



Information for Spouses or Partners at Duke

DUKECARD FOR SPOUSES

The DukeCard is available for spouses of full-time **undergraduate students, graduate students, and Duke employees only**. Spouses of visiting scholars *are not eligible* for a DukeCard, but you may purchase a library card. See below for more information. *The DukeCard gives you access to the gyms, tennis courts, swimming pools, taking books out from the libraries, & certain parking lots (after 5 pm Monday-Friday and all day on weekends).* *Note: Some of these things you still must pay for such as gym membership and parking pass.*

- To obtain a Spouses DukeCard, you need to go to **the DukeCard website**. www.dukecard.duke.edu Click on *Get a Duke Card*. Then click on *Spouses*. You will need to ask your department contact to sponsor your Duke affiliate spouse for a Duke card.
- **When you have received a unique ID number, go to the Duke Card Office** located 012 Telcom Building (lower level rear entrance on West Campus). New DukeCards are made Monday-Friday 8:00am to 6:00pm at this Card Office only. When you go to the Card Office:
 - Bring your spouse (who is affiliated with the university/medical center) and their Duke Card as well as proof of marriage (if you have it). If not, you will need to sign forms.
 - A Government Issued Photo ID (Passport)
 - \$5 Cash, Check, or Debit Card

Using the Recreation Centers at Duke. Once you have obtained a DukeCard you may sign up for a membership to the Duke Recreation Centers - Wilson Recreation Center on West Campus and Brodie Gym on East Campus. Sign up at the Card Office. For information about fees to use the Recreation Centers go to: <http://recreation.duke.edu/facilities/membership-information-2/>

LIBRARY CARDS

If you are not eligible for a DukeCard, library cards may be purchased at Perkins or Lilly Libraries. If you have a DukeCard, *there is no need to get a library card*, since library access is included with your DukeCard.

- \$100/year which gives you access to all the libraries including Ford (business), Goodson (law) & Medical Center Library.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteering is a wonderful way to learn about U.S. culture, make new friends, and practice your English! It is also a way to put your skills and talents to use. There are many opportunities for volunteering around Durham. Below, we have listed 4 suggestions. This is not a comprehensive list, but should help you get started.

1. **The Triangle Non Profit & Volunteer Leadership Center of Durham** is an extremely popular spot. Katrina Young is a program coordinator there. Please email her to make an appointment to discuss your interests and volunteer possibilities. For more information, email Katrina at: katrina@thevolunteercenter.org or call her at 919.613.4515 or go to their website: www.handsontriangle.org
2. **Duke University Hospital** is another popular place to volunteer. They have over thirty different programs to volunteer with! They require a one-year commitment of volunteering with a minimum of four hours per week. For more information go to: <https://www.dukemedicine.org/patients-and-visitors/hospital-information/volunteer-services>
3. **Duke-Durham Neighborhood Partnership** has one-time service events or you can volunteer on a weekly basis throughout the year. These volunteer opportunities are within the schools and neighborhoods next to Duke campus. For more information go to: <https://community.duke.edu/volunteer/>

4. **Durham Museum of History** has opportunities to serve by assisting with the reception and visitor services. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the history of Durham, gain skills in exhibit technologies, and engage with an enthusiastic professional team. For more information, email Patrick Mucklow at: pmucklow@modh.org or visit: <https://www.museumofdurhamhistory.org/>

SOCIAL

Campus Club: Duke University is an organization for women of the Duke community. There is a variety of daytime, evening and weekend special interest groups to choose from. Annual membership fee is \$25. Go to: www.dukecampusclub.com

International House Spouses' Group is led by U.S. American and internationals. To join the international spouses' email listserv, go to: <http://studentaffairs.duke.edu/ihouse/join-email-listserv> and scroll down to *International Spouses Listserv*

International Friends Ministry of First Baptist Church provides you an environment to make new friends and join in classes such as English lessons, Religious Studies, U.S. American crafts and foods. Childcare is provided. For more information, go to: www.fbcdurham.org/ *NOTE: This group operates from October to May only.*

ARTS & CRAFTS

Durham Arts Council offers classes to learn skills such as painting, photography, clay & sculpture, textile designs, performing arts and much more. There are classes for all family members, from toddlers to adults. They also have summer camps for children. <http://durhamarts.org>

Durham Technical Community College has a continuing education program that offers various classes such as painting, drawing, photography, and sewing and much more! <http://www.durhamtech.edu/html/continuinged/>

Claymakers fosters enthusiasm for ceramic arts through classes, workshops, and special events. www.claymakers.org

STUDY

English as a Second Language opportunities are *very very limited* on Duke campus. To see what is available, go to: <http://studentaffairs.duke.edu/ihouse/living-essentials> and scroll down to *English as a Second Language*.

Durham Technical Community College (Durham Tech) offers non-credit ESL classes in Durham and Chapel Hill. Extremely popular and free! You must pre-register. Unfortunately, pre-registration is just three times a year. Durham Tech also offers a wide range of fee-based and EFL courses for credit. For more information go to: <http://www.durhamtech.edu/cgl/esl.htm> or email: cgl@durhamtech.edu

Duke Continuing Studies sponsors a variety of classes through **Osher Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI)**. All classes are non-credit. For more information, go to: <http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/olli>

Duke Continuing Studies also offers a variety of **professional certificates**: <http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/certificates/>

Auditing Classes at Duke is permitted for Duke courses numbered from 001-699. For a list of classes at Duke go to: <http://registrar.duke.edu/> Look for *Course Schedule* on left-hand side of homepage. Look for *Schedule of Classes*. Type in the *current semester*. The 2017-2018 audit fee is \$535 per one course credit. For more information, go to <http://www.learnmore.duke.edu/academics/auditing/>

Other local colleges & universities in the Triangle Area. This is not a comprehensive list!

North Carolina Central University, 1801 Fayetteville St, Durham 27707 www.nccu.edu

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 250 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill, www.unc.edu

North Carolina State University, Hillsborough St, Raleigh 27695 www.ncsu.edu

William Peace University, 15 East Peace Street, Raleigh 27604 www.peace.edu

Meredith College (for women), 3800 Hillsborough St, Raleigh 27607 www.meredith.edu

Important Note: Many of these institutions and classes require you to register before the class actually begins. Make sure you know when the registration deadline is and look at the website for class dates. You may have arrived in the middle of a class term and will have to wait for the next round of classes to begin. Typically, the academic year is from the end of August to early May.