Thirty miles south of campus, the Windy City offers our students Adventure, Experience, and Access.

CHICAGO AT A GLANCE
Lake Forest College is located in a beautiful, serene community that is only a train ride away from vibrant Chicago.

DISTANCE FROM LAKE FOREST
- 30 miles
- About one hour on commuter trains that run approximately 25 times per day

PEOPLE AND CULTURE
- Nation’s third largest city, home to nearly 3 million people, 9 million in the metro area
- 198 multi-cultural neighborhoods where more than 100 languages are spoken
- 70 museums, including the world’s largest aquarium
- Showcase of modern architecture

BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT
- 400+ major corporate headquarters
- More than $500 billion gross regional product (GRP)
- #1 metro for new and expanding companies

GREEN CITY
- 7,300 acres of parkland and 33 beaches
- More than 2 million square feet of rooftop gardens
- Named one of the five “Best Cities for Cycling” in America by Bicycling magazine

MUSIC, FOOD, AND ENTERTAINMENT
- Famous for Chicago blues, soul, jazz, gospel, and birthplace of house music
- More than 200 live theaters and one of the nation’s top opera companies
- The world’s largest free zoo
- Home to seven professional sports teams: Chicago Bears football, Cubs and White Sox baseball, Blackhawks and Wolves hockey, Bulls basketball, Fire soccer
- Known for deep dish pizza, Chicago-style hotdogs, and Italian beef, and home to more than 7,000 restaurants
THE WINDY CITY IS OUR SECOND CAMPUS

A student interns in the DNA Lab at the Field Museum. With Chicago nearby, you can gain real-world experience through an internship in virtually any field of interest.

LAKE FOREST COLLEGE RESIDENCE IN THE LOOP

Lake Forest College In The Loop is the College’s off-campus program in Chicago. Running every semester and open to juniors and seniors, students participating in the program complete coursework at the Loop campus or at one of the College’s four partner schools. In addition to the academic program, students complete a for-credit internship of 20 hours per week working in a professional environment, providing them with the edge they need to realize their future career goals.

Students reside at The Flats in the South Loop in the heart of Chicago’s thriving education district. Grant Park, the Art Institute, and Lake Michigan are mere blocks away, giving students access to one of the world’s most diverse and vibrant cities.

At Lake Forest College, you don’t just read about the Caribbean Reef for a class assignment, but experience it firsthand, getting a diver’s-eye view on a behind-the-scenes tour of the Shedd Aquarium. You don’t just study Grant Wood’s “American Gothic” in the classroom, you see the paint strokes of the world-renowned masterpiece up close and in person at the Art Institute of Chicago. Chicago’s possibilities for hands-on learning are endless. Whether through course-related trips to the city, internships with Chicago-area businesses and institutions, or on trips with friends to ethnic restaurants and neighborhoods, opportunities to engage with Chicago are plentiful. On average, classes visit Chicago more than 250 times per academic year.

CENTER FOR CHICAGO PROGRAMS

The Center for Chicago Programs is the campus hub for all Chicago-related programming. Providing help with itineraries and transportation, bringing Chicago-area speakers and performers to campus, sponsoring trips to the city, and so much more, the Center is a student’s “one-stop-shop” for all things Chicago.