

Program Description

College Bridge is a unique program that enables Chicago Public School (CPS) juniors and seniors to take one college course per semester at Northeastern Illinois University. It also provides a wonderful opportunity for high school students to become familiar with a college environment, enjoy the use of our facilities, earn college credits, and fulfill high school electives.

In addition to these benefits, there is no cost to students. Tuition, textbooks, and public transportation expenses are paid for by the Chicago Public Schools (CPS).

College Bridge is a competitive program and space is limited. Therefore, we recommend that students submit a complete application packet in accordance with the application deadlines below.

Application and Credentials Deadlines

Fall Semester	May 30
Spring Semester	October 30

*College Bridge students may attend during fall and spring semesters only.
Application and all materials must be submitted by these deadlines.*

Eligibility

1. Junior or senior standing at a Chicago Public School.
2. Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
3. 90% attendance Rate.
4. Take Northeastern's English and Mathematics Placement Examinations and place into Writing 1 and Intermediate Algebra.
 - Exception to #4: Students who submit ACT mathematics score of 20 or higher do not have to take the math placement exam. Full program eligibility cannot be determined until the student's English and math placement scores are acquired by or before the application deadline.
5. Register for the Placement Examinations by calling 773-442-5295 or visit www.neiu.edu/~assess for study guides and detailed exam information.
6. Counselor Recommendation.
7. A note about your Social Security number. We are requesting your Social Security number pursuant to Public Law 93-579 for the University's system of student records as well as for compliance with federal and state reporting requirements. However, if you do not submit your Social Security number at the time of admission, Financial Aid will be unable to match your records to process awards. In addition, supplying your SSN ensures that you will be able to claim the Hope Tax Credit on your federal tax return.

Student Instructions

1. Meet with your High School Counselor to discuss the program requirements.
2. Review the Northeastern Illinois University schedule of classes and identify a first, second and third choice class.
3. Complete Part 1 of the application form, listing the classes in order of preference.
4. Complete the "Release of Transcript" form.
5. Give the entire application packet to your High school Counselor.
6. If selected to participate, **students are required to attend all Northeastern classes**, once registered. If the student stops attending courses, they are required to contact the College Bridge Coordinator at 773-442-4044 or the Registration Supervisor at 773-442-4053 immediately.

Eligibility Application (Completed by Student)

Personal Data

Legal Name Last First Middle

Social Security Number (*optional – see #7 under Eligibility*)

All Northeastern correspondence will be sent to the mailing address.

Mailing Address: Number and Street or Rural Route

Permanent Address: Number and Street or Rural Route

City or Town State (or country) Zip

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Other Name(s) on documents submitted in support of your application.

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Telephone

Email (*optional*)

Semester Information

Degree-Seeking Intent

Semester of Enrollment (check **only one**)

Are you interested in attending Northeastern as a degree seeking student?

- Spring 20____
 Fall 20____

- Yes
 No

Citizenship Information

- U.S. Citizen (U.S. born or naturalized)
 U.S. Permanent Resident (submit copy of Permanent Resident card)
 Adjustment of Status (submit USCIS documentation)
 International Student – J Visa or F Visa (submit visa copy)

- Asylee (submit documentation)
 Refugee (submit documentation)
 Non U.S. Citizen **Visa type**_____ (submit visa copy)
 Non U.S. Citizen (status not identified)

Country of Citizenship (required for all except U.S. Citizen)

Race/Ethnicity

Gender

Date of Birth

(Optional-does not affect admission)

- White (non-Hispanic)
 Hispanic
 Asian or Pacific Islander
 Black (non-Hispanic)
 American Indian or Alaskan Native

- Male
 Female

Month Day Year

High School Information

Student Verification

High School Name

Expected Graduation Year

This application must be signed and dated by the applicant before action can be taken. I understand that withholding information or giving false information may make me ineligible for admissions to the University or subject to dismissal.

Applicant Signature

Date

Recommendation (Completed by High School Counselor)

Recommendation

Student Name _____ In what capacity have you known the student? _____
How long have you known the student? _____

Assessment

Academic Ability

Superior Above average Average Below Average Poor

Academic Motivation

Superior Above average Average Below Average Poor

Attendance

Superior Above average Average Below Average Poor

Emotional Maturity

Superior Above average Average Below Average Poor

Self-Confidence

Superior Above average Average Below Average Poor

Additional Comments

Counselor Certification

Counselor's Name _____ E-mail address _____ Date _____

Counselor Note: Please request an official or unofficial transcript and ACT scores for your student and send the completed application (Sections 1, 2, 3 & 4) and transcripts to:

Northeastern Illinois University
Office of Enrollment Services
Dr. Eric Hilton, Admissions Director
5500 N. St. Louis Ave.
Chicago, IL 60625.

Release of Transcript (Completed by the Applicant)

Before your Northeastern Illinois University course is recorded on your high school transcript, you must complete this section granting your permission to forward official transcripts to your High School.

I, _____, authorize Alice A. Medenwald, Registrar, to release my official Northeastern Illinois University transcript to the Director of The College Bridge Program, Chicago Public Schools, and the College Bridge Coordinator at _____ High School.

This authorization begins on this date and is valid until I am no longer enrolled in the Chicago Public Schools College Bridge Program at Northeastern Illinois University.

Student Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date

**College Bridge Enrollment Verification
(Completed by High School Counselor)**

Citizenship Information

Student Name _____ High School Name _____
 Graduation Year _____ / Attendance Rate _____ / Cumulative GPA _____ / ACT Math Score (if available) _____

Counselor Authorization

My signature verifies that the following information is correct and that this student is eligible for participation in the College Bridge Program at Northeastern Illinois University.

Counselor Name (Print) _____ Counselor Signature (Required) _____ Date _____

Course Selection

Please select from the General Education Program Limited List and Mathematics and English courses listed in the Northeastern Illinois University Schedule of Classes for the appropriate semester. You must meet all course pre-requisite requirements.

Days Key: M = Monday T = Tuesday W = Wednesday R = Thursday F = Friday

Choice	Subject	Course Number	Course Title	Section Number	Days(s) & Time
Sample	ENGL	101	101	23	X_M __T __X_W __R X_F Time(s):
1 st Choice					__M __T __W __R __F Time(s):
2 nd Choice					__M __T __W __R __F Time(s):
3 rd Choice					__M __T __W __R __F Time(s):

NEIU ID# _____