

Student Services

ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT AND STUDENT SUCCESS

Business and Liberal Arts Center, Room B221, (212) 217-3800
fitnyc.edu/studentaffairs

The Division of Enrollment Management and Student Success is essential to FIT's primary goal: to promote the intellectual, cultural, personal, and social development of students, as well as to provide quality student services.

COUNSELING CENTER

David Dubinsky Student Center, Room A212B, (212) 217-4260
fitnyc.edu/counseling

The Counseling Center provides confidential counseling services and educational programs to help students adjust to college life, deal with problems that can affect their well-being and academic success, and develop skills needed for personal and professional success. The center's counselors assess students' conditions and provide appropriate care, which can include support during a crisis, short-term counseling, or a referral to qualified and affordable treatment resources in the community. Students are encouraged to seek out counseling at the first sign of difficulty, since early identification of problems minimizes the impact of those problems on their personal lives and their academic progress. Students may call or visit the center to arrange an appointment, come by during walk-in consultation hours, or be seen immediately for emergencies.

In addition to personal counseling, the Counseling Center provides a variety of programs and resources to help students develop competencies needed for academic and professional success. These programs include educational workshops and freshman success seminars that focus on important aspects of student development and performance. The center also provides a variety of informational booklets on topics related to mental health, personal growth, and study skills.

FIT-ABLE: DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES

David Dubinsky Student Center, Room A570, (212) 217-4090
fitnyc.edu/fitable

FIT's Office of Disability Services, known as FIT-ABLE, offers students with disabilities the opportunity to discuss and establish on campus reasonable accommodations for academics, residence halls, dining services, and campus wide events. Students with disabilities who are admitted to FIT are eligible to benefit from the support services provided by FIT-ABLE for free. All communication is kept private to the extent possible.

Students with varying disabilities, including learning disabilities, mental health issues, hearing/visual impairments, physical/mobility issues, chronic medical conditions, and temporary disabilities are eligible to register. The office also works in conjunction with FIT's Title IX Office to assist pregnant students with accommodations.

To register with FIT-ABLE, students must self-identify and provide required documentation from a non-FIT associated, qualified professional that is licensed or otherwise properly credentialed in the related field of disability. Keep in mind that accommodations from high school or other higher education institutions do not automatically transfer to FIT. The complete registration process and documentation requirements can be found on the FIT-ABLE website, www.fitnyc.edu/fitable.

FIT-ABLE is a National Voter Registration Act voter registration site where students can register to vote or make changes to their current voter registration information.

HEALTH SERVICES

David Dubinsky Student Center, Room A402
(212) 217-4190
fitnyc.edu/healthservices

FIT's Health Services is an accredited primary care facility staffed by nurse practitioners and physicians, a nutritionist, an acupuncturist, a massage therapist, and a health educator. The office provides primary medical and gynecological care. A referral list of consultants is available in cases where a specialist's evaluation and treatment are required. Health Services also provides counseling on topics such as family planning, nutrition, stress management, and health maintenance.

FIT has a mandatory health insurance policy. All full-time students (including international students) are automatically billed for health insurance. Students can be excused from the mandatory insurance if they have equal or better health insurance from another company. In order to waive the mandatory insurance, it is necessary to complete and submit a waiver form by the deadline. For deadline dates and other insurance information, contact Health Services.

New York State law mandates that all students must provide proof of immunity against measles, mumps, and rubella in order to attend classes. Students born prior to January 1, 1957, are exempt from these requirements.

Proof of immunity is defined for the following as:

Measles Two doses of live measles vaccine given on or after the first birthday, and after 1967, physician's documented history of the disease, or serological evidence of immunity.

Rubella (German Measles) One dose of live rubella vaccine given on or after the first birthday or serological evidence of immunity. A physician-documented history for rubella will not be accepted.

Mumps One dose of live mumps vaccine given on or after the first birthday, a physician-documented history of the disease, or serological evidence of immunity.

New York State Public Health Law (NYS PHL) §2167 requires colleges and universities to distribute information about meningococcal disease and vaccination to all students registered for six (6) credits or more, whether they live on- or off-campus. Students must notify Health Services if they will receive the meningitis vaccination, have received it in the past, or decline/refuse to receive the immunization. Please note that according to NYS PHL, no institution shall permit any student to attend the institution in excess of 30 days or to register for the next semester's classes without complying with this law.

An immunization form and a health form must be completed and returned to Health Services. Forms can be faxed to (212) 217-4191.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

Business and Liberal Arts Center, Room B103, (212) 217-3700
fitnyc.edu/iss

International Student Services (ISS) assists nonimmigrant students admitted to FIT degree programs in matters pertaining to their immigration status in the United States. ISS staff advise international students and scholars in F-1 status on immigration, cultural, financial, academic, and personal concerns, and coordinates the college's **Cultural Fellows** program.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE

Alumni Hall, First Floor, (212) 217-3900
Kaufman Hall, First Floor, (212) 217-3930
fitnyc.edu/housing

Full-time, degree-seeking students are eligible to apply for housing.

Our four residence halls—Coed Hall, Nagler Hall, Alumni Hall, and the George S. and Mariana Kaufman Residence Hall—provide single-, double-, triple-, and quad-occupancy rooms and suites, all with laundry facilities, cable TV, and wireless internet connections. FIT residence halls are 100 percent alcohol-, drug-, and smoke-free. Policies are strictly enforced.

Housing is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Help is also available in finding off-campus housing.

STAFF

Residence halls are fully staffed to assist students. Professional staff, including resident counselors and hall managers, live in the residence halls. Resident counselors and managers are on call for emergencies at all times when the halls are occupied.

A security officer is posted in each residence hall lobby 24 hours a day when the residences are open. Visitors must provide proper identification and be signed in by residents.

Resident assistants (RAs), students assigned to live on each floor, help to create an environment conducive to learning, socializing, and acceptable community behavior. RAs serve as liaisons between residents and the college and assist students with educational and personal concerns.

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Students have many opportunities to participate in social, educational, and community service activities sponsored by Residential Life and the Residence Hall Community Council (RHCC). RHCC—the association of on-campus residents—sponsors trips, events, and other campus activities, including the annual spring block party.

REGISTRAR

Marvin Feldman Center, Room C204, (212) 217-3820

fitnyc.edu/registrar

The Office of the Registrar provides information about registration, enrollment verification, and maintenance of permanent academic records for students, faculty, staff, and external constituencies in a timely, accurate, and confidential manner in accordance with college policy and state and federal law.

STUDENT LIFE

The Department of Student Life at the Fashion Institute of Technology offers a complete educational, cultural, and social experience. Student Life is responsible for clubs and organizations, student government, orientation/Weeks of Welcome, leadership workshops, and social programming. The department is the center of many extracurricular activities on campus. Through active participation in our diverse opportunities, along with the services offered through the department of Student Life, students become engaged in campus life, enhancing their learning, exploration, and sense of community.

WRITING AND SPEAKING STUDIO

Feldman Center, Room C612

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FIT's Writing and Speaking Studio offers students one-to-one and group feedback on their writing and presentations. Writing and speaking consultants work collaboratively with students during the composing process to: develop, focus, and refine ideas for specific audiences; understand expectations and communicate for different purposes; discover and develop strategies for effective communication in local, global, and digital contexts. The Writing and Speaking Studio connects FIT writers and speakers with thoughtful readers and listeners. We strive to be an open and constructive space where you can learn with peers. Consultants are current undergraduate and graduate students from programs across the college, as well as professional consultants from a variety of disciplinary backgrounds. Walk-ins, appointments, and online consultations are welcomed. Read more about us at: <https://www.fitnyc.edu/writing-speaking>.