US Pathway Program
Begin your US degree in Nigeria
“Kaplan’s partnership with Northeastern University and the Consortium of North American Universities (CNAU) began in 2009, when we developed the US Pathway Program (USPP). Since then, USPP has helped more than 1,000 students gain entry to CNAU member universities. USPP graduates perform well as a result of our quality-assured program. Through USPP, students also gain an excellent understanding of their destination university, and can integrate quickly into US campus life. Owing to these positive outcomes and student successes, we have continued to develop USPP. Today, it operates in both China and Nigeria.

USPP is a highly respected program. It provides high school students with the best possible preparation for university in the USA.

I look forward to welcoming you to USPP and to seeing you succeed with us.”

Clade Edwards
Lagos College Director
Kaplan International

“Welcome to the US Pathway Program. I invite you to learn about our innovative program, and to take this great opportunity to transform your future at a prestigious US university.

We can’t wait to welcome you to USPP, and to one of our consortium universities.

We wish you the very best of luck with your studies.”

Elizabeth Quinn
Director, US Pathway Program
Consortium of North American Universities
Introducing the US Pathway Program

The US Pathway Program (USPP) was established by the Consortium of North American Universities (CNAU), led by Northeastern University and Kaplan International. It offers you the unique opportunity to begin studying a US bachelor’s degree in Nigeria, then easily transition into a US university. USPP is a global program with campuses in Nigeria and China.

How the program works

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<th>Nigeria</th>
<th>United States of America</th>
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<tr>
<td>Study USPP in Nigeria (2 terms)</td>
<td>Summer Bridge at Northeastern University</td>
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<td>Bachelor’s degree (2nd year) at a US university</td>
<td>Complete rest of bachelor’s degree and graduate</td>
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Where can I study?

When you successfully complete USPP in Nigeria and the Summer Bridge at Northeastern University, you can progress to a CNAU institution.

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About CNAU

Founded in 2009, CNAU (the Consortium of North American Universities) was set up to provide a comprehensive academic pathway for talented international students. This pathway helps them prepare for and gain entry to prestigious US colleges and universities.

Why study USPP?

- Fast, cost-effective program combining university preparation and first year of degree in 10 months.
- Supportive learning environment in our college in Nigeria.
- Earn up to 34 transfer credits toward your bachelor’s degree during your USPP.
- Students are registered as Northeastern University students when they enroll in USPP.
- Many scholarships available from CNAU member universities.
- Complete the first year of studies in Nigeria and Boston, and enter a US university as a second-year student.
The USPP curriculum is equivalent to the first year of a US undergraduate degree. You will complete the Fall and Spring term courses in Nigeria, and the Summer Bridge program at Northeastern University (NEU) in Boston, USA. You will then transfer to a CNAU university.

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<td>March</td>
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<td>May</td>
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<td>August</td>
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<td>September</td>
<td>Progress to the second year at a CNAU member university</td>
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Chiamaka Aghaizu  
Northeastern University

“I have always wanted to study at a renowned institution that can give me the knowledge to make a real difference in the world. USPP has given me everything I need to make this dream a reality. USPP has a very solid educational structure and has given me the academic skills to be successful in my degree. I’m proud of what I have achieved, and I would encourage anyone to make the most of the amazing opportunities presented by the USPP.”

Dan Ere Harvey  
DePaul University

“USPP has helped me to study more effectively and acquire new knowledge. USPP has also enabled me to develop my self-esteem and confidence. I now feel inspired to fulfill my dream of pursuing a successful career and making a real change in my generation.”

Emmanuel Zakaria  
Northeastern University

“USPP will further my education and help me to achieve success in the future. I hope to use what I learn to have a positive impact on the lives of others. I am enjoying the experience of a different lifestyle and a different education system, and I am looking forward to completing my bachelor’s degree in the USA.”

www.cnau-programs.com/nigeria
Your first term: Fall curriculum

The first term of USPP gives you a solid base for further study. During this 9-week term, you will earn 6 credits towards your US degree.

What will I study?

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<th>Course</th>
<th>Credits available</th>
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American Studies I
Develop critical reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills while studying American culture, society and history. Key topics include the US Constitution and the role of public opinion in American life and politics.

Calculus I
Study major uses of the derivative, including limits and formulas for algebraic, trigonometric, exponential and logarithmic functions. Discuss applications of derivatives to motion, density, optimization, linear approximations, and related rates. Learn integration techniques including limits of sums, anti-differentiation, the fundamental theorem of calculus, and integration by substitution.

Career and Program Counseling
Explore career possibilities and education options before committing to a particular degree path. Topics include US culture and work life; the American education system; courses of study and career paths; and promising industries in the world economy.

Information Technology
Learn to edit and format files with Microsoft Word, build and deliver presentations with PowerPoint, and enter, organize and graph data in Excel. Practice using the internet effectively for finding, evaluating and using internet-based reference material. Learn to use online library catalogs and databases.

University Preparation I (Fall term) and II (Spring term)
This 2-term course focuses on building students’ academic English skills for successful study in the USA. The course has 7 parts, with closely related materials and assignments.

Academic Writing
Learn to write academic arguments supported by research and citations. Develop skills for self-evaluation, and for giving and receiving feedback as part of the writing process.

Academic Reading
Learn strategies such as scanning a text, reading for research, taking notes for understanding and retention, and reading critically.

Presentation and Discussion
Develop your oral presentation and class participation skills through a range of practical activities.

English Grammar and Usage
Refine your knowledge of the more challenging aspects of written and spoken English. Focus on using outside sources, different levels of formality, and various sentence structures and discourse markers for effective communication.

Study Skills
Develop skills for reviewing and annotating lecture notes and reading material, reading critically and efficiently, studying for major tests, moving through the writing process and managing time well.

American Culture and Media
Develop an understanding of and interest in American culture, society, history and current events.

College Life Skills
Prepare for opportunities at university by learning about international student life, peer tutoring, approaching professors, and sports and extracurricular activities.

USPP offers complete preparation for US college life
The Spring term also takes place in Nigeria and is divided into 2 academic tracks:

**Business and Humanities**
For students interested in business, arts, science or social science majors.

**Engineering and Computer Science**
For students interested in engineering or computing majors.

During this 15-week term, you’ll earn 14 credits towards your US bachelor’s degree.

### What will I study?

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<th>Course</th>
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<td>Business Statistics</td>
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<td>General Chemistry (without Lab)</td>
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<td><strong>Total credits</strong></td>
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### American Studies II
Develop critical reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills in preparation for university study in the USA. Discuss broad themes in American history and society. Assessments include a group research project to explore different aspects of contemporary US society.

### Business Statistics
Gain skills in collecting, summarizing, analyzing and interpreting business-related data, covering basic language and concepts of statistics. Explore how to build forecasting models for chosen variables, and how to use statistical software tools. Practice communicating findings through a data analysis project.

### Calculus II for Science / Engineering
Study further applications of integration, including areas, volumes and work as integrals; integration by parts and improper integrals. Discuss convergence of sequences and series, power series approximations, 3D coordinates, parameterizations, vectors and dot products, tangent and normal vectors, velocity, and acceleration in space.

### Engineering Design
Develop problem-solving skills used in engineering design. Learn to use spreadsheet tools to solve engineering problems, including data reduction and visualization of data and functions. Design topics include formulation and specification of problems; creativity; evaluation tools; patents; ergonomics; system design; manufacturing; ethics; presentation techniques; three-dimensional visualization skills and computer-aided design application.

### General Chemistry
Study the development of the key principles of chemistry and their applications. Topics include matter, stoichiometry, gas laws, thermochemistry, quantum theory, atomic structure, electronic configurations, bonding and intermolecular forces.

### Principles of Microeconomics
Study how ‘micro’ entities such as individuals and firms make decisions and how these decisions interact. Learn basic economic concepts and models, often in graphic form, to aid discussion of economic issues. Apply these concepts and models to explain many economic behaviors and participate in debates on a number of economic policy issues.

### University Preparation II
See page 11 for details of this course.
Your third term: Summer Bridge

The 10-week Summer Bridge term takes place in the USA, at Northeastern University in Boston. The curriculum is based on your destination university and degree major, and the accompanying social activities help you meet people and get to know Boston.

What will I study?

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<td>Chemistry Lab</td>
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<td>Physics for Engineers with Lab</td>
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* Select students only.

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The curriculum shown above is based on Summer Bridge 2015. Student schedules are finalized in April after the admission process.

Summer Bridge
Course descriptions

Chemistry Lab
Complementing the General Chemistry course from the Spring term, the Lab covers a range of topics including qualitative and quantitative analysis, and the characteristics of chemical and physical processes.

College Writing*
Study more complex texts, practice critical reading, and learn to use language and strategies for descriptive writing. Conduct library research and focus not only on the finished product, but also on the whole process of writing.

Exploring America
Learn to become a global citizen through workshops, seminars, course readings, discussions and local engagement. Actively participate in Northeastern student life, as well as the Boston community and beyond. Take part in a series of field trips and regional events, and discuss relevant connections between the USA and students’ home countries.

Music of the USA
Examine American music from the time of Puritan psalm singing to the present. Cover a wide variety of genres including concert music, traditional folk music, jazz, and contemporary styles.

Physics for Engineers with Lab
Study principles of mechanics including descriptions of motion (1-, 2- and 3-dimensional), Newton’s Laws, conservation of energy and momentum, rotation of rigid bodies, fluids, oscillations, and static equilibrium. The course also includes lab work, which will cover module topics through various experiments.

Principles of Macroeconomics
Discover the important differences between macroeconomic and microeconomic questions. Learn about both long-run growth and short-run fluctuations of the whole economy. Investigate what affects productivity and how factor accumulation and technological change affect the standard of living over time and across countries in the long run.

* Please note that some students might be placed into the Introductory Writing course based on their writing assessment in their home country.
USPP entry and assessment

USPP entry requirements

**Age range:** typically 17–22 years

**Academic entry requirements:** WAEC with a minimum grade average of C in academic subjects. Cambridge iGCSE C grade average is also accepted. Equivalent qualifications will be considered.

**English language entry requirements:** Minimum WAEC English at grade C or a recognized equivalent such as Pearson PTE Academic 56 or IELTS 6.0. There will also be an English aptitude assessment to determine eligibility.

Calculating your GPA

USPP uses a grading system ranging from grades A to F to assess your performance. Each term, the grade points for your courses are added up to create a GPA. Your final GPA for the Fall term and your midterm GPA for the Spring will be used to calculate your admission GPA to CNAU institutions.

Grade point values range from 4.0 (A grade) to 0.0 (F grade). Each letter grade has a corresponding value:

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<th>USPP course grade</th>
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Example GPA calculation

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<td>4 credits</td>
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**Fall GPA = (2 x 4.0) + (4 x 2.7) / 6 credits total 3.13**

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<td>General Chemistry</td>
<td>4 credits</td>
<td>B+</td>
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<td>Principles of Microeconomics</td>
<td>4 credits</td>
<td>A</td>
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<td>Business Statistics</td>
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| Spring midterm GPA = (4 x 3.3) + (4 x 4.0) + (4 x 4.0) + (2 x 3.7) / 14 credits total 3.76

**Fall GPA** 3.13  
**Spring midterm GPA** 3.76  
**Admission GPA** 3.57

Admission GPA will be calculated in March for admission to a CNAU institution. Admission GPA = average of Fall term GPA + Spring midterm GPA (weighted according to credit totals for Fall and Spring terms).

After USPP

Progressing to university

To progress to a CNAU institution, you must meet the university’s entry requirements during the US Pathway Program.

Summer Bridge progression standards

When you are admitted to a CNAU university, you will be responsible for maintaining satisfactory academic standards during your Summer Bridge program. If you do not meet the required grades, your admission may be canceled. If this happens, you will be informed of other enrollment options at a CNAU or associate member university. Please note that all admission and progression decisions are final.

Admissions and progression requirements

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<th>Admissions and progression requirements</th>
<th>Baylor University</th>
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<th>Northeastern University</th>
<th>The University of Vermont</th>
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<td>Minimum University Preparation II</td>
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Bachelor’s degree transfer credits

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<td>Maximum number of transfer credits</td>
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Each CNAU institution may, for certain academic programs, require different minimum overall GPAs. Please contact your USPP representative for more details. Non-credit courses must be passed at the required level for you to be accepted to your chosen university. For full details on each CNAU member’s progression requirements, please contact us. This information is for guidance only.

Make lifelong friends in USPP
Helping you succeed

Approved by all CNAU members, USPP is designed specifically for you as an international student to ensure your success in your bachelor’s degree.

US university-level teaching
USPP is taught by experienced professors who are all endorsed by CNAU. They use the same lecturing style that is used at US universities, but with additional academic support. This means you will quickly adapt to university-level teaching during USPP, and will be well prepared to start the second year of your degree in the USA.

Boost your academic English skills
Specialized English classes during USPP will help you to develop your academic skills. At the end of the program, you will be able to research and write convincing reports with the correct referencing style, deliver presentations confidently, and contribute effectively to discussions.

Help every step of the way
Your academic progress is monitored carefully, and professors provide feedback on how you can improve your study and language skills. Expert advice on your choice of university, your degree and your career plans is available throughout your program. A dedicated student services team is also on hand to answer any questions you have about preparing for life in America, including organizing visas and preparing Summer Bridge accommodation.

A warm welcome
Before classes start, all USPP students receive a comprehensive orientation. This includes a tour of the College and local area in Lagos, plus introductions to the program, professors and other College staff. It’s a great way to quickly settle in and make friends.

Home away from home
We guarantee all USPP students who apply before the accommodation deadline a place in our state-of-the-art student residence, located in the same building as the College. The accommodation is modern, stylish and secure. It also represents great value for money.

Enriching social activities
We want you to enjoy USPP and to discover new experiences. To help you do that, we organize regular social activities throughout your time in Nigeria and the Summer Bridge in the USA. Typical events and excursions may include:
- barbecues and outdoor activities
- sports events and parades
- theater shows and concerts
- tours of the city and surrounding areas
- trips to historical sites, museums and galleries
- and many more!
Introducing the Consortium of North American Universities

www.cnau-programs.com/nigeria
Welcome to Baylor
The Baylor mission is to educate young talent for global leadership and service to society, and to prepare students for success in their professional lives. With a fantastic sports scene and many historic traditions, school spirit runs high at Baylor.

Facilities
Baylor University has 12 colleges and schools, including the Honors College and the School of Engineering and Computer Science. Students can take advantage of 7 libraries and 4 on-campus museums, featuring a fascinating range of art and artifacts.

Location
Baylor is located in Waco, a small but lively city in Texas, only 90 minutes from the cities of Austin and Dallas. The 1,000-acre campus, situated on the Brazos River, is why Baylor has been called one of the most beautiful universities in the USA. Enjoy a year-round warm climate, with hiking, canoeing and horseback riding available in the surrounding area.

Accommodation
Choose to live in a Living-Learning Center with other students in related academic programs. You can also live in the Residential Colleges. These faculty-led communities encourage academic excellence, faculty–student interaction and a strong sense of Baylor culture.

Excellent rankings
- 72nd best US university (U.S. News 2016)
- One of the top 44 “Best Buy” colleges across the USA, Canada and UK (Fiske Guide to Colleges 2015)
- 13th best engineering program in the USA (U.S. News)
- 18th best accounting program (Public Accounting Report)

World-class study experience
- 12 academic departments, with almost 100 undergraduate programs available to USPP students
- Favorable 15:1 student–teacher ratio
- Personal teaching, with an average class size of 27 students

Student life
- International environment with students from over 100 countries
- Over 260 clubs and organizations to suit a wide range of interests

Sports
- Part of the “Big 12” Athletic Conference, offering an exciting sporting environment
- Winner of 65 Conference championships in the last 18 years
- State-of-the-art sports facilities, including a 45,000-seat football stadium, soccer fields and indoor tennis courts

Tuition fees: Approximately $40,000 per year
For more information: www.baylor.edu

Faculty members interact closely with students
Participate in the USA’s incredible sporting culture
Benefit from studying in an academic environment
Welcome to DePaul
Founded in 1898, DePaul is one of the biggest private universities in the USA. Its 2 city campuses in Chicago attract students from not just the whole country, but from across the world.

Prestigious academics
DePaul offers students over 80 undergraduate programs, and lets students customize a degree with combined concentrations and minors. Students can take advantage of highly ranked academics, which include the USA’s 12th best entrepreneurship program and the 35th best video game design degree (Princeton Review 2016).

Location
DePaul University is located in Chicago, the 4th best student city in the USA (QS Best Student Cities 2016). Students have many internship and career opportunities in the city that is home to Fortune 500 companies such as Kraft Foods, Boeing and MacDonald’s Corporation. The downtown area boasts fantastic shopping, impressive museums and famous music venues.

Accommodation
The University Center, jointly developed by DePaul, Roosevelt University, Columbia College, and Robert Morris University, is a convenient hub for students at the Loop campus in downtown Chicago. Students can also live in residence halls or apartments at the 30-acre Lincoln Park campus.

Career prospects
- 89% of students are employed or in further education 6 months after graduating (DePaul Career Outcomes Survey 2014)
- 375 companies recruit DePaul students on campus (DePaul Career Outcomes Survey 2014)
- Extensive professional alumni network of over 22,000 members around the world (LinkedIn)

High-quality learning environment
- 17:1 faculty-student ratio for a more tailored teaching experience
- Class sizes of fewer than 40 students
- 85% of faculty hold the highest degree in their field

Sports and facilities
- Classrooms equipped with the latest technology, with two main libraries serving the Loop and Lincoln Park campuses
- Large fitness and recreation center offering a training area, swimming pool, and a four-court gymnasium
- Many student-organized sports teams to help students meet new people and stay active

International experience
- Students from over 100 countries
- Winner of the award for Higher Education Excellence in Diversity from INSIGHT into Diversity magazine 2014
- 300+ student organizations ensure that everyone can get involved in student life
Welcome to Marist
Founded in 1929, Marist College is consistently ranked by The Princeton Review as one of the USA’s best colleges, and was named the #13 Regional University (North) by U.S. News in 2016. Its small size gives students ample opportunity to connect with both peers and professors, and become a part of the friendly Marist community.

Global partnerships
Marist enjoys unique partnerships with the IBM Corporation, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Presidential Library, and the Cary Institute for Ecosystem Studies. With a renowned internship program, students have extraordinary opportunities at a wide range of national and international businesses, media companies, the fashion industry, and non-profit organizations.

Location
Marist’s 210-acre campus is located in the historic town of Poughkeepsie. It overlooks the Hudson River in the heart of the scenic Hudson Valley. This picturesque setting makes it an ideal place to study, yet it is also just a short train ride away from the excitement and action of New York City.

Accommodation
Marist provides housing for over 3,000 undergraduate students in townhouse-style, corridor, apartment and suite residences. A variety of on-campus dining plan options offer diverse menus with traditional favorites and international cuisines.

Recognized for excellence
■ AACSB-accredited School of Management’s undergraduate business program is rated one of the country’s best (U.S. News 2016)
■ 23rd best Bachelor’s in Accounting in the USA (accounting.com)
■ Listed 63rd in Kiplinger’s Best Values in Private Universities 2015

Focus on the future
■ Rated one of the top “Colleges that create futures” for giving students opportunities to apply their learning outside the classroom (Princeton Review 2016)
■ 3rd most innovative school in the region (U.S. News 2016)

Facilities
■ Marist library contains over 200,000 volumes, and over 30,000 journals, newspapers and periodicals
■ Sports facilities include Tenney Stadium, athletic fields, a baseball field, a tennis pavilion and fitness centers
■ Other outstanding facilities include a 2,200 square-foot dance studio and a Hall of Fame multimedia room

Student life
■ Small campus size, creating a strong sense of community
■ Over 80 student clubs and organizations to fit a range of interests
■ Intramurals, club sports and volunteer programs to help students develop organization and leadership skills

Tuition fees: Approximately $34,000 per year
For more information: www.marist.edu
Welcome to Northeastern
Northeastern is focused on its students’ success, and continues to build on top-quality teaching and a reputation for excellence. Ranked as a top 50 US university by U.S. News, Northeastern also excels in the world rankings: top 200 in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings, and top 300 in the Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities.

Build a career
Northeastern provides exceptional support in preparing its students for their futures. It offers an innovative Co-op program that alternates academic study with real-world employment, and The Princeton Review consistently ranks its career development department number 1 or 2 in the USA. In 2015, students were involved in 9,000 work placements at companies like Google and NASA.

Vision driven
Although it was founded in 1898, Northeastern is a forward-looking, ambitious university, with a strong vision for its future. U.S. News ranks Northeastern as the 4th most promising university, as well as the 6th most innovative school in the country.

Accommodation
Northeastern University provides students with a variety of accommodation options on campus, including traditional dormitories and student apartments. Students live on campus initially, and are then free to choose off-campus accommodation.

Boston: America’s college town
- Rated the best student city in the USA and 13th in the world (QS Best Student Cities 2016)
- Boston’s popular attractions are within easy reach using the city’s reliable public transportation network
- Boston has a student population of over 250,000 in more than 50 universities

Campus and student life
- Boston’s large student population means there is great shopping, nightlife and entertainment options for young people
- Traditional American college experience on a beautiful 73-acre campus
- Excellent support services for international students, who come from over 120 countries

Facilities
- Snell Library has a collection of close to a million books, and has more than a million visitors each year
- 20 restaurants, cafés and dining facilities available on the University campus
- A variety of useful research tools and peer tutoring services are available to students

Sports and clubs
- Get involved in one of the 340+ student organizations and clubs
- Develop your artistic side with dance, drama and music groups
- Join a sports team or watch Northeastern’s Division I teams for baseball, basketball, hockey, soccer, and many more

Tuition fees: Approximately $46,000 per year
For more information: www.northeastern.edu
Welcome to Vermont
As one of the country’s oldest universities, The University of Vermont (UVM) has a long and proven record of academic success. The historic campus is located in Burlington, a city voted one of the most desirable places to live and study in the USA (Kiplinger’s Personal Finance 2013).

History of excellence
Founded in 1791, UVM is the 5th oldest university in New England, after Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth and Brown. For over 200 years, UVM has produced successful and influential graduates, and is now ranked in the top 40 of public universities by U.S. News.

University of the future
Despite its history, the University is dynamic, modern, and always looking to the future. It encourages and invests in innovative research, and seeks to prepare today’s students to be the leaders of tomorrow.

Inspiring surroundings
Burlington’s location next to scenic Lake Champlain explains why it is such an appealing place to live. Situated between the stunning Adirondack and Green mountain ranges, the city offers a range of options for outdoor pursuits, with numerous hiking trails and ski resorts nearby.

Student life
■ Active student life, with a busy social scene of over 200 student clubs
■ Student-run newspaper, radio station, TV station, legal services and a nationally-recognized debate team
■ Over 10,000 undergraduate students from over 65 countries

Facilities
■ 2 on-campus libraries, including the Bailey-Howe Library, with the largest collection in Vermont
■ Modern sports and fitness facilities, including gyms, tennis courts and indoor climbing walls
■ 5 accommodation residences, with options for both co-ed and single-sex floors

Dedicated support
■ Undergraduate student-to-faculty ratio of 16:1
■ Small class sizes of usually fewer than 30 students
■ 92% of faculty have a doctorate or other advanced degree in their respective research areas

Academic achievement
■ Ranked as the 37th Top National Public University by U.S. News
■ Ranked in the top 400 in the Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities
■ UVM graduates are admitted to US law and medical schools at higher rates than the national average

Tuition fees: Approximately $38,000 per year
For more information: www.uvm.edu
Modern campus facilities
The College campus is located in the newly developed Lekki Phase 1 neighborhood of Lagos. The campus provides a modern, comfortable and well-equipped learning environment. The first-class facilities include multimedia teaching resources, interactive learning platforms and state-of-the-art IT equipment.

Exciting city life
The city of Lagos boasts beautiful scenery, amazing entertainment and friendly locals. The College campus on the Lekki Peninsula is the perfect base from which to explore the city’s astonishing architecture, thriving cultural scene and world-famous festivals. It’s also the ideal location for those interested in sampling the city’s diverse cuisine, and indulging in shopping at some of the large outdoor markets.

Immunizations
To study in the USA, you may need particular immunizations. Check with student services and USPP representatives about any immunizations that you may need before starting your Summer Bridge program and degree.

Summer Bridge arrival deadlines
All USPP students must arrive in the USA before the start of their Summer Bridge program, as no late arrivals will be permitted. It is therefore very important that you allow enough time to apply for your US visa. Our dedicated student services team will guide you through this process. They will do all they can to help with your visa application and documentation for traveling to the USA. Please contact the USPP Nigeria office (details can be found on the back cover) for the specific visa and admission deadlines for your program.

Progressing to university
USPP students may not leave the USA during the short break between their Summer Bridge program and the start of orientation at their chosen university. Instead, each university will coordinate the arrival of students on their campuses for orientation. Where possible, Summer Bridge staff at Northeastern University will work with USPP students to find housing between the end of the Summer Bridge program and when they move to their chosen university. Please note that if accommodation is provided past the end date of the Summer Bridge program, extra charges will apply.
Scholarships, fees and work experience

Studying with USPP offers many benefits, and represents an excellent return on your investment.

**Progression scholarships**
Partial scholarships are available for high-performing USPP students when they progress to their bachelor’s degree at their chosen CNAU university. Contact us for more details.

**Tuition fees**
Contact us for full details of tuition fees.

**Work experience**
As a USPP student, you can take advantage of work experience opportunities while on your F-1 student visa. The international student services office at your CNAU university can advise you on cooperative education (co-op) or internship programs you can complete during your studies. They can also provide guidance on how to apply for temporary work opportunities after graduation. These allow you to gain professional experience in the USA, and can give you a head start in your career.

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10 tips for USPP success

1. Learn about each CNAU member through their official websites, including their academic programs, locations and campus life.

2. Meet with your student services representative to learn about your options and the admission process.

3. Understand what your Grade Point Average (GPA) means.

4. Do your best to improve your English writing skills to be at a university level.

5. Understand the importance of the University Preparation course. This does not carry academic credit, but it is an extremely important course. Not only will it prepare you for your life and studies in the USA, but the grade earned is also a determining factor in the destination university admission process.

6. Study hard for every assessment, especially midterms and finals! Even after you receive your letter of admission in April, you must still work hard to maintain your GPA throughout the Spring term and Summer Bridge.

7. Come to class on time and always participate!

8. Check your email frequently. All USPP students get a Northeastern University email account known as “Husky Mail”.

9. Become familiar with Northeastern University Online Blackboard.

10. Use the skills you learn in USPP to manage your time effectively.
Alumni
Many of our former students have successfully graduated from our partner universities. These alumni are now building careers in the global workplace.

Boot Camp
We offer an intensive Math Boot Camp before the Fall term in Nigeria to make sure you have all the preparation you need.

Credits
During USPP, you can earn up to 34 transferable credits to add to your degree.

Diversity
At CNAU member universities, you will have the chance to meet and make friends with many interesting students, teachers and staff from all over the world. Our students have a unique opportunity to learn about other cultures, languages and traditions, and be part of the university’s diverse international community.

Extra preparation
We provide extra tutoring for students who need to improve their skills. This includes academic writing, academic reading, study skills, and help with presentations and discussions.

Fast process
Applying for USPP is easy. Your offer to study will be sent within 5 working days.

Guaranteed
Once you enroll in USPP, placement in a CNAU member university is guaranteed, as long as you meet the English and academic requirements.

High academic pass rate
Over 90% of students passed USPP and continued their studies in the USA in the academic year 2014-2015.

Meet friends
USPP is an international program taught around the world. Students come together during the Summer Bridge in the USA and make friends with students from other countries.

International
All member universities have an international and diverse environment, welcoming students from around the world.

Job opportunities
Our students go on to have successful careers at a range of top multinational companies with global opportunities.

Kaplan team
We have a long history in the field of education and training, and provide education services to over 1 million students worldwide.

Learning resources
USPP students can make use of Northeastern University’s online learning resources, just as local on-campus students do.

No TOEFL or SAT requirements
USPP does not require students to submit TOEFL or SAT scores for admission. Students will take an English test in their home center to replace the TOEFL.

Open doors
USPP will open doors to incredible new opportunities for your future career.

Pre-departure training
Students need to feel fully prepared before they depart for the USA. We offer a series of informative pre-departure briefings to help you get a clear idea of what to expect when arriving in the USA.

Qualified academic teachers
All of our USPP academic teachers are qualified and certified by CNAU.

Rankings
Our member universities have good rankings and are recognized as world-class institutions.

Scholarships
We work with our partner universities to reward our best-performing students with partial tuition fee scholarships.

Teaching
USPP instructors teach classes in a style similar to that found in a US university classroom, helping you to familiarize yourself with university-style teaching before you enter classes in the USA.

Unique program
USPP not only gives you degree credits but, after successful completion, you can also progress to the second year of university without the need for a TOEFL or SAT score.

Visa guidance
We help you obtain your US visa. For the past 6 years, 100% of USPP students who have been accepted by American universities have been granted a US visa.

Welcome
We offer a series of welcome events in the USA to help you have a fantastic USPP experience.

X-factor
We believe USPP gives international students the x-factor – the extra edge they need to succeed at university, and achieve their career goals.

You
You are at the heart of everything we do. We are passionate about guiding you on your pathway to achieving your education and career aspirations, and are confident that you will succeed.

Zero
This is the number of USPP students whose futures aren’t transformed by our US Pathway Program!
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