

Immersive Fall 2023 Application Guide

CJcXNYC blends professional experiences with the city's culture and energy to give students the opportunity to learn, work and live in New York City, one of the most important media and communication hubs in the nation.

Spend 10 weeks immersed in the media and communications industry in New York City this fall with CJcXNYC. Gain valuable professional experience as you complete real-world work and projects in a dynamic environment. Industry leaders and mentors will share their perspectives, feedback and support throughout the course. Live in a big city, meet new people, explore vibrant cultures and see firsthand what makes New York City unique.

Credits: 3 credit elective course (PUR3942: CJcXNYC Immersive Fall)

Dates: The course meets during the 2023 fall semester. Students will be in New York City from Sept. 11 - Nov. 17, 2023. Students should plan to arrive the weekend prior to the start of the program.

You will:

- Boost your confidence and skills
- Build your resume and portfolio
- Develop your network of industry leaders and alumni
- Gain access to diverse perspectives
- Learn to work in an agency setting
- Explore New York landmarks and hidden gems

Approximately 10-12 students will be selected for the Fall 2023 cohort. If you are selected for this course, you will need to enroll in [only online courses for fall 2023](#).

APPLY by April 14 at 11:59 p.m.

HOW TO APPLY

All CJC students who meet the eligibility criteria are encouraged to apply.

You must meet with your adviser before applying to confirm that you are eligible to participate. [Submit this completed form with your application.](#)

Program Eligibility & Requirements

- Undergraduate or graduate student in the College of Journalism and Communications
- 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA
- In good standing with the University; no honor code or conduct violations
- Departmental approval upon acceptance
- Prerequisite: One of the following with a C or better: PUR3000, ADV3008, RTV2100 or JOU3101.
- Ideal applicants would be eligible to complete an internship in their respective majors.

What You'll Need for the Application

The application will ask for:

- A one-page cover letter
- Resume
- Unofficial transcript
- Signed form from your adviser
- (2) professional or academic references (name, title, phone number, email address) for reference checks
- Work sample or portfolio

Prepare Your Best Application

We encourage you to review the [Career Resources for CJC Students](#) available to you from our Office of Careers and Corporate Partnerships.

For individualized resume feedback, you can make an appointment with Rob Kairuz, our CJC Career Coach at the Career Connections Center. Here's how:

- [Log in to Gator CareerLink](#). Click **Counseling Appt** in the left-hand menu, then Request **New Appointment**.
- Select your **Appointment Type**, enter your availability (date, day of week, time, etc.), and click Check Availability.
- Find the date and time you would like to meet, click the staff member's name for that time, enter appointment details on the **Confirm Appointment** screen, and then **Submit Request**.

THE REVIEW & SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed as they are received. No applications will be accepted after April 14 at 11:59 p.m. Students are encouraged to apply early.

- CJCxNYC team will review applications for completeness. Any incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Faculty and staff at CJC will review the applications to ensure they meet the criteria and provide their recommendations for finalists.
- CJCxNYC team will conduct reference checks.
- Students may be asked to participate in a brief interview with Prof. Natalie Asorey.



YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE PROGRAM

Participating in CJCxNYC requires several significant commitments. Consider if you will be able to meet the following requirements before submitting an application.

- I understand that I must enroll in the CJCxNYC Immersive Fall course and travel to New York City for 10 weeks to participate in this program.
- I must meet with my academic adviser to confirm my eligibility and complete the required form.
- I understand that I must enroll in only online courses for the fall semester.
- I understand that I must comply with the health and safety rules, including those related to COVID-19, established by my employer and any organizations we visit through the program. Failure to comply with these rules may prevent my employment by or participation with specific organizations.
- I will attend one mandatory pre-program meeting in the summer.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Feb. 28, 6 pm: [Zoom info session](#)
- Feb. 28: Applications open
- April 14: Applications close
- End of April: Interviews and Review Process
- Week of May 1: Selected students are notified
- Aug. 23: Fall classes begin
- Sept. 11-Nov. 17: Students in NYC
- Dec. 6: Fall classes end

ESTIMATED COSTS

Estimated Total Cost*	\$4,700 - \$5,700
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Tuition	Tuition for CJCxNYC is the same as on-campus tuition and will vary depending on total credits. See more below.
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Housing	~\$4,200-\$5,000 for a shared room for 10 weeks
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Transportation	Flight: \$250-\$300 MTA Metrocard: ~\$320 for 10 weeks
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Personal Expenses	This price varies with every student. See more below.
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**All costs are approximate. Not including tuition or personal expenses. You may pay more or less, depending on your housing decision and personal expenses.*

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Transportation

Major airlines offer direct flights from Florida to New York City. You may arrive in one of three airports: JFK in Brooklyn, LGA in Queens or EWR in Newark, NJ. The subway and bus are the most common ways to get around. You can pay for the [MTA Metrocard](#) per ride (\$2.75 one way) or purchase a 7-day (\$30) or 30-day unlimited pass (\$127). You can also use ride-sharing apps like Uber or Lyft, walk or hail a taxi.

Personal Expenses

This includes groceries/meals, entertainment, personal excursions, etc. This price varies with every student. Students should budget for these expenses. Some activities and excursions will be covered by the program.

Housing

Students are responsible for planning, booking and paying for their housing in the fall. CJCxNYC does not sponsor housing. You should plan to bring or purchase bedding, towels and other housing essentials, unless otherwise listed on the housing company website.

Housing (cont.)

These locations cater to all students and offer the lowest-cost options for the 10-week stay:

92Y Residence

Lexington Avenue & 92nd Street in Manhattan (Upper East Side)
~\$4,125 per person for small double room + \$250 application fee
Other more expensive options are also available through 92Y.

Educational Housing Services (EHS)

St. George Towers in Brooklyn Heights
\$4500 per person for a double room (\$450/week) + \$25 membership fee
Other more expensive options are also available through EHS.

Student Housing Works

West 88th Street
in Manhattan (Upper West Side)
~\$3750 per person for a shared room + \$325 in fees + refundable deposit
More and less expensive options are available in the same building and other buildings through Student Housing Works.

Other locations you can consider include:

- NYC Intern
- The Webster Apartments - women only
- St. Mary's Residence - women only

SCHOLARSHIPS

We know living in New York City can be expensive. That's why in 2022 we provided more than \$20,000 in scholarships to students participating in the CJCxNYC program. And we're working on scholarship funding for 2023 too.

We've also curated a list of scholarship opportunities to help you meet your financial needs. Though we encourage you to apply to one or more scholarships, please do not rely solely on scholarship funds for the program.

- [UF Scholarship Search](#)
- [The LAGRANT Foundation Scholarship](#)
- [PRSA Foundation Scholarship List](#)
- [FPRA Scholarship](#)
- [UF scholarships and other financial aid information](#)
- [Scholarships.com](#)
- [Fastweb.com](#)

Questions? Please email Natalie Asorey, our faculty member in-residence in New York City and CJCxNYC program lead, at nasorey@ufl.edu.