

## Ferkauf International students - Resource Handbook

### Contact Information

**YU's International Student and Scholar Services is your direct contact for any issues you are facing as an international student. [oiss@yu.edu](mailto:oiss@yu.edu)**

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<http://yu.edu/student-life/resources/international/>

**Cardozo has many existing student clubs, support services and programs. International students are welcome to attend events on the Cardozo International students calendar. For any information, please contact Joshua Epstein**

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**Other people to contact if you have a need**

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## **Information and Tips**

### **Do I need to contact anyone if I move?**

Yes, International students are required to update local address information with YU and the OISS within 10 days of their move, register full-time every semester and obtain a travel signature on their SEVIS I-20 once a year.

### **Are there clubs, activities and support for International Students at YU?**

Currently, each college manages their own clubs, activities and support. The exception is with immigration services and the counseling center. There is no graduate international student association, per se. There is an initiative, however, to develop graduate student services. Additionally, there is a diversity club at Ferkauf, and while it is not limited to international students, it can be a great resource for support.

### **Who I do contact for Questions regarding International Student VISA procedures or regarding finances?**

Please contact Jennifer Golden for any questions on International student visa procedures or regarding finances.

### **How can I become better integrated into the Ferkauf community?**

Get involved! Your adjustment to Ferkauf will be richer if you get involved in the life of the community. For example, you can apply for a TA position. This can increase your feeling of connectedness and inclusion. It will help you develop deeper relationships with faculty and fellow students, and will help you become an integral part of the Ferkauf family. Also, TA positions are paid positions and are one of the few ways that International students can earn money.

There are also voluntary opportunities such as being on the governance of the Organization of Psychology students, serving as a mentor for other international students, or being a program representative.

### **Are there any special Externship and Internship application procedures as an international student?**

No, application procedures are the same for all students. However, some sites require a citizenship status, and to those you will not be able to apply.

## Resources:

All F-1 students should have received [The International Student's Survival Guide to Living in New York City](#) with their pre-arrival paperwork. One to World publishes this resource. Here is a link to get a copy if you need to get another one. <https://www.amazon.com/International-Students-Survival-Guide-Living/dp/0615278140>

[One to World](#). <https://www.one-to-world.org/site/296/Global-Classroom>

This organization provides a wide variety of programming options and facilitates networking opportunities for international students and scholars in the tri-state area. YU is an institutional member, so students should feel to sign up for the listserve and register for events. They offer home stays with American families during Thanksgiving and Easter. One to World programs tend to fill up quickly, so students should not wait until the last minute to sign up.

One to World calendar <https://one-to-world.org/site/292/International-Students>

[Global Classroom](#). Global Classroom prepares international students to go into NYC public schools and share their culture. Talking about where one is from can be a helpful way to combat homesickness. <https://www.one-to-world.org/site/296/Global-Classroom>

[Studying in the States](#) <https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov>

A great website created by homeland security to answer F-1 students' questions

Yeshiva University Writing Centers

<https://www.yu.edu/writing-centers>

Two writing centers of YU

Software & Computer Purchases

<https://www.yu.edu/ITS/Academic-Computing/student-computing/student-discounts>

Software or laptops can be purchased at a student discounted rate (you will need your YU email address)

## **Housing Resources for International Student**

Craigslist:

<https://newyork.craigslist.org/>

Trulia

<https://www.trulia.com/>

Street Easy:

<http://streeteasy.com/rentals>

Rent Hop

<https://www.renthop.com/>

Zillow

<https://www.zillow.com/new-york-ny/apartments/>

Naked Apartment:

<https://www.nakedapartments.com/>

## **Involvement in the Program as International Student**

Participate in clubs and program activities

- There is a Diversity Club open for all international students across the programs in Ferkauf.
- Contact Joanna Poon (joannapoon18@gmail.com) if you would like to know more about the club.

Be an TA

- As international students are not eligible to work outside of the campus, being an TA for the program is a good way to earn some income to help with tuition.
- It is also a good way for you to know more faculty members and students from the program.

Be a mentor for incoming international students and give them a helping hand in transitioning into new environment.

