

# THE INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE AT UCHICAGO

“We have an obligation to see that the greatest variety of perspectives is brought to bear on the issues before us as **scholars** and **citizens**.”

ROBERT J. ZIMMER, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

## GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

The University of Chicago thrives on the diversity of voices found in its student body. Our students are from every corner of the world and from an incredible range of backgrounds. This dynamic environment fuels groundbreaking innovations, conversations, and exchanges that reverberate across continents and make UChicago a leading global institution.

- *U.S. News and World Report* ranked UChicago 3rd in its National University Rankings for 2018.
- UChicago was ranked 9th in the *QS World University Rankings* for 2018, 9th in the 2018 *Times Higher Education World University Rankings*, and 10th in the *Academic Ranking of World Universities* for 2017.
- UChicago Centers in Beijing, Delhi, Hong Kong, and Paris extend the international experience for all students in the College. Undergraduates take courses and conduct research with faculty engaged in intellectual inquiry around the world.
- More than 50 quarter-long and year-long study abroad programs are available in cities such as Athens, Barcelona, Dakar, Jerusalem, London, Oaxaca, Pune, Rome, and Vienna.
- The Metcalf Internship Program provides over 2,500 paid internships exclusively to UChicago students. In 2017-2018, UChicago students held internships in 250 cities across the U.S. and around the world.
- Ninety-four percent of the Class of 2018 graduated with plans for employment, graduate school, and other substantive opportunities.



International students comprise 24% of the University student body and come from more than 100 countries.



UChicago scholars collaborate **across campus, across academic divisions, and across borders**, while our alumni make a difference on every continent.



“My time at UChicago has shown me that home isn’t necessarily where the accents are the same or the food is familiar; it’s where you feel loved, appreciated, and respected for your differences.”

PETER E., AB'17, BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND

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“My House has a very strong House culture, and we celebrate Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas together like a family. Being in a supportive community has really helped me make the transition from high school to college.”

SIXIONG S.,  
CLASS OF 2020, CHINA

## A COSMOPOLITAN CITY

Chicago is the third largest city in the United States. Home to a branch of the Federal Reserve Bank, more than 30 Fortune 500 companies, and one of the world's busiest international airports, Chicagoland is a major commercial, industrial, and political hub. With the UChicago Arts Pass, students have access to over 70 world-class fine arts and cultural institutions like the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, Art Institute of Chicago, Lyric Opera, and Chicago Shakespeare Theatre. Our students explore this city of 77 distinct neighborhoods through cultural celebrations, historic traditions, and a smörgåsbord of cuisine.

## STUDENT LIFE

Student life at the University of Chicago reflects a rich range of backgrounds and interests, with more than 400 student organizations on campus. Some of our student organizations that focus on multicultural life include:

- African and Caribbean Students Association
- Argentine Tango Club
- Brazilian Student Association
- Chinese Undergraduate Students Association
- International Student Association
- Korean Student Organization
- Mexicanos en UChicago
- Muslim Students Association
- Organization of Latin American Students
- Raas Team
- Singaporean and Malaysian Students Union
- South Asian Students Association
- Turkish Students Association

## NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID

Nearly \$15 million in need-based financial aid has been offered to international students in the past four years. Although the admissions process is need-sensitive for international students, we are committed to meeting 100% of the demonstrated financial need of all admitted first-year students, including international students. To receive need-based financial aid from UChicago, international applicants must apply for aid at the time that they submit their application for admission.



### Sanjana N., AB'17, Economics and Statistics, Singapore

As a student at UChicago, Sanjana participated in research in sociology and behavioral economics, exploring the power of data through field experiments and database creation. Her post-college plans were shaped by experience in the world of venture capital and start-ups as a Metcalf intern, as well as exposure to banking through a Trott Scholars Business Trek. These diverse opportunities have allowed her to blur the lines between classroom, laboratory, and the professional world, preparing her for her role after graduation as a Global Markets Analyst with Citigroup.

## ✓ FIRST-YEAR APPLICATION CHECKLIST

### REQUIRED ELEMENTS

- Coalition Application ([coalitionforcollegeaccess.org](http://coalitionforcollegeaccess.org)) or Common Application ([commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org))
- UChicago Supplement
- Application fee (no application fee for need-based aid)
- School Report and transcript
- 2 letters of recommendation from teachers
- International Student Financial Aid Application (required if you seek need-based aid)
- SAT, ACT, or other standardized testing\*
- Proof of English proficiency: TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE score (unless exempted)

### OPTIONAL ELEMENTS

- 1 supplemental letter of recommendation
- SAT Subject Test scores
- UChicago Arts Supplement
- Video Profile

### APPLICATION DEADLINES

- **Early Action & Early Decision I:** November 1st
- **Early Decision II & Regular Decision:** January 2nd

\*Students can visit our website to find details on permissible test results to submit instead of the ACT or SAT and learn more about UChicago's Empower Initiative: [collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/empower](http://collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/empower).