



LA ROCHE UNIVERSITY

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS

Start Your Undergraduate Studies With **La Roche Pathway**

- Earn 15-21 academic credits while completing English proficiency requirements.
- Invest in your long-term future with an academically robust English language preparation.



La Roche Pathway acts as a bridge to a successful undergraduate experience. It sets you on a path to

- Excel academically in higher education in the U.S.
- Succeed in a globalized world, equipped to connect, communicate your ideas, collaborate, and lead internationally.

Why La Roche Pathway?

- **Credit-Earning Courses:** Earn both language and academic credits, making your first semester productive for degree completion.
- **Expert Instructors:** Learn from TESOL-certified instructors with expertise in academic writing and public speaking.
- **Interdisciplinary Learning:** Explore areas of intellectual inquiry through undergraduate core curriculum courses.
- **Personalized Attention:** Enjoy small class sizes that ensure guidance tailored to your needs.
- **Affordable Excellence:** Gain high-quality English instruction and academic credits at a cost below the national average.
- **Safe Campus in a Beautiful Location:** Enjoy our safe campus with easy access to recreation and cultural events and activities.



Additional Benefits

- **Tutoring Program:** Enrich your academic and language learning with expert tutors.
- **Conversation Partner Program:** Converse with a campus or community volunteer in a casual setting.
- **Intergenerational Group Program:** Connect with lifelong learners (aged 50+) through social activities.
- **20+ Student Organizations and Clubs:** Explore interests with peers.
- **Campus Activities:** Join campus-wide cultural, academic, and social activities and events.



CHARACTERISTICS

La Roche Pathway allows international students who do not meet the University's English proficiency requirement for an undergraduate degree to take academic credit-bearing courses while simultaneously completing English language instruction. In two 16-week semesters (23–26 hours of instruction per week), Pathway students earn a similar number of academic credits as first-semester direct-admit undergraduate students.

La Roche also offers English as a Second Language (ESL) courses for undergraduate students who do not have the minimum language proficiency to be in the Pathway Program.

Based on test scores, undergraduate students are placed in one of the following tracks:

| TRACK | PLACEMENT* | COURSES | NON-ACADEMIC CREDITS | ACADEMIC CREDITS |
|---------------------------|--|---|----------------------|---|
| Direct Admission | IELTS: 6.5+ TOEFL: 87+ Duolingo: 120+ | 4-6 undergraduate courses** | 0 | 12-18 core curriculum |
| 1 Semester Pathway | IELTS: 6.0 TOEFL: 76-86 Duolingo: 110-115 | <i>Advanced Written Communication</i> <i>Critical Inquiry and Research Writing</i> <i>Oral Communication and Public Speaking</i> 1 additional undergraduate course** | 4 | 9 core curriculum 6 general elective |
| 2 Semester Pathway | IELTS: 5.5 TOEFL: 65-75 Duolingo: 100-11 | <i>Written Communication</i> <i>Critical Discussions of Academic Texts</i> <i>Oral Academic Discourse</i> 1-2 undergraduate course** | 20 | 3-6 core curriculum |
| ESL | IELTS: 5.0 or lower TOEFL: 64 or lower Duolingo: 90 or lower | 5 courses at appropriate ESL level | 20 | 0 |

* = If you do not submit any of these test scores, you will be required to test upon arrival with our ESL Department. | ** = By advisement

PROGRAM COSTS*

- Fall 2026 tuition and fees: **\$8,957**
- Spring 2027 tuition and fees: **\$8,957**
- Total annual tuition and fees: **\$17,914**
- Annual commuter expenses (estimate): **\$10,500**
- Books (estimate): **\$300** per semester

*Costs are subject to change.

2026-27 CALENDAR

FALL
Aug. 24 - Dec 11, 2026

SPRING
Jan. 11 - May 8, 2027



SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TODAY!

If you have any questions regarding the admissions process, please contact our **International Admissions Office**:

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