A SEAHAWK’S-EYE VIEW
of Wagner College and New York City
WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT US

Wagner College was one of only 50 colleges nationwide included in the Princeton Review’s exclusive guide to best-value schools, *Colleges That Create Futures: 50 Schools That Launch Careers by Going Beyond the Classroom*.
Congratulations on being admitted to Wagner College!

As you anticipate the days ahead, we’ve created this guide to answer your questions and give you a great start for your college career.

The CHECKLIST

Step One
☐ Deposit by May 1 (National Candidate’s Reply Date) to reserve your place in the fall incoming class.

Step Two
☐ Create your All Access Pass for logging in to your Wagner email and MyWagner online portal, where you will receive important updates.

☐ Schedule an appointment with your physician in order to complete the Medical Information Form by July 1.

Step Three
☐ Fill out the New Student Form online. Review Wagner’s First-Year Learning Communities and rank your top six placement preferences on this form.

Step Four
☐ Submit your official final high school transcript.

Step Five
☐ Submit the Medical Information Form.

Step Six
☐ Check MyWagner for your housing and course assignments.

Step Seven
☐ Move-in Day and Orientation

For everything you need to do, read, submit, and otherwise take care of:
wagner.edu/new-students

Are you #wagnerbound?

Take your #wagnerbound poster and share your best selfie. Be sure to tag @WagnerCollege and #wagnerbound!
The Wagner Plan for the Practical Liberal Arts is all about exploring, expanding your knowledge base, and applying what you are learning. By taking courses in many different disciplines and seeing how they relate to each other and to real-world problems, you will become a critical thinker with a global perspective.

Your first-year courses will include:

First-Year Learning Community (LC)
Explore a common theme from different perspectives, while also going outside of class for experiential learning. You’ll take three related classes with one group of students, giving you an easy way to make your first friends at Wagner. During your sophomore or junior year, you’ll take an Intermediate LC; your Senior LC will cap off your Wagner experience.

Key Skills and Knowledge
These courses serve as a foundation for your major, broaden your perspective, and bring you and your professors into dialogue with the larger intellectual and professional communities. You will deepen your knowledge in the arts, humanities, sciences and mathematics, and social sciences. At the same time, you will gain both intensive study and practice in key skills required for success in today’s workplace: intercultural understanding, creativity, critical reading and analysis, information literacy, quantitative thinking, technological competency, oral communication, and written communication.

Wagner College’s academic advisors will build your first-semester course schedule for you, based on your interests and goals expressed on the New Student Form. In May, explore the First-Year LCs, and submit your New Student Form online by June 8.
During your second year at Wagner College, you will declare a major. What are Wagner’s majors? How do you take your interests and match them to a major? What do Wagner’s professors and students love about their fields of study?

**MAJORS and MINORS**

* major and minor available in this subject

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**Pre-Professional Programs**

Dental, Medical, Optometry, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Veterinary, Engineering, Law, Ministry
Study Abroad

You can spend anywhere from a week to a year abroad through programs run by Wagner or affiliated with Wagner. Expanding Your Horizons offers Wagner courses that incorporate a short-term trip, all led by Wagner faculty. Popular destinations for a semester or a year abroad include Spain, France, the UK, Italy, Australia, South American countries, and Israel. You will continue to pay Wagner tuition and keep your financial aid package (with some additional fees, depending on the program).

wagner.edu/intercultural

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Traveling the World

Since I arrived at Wagner, I have been able to study abroad twice: once in Berlin, Germany, and the second time in Kraków, Poland. Studying abroad isn’t just taking a trip. It is the most amazing opportunity to explore new places, educate yourself in new ways, and exchange ideas and practices with new people and their home cultures. Using what I learned while abroad, I’ve been able to work with people better and become a better leader.

Dominic Zmarlicki ’19 Southington, Connecticut

The City Is Your Campus

A huge reason I came to Wagner was my love of Manhattan — the people, the hustle and bustle, the opportunities, the food and music culture. I’ve gotten the opportunity to take adventures on the streets of NYC, and do things that I used to sit in high school and dream of doing. Going to school in this area is like no other — the city is your campus.

My First-Year Learning Community was titled “Remembering and Representing America,” and featured three interconnected classes taught by two professors: a writing class, Intro to Film, and American Art History. Reading about artwork and looking at documents online and in textbooks is nothing compared to the first-hand experience we got in the city. These field trips had a huge impact on me as a student. They immersed me in the diverse culture of New York City and had an intellectually stimulating aspect to them you can’t find just in the classroom.

Morgan Kimm ’19 Minneapolis, Minnesota
Living on campus is not only convenient — it’s part of your education at Wagner College. Wagner College’s three-year residency requirement (for all students who begin as residential students) reinforces this educational mission. Living on campus, you’ll develop skills in leadership, communication, assertiveness, and time management. You’ll learn to appreciate and get along with people of diverse backgrounds. And, you’ll develop some of the best friendships of your college years.

**FAQs**

**Where am I going to live on campus?**
First-year students live in Harborview Hall, a 14-story building named for its stunning views of New York Harbor. It’s a substance-free and smoke-free building.

**What will my room look like?**
You and your roommate will share a room measuring 10’6” by 16’6” equipped with beds, dressers, desks, chairs, and closets. Each room can regulate its own heat and air conditioning. You take it from there.

**How do I get a roommate?**
On the New Student Form, you will supply information that will allow us to match you with a compatible roommate. The answers you provide will allow us to make the best roommate match possible. If you know someone you want to room with already, note that on the form; to honor that request, both roommates must request to room with each other. You can find out your roommate assignment in late July through your myWagner account.

**NEW-STUDENT TIPS**

**Residence Hall Staff**
The Harborview Hall staff — including 13 resident assistants plus a community leader, graduate residential coordinator, area coordinator, and front desk workers — are all committed to creating a supportive, safe, and comfortable climate for all students. One resident assistant, a professional staff member, and an administrator are always on call.
What do I need to bring?
Correspond with your roommate about what each of you is bringing, and keep in mind that space is limited. **Highly recommended:** Check the useful list of recommended items and prohibited items on the Res Ed website. It includes information about the types of microwaves and refrigerators that you can bring or rent. Also, all rooms are wired for cable (basic cable is included) and wi-fi.

What about bathrooms?
Community bathrooms as well as two private showers exist on each floor. Most floors are co-ed, but bathrooms are gender-specific.

What about laundry?
Harborview has a large laundry room with machines that take debit and credit cards. The College also offers a weekly laundry service for an additional fee; see the New Students website for details.

 Lots more information to be found at wagner.edu/res-ed

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**NEW-STUDENT TIPS**  
**Themed Communities**

Harborview Hall (as well as the other residence halls) feature special floors for students who share a common passion and want to extend the classroom experience. If you’re interested, please indicate so on the New Student Form.

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**STUDENT Insights**

**Adjusting to Life in the Residence Halls**

*Your roommate is usually your first friend at school.* It’s an unspoken promise that you’ll go to the Dining Hall together all the time, stay up late getting to know the people on your floor, and wake each other up for early classes when the alarm clock doesn’t go off (we’ve all been there).

 Angela Zagami ’19  
Freehold, New Jersey

**Making New Friends**

*I’ve always struggled with making new friends; but, when I came to Wagner, I didn’t have to worry about that anymore.* You start to become close to people in your classes by working on group projects and asking each other questions about the class. Next thing you know you’re texting each other to grab a bite to eat at the Dining Hall for dinner.

 Eve Harvey ’22  
San Bernardino, California

**Staying Healthy**

*I found that eating healthy here at Wagner is all about switching things up as much as you can.* The Dining Hall always offers a wide array of choices. From the salad bar to the hot foods, it’s easy to find something satisfying and full of nutritional value. Every now and then it’s great to satisfy that pizza craving, but it’s important to fuel your body with what it needs to be energized and successful. It’s as easy as grabbing an apple over a bag of chips with your meal in Hawk’s!

 Alyssa Tucker ’20  
Laguna Niguel, California

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**NEW-STUDENT TIPS**

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On Campus

Main Dining Hall in the Union is all-you-can-eat for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Hot entrées, sandwich, soup, pasta, pizza, and salad bars, including many different dietary options.

The Hawk’s Nest, also in the Union, has a grill, sandwiches, salads, and Starbucks coffee.

Guild Hall contains a vending area inside the main entry, with options including ice cream, coffee, cold beverages, healthy snacks, and traditional snacks, as well as a seating area.

Foundation Starbucks in the senior residence hall is another source of caffeine and pastries on campus.

The CoffeeHouse is run by our students. It’s located on the lower level of Reynolds House, near Harborview Hall. Hang out, socialize with friends, and see frequent performances by people from outside and inside the Wagner community.

Meal Plans

All resident students are required to be on a meal plan, and several options are offered.

Visit wagner.edu/dining for all of the details.

Restaurants on Staten Island

We like Marie’s Gourmet, Adobe Blues, Kyoto Sushi, the Road House, Goodfella’s, and Joe & Pat’s. Celebrating the diversity of cuisines offered at Staten Island restaurants, the Staten Island Advance brags, “You can get curry, sake, spring rolls, noodles, pierogi, and some of the best pizza outside of the Eternal City.”

NEW-STUDENT TIPS

Wagner College Bookstore

The Wagner College Bookstore is located in the Union. Books, school supplies, clothing and other Wagner swag, and a small but useful selection of everyday items are to be found here.

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A Key to a Great Semester

Don’t skip meals. With so much to do in college, it’s easy to skip a meal from time to time. Sometimes the Main Dining Hall schedule may not fit into yours. With the Hawk’s Nest, you’re able to run in and grab a quick bite to eat or grab something and take it to go, whether it’s breakfast, lunch, or dinner. My go-to is the hot grill, where you have a wide range of options. I do find myself in the Starbucks line from time to time when I feel like changing it up.

Julian McCleod ‘19 Miramar, Florida
At Wagner College, students are very involved in campus life. They run clubs for almost every interest. They represent the student voice to the administration through the Student Government Association. They communicate through the Wagnerian student newspaper and WCBG student radio. They get creative in singing, theater, and dance groups. They cultivate friendships and serve good causes in Greek organizations.

During the first week of classes, there will be a Club Fair. On these pages, we'll give you a little preview.
Performing groups:
- Concert Band
- Dance Club
- Marching Band
- Vocal Synergy (female a cappella)
- Good Vibrations (co-ed a cappella)
- Wagner College Choirs
- Wagner College Theatre

Club sports:
- Cheerleading
- Dance Team
- Esports
- Men’s Ice Hockey

Communications outlets:
- Nimbus literary magazine
- The Wagnerian
- Wagner College Film Society
- WCBG student radio

Greek life:
- Wagner Fraternities: Kappa Sigma Alpha (co-ed), Tau Kappa Epsilon, Theta Chi
- Wagner Sororities: Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Tau Kappa Sigma

Academic interest clubs:
- Accounting Society
- Art Club
- Biology Club
- Finance Club
- Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society
- Microbiology Club
- Physician Assistant Association
- Pre-Dental Society
- Pre-Health Society
- Psi Chi National Psychology Honor Society
- Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Society
- Society of Arts Administration Students
- Student Nurses Association
- Theatre Advisory Board
- Tri Beta Biological Honor Society

Student leadership:
- Student Government Association
- Wagner Campus Activities Board (WagCAB)
- Student Alumni Association
- Student Professional Association
- Wagner College Republicans

Other clubs and organizations:
- Alpha Phi Omega Co-ed Service Organization
- Asian American Student Council
- Black Student Union
- Chess Club
- Exceeding the Expectation Fellowship of Christian Athletes
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- Iris Alliance
- Muslim Student Association
- Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society
- Student Alliance of Veterans and Student Veterans
- Student Alumni Association
- Student Professional Association

More events and clubs at wagner.edu/sea
Engaging Our Local Community

Interested in becoming involved in the larger Staten Island and New York City community? Wagner is the place for you, with our strong civic ethos reflected in our courses, internships, student activities, and more. The Center for Leadership and Community Engagement spearheads many of these programs and efforts and offers special programs for students who want to do more in this area, like the Bonner Leaders program and the IMPACT Scholars Network.

wagner.edu/engage

Diversity on Campus

Appreciate and celebrate diverse cultures and backgrounds on campus through the Center for Intercultural Advancement.

wagner.edu/intercultural

How We Are Involved on Campus

I am a defensive lineman for the Wagner football team, and I am involved in the Pre-Health Society, and an active member of the Black Student Union. I am also a part of the Intergenerational Partnership, which works with the Sunrise Senior Home and provides food and supplies to the less fortunate in New York City. I take pride in being a student-athlete, so getting involved on campus is very important to me. Wagner has provided me with so many opportunities to help others and fulfill my civic duties.

Charbel Dabire ’19 Toronto, Canada

Although Wagner is a small college, there are plenty of diverse opportunities to get involved. Throughout my four years, I played for the men’s tennis team. I was involved in the International Connections Club and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. For three years, I filled the role of a Resident Assistant in Towers and Guild halls. I was inducted into Psi Chi, the national psychology honor society, and Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership society, in which I served as president during my senior year. Being a part of these various groups allowed me to grow as an individual, while serving the community.

Dale Ray Sandy ’19 Durban, South Africa

To make the most of your time at Wagner, it’s imperative to get involved in an organization that speaks to you. My leadership in the Black Student Union has shaped my Wagner experience and equipped me with skills that will follow me well beyond Wagner’s campus.

Philippe Lerebours ’19 Norwalk, Connecticut

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NEW-STUDENT TIPS

Cultural Attractions on Staten Island

The island’s unique attractions include the Jacques Marchais Museum of Tibetan Art, in a building modeled after a Himalayan temple; Historic Richmond Town, a living history village; Snug Harbor Cultural Center, with museums, theaters, and gardens; and the Alice Austen House, home of the groundbreaking documentary photographer.
Being Active

NCAA Division I athletics brings competitiveness and school spirit to the campus. Plus, the Spiro Sports Center and intramural sports offer fun and fitness for all.

Check team schedules and news at wagner.edu/athletics

Facts About the Spiro Sports Center

- Fitness center with treadmills, ellipticals, bikes, free weights, circuit training
- Aerobics studio for fitness classes
- Intramural sports with three leagues each semester
- Six-lane, 25-yard NCAA regulation pool
- 2,000-seat basketball arena

Four-Season Climate

Many people enjoy the four-season climate of New York City: spring flowers, summer heat, autumn leaf color, and winter snow. If you enjoy outdoor sports, bring your beach gear, bicycle, and skis.

NCAA Division I Athletics Teams

Men's
Baseball, basketball, football, golf, lacrosse, tennis, track and cross country, water polo, swimming

Women's
Basketball, fencing, field hockey, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track and cross country, triathlon, water polo, bowling

Esports
The fastest growing sport in the world has arrived at Wagner College. In a campus-wide collaboration between the athletic department and information technology, the Seahawks added an esports program beginning in the fall of 2019.

New Student Tips

New York City Professional Sports

Spring Traditions

The Oval is Wagner College's big, beautiful green lawn in front of Main Hall — the one you see in all of our pictures. As soon as the temperatures warm up and the sun is out, it's swarming with students hanging out. Songfest is a one-night show that pits Greek organizations and other student clubs against each other in a singing and dancing contest. “These groups practice and rehearse for weeks, and the show never disappoints,” says the Wagnerian. Wagnerstock is an afternoon of music, food, and art outdoors on the Oval.

A cappella group Vocal Synergy performs at Wagnerstock.
Resources for New Students
A-to-Z Guide

ORIENTATION

• Meet your community leader, your student guide to Wagner life and learning.
• Meet with your First-Year Learning Community and your professors.
• Have fun at picnics, social events, and a trip to Manhattan.
• Take care of the basics: ID cards, books, email accounts, etc.

A guide to the people who will help you make the most of your first year at Wagner College.

Advisors

Many people are available to answer students’ questions, help solve problems, and provide encouragement and advice, from community leaders to RAs to RFT professors to CACE staff. See explanations for all of these below.

CACE

The Center for Academic and Career Engagement provides comprehensive academic and career counseling and advisement to Wagner College students throughout their four years.

Community Leaders

Community leaders are Wagner students who will guide you through Orientation and beyond. Working with Wagner campus life staff, they also create programming throughout the year on topics related to residential life, health and wellness, and religion and spirituality.

FYRE

The First Year Residential Experience supports first-year students during their transition to campus life through social, informational, and cultural events.

Horrmann Library

The Horrmann Library, located on the Sutter Oval next to Main Hall, offers many resources to help students with their study and research. Items not available locally can be obtained from almost any library in the United States through our membership in local and national networks. Librarians are available to answer students’ questions and provide research guidance.

IT Help Desk

The Information Technology Help Desk, located on the lower level of Horrmann Library, is students’ go-to center for technology assistance. The wireless network is available in most indoor spaces on campus, including the residence halls and the library. Spiro Hall’s computer lab and the library provide the most general-use computers on campus, and specialized computer labs can be found in the mathematics, foreign languages, education, and nursing departments.

Kairos House

Located near the Union, Kairos House contains Knubel Chapel, which serves as an interfaith center that welcomes prayer and hosts services from various faiths. Local clergy and student groups from many different faiths help students explore faith and spirituality and connect with local faith communities.

myWagner

MyWagner, Wagner’s online portal system, allows you to view your academic course schedule, financial aid package, billing account, and your housing assignment and roommate contact information if you are living on campus.
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Wagner Mobile

Wagner College’s free mobile app is a handy guide to the people, places, and events of Wagner College. It includes the ferry shuttle schedule, a campus map, and a subway map. Find events on the campus calendar, phone public safety, look up faculty and staff phone numbers, read Wagner stories, and much more. To download, search for “Wagner Mobile” on Google Play, the Apple App Store, or the Amazon App Store.

Peer tutors
Peer tutors offer academic assistance in all subject areas. Contact CACE to make an appointment.

RAs
Resident Assistants are Wagner students who have been selected and trained to serve as role models and informal mentors in the residence halls. They provide basic counseling, peer mediation, and conflict resolution. RAs build community on their floors and are available 24/7 to respond to emergencies and other concerns.

RFTs
Each First-Year Learning Community includes a Reflective Tutorial, and the professor who leads your RFT is your academic advisor until you declare a major. They will guide you on topics like study skills, class selection, and majors and minors.

SEA
The Office of Student Engagement and Activities supports student organizations, sponsors off-campus trips, and helps organize major Wagner student traditions.

WITs
Writing Intensive Tutors help students with all aspects of the writing process. Each First-Year LC has a WIT assigned to it, and you can also go to the Writing Center in the Horrmann Library at any time for help with your writing.

It’s move-in day at Harborview Hall! Early in the morning, orientation leaders and resident assistants await the arrival of new students.
Health and Safety

Feeling Under the Weather?

Wagner’s Center for Health and Wellness is here to take care of you. All registered Wagner College students are eligible for care at the center, which provides first aid for accidents, evaluates and treats minor ailments, and provides any needed laboratory testing, inhalation therapy, crutches and medications. The center also holds educational programs, screenings, and many other health-related services to support students’ learning and success. wagner.edu/health

Mental Health

A psychologist, psychiatrist, nurse practitioner, and counselors are part of the Health and Wellness staff. Their services, which are free of charge, include short-term treatments and referrals.

Safety and Security

Public Safety officers are a constant presence on Wagner’s campus. Officers are available 24 hours a day, dealing with everything from special transportation needs to emergency situations. Public Safety provides a shuttle service from the parking lots to the residence halls, transportation around campus for students who are temporarily disabled or need a medical escort, and the ferry shuttle service for transportation to and from the Staten Island Ferry. wagner.edu/public-safety

Behind the Scenes

Letty Romero
Office of Campus Life

“...I don’t look at my job as a job, but as a ministry. To me, that means I’m here to be a comfort, an advisor, and even a mother to the students. Sometimes, I’m a disciplinarian. But I’m always here for the students. I appreciate them for who they are.”

Monica Wohltjen
Public Safety

“...I consider myself the mom of campus. I get to see the students grow and mature. I’m not going to write up every student. It’s college. I’ve helped students get apartments, I’ve helped them financially, I’ve taken kids food shopping. My son won’t let me help him, so it balances out, you know?”
Moving, Mail, and Money

Staten Island Ferry and Ferry Shuttle
The College’s ferry shuttle service runs twice an hour between campus and the Staten Island Ferry, which takes you to Manhattan in a 25-minute free ride. At that point, you are a subway ride away from anything. The shuttle runs daily until 1:10 a.m.

Can I have a car on campus?
Yes. All students are permitted to have a car on campus; it must be registered with the Public Safety Office. However, parking is limited, and we encourage you not to bring your own car. Take advantage of the Wagner shuttle and the extensive New York City public transportation system. You will also want to stay on campus and enjoy getting involved and bonding with your new home.

Mail Service
The Postal Center, located in Campus Hall, is open Monday–Friday, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. for sending and picking up packages and purchasing stamps. Your mail will be delivered to your assigned box in Guild Hall; box numbers are assigned at Orientation.

Banking/ATM
ATMs are located in the Union and in Harborview Hall. Representatives from local banks will be available during Orientation for students who want to establish a checking account.

MORE INFORMATION
New York Attractions wagner.edu/about/visit/nyc
Staten Island Information www.silive.com
Metropolitan Transportation Authority www.mta.info
Staten Island Lodging wagner.edu/about/visit/local-lodging

Besides serving as a means of transportation between Staten Island and Manhattan, the ferry also provides outstanding views of New York landmarks like the Statue of Liberty.
IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Admissions ........................................................718-390-3411
Athletics Ticket Booth ........................................... 718-420-4039
Business/Billing Office ........................................... 718-390-3112
Campus Ministry .................................................. 718-390-3281
Campus Technology Help Line ................................ 718-390-3410
Center for Academic and Career Engagement ............ 718-390-3181
Student Engagement and Activities ......................... 718-420-4257
Dean of Campus Life ............................................. 718-390-3423
Dining Services .................................................... 718-390-3333
Financial Aid ........................................................ 718-390-3183
Health and Wellness .............................................. 718-390-3158
Library ................................................................. 718-390-3401
Main Gate ............................................................. 718-390-3148
On-Campus Emergencies ........................................ 718-390-3148
Postal Center ......................................................... 718-390-3128
Public Safety ........................................................ 718-390-3165
Registrar’s Office ................................................... 718-390-3173
Residential Education ............................................ 718-390-3420
Spiro Computer Center ........................................... 718-390-3242
Spiro Sports Center ................................................ 718-420-4567
Theatre Box Office ............................................... 718-390-3259
Wagner College Store ............................................ 718-390-3469
Writing Center ...................................................... 718-420-4234

WHAT THEY’RE SAYING ABOUT US

A New York Times business columnist ranked Wagner College #6 on a list of the highest “value added” colleges in the nation.

STUDENT Insights

An Amazing Education

It was really cool coming to college and realizing how interconnected everything is. Wagner College’s first-year program really demonstrates the amazing aspects of collegiate learning, bringing all subjects together to focus on themes that are important and interesting to students.

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