMPLOYED: YES; ONLINE CLASSES WITH 3 ON-CAMPUS PRACTICUMS; 4 TERMS HALF-TIME OR UP TO 7 TERMS PART-TIME; CAPSTONE COURSE



*"As a Silicon Valley entrepreneur, IKNS provided me with the skill set to develop and commercialize knowledge-driven products."*

**Mary Palmieri**

'15SPS, Information and Knowledge Strategy  
Founder and CEO, The Beauty Marketplace Inc.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

**Mid-career professionals** who want to develop the leadership skills and presence necessary to achieve their next professional milestone.  
**Entrepreneurs and intrapreneurs** with the drive and resourcefulness to transform ideas into actions.

### FEATURES

- **Practicality** – Our unique curriculum is rich with applicable strategies for addressing the challenges your organization is facing today and will face tomorrow
- **Flexibility** – Designed for working professionals, our online classes are scheduled in the evening so you can earn a graduate degree while continuing to work full-time
- **Experience** – Apply your skills and knowledge through a group capstone project for a leading for-profit or nonprofit organization
- **Access** – Work and build relationships with world-class scholar-practitioner faculty, high-profile industry leaders, and a global network of IKNS alumni

## M.P.S. in Insurance Management

Columbia's Master's in Insurance Management prepares new and experienced insurance and risk professionals to lead the transformation of traditional insurance business management, blending advanced industry knowledge with strategic and operational expertise. Solutions to real-world issues created in the program have immediate application and impact in the workplace, and help shape the future of the industry.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Insurance professionals and career changers with 5+ years of professional experience in: underwriting, operations, business development, risk management, analytics, law, broker/agency sales, and product development.

### FEATURES

- **Cohesive curriculum demonstrates integration of key business functions and their impact on diverse stakeholders' interests**
- **Problem-based learning from scholar-practitioners with global experience across broad lines of business**
- **Focus on innovation and the ideation of viable business solutions in a collaborative and interactive environment**
- **Balanced self-paced asynchronous learning with opportunities for synchronous engagement**
- **Build community with peers, lecturers, and guest speakers as well as the program's Corporate Advisory Network**

### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

#### Master of Professional Studies (Part-time)

*Required Experience: 5+ Years of Professional Experience*  
*Study While Employed: Part-time domestic and international students take courses online*  
ONLINE ASYNCHRONOUS INSTRUCTION, TWO IN-PERSON RESIDENCIES AT THE BEGINNING AND THE END OF THE PROGRAM\*; 4 CONSECUTIVE TERMS OR APPROX. 16 MONTHS, PART-TIME, APPLIED RESEARCH PROJECT

*\* Domestic students are required to participate in the residencies on Columbia's campus in New York City. International students are welcome to attend the in-person residencies. An online version of the residencies is available only for international students who cannot attend in person.*

*"This program has given me behind-the-scenes industry knowledge that would take decades of field experience to obtain. The course lecturers are truly giving back to an industry in which they excelled."*

**Jay C.**  
'21SPS, Insurance Management



## M.S. in Narrative Medicine

The Columbia University Master of Science in Narrative Medicine prepares health professionals, writers, and scholars to apply the skills and values of narrative understanding to improve outcomes for both patients and caregivers, and to investigate issues pertinent to health and healthcare in a rigorous transdisciplinary setting.

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Qualifications:* U.S. bachelor's degree or international equivalent

FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME; 38 POINTS FOR DEGREE COMPLETION; ON-CAMPUS INSTRUCTION ONLY; FULL-TIME: 2 TERMS TO COMPLETE; PART-TIME: 2–6 YEARS TO COMPLETE; OPTIONAL INDEPENDENT STUDY/CAPSTONE

#### Certification of Professional Achievement

*Required Qualifications:* U.S. bachelor's degree or international equivalent

PART-TIME AND ASYNCHRONOUS ONLINE. TO RECEIVE THE CERTIFICATION, STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE 5 ONLINE COURSES AND 1 NON-CREDIT WORKSHOP, IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY. COURSES ARE 10 WEEKS LONG AND CAN BE TAKEN DURING THE FALL, SPRING, AND SUMMER TERMS. STUDENTS HAVE 3 YEARS IN WHICH TO COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATION. STUDENTS WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE PROGRAM AND WHO ARE ADMITTED TO THE MASTER OF SCIENCE MAY TRANSFER THE EQUIVALENT OF 6 M.S. ELECTIVE CREDITS.



*"I wanted to enter medical school with skills that will allow me to become a better physician, and to engage in research projects that explore the stories of patients."*

**Ramón Martínez**  
'18SPS, Narrative Medicine; Clinical Research Coordinator at Columbia University Irving Medical Center

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

**Healthcare professionals** and trainees in clinical disciplines such as medicine, nursing, dentistry, social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, psychoanalysis, and pastoral care.

**Students or alumni of graduate programs** in other fields such as literature, writing and health journalism, oral history, medical anthropology, and other social sciences who want to understand illness and disability in their own scholarly activities or to help teach healthcare professionals.

**Individuals from disciplines** such as rhetoric, creative writing, anthropology, gender studies, oral history, or religious studies.

**For graduate students** who are early in their careers, and particularly those who combine the M.S. in Narrative Medicine with clinical degrees, this degree will position them to evolve into narratively competent clinicians.

### FEATURES

- A multidisciplinary curriculum in which students learn from collaborating closely with both faculty and peers.
- Personalized career guidance to help achieve your personal and professional goals
- Access to acclaimed faculty including clinicians and non-clinicians, primary thought leaders and practitioners in the field and experts in creative writing to anthropology
- Access to Columbia's narrative medicine community and an extensive alumni network and resources



## M.S. in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution

Conflict resolution skills are essential for forging and stewarding successful relationships between people, communities, and organizations. Columbia's Master of Science in Negotiation and Conflict Resolution prepares students to transform disputes through reasoned and resourceful interventions — a unique combination of skills that are complementary to additional educational pursuits such as law school, international affairs graduate programs, and Ph.D. programs, and applicable in all sectors, including business, education, healthcare, and government.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Career-changing professionals, mid-career professionals and early career professionals.

### FEATURES

- Constructive communication, ethical understanding, cultural awareness and sensitivity, and inclusion of diverse perspectives
- Conflict resolution in favor of all parties
- Command of the causes and dynamics of conflict

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time and Part-time)

*Study While Employed:* Yes. Classes meet on nights and weekends

*Start Term:* Fall or Spring

#### Master of Science (Part-time Hybrid)

*Study While Employed:* Yes, but must be in the NYC area for the summer Intensive Study

*Start Term:* Spring only



*"The program nurtures and supports the development of students beyond just classroom interactions. I was able to secure funding through the Earth Institute to conduct field research in Kigali, Rwanda... for the first time, I was able to connect social impact with my passion for entrepreneurship."*

**Jonathan Chang**  
'11SPS, Negotiation and Conflict Resolution  
Executive Director, National University of Singapore Enterprise

## M.S. in Nonprofit Management

Columbia's Nonprofit Management prepares graduates for leadership roles within mission-driven organizations in a wide variety of contexts, including global and community nonprofits, foundations, education, healthcare, the arts or as fundraising and development experts. The program reflects the growth and increased sophistication of the nonprofit sector, as well as the need for nonprofit organizations to demonstrate impact more effectively. Students become conversant with new technologies, digital media, and data analytics, as well as public-private partnerships, which are being deployed to help solve some of the most intractable problems across the globe.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Career changers and experienced and new nonprofit professionals who want to pursue roles with increased executive responsibilities.

### FEATURES

- Access to the mission-driven community locally, nationally, and globally
- An emphasis across the curriculum on public-private partnerships, cutting-edge technology, ethics, and international aspects of the field
- An in-depth Capstone Project in which students partner with a nonprofit organization to solve real-world challenges facing the organization and the sector
- Faculty and alumni who are connected to a wide variety of nonprofit organizations and provide academic and career advisement as well as opportunities for networking and employment

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Professional experience or interest in mission-driven work

ON-CAMPUS IN NYC (OR ONLINE FOR PART-TIME OPTION), CAPSTONE PROJECT, FOCUS ON STUDY THROUGH ELECTIVE COURSEWORK; 3 TERMS OR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR FULL-TIME; UP TO 6 TERMS OR UP TO 3 YEARS PART-TIME



*"The coursework is just extraordinary. It has really taught me the beauty and the goodness that the nonprofit world can actually bring back in to our society and cause extraordinary changes in very, very little time."*

**Winfred Tovar, M.D.**  
'18SPS, Nonprofit Management  
Founder and Director of MIMSI International



## M.S. in Sports Management

Columbia's Sports Management features a leading-edge, market-influenced curriculum along with unparalleled access to sports industry leaders and experts.

Your Columbia. Your City. Your Faculty.  
Your Curriculum.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Young professionals who aspire to have a career in sports, current sports professionals who want to enhance their skill sets and advance their careers and career-changing professionals who want to transition to a sports career.

### FEATURES

- A dynamic, best-in-class curriculum covering all aspects of sports business with leading-edge content that captures current market dynamics and anticipates future trends
- The program takes advantage of Columbia's New York City setting by providing real-time business solution courses, extensive industry networking, internship, and employment opportunities across the sports industry.
- An esteemed faculty including industry thought leaders, experts, and current practitioners associated with many of the biggest brands in sports
- Top academic partnerships, including FC Bayern Munich, LaLiga North America, Luker on Trends, Real Madrid University, and the Aspen Institute, that offer students valuable knowledge and training for what lies ahead in sports management

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Professional experience or interest in the sports industry

FULL-TIME STUDENTS EARN A DEGREE IN 1–1 1/2 YEARS

PART-TIME STUDENTS EARN A DEGREE IN 2–4 YEARS

ON-CAMPUS, CURRICULUM OFFERS INTERNSHIPS AND INTEGRATIVE PROJECTS



*"The Sports Management Program is taught by industry professionals, people who have done it in real life, people who have the experience and can point back to it."*

#### Andrew Hawkins

'17SPS, Sports Management  
Director of Business Development,  
Uninterrupted; Analyst and On-Air Talent,  
NFL Network; Co-host, Uninterrupted's  
The ThomaHawk Show; Former NFL  
Wide Receiver

## M.S. in Strategic Communication

Columbia's Strategic Communication is designed to respond to the urgent need for strategic perspectives, critical thinking, and exceptional communication skills at all levels of the workplace and across all types of organizations.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

**Full-time path:** Career changers or early-career communication professionals.

**Part-time path:** Professionals with various experience levels in communication can apply to the Part-time path. Communication professionals with over 6 years of leadership experience should apply to the Executive path.

### FEATURES

- Cultivate the global perspectives needed to succeed at global organizations
- Develop effective communication strategies and thinking habits that will allow you to offer strategic counsel to any organization
- Learn how to use research methods, digital analytics, and other communication tools in an integrated, strategic way
- Demonstrate your mastery of strategic communication by completing an in-depth Capstone Project

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Executive M.S.

*Required Experience:* 6+ years of experience as a communication leader  
*Study While Employed:* Yes. Can be based outside the NYC area.

HYBRID (COMBINATION OF ON-CAMPUS (NYC) AND ONLINE INSTRUCTION);  
16 MONTHS, PART-TIME

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

*Required Experience:* Early-career communication professionals or career changers. Open to international students

*Study While Employed:* Yes, for part-time students based in the greater NYC area only

ON-CAMPUS IN NYC, SOME ONLINE COURSEWORK MAY BE AVAILABLE; 12 OR 16 MONTHS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 3 YEARS PART-TIME



*"One of the best parts of my education at Columbia was my capstone project. The confluence of a real-world experience while applying new learnings in real-time provided new insights with regard to data, persuasive communication, and leadership."*

#### Gloria Chin

'18SPS, Strategic Communication  
Press Secretary, Mayor Steve Adler, City of  
Austin, Texas



## M.S. in Sustainability Management

Columbia's Sustainability Management is designed for those who wish to pursue a career in management that takes into account both the environment and the economy.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

The M.S. in Sustainability Management prepares students for management careers that are based on strategic, financial, and policy analyses.

### FEATURES

- A range of focused offerings: Master of Science in Sustainability Management, Certification in Sustainable Water Management, Certification in Sustainability Analytics, and Certification in Sustainable Finance
- A rigorous master's program curriculum
- Access to the Earth Institute's resources
- Impressive career outcomes of M.S. graduates: 75% private sector and 25% government/nonprofit
- Emphasis on the physical dimensions of sustainability (e.g., water, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, and environmental infrastructure), general and financial management, economics, quantitative analysis, and policy
- Ability to pursue Certifications in Sustainability Analytics, Sustainable Water Management and Sustainable Finance (online)
- Global alumni base of nearly 800+ professionals
- Access to professional development resources of Columbia's Earth Institute

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

Start Term: Spring or Fall

AS FEW AS 3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 9 TERMS PART-TIME

#### Certifications

Start Term: Spring or Fall

UP TO 4 TERMS



*"I feel better equipped to go into a corporation and navigate the process of integrating sustainability into business."*

**Ame Igharo**  
'17SPS, Sustainability Management  
Sustainability Consultant,  
Strategist, and Marketer

## M.S. in Sustainability Science

Columbia's Sustainability Science program is designed for those who wish to pursue a career in technical aspects of sustainability, helping organizations better understand, predict, and address environmental impacts.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

The M.S. in Sustainability Science is designed for those who wish to pursue a career in technical aspects of sustainability. Ideal candidates have an undergraduate degree in engineering, math, science, and related fields.

### FEATURES

- Five areas of study – Integrative Courses in Sustainability, Methods of Earth Observation and Measurement, Analysis and Modeling Environmental Conditions and Impacts, Scientific Tools for Responding to Sustainability Challenges, and Sustainability Policy or Management
- More than 200 environmental and sustainability courses each year
- Access to Columbia's Earth Institute and Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory
- Applied coursework teaches the use of cutting-edge scientific methods, instruments, and tools that students can employ to help organizations address environmental impacts and risks, pollution control, and remediation
- Access to professional development resources of Columbia's Earth Institute, and scientific resources of the Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Master of Science (Full-time or Part-time)

Start Term: Spring or Fall

AS FEW AS 3 TERMS FULL-TIME OR UP TO 9 TERMS PART-TIME



*"People need more tools to see how their actions impact the world and vice versa. However, few models allow for scalability between individual, community, and national effects. This program has allowed me to develop prototype models that address that."*

**Isabela Brown**  
'20SPS, Sustainability Science

## M.S. and Executive M.S. in Technology Management

Technology is disrupting and transforming businesses across industries – and it's driving the demand for skilled leaders who can understand and implement technology in a strategic, future-oriented way. At Columbia, we equip students with the knowledge, skills, and connections they'll need to do just that.

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

**Master of Science** (Full-time or Part-time)  
ON-CAMPUS IN NYC\* AND CAPSTONE PROJECT; 1 YEAR FULL-TIME  
OR UP TO 2 YEARS PART-TIME

\* Select coursework is available online.

*"Several of the things you learn in class you could actually incorporate the next day in your livelihood."*

**Kelvin Blasse**  
'20SPS, Technology Management  
Vice President, Cybersecurity Incident Response

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

**Diverse industries and specializations** are represented in every incoming class.  
**For M.S.** (Full-time or Part-time) – No prior experience in the Technology field is required. Experienced and new professionals who are interested in learning how to be technology leaders are encouraged to apply.  
**For Executive M.S.** – Individuals with 10 or more years of professional experience seeking a CIO, CTO, CAO, COO, CEO, CSO or CDO position or an entrepreneurial role. Individuals with 7 to 9 years of relevant professional experience should contact the admissions counselor to discuss if this option would be a good fit.

### FEATURES

- **Capstone project** – students critically assess and creatively address a real-world challenge, culminating in an oral defense in front of an executive panel
- **Alumni** – Graduates have gone on to secure dynamic roles in a range of organizations, including Disney+, HSBC, Bain & Company, Microsoft, Deutsche Bank, Accenture, Bank of America, Venmo, Cisco and Morgan Stanley
- **The chance to select a specialized area of focus based on your interests and professional goals**
- **A faculty encompassing world-class technology leaders**

## M.P.S. in Wealth Management

Columbia University's Master's in Wealth Management prepares experienced and aspiring wealth management professionals to meet the disruptive challenges of today's industry. Designed for the working professional, the rigorous curriculum connects advanced theory with practical applications while providing students with the educational requirements for CFP® certification.

### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

**Master of Professional Studies** (Part-time)  
*Required Experience:* Minimum 2 years of professional experience

- Online asynchronous coursework
- 30 points for degree completion
- Four consecutive semesters; 16 months to complete program
- Two on-campus residencies\*
- Fall intake only
- Applied research project
- Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) registered program

\* Domestic students are required to participate in the residencies on Columbia's campus in New York City. International students are welcome to attend the in-person residencies. An online version of the residencies is available only for international students who cannot attend in person.

*"With financial advisors competing for higher value to clients and the impact of fintech risking automation of services, it is crucial to refocus talent in the wealth management industry."*

**Matthias K.**  
Lecturer in Wealth Management

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

**Current wealth management professionals** seeking career advancement.  
**Career changers** who want to become wealth managers.  
**Consultants, accountants, lawyers, and tax specialists** looking to advance their overall knowledge and expertise in wealth management.  
**Professionals** looking to start their own Registered Investment Advisor or family office.  
**Individuals** looking to satisfy the educational requirements necessary to obtain their CFP® certification.

### FEATURES

- **Elite faculty with deep, applied experience in their respective fields deliver a rigorous and cohesive curriculum built around problem-based learning**
- **Dynamic and innovative courses such as Special Topics in Wealth Management: Disruptive Trends, Financial Psychology, and the 3Cs: Communication, Counseling, and Client Relationship Management**
- **Balanced, self-paced asynchronous learning with opportunities for synchronous engagement**
- **Build community with peers, faculty, advisory council members, and guest lecturers from leading wealth management firms**



## Fall, Spring, and Summer Visiting Students

Whether you're seeking to take a deep dive into an area of interest or incorporate a cross-disciplinary perspective into your studies, the Visiting Students program offers students enrolled in a degree program at another institution the specialized, world-class instruction that you would expect in the Ivy League. Visiting students are enrolled alongside matriculated Columbia degree students, and earn credits that may be used toward graduation at your home institution.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

#### Visiting Undergraduate Students:

Students who are currently enrolled in a bachelor's degree program at another college or university and in good academic standing; or recent high school graduates who have enrolled, but have not started a bachelor's degree program.\*

#### Visiting Graduate Students:

Students who are currently enrolled in a master's degree or other graduate program at another university.\*

\*TOEFL iBT score of 100+, 7+ on the IELTS or DET Duolingo English Test score of 120+ required

### FEATURES

- Work with an advisor to create a customized schedule to reflect your individual academic and career goals
- Select from 3,000+ University undergraduate and graduate courses
- Get full access to Columbia resources, including the libraries, writing center, academic advisors, fitness center, and student services

### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

A maximum of two terms plus Summer sessions; continuation into the second term is contingent on successful completion of the first.

*"It was amazing to be in New York. I met a lot of people from the course and I keep in touch with them. We'd go to museums on the free museum nights. It was fun to just walk everywhere in New York. I stayed for a week more after I finished the course and took advantage of my time in the city." — Tuna K.*



## Programs for Professionals: Post-Baccalaureate Studies and Graduate School Preparation

A senior analyst looking to take a contemporary statistics class to refresh their knowledge. A graphic designer trying to pivot their career into a new field. A working parent who has always loved art history but never had a chance to study it during undergrad. An educator who is uncertain about committing to a long advanced degree program. A former banker who is looking to reinvent their professional life with an academic boost. If you identify with one of these goal seekers, the Postbaccalaureate Studies program is designed for you.

Postbaccalaureate Studies is dedicated to assisting talented and motivated students who would like to pursue an abbreviated academic course of study outside of a degree-granting program. Rigorous undergraduate and graduate courses in more than 100 subject areas offer the opportunity to study with Columbia's distinguished faculty alongside matriculating degree candidates. And you won't be alone! Postbaccalaureate students work closely with academic advisors to develop a dynamic plan tailored to their backgrounds and academic goals, culminating in a plan that is highly structured or extremely flexible. Take control of your future in the way that works best for you.

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

Course plan advising is provided on an individual basis, ensuring that students pursue a rigorous program of study appropriate to their academic goals.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Bachelor degree holders interested in university coursework outside of a degree granting program.

### FEATURES

- Work with an advisor to create a customized schedule to reflect your individual academic and career goals
- Select from 3,000+ University undergraduate and graduate courses
- Get full access to Columbia resources, including the libraries, writing center, academic advisors, fitness center, and student services

## Certificates/Certificates of Professional Achievement

Gain leading-edge insights or prepare for advanced study. Certificates/CPAs are available in the following areas:

- Advanced Business Certificate
- Biotechnology Certificate
- Classics Certificate
- Critical Issues in International Relations
- Ecology, Evolution and Environmental Biology
- Human Rights CPA
- Psychology Certificate
- Quantitative Studies for Finance
- United Nations Studies

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

Visit [sps.columbia.edu/academics/certificates](https://sps.columbia.edu/academics/certificates) for more information on the modality of individual certificates.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Visit [sps.columbia.edu/academics/certificates](https://sps.columbia.edu/academics/certificates) for more information on eligibility requirements for individual certificates.

### FEATURES

- Make yourself more competitive in the job market
- Join the Columbia Network of over 300,000 alumni upon completion of your certificate.
- Get access to university resources



## Business Programs

With the business world shifting at breakneck speed, how do you learn to anticipate and lead through change? To align with today's dynamic markets, Columbia offers several business program options to fit your schedule, career trajectory, and existing skill set. Choose from a multitude of business courses and customize the curriculum to meet your goals and advance your career.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Current university students or university graduates interested in enhancing their knowledge of business for career development.

### FEATURES

- Make yourself more competitive in the job market
- Join the Columbia Network of over 300,000 alumni and get OPT eligibility upon completion of the Advanced Business Certificate
- Get access to university resources

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

Visit [sps.columbia.edu/academics/business-offerings](https://sps.columbia.edu/academics/business-offerings) for more information on the variety of business options currently available.

*"I entered Business Edge uncertain about pursuing a career in business. However, because of my experiences at Business Edge, I discovered that I had an aptitude for finance and leadership. This made the decision to apply to graduate programs in business very easy."* — Hannah S.

## American Language Program

One of the oldest English language programs in the U.S., Columbia University's American Language Program (ALP) is a leader in the profession. The ALP offers a unique educational and cultural experience, providing rigorous academic English courses to help students reach their long-term academic, professional or personal goals. The ALP's intensive programs are accredited by the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA).

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

The ALP is open to students aged 17 or over whose first language is not English. Applicants must already speak and understand English at pre-intermediate level to join the program.

### FEATURES

- **Academic English:** Improve the skills needed to study at university in the U.S.: presentations, note-taking, essay writing, discussions and critical thinking
- **Thematic learning:** Learn grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation by discussing and writing about different themes each week
- **Authentic Materials:** Read, listen to and watch newspapers, novels, lectures, movies and music to expand your vocabulary and to improve comprehension
- **U.S. Culture:** Expand your learning beyond the classroom by learning about the city and country in which you are living
- **Special summer programs:** English for Professional Purposes: Business and Advanced Academic Preparation; plus, a Winter Institute

### INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM OPTIONS

*8 levels of study: Pre-intermediate to high advanced*

**Academic Year** (Fall or Spring)

14 WEEKS; 18 HOURS PER WEEK

**Summer** (4, 8, or 12 weeks)

SHORT 4-WEEKS COURSES; 18 HOURS PER WEEK

*"Studying at ALP has given me the chance to cultivate my English skills and learn more about topics that are related to American society and the world, like history, art, and globalization. Learning these topics and many others has enhanced my knowledge and prepared me for my graduate studies. It has helped me in my future career."* — Arwa Sharif, Saudi Arabia

## Programs for High School Students: High School Immersion Programs

The high school immersion programs leverage the expertise of Columbia University, allowing students from around the world to connect and collaborate with award-winning Ivy League faculty and a diverse cohort of fellow students.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

The programs are open to currently enrolled 9th through 12th graders. The Summer Immersion program also invites students entering 9th grade and graduating 12th graders to apply.

### FEATURES

- Students select from over 100 courses across the academic year and summer options, for an in-depth examination of a specific subject area
- Interact with Columbia scholars and experts in their fields
- Engage with an international community of students
- Prepare for college and the admissions process through specially designed College Prep programs
- Participate in extracurricular activities like college admissions panels, special interest groups, and other student life programming
- Earn a Columbia University Certification of Participation and evaluation letter written by your instructor

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Academic Year Immersion

Offered in two-hour sessions across 10-weeks, students can choose Saturday and/or Sunday classes, mornings, or afternoons, and may select up to 4 courses.

- Fall Term: mid-October through mid-December
- Spring Term: mid-January through mid-March

#### Summer Immersion

For each session students select one curricular option and classes meet twice each day for two-hour sessions.

- Session 1 (3 weeks): late-June through mid-July
- Session 2 (3 weeks): mid-July through mid-August
- Session 3 (1 week): mid-August

*"I have gained so much from this program, both academically and socially... and love Columbia for its collaborative environment and rigorous education." — Allie T.*

*"[I gained] a deeper understanding and a clearer path for my future and how I would like to spend it. It also introduced me to classes as a Columbia student." — Iba H.*

*"An intro real-life experience in business creation, before I even got into college... What more could I want? I feel like I gained a pretty good fundamental basis of entrepreneurship and venture creation that will guide me in the future. I will be more flexible compared to the other starters and will have more self-confidence while making decisions." — Guamay K.*

## Programs for High School Students: College Edge

Whether you are currently in high school or taking a gap year before college, the College Edge program gives you priceless experience at an Ivy League institution. Prepare for your undergraduate degree at Columbia University or other top-ranked colleges by taking classes alongside full-time Columbia students and earn credit for your transcript.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

Students entering grades 11 or 12, or first year of college in the fall, as well as those who graduated within the past two academic years.

### FEATURES

- Access to the same courses as Columbia students
- An Ivy League achievement for your college transcript
- Academic advising and professional development
- Real-world experience at an Ivy League Institution

### PROGRAM OPTIONS

#### Academic Year

During the Fall and Spring terms, College Edge students can choose from more than 3,000 academic courses in over 100 subject areas. A single term runs for approximately 14 weeks.

#### Summer Sessions

During the Summer term, College Edge students can choose from more than 3,000 academic courses in over 100 subject areas. Students choose from one or both of the six-week Summer Sessions.

*"The College Edge experience has allowed me to become more hardworking than I ever thought I could be, and I have made so many friends with such focus and drive." — Timothy C.*

*"I had completed enough math at the Brearley School that I was able to take calculus at Columbia. I enjoyed the class so much that I continued taking math, physics, and theoretical computer science classes. I have almost completed the requirements for a math major at Columbia. I just found out that I've been accepted to Cambridge and Yale and I'm looking forward to starting college!" — Francesca S.*



## New York City Landmarks



1 5TH AVENUE SHOPPING — SAKS FIFTH AVENUE



2 APOLLO THEATER



3 BROOKLYN BRIDGE



4 EMPIRE STATE BUILDING



5 GREENWICH VILLAGE — WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK



6 THE HIGH LINE



7 LITTLE ITALY



8 METROPOLITAN MUSEUM OF ART



9 THE MUSEUM OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK



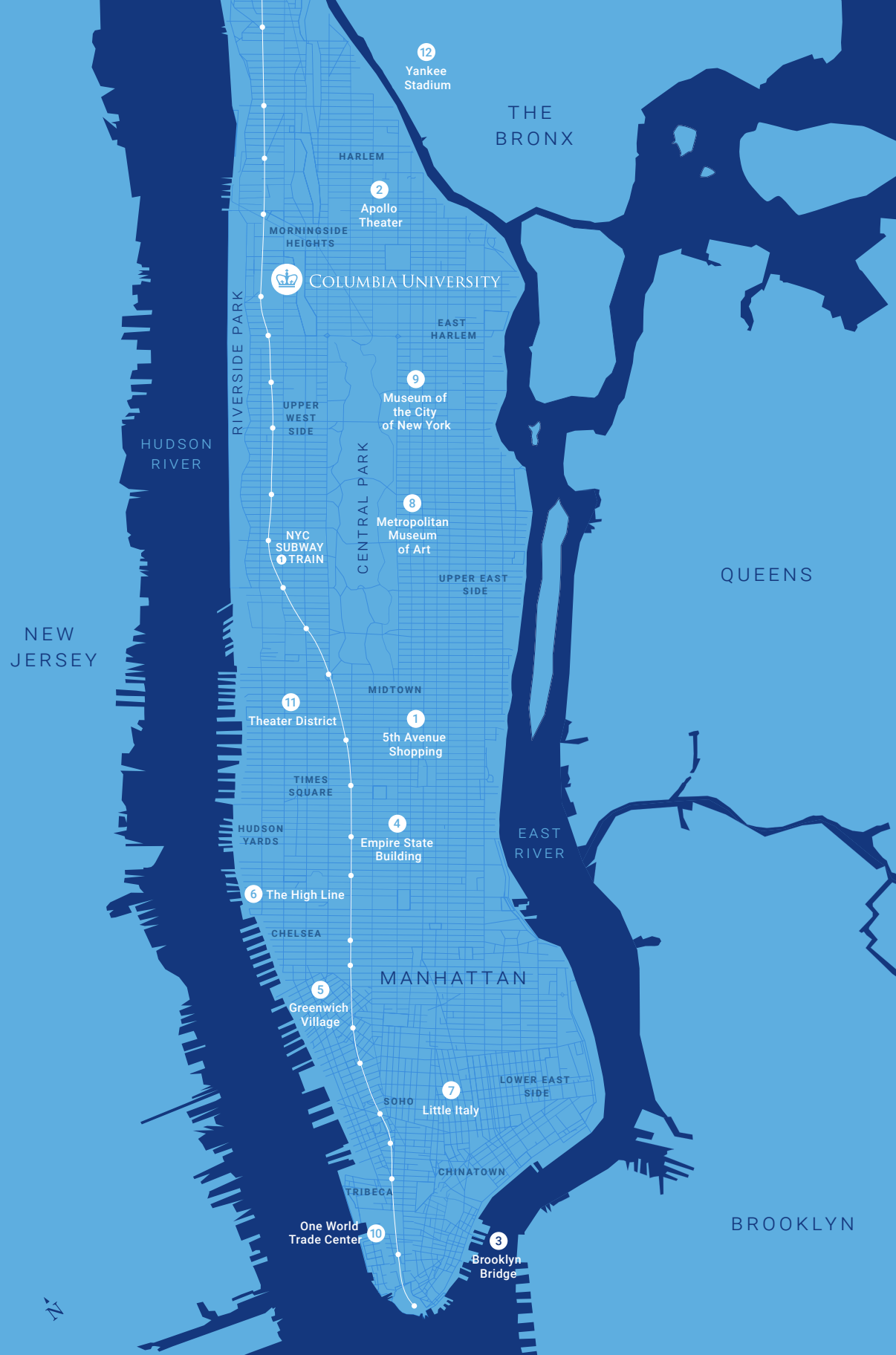
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