NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Academic Year 2012–2013

Women’s College Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Education and Enrichment Initiative
NeXXt Scholars: an International Women’s Undergraduate Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Education and Enrichment Initiative

Program Guide for EducationUSA Advisers and Students

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Program Objective: Increase opportunities for young women to pursue undergraduate degrees in the STEM fields at U.S. women’s colleges; provide women in the program and an American “STEM-Sister” with a personal STEM mentor, access to the STEM community through membership in the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS), and access to leadership, internship and research opportunities to build the skills and confidence needed to become the next leaders, problem-solvers, and innovators in their communities.

What are the requirements for being a NeXXt Scholar?

- Student must be a female citizen of a focus country and currently residing in and attending a focus-country high school, not necessarily the same one. [Initial Focus: Countries/Territories with a Muslim-majority population (Table 1)]
- Student must be intending to major in a STEM field.
- Students from any religious group or economic status are eligible.

How do I apply?

- Student must apply directly to any of the U.S. women’s colleges (EducationUSA assistance is available if desired), be accepted by the college, and major in a STEM field. (See profiles of 38 women’s college partners on pages 10-47)
- Student must contact a regional EducationUSA Adviser to request a nomination letter for the NeXXt Scholars program. To find an email address for your regional EducationUSA Adviser: http://educationusa.state.gov/find-a-center.cfm

What are the benefits of this initiative?

- A STEM-Sister NeXXt Scholar (An entering American STEM peer nominated by your college)
- Five-year membership to the New York Academy of Sciences (four years during undergraduate studies + one year post-graduation)
- Individual STEM Mentor and networking opportunities provided by the NYAS
- Skills development workshops and access to internship & research opportunities
- Incredible science, technology, engineering and math education environment with high-tech equipment and hands-on learning
- Act as an ambassador for your country!

Table I: Focus Regions

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What are the benefits of attending a U.S. Women’s College?

- Opportunity to study in a welcoming academic environment that uniquely focuses on providing resources and support for women. (It’s all about YOU!)
- Access to state-of-the-art facilities that offer undergraduates hands-on investigative research opportunities with faculty members in the STEM fields.
- Lasting network of global women alumnae.
- Nurturing atmosphere that inspires leadership and confidence.
- Many have on-campus summer research/internship opportunities offered to undergraduates!

Does the Initiative offer financial aid?

The women’s colleges offer some financial assistance (see individual college information sheets) to **qualified students** with financial need. **Candidates must apply to the women’s college and provide the requested documents to secure financial aid.** The college will then inform the applicants of what financial aid package they can provide at the time of the acceptance decision.

What are the student’s responsibilities to the program?

- Meet all college expectations and requirements for the degree program
- Fully participate in all program/initiative events
- Engage with STEM mentor on a monthly basis
- Assist in recruiting new NeXXt Scholars: possibly by producing video clips and/or participating in webinars via EducationUSA; email/Skype conversations with prospective students, etc.
- Upon return trips home, engage in outreach recruiting efforts
- Fill out a program survey each year

How can I learn more about the U.S. Higher Education Application process?

Contact your EducationUSA Adviser today (the earlier, the better)!

[http://educationusa.state.gov/find-a-center.cfm](http://educationusa.state.gov/find-a-center.cfm)

Where can I get more information about U.S. Women’s Colleges?

Detailed information on U.S. Women’s colleges is available at: [http://www.womenscolleges.org/](http://www.womenscolleges.org/)

Where can I get a MAP of the locations of Women’s Colleges in the United States?

Go to: [http://batchgeo.com/map/8c16060aa4501564c4e49c2bcc665313](http://batchgeo.com/map/8c16060aa4501564c4e49c2bcc665313)

Where can I get more information about the NeXXt Scholars Initiative?

For information about specific colleges, see Table 2 for ‘point of contact’ information. For questions about the NeXXt Scholars Initiative, email [nexxtscholars@state.gov](mailto:nexxtscholars@state.gov)

See the following pages for individual profiles of 38 women’s colleges eager for your application! (pp. 10 – 47)
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*Note: For additional U.S. Women’s Colleges, see [www.womenscolleges.org](http://www.womenscolleges.org/)

Please see Table 3 on the next page for links to college/university websites.
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NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Agnes Scott College
Decatur, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Astrophysics, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental and Sustainability Studies, Mathematics, Mathematics/Economics, Neuroscience, Physics, Public Health, Psychology, Dual Degree in Computer Science with Emory University, Dual Degree in Engineering with Georgia Institute of Technology

Distinguishing Features: Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) Program offers a stimulating and rigorous course of academic and research study to prepare women for graduate and professional training in mathematics, science and technology and lifelong careers in these disciplines. State of the art science center with classrooms and laboratories. The opportunity to conduct mentored research as an undergraduate.

School Size and Setting: Agnes Scott College is a residential college for women located in a historic neighborhood in metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia. The college has about 900 students from 37 countries, with an average class size of 16 students.

Cultural Support Services Available: Muslim Student Association; Interfaith Council (where the current president is a Muslim student); Halal foods in the dining hall and food service accommodations during Ramadan; female health care providers; academic courses and programs where Islam is discussed; a day of fasting where non-Muslim students join Muslim students in an experience of solidarity and understanding.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Agnes Scott students can cross-register at 18 different colleges and universities in metropolitan Atlanta

Cost of Attendance: 2011-2012 tuition, fees, room and board: $43,345. Estimated books and personal expenses including travel: $2,000-$3,000

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Financial aid is available for international students. The average award is $15,000.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Free online application

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: SAT optional. Students may submit either SAT scores, a graded writing sample or have an evaluative interview by Skype. TOEFL or IELTS scores are required. TOEFL: 90 or above for computer based test. IELTS: 7 or above total band score

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 46%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: For financial aid consideration: January 15; Regular decision: March 1

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: No ESL courses provided. The Center for Writing and Speaking provides tutorial assistance for all students

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Alexa Gaeta, Director of Admission, agaeta@agnesscott.edu

Website: www.agnesscott.edu
NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Barnard College
New York City, New York

**STEM Majors Offered:** Astronomy, Astrophysics, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Biology, Environmental Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience & Behavior, Physics, Psychology, Statistics, option for 3-2 Engineering program with Columbia University

**Distinguishing Features:** Hughes Science Pipeline Project; Distinguished Women in Science lecture series; summer research opportunities; access to science research internships on-campus and at research centers and hospitals around New York City

**School Size and Setting:** 2,400 students; small, urban campus of 4 acres fully residential; in New York City

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Halal and Kosher meal options, Extended Dining hours during Ramadan, Prayer space, Female Doctors at health services, female only swim hours at the pool; counseling services for women; international student orientation, Multicultural and International Students Association (MISA), Barnard International Group (BIG), many cultural and ethnic organizations

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:**
- **Barnard-Columbia University Partnership:** Barnard maintains a partnership with Columbia University that is unique in American higher education. Students at each institution can take courses at the other, live in the same residence halls, share access to twenty-two libraries, and compete together in the Columbia-Barnard Athletic Consortium. Barnard students receive the diploma of the University signed by the presidents of both institutions, and the College is represented in the University Senate. At the same time, Barnard is legally separate and financially independent from the University.
- Barnard also offers five double and joint degrees in coordination with other schools in the Columbia University system. The schools are: School of International and Public Affairs; School of Law; School of Dental and Oral Surgery; and the School of Engineering and Applied Science.
- **Barnard-Juilliard Exchange and Barnard-Manhattan School of Music Exchange:** Selected Barnard students who are extremely advanced in instrumental and voice have the opportunity to pursue professional-level private music lessons at Juilliard or MSM while a full-time student at Barnard. Admission is highly selective and requires a full application and audition process separate from the Barnard admissions process.

**Cost of Attendance:** about $49,000

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Limited grant funding available to highest achieving international applicants, based on need. Grants provided up to full costs of attendance.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes, with letter from Advisor

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** TOEFL required; ACT or SAT/SAT II required

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 24.9%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes, along with a supplement

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision (binding) November 15; Regular Decision January 1

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** February 1

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Vera Bagnyuk, vbagnyuk@barnard.edu

**Website:** http://www.barnard.edu

Academic Year 2012 – 2013
STEM Majors Offered: Biology/Biological Sciences, Biotechnology, Forensic Science and Technology, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bay Path College offers personal attention from professors who are experts in their fields. We have new science labs with state-of-the-art equipment including an automated gene sequencer, equipment for hair and fiber analysis, and more. Internships are guaranteed in every major. Students may also choose to do faculty guided research on a subject of their interest. We offer an honors program for high achieving students by invitation. Our academic development center provides peer tutoring, academic tutoring in select subjects and online tutoring for those students seeking extra help.

School Size and Setting: Small four year college with an average class size of 20 students and total student body 2,177 students. Located in a safe and affluent suburban community in New England with easy access to the airport, bus and train stations. Less than 2 hours from Boston and 3 hours from NYC.

Cultural Support Services Available: Health Services Department is primarily staffed by a female nurse and staff. A Reflection Room is available on campus for quiet meditation, prayer, and reflection, including yoga mats, spiritual books, and a docking station for music.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Bay Path College is part of the Cooperating Colleges of Greater Springfield Consortium which allows students to take up to 2 classes per semester at 7 other area colleges as long as the class is not currently being offered on our campus.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2010-2011 year, Tuition is $27,045; Room and Board is $10,950; and Health Insurance is $1,595.

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: International Students will receive merit scholarships based on academic achievement ranging from US$5,000 to US$15,000 per year for up to four years of undergraduate study.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes for all online applications

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: Yes – One test is required

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes. We are not a Common App School, but will accept the Common App by mail. Application fee will be waived.

Application Deadline: May 1 for regular decision

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: We have a partnership with the International Language Institute (ILI) of Northampton, MA for students who wish to strengthen their English ability prior to attending Bay Path College. Information on ILI is available at www.ili.edu

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Sarah Wisnouskas, Coordinator of International Initiatives, Bay Path College Admissions Office, International@baypath.edu

Website: www.baypath.edu
NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Bennett College
Greensboro, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered:  B.S. in Biology (Teaching and Non-teaching track); B.S. in Chemistry; B.S. in Mathematics (Teaching and Non-teaching track); B.S. in Computer Science; and B.A. in Computer Science with Concentration in Information Technology. We also offer programs through our partnerships including: Dual Degree Program in Chemistry and Chemical Engineering with North Carolina A&T State University (A&T); Dual Degree Program in Mathematics and Engineering with A&T; Pre-Chiropractic Program with Life University.

Distinguishing Features:  Bennett enjoys a rich and successful heritage of encouraging its faculty to develop research programs and to provide training in STEM fields for underrepresented women. The Division has also forged new collaborations and maintained existing partnerships with other institutions to provide scholarships and research opportunities for students in the sciences. The faculty has been successful in bringing state- and federally-funded programs to the campus that provide biomedical research opportunities for our students in the STEM areas. Current federally-funded grants which provide resources for STEM programs are: NSF HBCU-UP Grant for a Computational Science Program; NSF Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program, and Northeast Alliance Grant.

School Size and Setting:  Bennett is a small liberal arts college convenient to downtown Greensboro.

Cultural Support Services Available:  The Center for Global Studies provides individualized cultural support for international students and scholars.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:  Bennett College is a member of the Greater Greensboro Consortium. Students are able to take courses at all of the Greensboro colleges and universities.

Cost of Attendance: $24,447 academic year 2011-12

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:  Financial assistance is limited.

Application Fee Waiver Available:  Yes

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:  SAT/ACT optional. TOEFL recommended.

Percent of Applicants Admitted:  56%

Common Application Accepted:  Yes, in addition to other required materials.

Application Deadline:  Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Early application is encouraged.

Financial Aid Application Deadline:  Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Early apps encouraged.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:  Yes

Point of Contact for Additional Information:  Taunya Monroe, Director of Admissions; admis@bennett.edu

Website:  www.bennett.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Health Science, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Students are able to participate in research as early as their sophomore year, with new opportunities that take advantage of wonderful resources in nearby Atlanta, including:

- The Endangered Plant Program working to cultivate endangered native Georgia plants and repopulate the state,
- Animal behavioral research in conjunction with the Georgia Aquarium that includes work with whale sharks, sea otters, beluga whales and penguins
- Avian behavioral research in conjunction with the Atlanta Zoo seeking to minimize destructive repetitive behaviors and improve psychological enrichment
- Pedagogical research to develop meaningful and successful chemistry laboratories for students
- Collaboration with local healthcare entities in the community to identify risk factors for obesity and diabetes among residents.

School Size and Setting: Brenau University is located in a suburban setting near Lake Lanier in Gainesville, GA. Total university enrollment is approximately 2800 students; the Women’s College traditional residential program has approximately 900 students.

Cultural Support Services Available: Special dietary needs can be arranged through Dining Services, religious information is available through the Spiritual Life Office. The Center for Health and Well Being is available for all students and provides a physician twice per month for female issues.

Cost of Attendance: Cost of tuition, room and board and technology fees is $31,490 per year.

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Academic scholarships are awarded to international students based on their academic credentials.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: ACT composite score of 18, IELTS score of 5, SAT total of 900 (verbal 450). Test of English as a Modern Language (TOEFL) score of 500 (Paper based test); test of English as a Modern Language (TOEFL) score of 173 (Computer based test); test of English as a Modern Language (TOEFL) score of 61 (Internet based test); or a grade of "C" or better in EH 101 & EH 102 from a regionally accredited U.S. college or university. The Brenau placement test will be administered to all international students admitted on a student visa in order to place student in appropriate English course.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 48%

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: Rolling admission allows the student to apply at any time, keeping in mind the time necessary to process the application and get a visa appointment.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: The Writing Center is available for all students. The Brenau-affiliated English Language program is available for Graduate MBA students.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Tiffany Adams; tadams2@brenau.edu

Website: www.brenau.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, ecology, environmental studies, mathematics, neural and behavioral sciences, physics, psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bryn Mawr College is in the top 10 among all colleges and universities in terms of the percentage of female graduates that go on to pursue doctorates in the STEM fields. Compared to college students nationwide, Bryn Mawr students are six times more likely to graduate with a degree in chemistry and nine times more likely to do so in math. Bryn Mawr is second in the nation in the percentage of female students receiving degrees in math and has 18 times the national average of female students graduating in physics.

School Size and Setting: Most of Bryn Mawr's 1,300 students live on our 135-acre suburban campus, one of the most beautiful college settings in the country. It is located 11 miles west of Philadelphia, the sixth-largest city in the United States.

Cultural Support Services Available: Students have access to a 24-hour interfaith prayer room and a Halal kitchen and Kosher kitchen. There are many student cultural and religious groups. The health center staff includes female doctors and the swimming pool offers women-only hours.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Bryn Mawr's relationships with Haverford College, Swarthmore College and the University of Pennsylvania give students access to more than 5,000 courses in four unique learning environments.

Cost of Attendance: In 2011-12, tuition, fees and room and board total $53,714 per year.

Financial Aid: Bryn Mawr awards need-based financial aid on a competitive basis to outstanding international applicants who do not hold a U.S. passport or are not permanent residents of the United States. Financial aid at Bryn Mawr includes grants, loans and employment.

Application Fee Waiver Available: There is no application fee when students apply online.

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: Bryn Mawr has a flexible testing policy that allows students to submit scores from one of three combinations of standardized tests. More details at www.brynmawr.edu/admissions. In addition, TOEFL or IELTS results must be submitted for students whose first language is not English. The TOEFL/IELTS requirement can be waived for students whose principal language of instruction for the past four years has been English.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 46%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early decision deadlines are November 15 and January 1. The regular decision deadline is January 15.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Bryn Mawr has no formal program in English as a Second Language (ESL).

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Laurie Koehler, Dean of Admissions, lkoehler@brynmawr.edu

Website: www.brynmawr.edu
NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Carlow University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Carlow University science programs are housed in the A.J. Palumbo Hall of Science and Technology, which offers state-of-the-art laboratories and equipment. The Biology program has concentrations in the following specialty areas: molecular/cell biology, human biology, organismal/ecological biology, environmental science, environmental engineering, perfusion technology, and an autopsy specialist program. A rooftop greenhouse is a unique feature in the building, as is an autopsy laboratory where undergraduates can view and participate in actual autopsies. The Chemistry program includes coursework in organic, inorganic, analytical and physical chemistry and includes a senior independent research project. Both applied and theoretical mathematics are stressed in the Mathematics program at Carlow, and Carlow has unique partnerships with Carnegie Mellon University for students wishing to complete a degree in Engineering, Environmental Engineering or Chemical Engineering.

School Size and Setting: About 2,300 (866 traditional undergraduates), 14 acres, secluded but in Oakland neighborhood, 10 minutes from downtown, walking distances to other universities

Cultural Support Services Available: All female floors in residence halls, female nurses in Health Services, prayer space available on campus. Mosque is within 10 minutes of campus.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Strong relationships with other universities and colleges. Cross-registration is available at 10 local universities and colleges through the Pittsburgh Council of Higher Education consortium.

Cost of Attendance: $32,760

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: International student scholarships available, range from $2000 to $8000 per year and are merit based.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes, if applicant completes the online application.

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: Yes, applicants only need to take 1 out of those 4 tests

Percent of Applicants Admitted: At the traditional undergraduate level, approximately 70% of the applicants are admitted to the University each year.

Common Application Accepted: No

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Students are encouraged to apply by May 1\textsuperscript{st} of each year.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Not on campus, but available in the region.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Garrett Margliotti, cgl@carlow.edu

Website: www.carlow.edu

Academic Year 2012 – 2013
**STEM Majors Offered:** Biological Sciences—Biology, Genetic Engineering, Neuroscience, Biodiversity and Conservation Biology, Global Diseases (Minor); Chemistry—Chemistry, Biochemistry, Forensic Science; Nutrition; Mathematics; Pre-Professional Programs (Pre-Med, Pre-Dent, Pre-Vet); Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** Biological and Forensic Sciences are especially strong. Located in the prestigious West End of Allentown in a park-like setting, the campus offers a beautiful and safe environment for study. Philadelphia is 45 miles away; New York City is 90 miles.

**School Size and Setting:** 2268 students (for setting see above)

**Cultural Support Services Available:** International Programs, Multicultural Center, Individualized Advising, Tutoring and Language Assistance, Female Doctor at Health Services, Flexible and Accommodating Food Services

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Cedar Crest is part of the LVAIC network of independent colleges in the Lehigh Valley. Students can take courses at the other LVAIC schools (Lehigh University, Moravian College, Muhlenberg College, DeSales University, Lafayette College).

**Cost of Attendance:** approx. $40,900 per year (includes room and board but not books and personal expenses)

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** International Students are considered for merit-based aid up to $15000 per year

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/ TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** TOEFL 79; IELTS also accepted

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** rolling

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** rolling (international students are considered for merit aid during the admissions process)

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Dr. Jenny Weatherford, jenny.weatherford@cedarcrest.edu

**Website:** [www.cedarcrest.edu](http://www.cedarcrest.edu)
**STEM Majors Offered:** Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Engineering, Environmental Science, Environmental Studies, Environmental Writing, Exercise Science, Integrated Health Studies, Mathematics, Media Arts, Nursing, Physics, Public Health, Psychology, and Self-designed Program.

**Distinguishing Features:** Practical learning opportunities combined with career exploration; 3-2 engineering program which enables students to enroll for three years at Chatham and then two years at an accredited engineering school; Accelerated Graduate Programs which enable undergraduate students to earn a bachelor’s and master’s in as few as five years; Chatham Abroad which provides all Chatham undergraduates with the opportunity to study around the world. Technological updates, like wireless access around campus, 13 inch MacBook Pro computers provided to all first-year and transfer students, and a $10 million science complex, keeping students connected both in and out of the classroom.

**School Size and Setting:** 2,300 undergraduate and graduate students, located on a 39-acre arboretum campus in Pittsburgh, PA. The campus is safe and beautiful with easy access to city amenities.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Carnegie Mellon University, University of Pittsburgh, and Penn State University.

**Cost of Attendance:** 2011-2012 – Tuition: $29,212; Room: $4,876; Board: $4,600; College & Technology Fees: $1,100.

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Chatham offers merit scholarships for international students ranging from $6,000 to $14,000 per year. These are based on a combination of TOEFL (or SAT) scores and GPA. Chatham also offers World Ready Women Scholarships based on résumé and short essay questions. These scholarships range from $1,000 to $3,000 per year.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** 900 SAT (Reading & Math Only) or ACT equivalent / 79 TOEFL / 6.0 IELTS

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 68%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Rolling admission. Early action: November 1. Regular: Students wishing to attend in the fall are strongly encouraged to apply by March 1.

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Chatham offers a Bridge Program to students who do not meet the English language requirement. In order to participate in the Bridge Program, applicants must have a 61 on the TOEFL or a 5.5 -5.0 on the IELTS. To participate in the Bridge Program, students are required to enroll in three ESL classes for two terms as well as take one approved elective.

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Sheryl Stearns, sstearns@chatham.edu

**Website:** www.chatham.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering (3/2 program), Mathematics, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Medicine and other health professions, Physics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: National Science Foundation supported programs for women in science, very strong international focus and co-education within a women’s college residential program.

School Size and Setting: 2000 students; small town near large city; near Mall of America!

Cultural Support Services Available: Large international student population. International Student Program Office serving international students, staffed with two full-time staff and 8 part-time student assistants. We respect and support religious, cultural, and dietary (Halal) choices.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: With separate residential campuses for women and men, CSB partners with Saint John’s University (SJU), a men’s college that enrolls 1900 men.

Cost of Attendance: $45,800

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Up to $20,000 in scholarships, $2800 work award.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL Required, SAT Recommended (but not required)

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 80%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Yes

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Kathryn Enke (kenke@csbsju.edu), Roger Young (ryoung@csbsju.edu), Director of International Admission.

Website: www.csbsju.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Allied Health Studies, Foods & Nutrition, Math, Psychology; Pre-Professional Certifications: Pre-Med, Pre-Dental, Pre-Vet; Joint Program with Seton Hall: Physician Assistant; Joint Programs with University of Medicine & Dentistry: Cytotechnology, Medical Technology

Distinguishing Features: The College of Saint Elizabeth (CSE) is located in Morristown, NJ, just one hour from NYC by train (train stop located at the gates of the college), bus or car. We are conveniently near Morristown Memorial Hospital and numerous pharmaceutical companies. The average class size, even in science, even for first year students, is 15. Students are guaranteed direct access to their professors, and the school does not have Teaching Assistants as part of the teaching model. Our newest building, opened in 2007, Annunciation Center, is a $17 million dollar, 44,000 sq foot building with a 560 person performing arts hall, permanent art gallery, Holocaust Resource Center, and all new art & music studios, a Mac Computer lab, and flexible classroom space.

School Size and Setting: CSE is in a historic, suburban college town. The school has 200 acres, and shares a property line with Fairleigh-Dickinson University, and is one mile from Drew University.

Cultural Support Services Available: CSE has an Office of International & Multicultural Affairs with various programming throughout the year, such as an annual culture night. Campus Ministry is also interfaith & ecumenical.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: CSE students can take advantage of free cross-registration with Fairleigh-Dickinson & Drew University.

Cost of Attendance for 2011-2012: Tuition: $26,440; Room & Board: $11,560; Fees: $1,700 Total: $39,700

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Scholarships for international students range from $4,000-$16,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: Yes, SAT & TOEFL are required for financial aid

Percent of Applicants Admitted: We evaluate each student on an individual basis.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Rolling, but the priority funding deadline is March 1

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Yes

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Donna Tatarka, apply@cse.edu
Website: www.cse.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Math, Psychology, Joint Engineering program with the University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Distinguishing Features: College of Saint Mary science programs are thriving. The college funds three, full-ride, 4-year scholarships each year to incoming STEM students. Student and faculty research and science outreach is funded annually by partnerships with NASA’s space grant consortium and the Idea Network for Biomedical Research in Education (INBRE). The newly remodeled science building has a state of the art cadaver lab that allows for courses in human dissection. Students do research for which they are compensated both on the CSM campus and at larger research institutions during the summer. CSM prides itself on its close relationships between faculty and students, its academic excellence, its cultural diversity (20+% minority students) and its ability to develop leadership in young women.

School Size and Setting: College of Saint Mary is a private, Catholic women’s college located on 25 acres in the heart of Omaha, Nebraska. Enrollment is approximately 1100 students with a newly remodeled science and math building.

Cultural Support Services Available: The Center for Transcultural Learning supports students through ESL and interpreter instruction and cultural diversity education. College of Saint Mary respects all faith traditions and has many (40+) non-Catholic students in attendance. Our Lady of Mercy Chapel is open to all students for prayer.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Joint engineering program and Information Science programs with the University of Nebraska – Omaha (UNO) and University of Nebraska – Lincoln (UNL); Science partnerships with UNO through INBRE and NASA (see above).

Cost of Attendance: $30,570 (includes tuition, room, and board)

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: $14,595

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: Yes. Minimum acceptable scores are as follows: TOEFL: 550 paper, 213 computer, 80 internet; ACT – 18 minimum; SAT - 860 (CR+M)

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 45%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admission

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Preferred by March 15th

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Yes – through the Center for Transcultural Learning and the Achievement Center

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Dr. Christine Pharr, cpharr@CSM.edu

Website: www.csm.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer & Information Science, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Recognized by the National Science Foundation for its innovative curriculum, Columbia College promotes scientific inquiry and creative problem solving skills for all students. With the advantage of small classes and individual attention from expert faculty, our science majors gain a solid foundation in the biological and physical sciences. In addition, students have ample opportunities for field study in such venues as the Savannah River Site and Research Triangle in North Carolina. The Barbara Bush Center for Science and Technology contains state-of-the-art chemistry, physics, biology, geology, and computer labs, a tissue culture laboratory, six student/faculty research laboratories and a greenhouse.

School Size and Setting: 1269 students (fall 2011) in an urban, metropolitan setting

Cultural Support Services Available: Services provided through the Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs and Community Resources.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

Cost of Attendance: Annual tuition, fees, room & board $31,688 (2011-12)

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Average aid for international students - $15,000, and other opportunities include: Founders Scholarship – full tuition equivalency (1300 or greater on SAT critical reading and math or 29 or greater ACT); Presidential Scholarship - $14,000 p/yr for residential students (1150-1299 SAT critical reading and math or 25-28 ACT); Trustee Scholarship - $12,000 p/yr for residential students (1000-1149 SAT critical reading and math or 21-24 ACT)

Application Fee Waiver Available: No application fee for applications received online

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: 550 or greater on TOEFL required. SAT/ACT optional for admission but required for scholarship consideration.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 73%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Financial Aid Application Deadline: August 1

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: No

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Ms. Deanie Kane, Associate Director of Admissions and Coordinator for International Admissions, dkane@columbiasc.edu

Website: www.columbiasc.edu
**STEM Majors Offered:** Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Engineering (dual degree program offered in partnership with Clemson University) Math, Medical Technology, Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** Converse leads the state in the number of student/faculty research proposals funded by the 20-member South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities (SCICU) Consortium. Students either conduct their research on the Converse campus with a faculty mentor or participate in the National Science Foundation-sponsored undergraduate Research Experience (REU) at other colleges and universities. Working independently or side by side with faculty mentors, Converse students have researched and presented topics including: Genotoxicity of Pesticide Carbaryl; Effects of Caffeine on Time Perception; Evaluation of DNA Isolated from Soft Tissue at Different Stages of Degradation for Forensic Investigation; The Roles of Progesterone and its Antagonists in Breast Cancer and its Treatment

**School Size and Setting:** Private, residential women’s undergraduate college with co-ed graduate programs. Founded in Spartanburg, SC in 1889. 1,938 total enrollment (773 undergraduate 1,165 graduate); 15 states and 14 countries represented. Student/Faculty ratio: 10/1 among the best in the nation. Ranked #1 Best Value in the South by *U.S. News & World Report* in 2011.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Converse offers a wide range of resources to accommodate special dietary needs. There are always healthy choices for vegans and vegetarians. Students who live on campus are required to have a meal plan. Basic healthcare is provided by the Converse Wellness Center, staffed by all women, on campus. Converse partners with local doctors for additional treatment. Converse offers more than 60 clubs and organizations including award-winning Model Arab League, NATO, and UN Programs, an International Students Association, Science Forum Club, and many more.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Spartanburg is a growing College Town and home to 13,000 college students. The Spartanburg College Town Consortium includes Wofford College, Spartanburg Methodist College, USC Upstate, Spartanburg Community College, Sherman College of Straight Chiropractic and Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine. All of these colleges and universities are just miles from the Converse campus.

**Cost of Attendance:** Tuition and Fees: $27,320, Room and Board: $8,554 (2011)

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** More than 90% of Converse students receive scholarships and or financial aid with an average award package of $18,000. Converse also awards talent based scholarships in Art and Design, Music and Theatre and for 8 Division II Athletic sports.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** Yes

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Action, November 15, Regular Decision March 1st.

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** April Lewis, april.lewis@converse.edu

**Website:** [www.converse.edu](http://www.converse.edu)
STEM Majors Offered: Cottey offers programs for an Associates' Degree in Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology and a Bachelors' Degree in Environmental Studies.

Distinguishing Features: It's your first two years of college packed with the campus life experiences of four and the academic credentials that will get you into the university of your choice to finish your bachelor's degree. Or it's the unique, newly accredited four-year bachelor degree programs with interdisciplinary courses in women's leadership, social responsibility, and global awareness. The various courses of study in biology at Cottey College can provide you with preparation for further work in a variety of disciplines such as medicine, biomedical research, physical therapy, biochemistry, genetic engineering, environmental studies, genetics, and animal science. Leadership development is an essential part of Cottey's academic program. At Cottey we believe a global perspective is important, and thus every year we pick an international destination and the entire second-year class gets to go on the adventure. And we pay for it!

School Size and Setting: Cottey College is located in Nevada, Missouri, a small, Midwestern town of approximately 9,000 people. It is located 100 miles south of Kansas City, Missouri. The student population of 350 students typically represents 40 states and 23 countries and allows for a lot of individual attention.

Cultural Support Services Available: International Friendship Circle (IFC) helps form bonds of understanding among Cottey's international students as well as with interested U.S. students. Students share ideas and cultures at bimonthly meetings. IFC works with Food Service to share their favorite international foods and cultural activities on special nights throughout the academic year. IFC also sponsors opportunities to discuss customs and ideas about the countries represented on campus.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Many transfer articulation agreements have been signed between Cottey College and four-year colleges and universities that outline specific requirements for transferring. Additionally, some schools hold transfer guide status. This means the existing policies of the school allow for easy transfer of students holding associates degrees.

Cost of Attendance: The annual cost for 2012-2013 is $23,800. (Tuition, room and board, and fees.)

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Yes, Average Aid Package is $7500

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL 500, IELTS 5.5

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 61%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Yes

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Rick Eber reber@cottey.edu

Website: http://www.cottey.edu/
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Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University
Camden, Newark, New Brunswick
New Jersey

**STEM Majors Offered:** Agricultural Economics, Agriculture – General, Animal Sciences, Food Science, Plant Sciences, Architectural Environmental Design, Biochemistry, Biology, Biometry/Biometrics, Biotechnology, Botany, Cell Biology, Ecology, Marine Biology and Biological Oceanography, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Molecular Genetics, Neurobiology and Anatomy, Pharmacology, Toxicology, Computer and Information Sciences, Information Sciences and Systems, Agricultural Engineering, Bioengineering and Biomedical Engineering, Ceramic Sciences and Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Engineering Science, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Operations Research, Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Pharmacy, Mathematical Statistics, Mathematics, Biological and Physical Sciences, Nutrition Sciences, Environmental Science, Astrophysics, Atmospheric Sciences and Meteorology, Chemistry, Geology, Meteorology, Oceanography, Chemical and Physical, Physics, Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** We are a women’s college set among a major research university and a medical school. We have a 25 year old program at Douglass Residential College that supports women in the STEM fields.

**School Size and Setting:** The population of Douglass Residential College is approximately 2,000 – Rutgers New Brunswick is about 31,000. We are in central New Jersey, about 1 hour from New York City and 2 hours from Philadelphia.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Rutgers serves a very diverse group of students. We take the cultural and religions needs of our students very seriously.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** We are a residential college within Rutgers University and we are merging with UMDNJ (medical school).

**Cost of Attendance:** Total of $36,679 for tuition, fees, and room & board

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** No financial aid for international students. Scholarships range from $2000 to $8000 and are merit based.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** No

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** 550+ Paper; 79+ Computer

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** Varies by the program student applies to

**Common Application Accepted:** No

**Application Deadline:** Early Action – November 1, Regular Action December 1, Transfer Feb 1

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** January 6, 2012

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Elaine Zundl – Assistant Dean ezundl@echo.rutgers.edu

**Website:** [http://drc.rutgers.edu/](http://drc.rutgers.edu/)
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**Hollins University**
Roanoke, Virginia

**STEM Majors Offered:** Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Studies, Mathematics and Statistics, Physics, Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** Guaranteed internships offered for all students; Summer and January Short Term research opportunities available with faculty members.

**School Size and Setting:** 475 acre campus in Roanoke, VA; 723 undergraduate and 235 graduate students from 47 states and 14 countries.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Special dining hall hours available during some religious holidays; leadership development programs available for underrepresented and international students, including orientation; cultural diversity workshop series; cultural adjustment and cultural identity counseling.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Hollins University and Roanoke College have a long-standing reciprocal agreement. Students may take courses at Roanoke and transfer those courses to Hollins provided that the course is not offered at Hollins University.

**Cost of Attendance:** $41,465

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Hollins grants, loans and work study are available to students. The average award for international students is half of tuition.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** Yes

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 85%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision: November 1; Early Action: December 1; Regular Decision: February 1

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** No

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Stefanie Niles, NilesSD@hollins.edu

**Website:** [http://www.hollins.edu](http://www.hollins.edu)
STEM Majors Offered: Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Clinical Laboratory Science, Computer Science/Mathematics, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Undergraduate research is a cornerstone of Mary Baldwin College’s degree programs in the STEM fields (see http://www.mbc.edu/research/index.php). Students often conduct original research in partnership with faculty members, co-publishing and co-presenting findings in academic journals and conferences. Because of Mary Baldwin’s 1:10 faculty-student ratio and the average class size of 16, students receive direct personal attention and instruction from faculty members. The newly renovated Peace Science Center is a state-of-the-art facility for laboratory-based learning and research. Mary Baldwin offers dual degree programs with other universities: engineering and computer science through the University of Virginia, and physics through Washington and Lee.

School Size and Setting: Mary Baldwin College is a residential, women-centered university of approximately 800 students located in the beautiful, historic downtown of Staunton, Virginia, among the rolling hills of the Shenandoah Valley, approximately three hours from Washington, D.C. and 90 minutes from Richmond, VA.

Cultural Support Services Available: Mary Baldwin’s diverse and inclusive community welcomes international students and provides many sources of support for their academic and personal success: Local Hosts are members of the local community who help international students experience American culture; new international students live in the International Hall Living-Learning Community with U.S. roommates; courses in Orientation to College, Introduction to American Culture, and English as a Second Language; tutoring in all subjects at no additional cost; English conversation partners. Students observing Ramadan may take meals out of the dining hall that has vegetarian and vegan options.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Mary Baldwin College students often attend lectures, conferences, or social events at nearby universities, such as the University of Virginia, James Madison University, Washington and Lee, and Virginia Military Institute.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition: $26,610, Fees: $350, Room, board: $7,790, Total: $34,750

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Yes, in the range of $5,000 to 13,000, based on TOEFL, IELTS, or SAT scores. Average financial aid award for international students is $5,000.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Rolling

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Yes. English as a Second Language course (fall semester); English tutoring; English conversation partners.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Heather Ward, globalengagement@mbc.edu
Website: www.mbc.edu
**STEM Majors Offered:** Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Psychology, and Dual-degree Engineering (with NC State University)

**Distinguishing Features:** Meredith College’s STEM programs are housed in the state-of-the-art Science and Mathematics building that includes student-faculty research laboratories and an Electron microscope. Students may participate in our undergraduate research program as early as the freshman year, and we enjoy great partnerships with several pharmaceutical, technology, medical, and many research agencies in our capital city of Raleigh as well as in the Research Triangle Park. Internships and other experiential learning opportunities are available in every major at Meredith. We offer an honors program for high achieving students, and we also have master’s programs in nutrition, business, and education.

**School Size and Setting:** 2,100 undergraduate and graduate students, located in a beautiful and safe environment of 225 acres in Raleigh, North Carolina.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Meredith College is known for its welcoming campus and the services available for all students including our international community members. We have an international programs staff that serves as liaisons for those students visiting from other countries. We also participate in internationally-known programs that specialize in assisting women to be successful, such as the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women and the Zawadi Africa Education Fund. We have partnerships and a safe network of supportive community members that help host international students and assist in meeting special needs of our students.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** There 11 colleges and universities in the local area and much collaboration exists with schools like NC State, UNC-Chapel Hill, and Duke University. Meredith participates in the Cooperative Raleigh Colleges collaborative that allows students to take approved classes at other local Raleigh colleges.

**Cost of Attendance:** 2012-13 Year (pending Board approval) - $40,220 ($29,190 Tuition, $8,340 Room & Board, $2,690 Other expenses)

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Range of academic and need-based awards from $3,000 - $15,000 per year. (If selected as a Legacy Scholar, the award is the full cost of attendance; if a Presidential Scholar, the award is full tuition.)

**Application Fee Waiver available:** No

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 60%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision, October 30th; Regular Decision, February 15th. Additional applications accepted after February on an individual basis, space permitting.

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** February 15th, preferred deadline

**English language assistance/tutoring available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Stephanie Myrto, Associate Director of Admissions, myrtoste@meredith.edu

**Website:** www.meredith.edu
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**STEM Majors Offered:** Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biopsychology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Mathematics, Psychology.

**Distinguishing Features:** Summer and academic year research opportunities in all programs.

**School Size and Setting:** 941 undergraduate women and 614 graduate students (20% men), in beautiful campus of 135 acres near San Francisco, CA

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Muslim Student Association on campus; mosque and Oakland Islamic Center nearby; female physicians at Health Center; meal accommodations at Ramadan; prayer spaces.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Cross-registration with area colleges and universities, including the University of California, Berkeley.

**Cost of Attendance:** About $50,000 per year including tuition, room and board.

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** 97% of students have financial aid, and average is $35,220.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** SAT (Reasoning) or ACT plus TOEFL for international students.

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 57% of first-year applicants.

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Nov 15 for Early Action (notified Dec); Feb 1 for Regular (notified March). Spring enrollment also available, see website for details.

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** Nov 1

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** No

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Giulietta Aquino, Undergraduate Dean of Admissions
gaquino@mills.edu

**Website:** www.mills.edu
**STEM Majors Offered:** Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Geology, Math, Neuroscience and Behavior, and Statistics, Psychology.

**Distinguishing Features:** As the first of the Seven Sisters—the female equivalent of the once predominantly male Ivy League—Mount Holyoke established higher education for women as a serious endeavor. Our long, distinguished history of educating leaders arises from a powerful combination of:
- academic excellence in a global learning environment
- a tight-knit, diverse, and international community
- a worldwide network of influential alumnae
- the conviction that women can and should make a difference in the world

**School Size and Setting:** Mount Holyoke College is located 90 minutes west of Boston and three hours north of New York City and has 2,200 undergraduate students. Our campus is located in South Hadley, a small town in Western Massachusetts' Pioneer Valley—one of the most beautiful and intellectually vibrant places in New England.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Mount Holyoke is dedicated to being an inclusive community. Many clubs, events and classes at MHC are dedicated to multiculturalism and internationalism. There are many resources and events for Muslim students. MHC has a weekly Jumaa prayer and Halal lunch with our Muslim Chaplain, during Ramadan the dining halls extend their hours for iftar meals, Halal food is served on campus often, there are large catered Eid dinner, and UMMA—MHC’s Muslim organization—meets often.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Through the Five College Consortium—Mount Holyoke, Amherst, Hampshire, and Smith Colleges, and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst—students can enjoy the vast resources of not just one but four prominent colleges and a flagship research university at no additional cost. A free bus service connects the Five Colleges, which are within a 12-mile radius.

**Cost of Attendance:** $53,596

**Financial Aid:** While Mount Holyoke expects the family to assume the primary financial responsibility and to contribute to the maximum level of its ability, we have a long tradition of meeting the full need, as determined by the College, of all admitted students.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** MHC is SAT optional, TOEFL or IELTS is required. MHC has no minimum TOEFL or IELTS scores but students are more successful if they have at least TOEFL 100 or IELTS 7

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 52%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early decision deadlines are November 15 and January 1. The regular decision deadline is January 15.

**Financial Aid Deadline:** ED I – Nov. 15th, ED II – Jan. 1st, and Regular Decision Jan.15th

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Elizabeth DuMont-McCaffrey, dumon20e@mtholyoke.edu

**Website:** www.mtholyoke.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Behavioral Neuroscience, Chemistry, Computer Information Systems, Engineering (3-2 dual degree), Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: For more than 100 years, Notre Dame has educated leaders who make a difference in their professional fields, their families, their communities and the world. Founded by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Notre Dame of Maryland University has anticipated and met contemporary needs with visionary and pragmatic educational programs since 1873. Rooted in the Catholic traditions of the liberal arts and service to others, a Notre Dame education challenges students to strive for excellence, build inclusive communities and promote social responsibility.

School Size and Setting: 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students; 58-acre campus located in a residential neighborhood of Baltimore, which offers countless cultural, recreational and professional opportunities.

Cultural Support Services Available: To accommodate students of diverse beliefs, Notre Dame provides a private prayer space. Students may request to see a female health provider when making appointments at the Student Health Center.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Notre Dame participates in an academic consortium with local colleges and universities permitting full-time students to take classes at its member institutions, including Loyola University, Towson University, Coppin State University, Goucher College, the Maryland Institute College of Art, Johns Hopkins University and Morgan State University.

Cost of Attendance: Full-time tuition (12-17 credits) $28,700; room & board $9,900; student fees $1,000

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Yes. Academic scholarships and awards are available to eligible international students.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required? Yes, SAT/ACT accepted. TOEFL accepted in lieu of SAT/ACT, minimum score of 500 required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early action deadline is December 1. Priority acceptance deadline is February 1.


English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: The English Language Institute at Notre Dame provides a quality, intensive English language program for non-native speakers in eight-week sessions consisting of classes in writing, grammar, reading, listening and speaking, pronunciation, vocabulary, TOEFL preparation and American culture.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Office of Admissions - Women's College; Phone: 800-435-0200, 410-532-5330; Email: admis@ndm.edu

Website: www.ndm.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Mathematics with a concentration in Computer Science, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Saint Joseph College is ranked by U.S. News & World Report in the top tier of Best Regional Colleges in the Northeast and is a member of the Colleges of Distinction and the Center for Student Opportunity. Average class size is 16; student-to-faculty ratio is 11:1, allowing for mentorship and personal attention. Symposium Day is an annual event held each spring. It is a celebration of scholarship, designed to carry out the College’s mission “to develop the potential of women,” by offering our students the opportunity to publicly demonstrate their research and creative accomplishments. A wide array of academic and professional studies are featured in panel discussions and poster presentations including biology, chemistry, history, ecology, art, women’s issues, health, and more. Health Professions and Biomedical Science Program helps students interested in science, health, biology and chemistry pick a profession that is right for them. Students are provided the education, structure, support, and encouragement students need to be successful and attain their goals. The Honors Program combines intensive class work with practical experiences NCAA Division III Athletics with teams in basketball, cross country, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, tennis and volleyball.

School Size and Setting: 2500+ undergraduate, graduate and professional students. Our students enjoy living and learning on SJC’s beautiful 84-acre campus located in West Hartford, CT because it offers the best of both worlds–a classic New England look and up-to-date facilities. West Hartford is half-way between New York City and Boston.

Cultural Support Services Available: The food service provider works with individuals who have dietary needs. In addition, each residence hall has a kitchen and students can elect to be exempt from the meal plan and cook their own food. The health service facility is staffed with all female doctors and nurses. A dedicated prayer room is available in one of the residence halls.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Students can cross-register for courses at the 11 member colleges and universities of the Hartford Consortium for Higher Learning in the greater Hartford area.

Cost of Attendance: $40,700 Tuition/Room & Board/Fees

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Merit Scholarships ranging from $3,000 to $20,000.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: SAT/ACT or TOEFL/IELTS

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 50%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling Admissions, International priority deadline is April 1.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Priority deadline is February 1.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Tutoring is available via the Center for Academic Excellence and a new ESL program is beginning this fall.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Admissions Office, Ms. Jennifer Healey (jhealey@sjc.edu)

Website: www.sjc.edu

Academic Year 2012 – 2013
**STEM Majors Offered:** Pre-Professional (pre-med, pre-vet, pre-pharmacy, etc.) Biology, Medical Technology, Math, Computer Information Systems, Psychology. **Minors:** Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Studies, Math

**Distinguishing Features:** Self-initiated undergraduate research project under guidance from faculty mentor; ability to use for class and research the natural setting on and around campus including organic fields, gardens and orchard; close proximity (less than 3 miles) to Jackson-Schneider Nature Preserve and Wabashiki Wetlands; newly renovated biology facilities; 100% of STEM faculty hold terminal degrees; interdisciplinary department (Sciences and Mathematics), consortium enables broader availability of resources (instrumentation and collaborations); service learning and internship opportunities.

**School Size and Setting:** Nearly 1800 students; beautiful, rural setting; Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College is approximately 78 miles west of Indianapolis and only 180 miles south of Chicago.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Students will receive individualized support from our student life staff while being immersed into all facets of our campus community. We have accommodated dining options during religious holidays, prayer space, and female nursing staff on site.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Indiana State University and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

**Cost of Attendance:** $40,000

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Tuition Assistance is available

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** Yes

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 75%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Rolling admission

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** N/A

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Yes

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Beth Terrell, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management, bterrell@smwc.edu, 812-535-5106

**Website:** www.smwc.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Statistics and Actuarial Mathematics, Computational Mathematics, and Psychology. Saint Mary's College also offers a dual degree engineering program. Students in this 5-year program earn a BA or BS from Saint Mary's College and a BS in Engineering from the University of Notre Dame.

Distinguishing Features: Saint Mary’s College is committed to preparing students, not only with knowledge in the STEM fields, but with the ability to effectively communicate that knowledge. Saint Mary’s has a unique commitment to research at the undergraduate level. Every student completes a senior comprehensive in the form of a research project or examination before graduating. We also offer students and faculty an opportunity to conduct research and engage in creative activity, on a one-to-one basis, through the Student Independent Study and Research (SISTAR) awards. These awards are given to student-faculty partnerships to support research and study in a variety of disciplines for eight weeks during the summer.

School Size and Setting: 1550 Women, suburban setting just north of South Bend, IN, and 95 miles from Chicago, IL.

Cultural Support Services Available: Special accommodations are made during Ramadan. Prayer spaces and female nurse practitioners are provided. An international student services professional is on staff to help students transition smoothly to study in the US, assist with immigration regulation questions, and provide resources and programs that help students engage with American culture and find success in the classroom.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: The University of Notre Dame shares a long tradition with Saint Mary’s College. The schools are united by their founding in the Catholic Holy Cross tradition and are directly across the street from one another. Students from both schools benefit from academic cross-registration. They may also choose to collaborate on the student newspaper, enjoy social events, participate in shared clubs and organizations, and work together on community service activities.

Cost of Attendance: 2011-2012 Tuition and Fees: $32,000; Average Double Room and Board: $9,800

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Each applicant is reviewed for merit scholarships, which range from $6,000 to $20,000 per year. The average aid award is $16,000.

Application Fee Waiver Available: No application fee is required.

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: The SAT is required for native English speakers. Non-native English speakers are required to take the TOEFL or IELTS instead of the SAT.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 83%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision: November 15; Regular Decision: February 15

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: The Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership at Saint Mary's College provides an intensive English Language School to non-native speakers ranging from beginner to advanced levels. The program focuses on preparing students for U.S. higher education. Each day there is a five-hour course load with classes in English reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Modern language laboratories are available for additional practice.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Kristin McAndrew mcandrew@saintmarys.edu

Website: www.saintmarys.edu
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Salem College
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered:  Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features:  Women in Science and Mathematics program; Internships and undergraduate research opportunities at nearby biotech research park and medical school

School Size and Setting:  1100 students; Located in a (safe) historic village just four blocks from a thriving downtown in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, a hub for biotech research

Cultural Support Services Available:  Individual services for dietary and religious needs, female doctors and counselors

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:  Cross registration with Wake Forest University; Social and leadership opportunities with the other three institutions in the city

Cost of Attendance:  $36,124

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:  Yes, $8000

SAT/ACT/ TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required?  One of these test scores is required for admission

Percent of Applicants Admitted:  62%

Common Application Accepted:  Yes

Financial Aid Application Deadline:  March 1 recommended deadline

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:  A writing center for help with written assignments

Point of Contact for Additional Information:  Livni Mendez, international admissions representative: livni.mendez@salem.edu;  Esther Gonzalez, international student services coordinator: esther.gonzalez@salem.edu;  Katherine Knapp Watts, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, katherine.watts@salem.edu

Website:  www.salem.edu and www.salem.edu/salem-shines for international student video
STEM Majors Offered:  Biology; Biochemistry; Chemistry; Economics-Engineering; Environmental Analysis; Human Biology; Management Engineering/3-2 Engineering; Molecular Biology; Neuroscience; Organismal Biology; Physics; Psychology, Science and Management

Distinguishing Features:
- The W.M. Keck Science Department is sponsored by Scripps, Claremont McKenna, and Pitzer Colleges. Male and female students from all three colleges enjoy classes and research opportunities in one facility. Scripps has the greatest proportion of its students enrolled in the W.M. Keck Science Department as science majors.
- Summer research support is available from internal and external sources, including NSF STEP funds. Through an extensive summer research program, students receive paid 10-week fellowships to work with faculty.
- AISS (Accelerated Integrated Science Sequence) is an innovative, year-long, introductory lecture-laboratory course that integrates chemistry, biology, and physics. This intensive sequence is equivalent to three year-long introductory courses and is most appropriate for students with a strong background in calculus and science.
- All majors except for the 3/2 engineering program pursue a senior thesis project; this experience helps build the foundation for graduate school or professional research work.
- Students have access to fully equipped research labs and the diverse instrumentation required to perform leading-edge scientific research. There are no graduate students, so faculty rely on undergraduates as research assistants and collaborators. Students do present their research at professional conferences and publish while undergraduates.

School Size and Setting: 950 students; part of a 5-college consortium with 5,500 students; located in Southern California, about 35 miles east of Los Angeles in a rich cultural environment and a beautiful natural setting. Mountains, desert, and beaches are all within driving distance, and the College sponsors trips to visit museums, attend sporting events, and enjoy theater and music in the city of Los Angeles and its environs.

Cultural Support Services Available: Juma’a Prayer on Friday afternoons; Torah Study and Shabbat dinners on Fridays; female doctors available through the student health service.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Scripps students may cross-register for courses (2,500 total) and participate in activities at 4 partner colleges: Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd, Pitzer, and Pomona. All 5 colleges are within 1 square mile.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition, room & board, and fees = $54,900

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Need based financial aid is available

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL: minimum 600 (paper-based total) or 100 (Internet-based total). The TOEFL code for Scripps College is #4693. The minimum required IELTS score is 7.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 33-38%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision I on Nov. 15; Early Decision II and Regular Decision on Jan. 2

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Writing tutors available

Point of Contact for Information: Maricela Limas, maricela.limas@scrippscollege.edu

Website: http://www.scrippscollege.edu/
STEM Majors Offered: Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer Science, Biology, Biochemistry, Biostatistics, Environmental Science, Psychobiology, Web Development, Information Technology, Chemistry Management

Distinguishing Features: Simmons' science programs are designed to help majors build competence and confidence through extensive contact with modern equipment, first-hand research experience, and easy access to the faculty. Simmons also offers a program called Women in Materials (WIM), designed to enhance undergraduate coursework.

School Size and Setting: Simmons is best known for its small classes, access to faculty, internship and research opportunities, and beautiful traditional, residential campus. Located in the heart of Boston, Simmons College encompasses the many benefits of a small university (with approximately 2000 undergraduates) in the nation's best “college town.”

Cultural Support Services Available: Simmons provides a special Ramadan Table serving halal meat dishes every night at sunset, and the Islamic Society also reserves a room for sunset prayer. Ablution Facilities and prayer/reflection space available. Catered kosher meal plan for Passover available.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Simmons is a member of the Colleges of the Fenway (COF), a collaboration between six academic institutions in the area. The COF gives students the opportunity to engage and interact with other students, organizations, and classes at participating colleges and offers activities for international students.

Cost of Attendance: Undergraduate Full-time Tuition $32,376 Undergraduate Room/Board $12,906

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: While Simmons College does not offer need-based financial aid to international students, we do award scholarships based on academic achievement, which range from $5000 - full tuition.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/ TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required? For native English speakers, SAT or ACT scores are required if the test is available to the student. If English is not the native language, students must submit official scores for either the TOEFL or IELTS.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 47%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Financial Aid Application Deadline: N/A

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: No

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Jacob Navarrete, Assistant Director, 617-521-2050 or jacob.navarrete@simmons.edu

Website: www.simmons.edu/undergraduate
STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental Science and Policy, Geosciences, Marine Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Whether you major in engineering or geosciences, Smith’s preeminent position in science education is broadly acknowledged, with 30 percent of our students majoring in the sciences. You will learn with professors who are top scholars in their fields and work with state-of-the-art equipment and laboratory instrumentation. Notable facilities include Young Science Library, one of the largest college science libraries in the United States; MacLeish Field Station, a 200-acre site for field-based education and research, environmental study and experiential learning; and Ford Hall, a teaching and research facility for the Picker Engineering Program, computer science, chemistry, biochemistry and molecular biology. A $73 million, LEED-certified building, Ford Hall is the largest and most sophisticated facility built exclusively for women science and engineering students. In the past 10 years, Smith has won more National Science Foundation funding for research—in excess of $14 million—than any other liberal arts college in the nation.

School Size and Setting: 2,600 undergraduates located in a small city west of Boston, MA

Cultural Support Services Available: Dean for International Students, Dean of Multicultural Affairs, Director of Institutional Diversity, Dean of Religious Life, Halal and Kosher dining options, special consideration during Ramadan, prayer space, female medical staff at health services, individual counseling, student cultural organizations

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Smith is a member of a Five College Consortium with Amherst, Mount Holyoke and Hampshire Colleges and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Cost of Attendance: $53,460 in 2011-12

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: We meet full demonstrated need, which in some cases can be up to the cost of attendance (including books, supplies and transportation allowance). The number of awards varies, in AY 2011-12, we aided 48 new first-year and 3 transfer international students with an average grant of $34,960 (range of $1,680 to $51,898)

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes: no charge for application submitted on-line; fee waivers available for paper applications.

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: International citizens must submit SAT/ACT. If the student’s language of instruction is not English, TOEFL/IELTS required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 45% (lower for international students requesting aid)

Common Application Accepted: Yes

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Writing and quantitative skills tutoring available. Proficiency in English required for admission.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Karen Kristof, Senior Associate Director of Admission, kkristof@smith.edu

Website: www.smith.edu; http://www.smith.edu/admission/international.php
**STEM Majors Offered:** Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer and Information Sciences, Dual Degree Engineering, Environmental Science and Studies, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** Ranked by NSF in 2008 as the #2 undergraduate institution of origin of Black PhDs in STEM. In 2001 opened state of the art science building Albro-Falconer-Manley Science Center. In 2006, 29.3% of all Black PhDs in STEMs earned their bachelors at HBCUs. Other features include a pre-freshman summer programs, the Biomedical/Health focus, Mathematics/CIS/Physical sciences and engineering focus, Health Careers Office, Office of Science, Engineering, and Technical Careers, Math Lab, Memorandum of Understanding with the Environmental Protection Agency, Princeton University, and the Department of Transportation. Availability of several research training programs, Local Collaborations: Atlanta Univ. Consortium, Georgia Tech, Emory, and GSU. Dual Degree in Engineering Program – 14 Participating Engineering Schools. SpelBots, robotics team, competed in three RoboCups; only undergraduate, women, HBCU team to ever qualify. Student Scholars from WISE Scholars, Xerox Scholars, Boeing Scholars, Exxon Mobil Scholars, Department of Energy Scholars, NSF STEM Scholars, and Health Disparities Scholars.

**School Size and Setting:** 2100 students, Urban, Private, Independent, Four-Year Liberal Arts College for Women offering BA & BS degrees, Semester Calendar

**Cultural Support Services Available:** New International Student Accommodations made for those observing Ramadan, Prayer space, Vegan bar, Diverse Culturally based student organizations and programs, Office of International Student Services, Annual Georgia International Student Leadership Conference, AMIS International Friendship Program, and Student Affairs Host Family Program.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Morehouse, Clark Atlanta, ITC, Atlanta Metropolitan, Morehouse School of Medicine

**Cost of Attendance:** $49,641

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Spelman College does not offer tuition waivers, but many of the scholarships available cover tuition or some part of the tuition. Scholarships are offered on a limited basis to outstanding students who have demonstrated financial need.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required:** TOEFL is requested of students for whom English is not a first language, otherwise the SAT or the ACT is required.

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 52%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision 11/1, Early Action 11/15, Regular Decision 2/1

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** 3/1

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** All students are required to read and write English, but we have a comprehensive writing center available to all students. As well, tutoring is available to all students.

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Arlene Cash, acash@Spelman.edu

**Website:** www.spelman.edu
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St. Catherine University
Saint Paul, Minnesota

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry (three tracks: Chemistry, Biochemistry and American Chemical Society certified chemistry), Mathematics, Nutrition, Pre-Engineering, Psychology. (Actuarial Science, Physics and Computer Science are available through the ACTC Consortium)

Distinguishing Features: St. Catherine University is home to the largest undergraduate college for women in the USA; currently ranked #17 in US News & World Report’s Best Midwestern Universities. Research experiences in introductory courses; STEM Minor and Certificate available to students in all majors; National Center for STEM Elementary Education; social and professional development events for all STEM students including job search, interviews, and resumes.

School Size and Setting: Approximately 5,000 students, urban, residential neighborhood

Cultural Support Services Available: Full time international student advisor; 3.5 day comprehensive international student orientation; ongoing advising on immigration, cultural and academic matters, career development services including assistance in finding internships; female doctor and staff at the Health & Wellness Center; prayer space; vegetarian options in dining hall; several mosques within the Twin Cities metropolitan area; active Muslim Student Association and St. Catherine International Student Organization.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: ACTC – Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities, including St. Catherine University, St. Thomas University, Macalester College, Hamline University & Augsburg College. Students can cross-register for courses at any of these institutions.

Cost of Attendance: 2011-2012 cost of attendance was $39,742.

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Scholarships up to 45% of tuition, room & board costs for students who live on campus; Scholarships of up to 45% of tuition costs for students who live off campus.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL minimum: 61 IBT or 500 PBT

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 52% for all applicants to the undergraduate program

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: March 15 – priority scholarship deadline

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: English tutors and English classes for non-native speakers

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Aimee Thostenson; Email: international@stkate.edu

Website: www.stkate.edu
**STEM Majors Offered:** B.S. Biology with the option of a Health Science Track (preparation for medical and veterinary professional study) or Laboratory Science Track (preparation for doctoral studies); B.A. Biology that prepares women for a 3:2 Masters in Physician Assistant Studies at Chatham College or 3:2 Master in Occupational Therapy at Washington University; Doctoral program in Physical Therapy at Chatham College; B.S. Psychology

**Distinguishing Features:** Above special degrees, research-oriented programs

**School Size and Setting:** Approximately 700 women live in our residential dorms and suites and enjoy a wide selection of cultural events and artistic performance on campus and in town. The College prides itself on small classes and close faculty student interaction and support. Located at the edge of a thriving, college-friendly downtown area, Stephens is within walking distance of downtown amenities, the Islamic Center of Central Missouri, and the University of Missouri campus.

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Stephens has a full-time female nurse on staff. Because Stephens is a small school and can be quite flexible and able to accommodate many individualized needs, but cannot, at this time, accommodate as part of our dining services a full kosher or halal diet. Other arrangements may be possible. We do have dorm apartments with kitchens where student can prepare their own food. Within walking distance is the Islamic Center of Central Missouri, and the University of Missouri hosts the Muslim Student Organization.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** We participate in the Mid Missouri Association of Colleges and Universities. Students of member institutions may take classes at member schools for no additional charge. Institutions with this agreement and within walking distance include the University of Missouri and Columbia College. Other participating schools are in nearby towns.

**Cost of Attendance:** Tuition, room, and board ranges from $33,190 for a shared room and a "flex" meal plan to $37,190 for a single apartment style room and an unlimited meal plan

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** International students are eligible for academic merit scholarship awards of up to $8,000.00. Average award is approximately $7,500.00.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes, upon request.

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required?** No SAT or ACT scores required for international applicants. TOEFL scores as follows: 79 (Internet), 213 (computer), 550 (paper).

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 65%

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision: November 15th; Early Action: January 1st; Regular Decision: rolling after January 1st

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** March 1st

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** Tutoring may be available. No formal program for ESL instruction.

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Nancy C. Cornwell, ncornwell@stephens.edu

**Website:** [http://www.stephens.edu](http://www.stephens.edu)
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Engineering Science, Engineering Management, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Sweet Briar offers an ABET-approved engineering program that is a cross between electrical and mechanical engineering. The engineering curriculum includes design components in introductory courses so that students understand early what they can do as an engineer. Sweet Briar offers an Honors Program, which includes an opportunity for students to perform cutting-edge, primary research to explore a topic of interest to them.

School Size and Setting: 600 students on campus, rural campus of 3,250 acres

Cultural Support Services Available: Appropriate, individual support as necessary. Sweet Briar has a person who serves as an “advisor” for all international students – not in an academic capacity (though she can certainly help with this as well), but primarily as a cultural and adjustment support person to aid international students as they navigate this college and the US in general. This person also works to place international students with a host family in the local area; these host families help provide residence possibilities during college breaks when the residence halls are closed, host the student for dinner periodically, take the student shopping for school supplies if necessary, etc.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Sweet Briar students can register for a class at two other area colleges, and our students can seek social outlets on area college campuses.

Cost of Attendance: $42,195 (2011-2012 academic year)

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Scholarship opportunities do exist up to a maximum of $20,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes, in cases of financial need

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL is preferred, but students may submit IELTS, SAT, or ACT in place of TOEFL scores. Minimum TOEFL to be admitted is 79 on the iBT; minimum IELTS score is 6.5.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 82% overall

Common Application Accepted: Yes, with an institution-specific supplement (available online)

Application Deadline: February 1

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Students must have applied for admission by February 1 to be considered for scholarship assistance.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Peer-to-peer tutoring in academic subjects is available, but no English language assistance is available.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Allison Stansberry, Admissions Counselor, astansberry@sbc.edu

Website: www.sbc.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Information Technology Studies

Distinguishing Features: The Women's College (TWC) students benefit from the University of Denver's research one classification, top tier national rankings, and world-class facilities. Students represent more than 15 countries. We have a largely "nontraditional" student body with the ages of our students ranging from 18 to 60 years old. Our faculty members are also diverse, many of whom are multi-lingual and multi-cultural. The faculty of the Information Technology Studies program provides students with opportunities to work with local non-profit leaders to expand the effective use of technology. The Women's College has an entrepreneurship center aimed at providing the resources, networks and training for women to start and grow their own businesses. Furthermore, the college has a strong, collaborative relationship with the School of Engineering and the Department of Geography providing students with greater professional and academic opportunities.

School Size and Setting: DU is a medium-sized campus located within the City of Denver with approximately 11,000 students evenly split between its undergraduate and graduate institutions. The Women's College has approximately 300 students and is located in the Chambers Center for the Advancement of Women, a state-of-the-art building designed specifically for TWC.

Cultural Support Services Available: The Women's College works with all international students to ensure that the DU experience meets their cultural and religious needs. Special requests and accommodations for meals are readily accommodated. For example, DU will accommodate Halal or Kosher foods and can ensure access to the dining facility outside typical facility hours. We also acknowledge and help celebrate our Muslim population during Ramadan. A special prayer space is provided on campus. Female physicians and psychologists are available at our Health and Counseling facilities. The office also assists students with reentry to their home country. Currently, DU has over 1,100 international students and approximately 25 percent are from Muslim countries.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: The Women's College is part of the larger University of Denver which is co-educational. Our students are able to take advantage of all resources provided by The Women's College as well as resources and the world-class facilities at the University of Denver.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition, room, and board is $27,448 for a full time student (12 credits).

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: The Women's College offers approximately 180 scholarships each year ranging from $500 to $10,000. Our average aid for current international students is $2500.

Application Fee Waiver Available: We do not require an application fee.

SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: SAT or ACT not required. TOEFL: Minimum of 550 PBT or 80 iBT. IELTS: Minimum of 6.5 with no less than 6.0 on any individual band scores. Exemptions can be found at http://www.du.edu/apply/admission/apply/international/proficiency.html

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 61.54% of applicants admitted in Fall 2011.

Common Application Accepted: No, to apply http://womenscollege.du.edu/admission/admission_information.html

Application Deadline: We accept applications each quarter, Fall entry—August 10; earlier recommended.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Same as above.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: The University of Denver has an accredited intensive English language program on site. DU offers conditional admission based on English proficiency, and “bridge” English language courses for non-native speakers.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Jenny Williamson at jenny.williamson@du.edu

Website: www.womenscollege.du.edu
STEM Majors Offered: Biology (Pre-Med/Pre-Professional), Biology: Life Science, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Pre-Engineering, Psychology

Distinguishing Features:
- 92% female student population; majority of faculty and administration are female, including
- 100% female full-time Mathematics and Chemistry faculty
- Small Classes (8:1 Student-to-Faculty Ratio)
- Interactive Pedagogies based on Women’s Ways of Knowing
- Safe Campus
- Strong Track Record of Acceptance into Medical & Professional Schools

School Size and Setting: 1450 students (approximately); 180 students in the Residence Halls Pepper Pike, Ohio (suburb of Cleveland); 110 plus wooded acres; extremely safe area, and Cleveland, OH has many cultural opportunities (http://www.cleveland.com/arts)

Cultural Support Services Available: Office of Multicultural Affairs provides ethnic programming for the entire college community. Cleveland, OH has many diverse ethnic communities and resources. Dining Hall can do extended hours during Ramadan. Prayer spaces include the College chapel, which is non-denominational; residence hall also has designated prayer spaces; a chapel, an outdoor Peace Pole and outdoor labyrinth are also prayer spaces.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: John Carroll University, Notre Dame College. Articulation agreements with the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine and Cleveland State University’s master’s in engineering.

Cost of Attendance Per Year: Tuition = $26,304 (Estimated Cost); Room & Board = $8,288

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: International Students are eligible for merit and athletic scholarships. Merit scholarships are awarded up to $10,000 per year and are based on GPA and standardized test scores (ACT or SAT). Athletic scholarships are also available for students directly recruited by our Athletic Department; this amount varies.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes. Fees are waived for online applications.

SAT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required: TOEFL: 68 (IBT) or 520 (CBT)

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 88%

Common Application Accepted: Yes.

Application Deadline: Ursuline College has rolling admission but International Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible in order to submit all required materials and allow time for the institution to issue all paperwork required for the visa process.

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Tutoring for English Composition coursework is available through URSA (Ursuline Resources for Success in Academics). All International Students must meet the minimum English proficiency requirements for Admission.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Ms. Jensen Hanna (jhanna@ursuline.edu)

Website: www.ursuline.edu
NeXXt Scholars Initiative

Wellesley College
Wellesley, Massachusetts

**STEM Majors Offered:** Astronomy, Astrophysics, Biological Sciences, Biological Chemistry, Chemistry, Cognitive and Linguistic Sciences, Computer Science, Environmental Studies, Geosciences, Mathematics, Media Arts and Sciences, Neuroscience, Physics, Psychology. In addition, we offer the following programs, which are of significant interest to many students majoring in STEM: Pre-medical Advisory Program, Certificate of Engineering (jointly with the Olin College of Engineering), Certificate of Sustainability (jointly with Babson College and the Olin College of Engineering), The Madeleine Korbel Albright Institute of Global Affairs.

**Distinguishing Features:** Wellesley students and alumnae are a diverse and dynamic group and include leadership role models such as current and former Secretaries of State Hillary Clinton and Madeleine Albright, NASA astronaut Pamela Melroy, and ABC News journalist Diane Sawyer. More than 10% of the 2,300 students on campus are international. Wellesley’s broad curriculum encompasses over 1,000 courses and 53 majors. With an 8:1 student-faculty ratio, Wellesley professors are very accessible and eager to involve students in research of their own.

**School Size and Setting:** 2,300 undergraduate students; suburban location 12-miles west of Boston

**Cultural Support Services Available:** Host families program for international students, international students cultural and advising center, Halal and Kosher dining options, Muslim Student Association, daily and Friday prayer services, Halaqas, Muslim chaplain, Multifaith Center, female doctors at health services.

**Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges:** Cross-registration programs with Babson College, Brandeis University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and the Olin College of Engineering.

**Cost of Attendance:** $53,250

**Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available:** Generous need-based financial aid awards are available for international students. Awards meet 100% of demonstrated financial aid need and do not have any loans.

**Application Fee Waiver Available:** Yes

**SAT/ACT/TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required?** Yes: SAT I plus two subject tests or the ACT with writing. TOEFL or IELTS strongly recommended for applicants coming from non-English-based high school curricula.

**Percent of Applicants Admitted:** 30% overall admission rate for US citizens/permanent residents or international applicants not seeking aid. 10% admission rate for international citizens seeking aid.

**Common Application Accepted:** Yes

**Application Deadline:** Early Decision (ED): November 1; Early Evaluation (EE): January 1; Regular Decision (RD): January 15. International citizens (and non-US permanent residents) seeking aid should apply RD.

**Financial Aid Application Deadline:** November 1 for ED; January 15 for EE and RD

**English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available:** No

**Point of Contact for Additional Information:** Milena Mareva, mmareva@wellesley.edu

**Website:** http://web.wellesley.edu/web/Admission

Academic Year 2012 – 2013
STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Neuroscience, Environmental Science, Applied Mathematical Sciences, Mathematics and Dual-Degree Engineering, Psychology

Distinguishing Features: First college chartered to grant degrees to women; 23% international students; International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma graduates may receive up to 30 credit hours

School Size and Setting: 683 students; 200-acre campus in Macon, GA, an hour south of Atlanta.


Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Yes, with three colleges in Macon, Georgia.

Cost of Attendance: $29,900 for the 2011-2012 academic year

Financial Aid or Tuition Waivers Available: Full and partial tuition scholarships are available.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes for all on-line applications.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 58%

Common Application Accepted: Students can apply on-line at www.wesleyancollege.edu/apply


English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Through our Academic Center.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: Steve Farr, Vice President for Enrollment Services, sfarr@wesleyancollege.edu

Website: www.wesleyancollege.edu
STEM Majors and Programs Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Financial Mathematics, Mathematics, Psychobiology, Psychology, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Veterinarian, and Pre-Health Professions.

Distinguishing Features: Physical and Life Science majors collaborate with faculty in a three-semester research sequence to design, carry out, and, finally, present their research projects to campus and professional audiences. The renovated Harry R. Brooks Complex for Science, Mathematics, and Technology contains state-of-the-art research laboratories, classrooms, and instrumentation. The Fulton Center for Sustainable Living includes an organic farm that serves as a laboratory for experimentation in environmental science, chemistry, and biology. Wilson College houses the Women in Science, Math and Technology Institute that promotes the advancement of women and girls in STEM fields.

School Size and Setting: Wilson College is located in the picturesque municipality of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, which is located within 100 miles of Washington, D.C., and Baltimore, Maryland. Faculty/student ratio is 1:9 and average class size is 13 students. Enrollment is around 800 students.

Cultural Support Services Available: International Student Advisor plans excursions, cultural activities, and Friendly Family placements. Life Coach assists with transition to the college. Dining Hall staff is aware of high holy days as are staff members who can assist with requests for special items. Nearest Mosque is in Harrisburg; 35 miles from campus. A prayer room is open 24 hours a day for personal prayer and devotions. It is set up in a manner devoid of denominational symbols and respects all faiths.

Relationships with Nearby Universities/Colleges: Exchange with Shippensburg University and Gettysburg College.

Cost of Attendance: $39,050; Scholarships up to 50% of tuition determined by cumulative grade point average. No full-tuition waivers. Average institutional aid awarded for 2011-12 academic year $14,374.

Application Fee Waiver Available: Yes

SAT/ACT/ TOEFL/IELTS Scores Required? Yes, if first language is not English. TOEFL 500 or higher or 173 on computer-based test; 61 on the Internet-based test. IELTS of 5.0 or above.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 56% average of international applicants offered admission.

Application Deadline: May 1 for Fall Semester and October 15 for Spring Semester.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Prior to April 30 for maximum aid eligibility.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

English Language Assistance/Tutoring Available: Academic Purposes (EAP) courses are offered.

Point of Contact for Additional Information: MaryAnn Naso, maryann.naso@wilson.edu or admissions@wilson.edu

Website: http://www.wilson.edu