

General Information

The *Northeastern University Catalog* contains the university's primary statements about approved academic programs and degree requirements, as authorized by the president or the Board of Trustees.

The *Northeastern University Catalog* contains current information about the university calendar, admissions, degree requirements, fees, and regulations; however, such information is not intended and should not be regarded to be contractual. Course information was current as of June 17, 2022. For updated course information, students and advisors should consult the Banner course catalog (<https://nubanner.neu.edu/StudentRegistrationSsb/ssb/term/termSelection/?mode=courseSearch>).

ACCREDITATION

Please visit the Accreditation (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/appendix/statements-accreditation/>) page of this catalog for details of Northeastern University's accreditation status.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, Northeastern University permits its students to inspect their records wherever appropriate and to challenge specific parts of them when they feel it is necessary to do so. Specific details of the law as it applies to Northeastern are discussed in this section of the catalog (<http://catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate/academic-policies-procedures/ferpa/>).

PERSISTENCE RATES UNDER THE STUDENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT

In the fall of 2021, the persistence rate for undergraduate students who entered in the fall 2020 cohort was 96.8%.

TUITION DEFAULT POLICY

In cases where the student defaults on their tuition, the student shall be liable for the outstanding tuition and all reasonable associated collection costs incurred by the university, including attorneys' fees.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICIES

Northeastern University is committed to providing a living, learning, and working environment free from discrimination and harassment and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, genetic information, sex, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, national origin, ancestry, disability, or veteran status in admission to, access to, treatment in, or employment in its programs and activities. The university will not tolerate any conduct that violates rights guaranteed by law, or any of the university policies that prohibit discrimination, including the Policy on Equal Opportunity (https://www.northeastern.edu/policies/pdfs/Policy_on_Equal_Opportunity.pdf), Policy Prohibiting Sexual and Gender-Based Harassment (https://www.northeastern.edu/policies/pdfs/Policy_Prohibiting_Sexual_and_Gender-Based_Harassment.pdf), Policy on Rights and Responsibilities Under Title IX (https://cpb-us-w2.wpmucdn.com/sites.northeastern.edu/dist/b/620/files/2020/09/Policy_on_Rights_and_Responsibilities_Under_Title_IX.pdf), and the Policy on Non-Fraternalization (https://www.northeastern.edu/policies/pdfs/Policy_on_Non-Fraternalization.pdf). Furthermore, university policy also includes prohibitions of retaliation for filing complaints of discrimination with the Office for University Equity and Compliance. Links to the university's nondiscrimination policies and its grievance procedures are available at the OUEC (<https://www.northeastern.edu/ouec/>). Inquiries regarding the university's nondiscrimination policies may be directed to:

Office for University Equity and Compliance (<https://www.northeastern.edu/ouec/>)
 125 Richards Hall
 Northeastern University
 Boston, Massachusetts 02115
 617.373.4644
ouec@northeastern.edu

The university strongly encourages any person to report information relating to alleged discrimination or harassment to the OUEC (<https://www.northeastern.edu/ouec/>) by completing the form available here (https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?NortheasternUniv&layout_id=7) or through any of the contact options listed above. OUEC's policies, as well as other helpful information, can be found at the OUEC website (<https://www.northeastern.edu/ouec/>).

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

The Disability Resource Center provides a variety of disability-related services and accommodations to Northeastern University's students with disabilities.

Northeastern University's compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 are coordinated by the senior director of the Disability Resource Center. Persons requiring information regarding the Disability Resource Center should contact the center at 617.373.2675 or drc@northeastern.edu.

CLERY ACT

Northeastern University is committed to assisting all members of the university community in providing for their own safety and security. Information regarding campus security and personal safety, including topics such as crime prevention, university police law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, crime statistics for the most recent three-year period, and disciplinary procedures, is available in the Annual Security & Fire Safety Reports, located on the NUPD website (<https://nupd.northeastern.edu/annual-reports/>).

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

The university is prepared to respond to emergencies and urgent situations that require immediate action with a trained team of police officers, EMTs, health and counseling experts, student affairs and residential life staff, and other professionals from a coordinated group that is able to manage a wide range of potential situations.

In case of emergency or crisis situations that require immediate notification, university officials will deploy the NU Alert system, which sends email, voice mail, and text messages to students, faculty, and staff. NU Alert is intended to communicate pertinent information and, when appropriate, provide directions to those in the affected area(s).

A record of past Timely Warning and NU Alert Emergency Notifications for our campus community can be found on the NUPD website (<https://nupd.northeastern.edu/safety-notifications/>).

Examples of crisis situations range from snowstorms to national emergencies that have a local impact.

Additional information on the university's emergency information systems can be found on the university's Emergency Information (<https://www.northeastern.edu/emergency-information/>) website.

MISSION STATEMENT

To educate students for a life of fulfillment and accomplishment.
To create and translate knowledge to meet global and societal needs.