

INTERESTED IN CUNY BA?

Here what you need to know!

Their advertisement sums up the appeal: *At CUNY BA you can design your own degree. Work with faculty mentors to design your own BA or BS degree using the University as your campus*

- Physical location is housed at the CUNY Graduate Center in Manhattan
- Students generally need a 2.5 GPA to be accepted into the CUNY BA, as well as these [Degree Requirements](#)
- Students can take all classes at their home campus—in this case, NYCCT—or they may take classes at multiple CUNY campuses
- CUNY BA students **MUST** have an interdisciplinary focus. As such, if the student is interested in a degree in Psychology—and since we do not have a bachelor's in this major—the student would need an interdisciplinary/secondary discipline to round out the degree's needed [area of concentration](#) (which must be submitted by the end of the first semester). There are a lot of samples outlined on the site
 - Otherwise, the interdisciplinary rationale is that students can, instead, just transfer to a CUNY that has a degree in the major they want to pursue:
i.e. Psychology
- Filling out the [application](#) is relatively easy
- Yes, a **Personal Statement** is required (200-500 words)
- Proposing the [areas of concentration](#) (specializations where the disciplines may overlap) should be worked out with the [faculty mentor\(s\)](#) —full-time CUNY faculty who ideally truly understand the student's vision for the interdisciplinary focus and are capable of helping develop a curriculum at NYCCT, or, possibly, throughout CUNY. How to find a mentor is outlined on the page. Once admitted, the student's **assigned** CUNY BA academic advisor(s) can help with the mentor(s), too
 - All information and needed forms and materials can actually be found on their [advisement](#) page
- If students have an interdisciplinary concept that cannot be fulfilled at NYCCT, they can/should attend a [virtual information session](#). We always have this information on our webpage in the [Liberal Arts logo box](#); this is where students interact with the actual CUNY BA staff, who are there to answer questions and provide guidance
- Students **can transfer 90 credits** toward their CUNY BA
- The final 30 credits, however, are what must be designed with a faculty mentor
- Degrees that involve licensure are not options for the CUNY BA: e.g. Engineering, Nursing
- **For any students already in the CUNY BA**, to graduate requires a [graduation audit](#) which will outline everything needed to complete the degree, including forms, application, dates/deadlines

Any/all other questions should be directed to the CUNY BA team during the [Info Session](#).