



**NORTH PARK
UNIVERSITY**
CHICAGO

MAKE THE MOVE.

YOU ARE GOING TO LOVE IT HERE.



If you are considering a move to Chicago to attend North Park University, you've come to the right place. Located on the northwest side of Chicago, nestled along the north branch of the Chicago River, North Park University is the perfect mix of that "small school" feel and an incredible, world-class city! Check out [North Park at a Glance](#) to learn important North Park facts and figures.

Take a Virtual Tour

Get a feel for campus before a visit. Explore our [campus virtually](#). Want to see the library, campus housing, or chapel? Step into a [guided tour](#) of our campus buildings and facilities.

Stay Healthy & Fit

At North Park's [Helwig Recreation Center](#), you can access a wide range of fitness activities. Our beautiful 68,000-square-foot facility includes a 200-meter, two-lane indoor running track, two basketball and three volleyball courts, a 35-yard turf surface, batting cages, and a climbing wall. Students can access nationally certified personal trainers, so get your fitness on and stay in top shape.

North Park also offers extensive [wellbeing services](#). We advocate safe communities and are here to support our students.



CHICAGO IS ALL ABOUT ITS NEIGHBORHOODS.

The city is made up of 77 unique and diverse neighborhoods, and each has its own culture and vibe. The neighborhood of North Park is known for green spaces like the North Park Village Nature Center, with woodland and wetlands, and LaBagh Woods, where trails follow the North Branch of the Chicago River. Laid-back global eateries and coffee shops cluster along W. Foster and W. Bryn Mawr avenues near the University campus.

Chicago has excellent public transportation, making it possible to explore cultural events, restaurants, festivals, and all that the Chicago Lakefront has to offer. Students value living close to campus to reduce commuting time to class and will need reliable transportation to get to clinicals.



Chicago neighborhoods within 30 minutes:

Albany Park, Andersonville, Arcadia Terrace, Bowmanville, Budlong Woods, Edgebrook, Edgewater, Forest Glen, Horner Park, Irving Park/Old Irving Park, Jefferson Park, Lakeview, Lincoln Square, North Center, North Park, Peterson Park, Portage Park, Ravenswood, Ravenswood Gardens, Rogers Park, Roscoe Village, Sauganash, Uptown, West Ridge

Suburbs within 30 minutes:

Evanston, Lincolnwood, Niles, Skokie

Here is a selection of websites we like for browsing rental inventory. Keep in mind these resources are provided for your convenience and are not endorsed by North Park University.

[Apartment Finder](#) - Includes a map of the North Park neighborhood and shows a cluster of apartments available near NPU at Foster and Kedzie

[Rent Cafe](#) - Search is set for North Park for ease of use

[Hot Pads](#) - Search is set for North Park for ease of use

[Student Space](#) - Requires you fill out a form with your contact information

[Chicago Rentals](#) - Apartments primarily located along Lakefront neighborhoods

Campus Housing - North Park has a limited selection of graduate apartments available. If you would like to apply for housing, please [click here](#). We strongly encourage you to arrange alternative housing for at least your first term.

Housing Cost - You should expect to pay between \$900-\$1,500 for a studio or 1-bedroom apartment, though prices vary by neighborhood

Parking - Be sure to ask the property manager whether there is parking onsite/how much it costs, whether street parking is by permit only, and how difficult street parking is. Permit parking on your street is good but not always necessary. However, all Chicago residents are required to have a Chicago City Vehicle Sticker displayed on their vehicle.

- Get your Chicago City [Vehicle Sticker](#)
- North Park University [Campus Parking](#)

THINGS TO DO AFTER STUDYING.

Take your pick! Our city is on Lake Michigan and boasts twenty-six miles of lakefront walkways, trails, picnic spots, or just breathtaking views. You'll find activities along the lakefront year-round; Chicagoans don't let winter weather stop them. If music is more your thing, Chicago is home to a hot music scene – think Lollapalooza, Chicago Gospel Music Festival, Pitch Fork Music Festival, Jazz and Blues festivals, and countless live music venues and clubs.

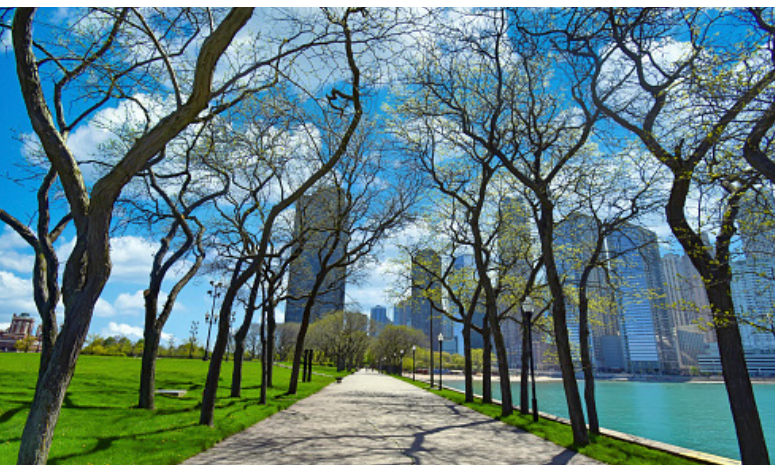
Chicago Restaurant Week, Zoolights, St. Patrick's Day (when the river is dyed green), Cub's games, and the Chicago marathon all jump to mind as can't-miss events for those who live in the city. It's no surprise that Chicago has been voted Best Big City in the U.S. by Conde Nast Traveler for six consecutive years. Among the things to do: Free stuff like concerts at Millennium Park, and Shakespeare in the parks,



many tourist attractions like Navy Pier, Chicago River Boat Tours, major league sports teams, seasonal celebrations like Zoolights at Lincoln Park Zoo and so much more. You can find cuisine from around the world, and a foodie's paradise from cheap eats to fine dining.

The Chicago area is full of beautiful green spaces.

When you are ready to explore the parks and outdoor recreation centers, you will not be disappointed. Here are some of our favorites.



Close to North Park

- [Horner Park](#) - A 57-acre park
- [Lake Michigan Lakefront](#) - [Things to do along the Lake](#)
- [North Park Nature Center](#) - Hiking and outdoor activities
- [River Park](#) - An outdoor pool and nature space with bike trail
- [Welles Park](#) - An indoor pool and outdoor nature space
- [West Ridge Nature Center](#) - A 21-acre park with a pond
- [Winnemac Park](#) - A beautiful nature area

Greater Chicagoland Area

- [Best Chicago Bike Trails](#)
- [Cantigny Park](#)
- [Chicago Botanic Garden](#)
- [Fort Sheridan](#)
- [Morton Arboretum](#)

GET THE MOST OUT OF A COLD CLIMATE.



Living in a four-season climate provides a variety of activities to try and gorgeous scenery to explore. If cold weather is new for you, here are some pro tips for helping you acclimate to the joys of winter:

[living in a cold climate.](#)

- Invest in a winter coat that covers you at least to the hip level (longer coats are warmer!)
- Make sure you have a good hood or hat that fits your head and covers your ears.
- Fuzzy or furry scarves are cute, but they tend to get stuck in the Chapstick you are likely to be wearing! Consider a washable fleece scarf.
- Buy gloves that are meant for cold weather. Thin gloves are not warm enough.

- Buy water-proof or water-resistant boots that keep your feet warm and dry. No one is comfy in soggy socks.
- Layers, layers, layers! You can shed layers inside if you get too toasty.
- Fresh snow is magical! Bundle up and go outside.
 - [Best snowboarding and ski resorts near Chicago](#)
 - [Fun things to do in Chicago during the winter](#)
 - [Practice “Hygge” - the Danish tradition of coziness](#)

Cold not your favorite? Study, binge your favorite shows, invite some friends over, and embrace indoor living in January and February!

Logistics

[Campus Map, Transportation, and Parking Information](#)

[Chicago Transit Authority](#) - Use this link to plan a trip using Chicago’s bus and elevated train system (“L”)

[Chicago Transit System Map](#) - This great map of the city shows detailed transit lines, street names, and landmarks

[Airports](#) - O’Hare International Airport is located directly west of North Park and is between 30-45 minutes’ drive.

Midway is located south of the city and is roughly a 45-60-minute drive, depending on traffic

We Are Here to Help

We understand that moving to attend a university is a significant step. Our dedicated team is here to support you throughout the transition, from helping you find suitable accommodation to offering guidance on scholarships, financial aid, and any other concerns you may have.

We invite you to visit our campus and experience what makes North Park University special. Our admissions team would be delighted to arrange a personalized campus tour, answer any questions you may have, and provide detailed information about the application process.

We look forward to welcoming you to your new home Chicago.