



College Guide of the NeXXt Scholars Program for Matriculation in the Fall of 2013:

**Undergraduate STEM Curriculum Highlights and
Features of Participating Women's Colleges**

Websites of Participating U.S. Women's Colleges and Universities

Name of School	Website
Agnes Scott College	www.agnesscott.edu
Barnard College	www.barnard.edu
Bay Path College	www.baypath.edu
Bennett College for Women	www.bennett.edu
Brenau University	www2009.brenau.edu/home.cfm
Bryn Mawr College	www.brynmawr.edu/
Carlow University	www.carlow.edu
Cedar Crest College	www.cedarcrest.edu
Chatham University	www.chatham.edu/
College of Saint Benedict	www.csbsju.edu/
College of Saint Elizabeth	www.cse.edu
College of Saint Mary	www.csm.edu
Columbia College	www.columbiasc.edu
Converse College	www.converse.edu/
Cottey College	www.cottey.edu/
Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University	www.douglass.rutgers.edu/index.shtml
Hollins University	www.hollins.edu/
Mary Baldwin College	www.mbc.edu
Meredith College	www.meredith.edu
Mills College	www.mills.edu
Mount Holyoke College	www.mtholyoke.edu/index.html
Notre Dame of Maryland University	www.ndm.edu
Saint Joseph College	www.sjc.edu
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	www.smwc.edu
Saint Mary's College	www3.saintmarys.edu/
Salem College	www.salem.edu
Scripps College	www.scrippscollege.edu/
Simmons College	www.simmons.edu
Smith College	www.smith.edu/
Spelman College	www.spelman.edu
St. Catherine University	www.stkate.edu/
Stephens College	www.stephens.edu
Sweet Briar College	www.sbc.edu
Ursuline College	www.ursuline.edu
Wellesley College	web.wellesley.edu/web
Wesleyan College	www.wesleyancollege.edu
Wilson College	www.wilson.edu
The Women's College of the University of Denver	www.womenscollege.du.edu

For more information on the NeXXt Scholars Program, contact nexxtscholars@state.gov or view the detailed program guide at www.state.gov/e/stas/2012/185518.htm.

Summary of Application Information for Women's Colleges

Name of Institution	Minimum Score on TOEFL or IELTS	SAT or ACT requirement	Application Deadline			Financial Aid Deadline	College contact for more information	
			Early Decision	Early Action	Regular Decision		Name	Email
Agnes Scott College	IBT of 80, CBT of 213, PBT of 550, IELTS of 6	No	-	Jan 15	March 15	Jan 15	Alexa Gaeta	agaeta@agnesscott.edu
Barnard College	PBT of 600, IBT of 100, IELTS of 7	ACT or SAT and 2 subject tests	Nov 15	-	Jan 1	Priority by Feb 1	Vera Bagnyuk	vbagnyuk@barnard.edu
Bay Path College	IBT of 71, IELTS of 5.5	No, unless TOEFL is not submitted	-	-	May 1	-	Sarah Wisnouskas	international@baypath.edu
Bennett College for Women	TOEFL recommended	No	-	-	Rolling but earlier recommended	Rolling	Taunya Monroe	admiss@bennett.edu
Brenau University	PBT of 500, IBT of 61, CBT of 173, IELTS of 5	SAT of 900 (reading of 450), ACT of 18	-	-	Rolling	April 1	Tiffany Adams	tadams2@brenau.edu
Bryn Mawr College	Required for most applicants	Flexible	Nov 15; Jan 1	-	Jan 15	Feb 5	Laurie Koehler	lkoehler@brynmawr.edu
Carlow University	IBT of 90, IELTS of 6.5, SAT of 1000 or ACT (only one required)		-	-	Rolling	Priority May 1	Garrett Margliotti	gdmargliotti@carlow.edu
Cedar Crest College	IBT 79	No	-	-	March 25	March 25	Jenny Weatherford	kjweathe@cedarcrest.edu

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Chatham University	IBT of 79, IELTS of 6	SAT of 900 (CR+M only)	-	Nov 1	March 1	May 1	Sheryl Stearns	ssstearns@chatham.edu
College of Saint Benedict	Required	Not required by advised	-	-	Jan 15 thru March 1	March 1	Alex Schleper	aschleper@csbsju.edu
College of Saint Elizabeth	Required	Required	-	-	Rolling	Priority by March 1	Donna Tatarka	apply@cse.edu
College of Saint Mary	PBT of 550, CBT of 213, IBT of 80	ACT of 18, SAT of 860 (minimum for CR+M)	-	-	Rolling	March 1	Christine Pharr	cpharr@csm.edu
Columbia College	PBT of 550	SAT/ACT required for scholarship	-	-	Jun 1	Aug 1	Deanie Kane	dkane@columbiasc.edu
Converse College	Required	Yes	-	Nov 15	March 1	March 1	April Lewis	april.lewis@converse.edu
Cottey College	PBT of 550, IELTS of 5.5	Yes	-	-	Rolling	Dec 31	Rick Eber	reber@cottey.edu
Douglass Residential College at Rutgers University	See link for minimum TOEFL & IELTS scores	Yes	-	Nov 1	Dec 1	Jan 1	Elaine Zundl	ezundl@echo.rutgers.edu

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Hollins University	TOEFL of 80, IELTS of 5.5	Yes	Nov 1	-	Feb 1	Feb 15	Stefanie Niles	NilesSD@hollins.edu
Mary Baldwin College	PBT of 500	No	-	-	Rolling	April 1	Heather Ward	hward@mbc.edu
Meredith College	TOEFL of 61, IELTS of 6.5	No	Oct 30	-	Feb 15	Feb 15	Stephanie Ellis	elliss@meredith.edu
Mills College	Required	Yes	-	Nov 15	Feb 1	Nov 1	Giulietta Aquino	gaguino@mills.edu
Mount Holyoke College	IBT of 100	No	Nov 15	-	Jan 15	Jan 15	Elizabeth DuMont-McCaffrey	dumon20e@mtholyoke.edu
Notre Dame of Maryland University	PBT of 500, CBT of 173	No	-	Dec 1	Feb 15	Feb 15	Heidi Roller	Hroller@ndm.edu
Saint Joseph College	TOEFL/IELTS or SAT/ACT (one required)		-	-	Priority by April 1	Priority by Feb 1	Jennifer Healey	jhealey@sjc.edu
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College	PBT 500	No	-	-	May 1	-	Beth Terrell	bterrell@smwc.edu

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Saint Mary's College	80 of IBT, 6.5 of IELTS	No	Nov 15	-	Feb 15	March 1	Sarah Wayne	swayne@saintmarys.edu
Salem College	TOEFL/IELTS or SAT/ACT (one required)		-	-	March 1	March 1	Livni Mendez	livni.memdez@salem.edu
Scripps College	PBT of 600, IBT of 100, IELTS of 7	No	Nov 15	-	Jan 2	Feb 1	Maricela Limas	maricela.limas@scrippscollege.edu
Simmons College	IBT of 85, IELTS of 6.5	Yes	-	Dec 1	Feb 1	Feb 1	Catherine Capolupo	catherine.capolupo@simmons.edu
Smith College	TOEFL of 100, IELTS of 7	Yes	ED I: Nov 1; ED II: Jan 1	-	Jan 15	Nov 15, Jan 2, or Feb 1	Karen Kristof	kkristof@smith.edu
Spelman College	PBT of 500, CBT of 250	Yes, only for native English speakers	Nov 1	Nov 15	Feb 1	March 1	Arlene Cash	acash@spelman.edu
St. Catherine University	PBT of 500, IBT of 61, CBT of 173, IELTS of 5	No	-	-	March 15	March 15	Aimee Thostenson	aethostenson@stkate.edu
Stephens College	IBT of 79, PBT of 550, CBT of 213	No	Nov 15	Jan 1	Rolling after Jan 1	March 1	Annette Digby	adigby@stephens.edu

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Sweet Briar College	IBT of 79, CBT of 213, PBT of 550, IELTS of 6.5	No	-	-	Feb 1	April 1	Steven Nape	snape@sbc.edu
Ursuline College	IBT of 68, CBT of 520	No	-	Nov 15	Jun 1	March 15	Jensen Hanna	jhanna@ursuline.edu
Wellesley College	IBT of 100, IELTS of 7 preferred	SAT I plus 2 subject tests or ACT with writing	Nov 1	Jan 1	Jan 15	Nov 1 for ED or Jan 15	Milena Mareva	mmareva@wellesley.edu
Wesleyan College	Required	Yes	Nov 15	-	Scholarships by Jan 15; rolling	Feb 15	Steve Farr	sfarr@wesleyancollege.edu
Wilson College	PBT of 500, CBT of 173, IBT of 61, IELTS of 5	Yes, only for non-native English speakers	-	-	May 1	Apr 30	MaryAnn Naso	maryann.naso@wilson.edu or admissions@wilson.edu
The Women's College at the University of Denver	PBT of 550, IBT of 80, IELTS of 6.5	No	-	-	Aug 10	Aug 10	Jenny Williamson	jenny.williamson@du.edu



AGNES SCOTT COLLEGE
THE WORLD FOR WOMEN

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, and dual degree in Engineering with Georgia Institute of Technology

Distinguishing Features: Agnes Scott College's small size allows for great student-faculty interaction in the classroom, through internship opportunities across Atlanta and the world, and with mentored research—even as an undergraduate. Our student-to-faculty ratio is 11:1 and our average class size is 18. Our Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) Program offers a stimulating and rigorous course of academic study and research to prepare women for graduate school and professional positions in STEM fields. Further, the college has a state-of-the-art science center with classrooms and laboratories.

School Size and Setting: A diverse residential women's college located on 100 acres in a historic neighborhood in metropolitan Atlanta, Agnes Scott College has about 900 students from 30 countries.

Cultural Support Services: Agnes Scott offers a wide range of support services for all students including academic support, student activities, and health and wellness. Academic courses and programs often discuss multicultural and multi-faith issues. Active student groups include Interfaith Council, Muslim Student Association, and the International Student Association. Our dining hall includes Halal foods plus other accommodations during Ramadan. Our Wellness Center uses female healthcare providers.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Agnes Scott students can cross-register at nearly 20 colleges and universities in Atlanta including Emory University and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Cost of Attendance: The 2012-2013 tuition, fees, and room & board cost \$43,691.

Financial Aid: Aid is available for international students. The average award is \$15,000.

Application Fee Waiver: Free online application via the Common Application.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT is 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: 65%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: For financial aid consideration, the deadline is January 15. The regular decision deadline is March 15.

Assistance with English: No ESL courses are provided but tutoring is available.

Point-of-Contact: Alexa Gaeta, Director of Admission, agaeta@agnesscott.edu

Website: www.agnesscott.edu



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, and option for 3-2 Engineering program with Columbia University

Distinguishing Features: The college offers the Hughes Science Pipeline Project, a Distinguished Women-in-Science lecture series, and summer research opportunities to students. Additionally, Barnard students have access to science research internships on-campus and at research centers/hospitals around New York City.

School Size and Setting: Barnard has 2,400 students in a small, urban campus of 4 fully-residential acres in New York City.

Cultural Support Services: Halal and Kosher meal options as well as extended dining hours are available during Ramadan. Barnard has prayer space, female doctors at the health services center, and female-only swim hours at the pool. Further, counseling services for women and an international student orientation are offered. The college also has many cultural and ethnic organizations such as the Multicultural and International Students Association (MISA) and the Barnard International Group (BIG).

Relationships with nearby 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 22 libraries, and compete together in the Columbia-Barnard Athletic Consortium. Barnard students receive a 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 5 double and joint degrees in coordination with other schools in the Columbia University system: 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 (MSM) Exchange:* Selected Barnard students who are extremely advanced in instrumental and vocal performance have the opportunity to pursue professional-level private music lessons at Juilliard or MSM while enrolled full-time at Barnard. Admission is highly selective and requires a full application and separate audition separate.

Cost of Attendance: The approximate cost is \$49,000.

Financial Aid: Limited grant funding is available to highest achieving international applicants based on need. Grants provided up to full cost of attendance.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, waiver can be issued upon receipt of letter from advisor.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is required; ACT or SAT/SAT II also required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 24.9%

Common Application Accepted: Yes the common application is accepted along with a supplement.

Application Deadline: Early Decision deadline (binding) is on November 15; Regular Decision is January 1.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 1

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Vera Bagnyuk, vbagnyuk@barnard.edu

Website: <http://www.barnard.edu>



Bay Path College
Longmeadow, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Biology/Biological Sciences, Biotechnology, Forensic Science and Technology, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bay Path College's professors offer students personalized attention. The college has 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 for every major. Students may also choose to pursue faculty-guided research on a subject of their choice. By invitation only, an honors program is offered for high achieving students. Further, the academic development center provides peer and academic tutoring in select subjects as well as online tutoring for students seeking extra help.

School Size and Setting: Bay Path is a small 4-year college with an average class size of 14 students and total student body 2,177 students. It is located in a safe and affluent suburban community in New England with easy access to the airport, buses, and train stations. The college is less than 2 hours from Boston and 3 hours from New York City.

Cultural Support Services: The Health Services Department is primarily staffed by female nurses and clinicians. A Reflection Room is available on campus for quiet meditation, prayer, and reflection; it also includes yoga mats, spiritual books, and a docking station for music.

Relationships with nearby 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 the Bay Path campus.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2012-2013 year, tuition is \$28,523, room & board is \$11,442, and health insurance is \$2,365.

Financial Aid: International Students will receive merit scholarships based on academic achievement of \$5,000-\$15,000 per year for up to 4 years of undergraduate study.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, the waiver is available for all online applications.

SAT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, one test is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes. Although Bay Path is not listed as a participating school, the Common Application is accepted by mail and the application fee will be waived.

Application Deadline: May 1st is the deadline for Regular Decision.

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

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

Website: www.baypath.edu



Bennett College
Greensboro, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: BS in Biology (teaching and non-teaching track); BS in Chemistry; BS in Mathematics (teaching and non-teaching track); BS in Computer Science; and BA in Computer Science with Concentration in Information Technology. Bennett College also offers training via 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, and Pre-Chiropractic Program with Life University.

Distinguishing Features: Bennett College 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 students in the STEM areas. Current federally-funded grants that provide resources for STEM programs are the National Science Foundation's (NSF) HBCU-UP Grant for a Computational Science Program, the NSF Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program, and the Northeast Alliance Grant.

School Size and Setting: Bennett is a small liberal arts college located in downtown Greensboro.

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

Relationships with nearby 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 for academic year 2011-12.

Financial Aid: Financial assistance is limited.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT/ACT is optional but TOEFL is recommended.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 56%

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the common application is accepted but additional materials are required.

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

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Applications are accepted on a rolling basis so apply early.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Taunya Monroe, Director of Admissions, admiss@bennett.edu

Website: www.bennett.edu



Brenau University
Gainesville, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Health Science, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Students can participate in research starting in their sophomore year; new opportunities that take advantage of wonderful resources in nearby Atlanta include:

- The Endangered Plant Program involves 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, which seeks to minimize destructive repetitive behaviors by animals and improve psychological enrichment opportunities.
- 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 2,800 students; the Women's College traditional residential program has approximately 900 students.

Cultural Support Services: 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; a dedicated physician is available twice per month for female issues.

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

Financial Aid: Academic scholarships are awarded to international students based on academic credentials.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: ACT composite score of 18, IELTS score of 5, SAT total of 900 (verbal 450). Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score requirements: 500 on the paper-based test, 173 on the computer-based test, or 61 on the internet-based test. Alternative to TOEFL is a grade 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 to select the appropriate level of English course.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 48%

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: Rolling admission allows the student to apply at any time. However, applicants should keep in mind the time necessary to process the application and receive a visa appointment.

Assistance with English: The Writing Center is available for all students. The Brenau-affiliated English Language Program is available for Graduate MBA students.

Point-of-Contact: Tiffany Adams, tadams2@brenau.edu

Website: www.brenau.edu



Bryn Mawr College
Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Ecology, Environmental Studies, Geology, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Bryn Mawr College is in the top 10 among all colleges and universities for the percentage of female graduates that continue to pursue doctorates in the STEM fields. Compared to other female college students in the United States, Bryn Mawr students are 7 times more likely to graduate with a degree in chemistry and 12 times more likely to do so in math. Bryn Mawr ranks third in the nation in the percentage of female students receiving degrees in math and has 16 times the national average of female students graduating in physics.

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

Cultural Support Services: Students have access to a 24-hour interfaith prayer room as well as a Halal and Kosher kitchens. Additionally, 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 Colleges: Bryn Mawr's relationships with Haverford College, Swarthmore College, and the University of Pennsylvania provide students access to more than 5,000 courses in 4 unique learning environments.

Cost of Attendance: In 2012-13, the tuition, fees, and room & board total \$55,586 for the 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: There is no application fee for students applying online.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Bryn Mawr has a flexible testing policy that allows students to submit scores from one of three combinations of standardized tests (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 4 years has been English.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 41%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

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

Assistance with English: Resources, tutors, and courses are available to English language learners (ELL).

Point-of-Contact: Jennifer Russell, Associate Director of Admissions, jrussell@brynmawr.edu

Website: www.brynmawr.edu



Carlow University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and 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 there is a unique partnership with Carnegie Mellon University for students wishing to complete a degree in Engineering, Environmental Engineering, or Chemical Engineering.

School Size and Setting: Carlow has about 2,300 total and 866 traditional undergraduates. The University is situated on 14 acres in a secluded Oakland neighborhood that is 10 minutes from downtown and walking distances to other colleges.

Cultural Support Services: All female floors in residence halls, female nurses in Health Services, and prayer space are available on campus. There is a mosque within 10 minutes of campus.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Carlow has strong relationships with other universities and colleges so cross-registration is available at 10 local institutions through the Pittsburgh Council of Higher Education Consortium.

Cost of Attendance: \$32,760 per year

Financial Aid: Merit-based international student scholarships are available in \$2,000-\$8,000 per year range.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, the application fee is waived if applicant completes the online application.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: 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

Application Deadline: While Carlow University operates under a rolling admissions policy, students are encouraged to apply early in their senior year of high school or by May 1st for optimal consideration.

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

Assistance with English: Courses are available locally but not on campus.

Point-of-Contact: Garrett Margliotti, cgl@carlow.edu

Website: www.carlow.edu



Cedar Crest College
Allentown, Pennsylvania

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, and Pre-Vet); and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Biological and Forensic Sciences are especially strong at Cedar Crest.

School Size and Setting: Cedar College has 2,268 students. The college is 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 and New York City is 90 miles.

Cultural Support Services: International Programs, Multicultural Center, individualized advising, tutoring, language assistance, female doctor at Health Services, flexible and accommodating food services.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Cedar Crest is part of the Lehigh Valley Association of Independent Colleges (LVAIC) network. Students can take courses at the other LVAIC schools, which are Lehigh University, Moravian College, Muhlenberg College, DeSales University, and Lafayette College.

Cost of Attendance: The cost is approximately \$42,000 per year, which includes room and board but not books and personal expenses.

Financial Aid: International students are considered for merit-based aid of up to \$15,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL score of 79; IELTS is also accepted.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admissions.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Rolling financial aid deadline; international students are considered for merit aid during the admissions process.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Jenny Weatherford, jenny.weatherford@cedarcrest.edu

Website: www.cedarcrest.edu



Chatham University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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 a self-designed program.

Distinguishing Features: Chatham features practical learning opportunities combined with career exploration. There is the 3-2 engineering program, which enables students to enroll for 3 years at Chatham and then 2 years at an accredited engineering school. Accelerated Graduate Programs enable undergraduates to earn a bachelor's and master's degrees in as few as 5 years. Chatham Abroad provides all Chatham undergraduates with the opportunity to study around the world. Technological updates like wireless access around campus and 13-inch MacBook Pro computers are provided to all first-year and transfer students. Chatham also has a \$10 million science complex, which keeps students connected in and out of the classroom.

School Size and Setting: Chatham University has 2,300 undergraduate and graduate students, and is 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 Colleges: Carnegie Mellon University, University of Pittsburgh, and Penn State University.

Cost of Attendance: For 2011-2012, the costs were as follows: \$29,212 for tuition, \$4,876 for room, \$4,600 for board, and \$1,100 for college & technology fees.

Financial Aid: Chatham offers merit scholarships for international students ranging from \$6,000 to \$14,000 per year. Decisions 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: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Score of 900 on the SAT (reading and math only) or ACT equivalent. Additionally, international students should have a TOEFL score of 79 or IELTS score of 6.0.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 68%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Chatham has rolling admission but the Early Action deadline is November 1. For regular admission, students are strongly encouraged to apply by March 1.

Assistance with English: Chatham offers a Bridge Program to students who do not meet the English language requirement. In order to participate, applicants must have a 61 on the TOEFL or a 5.0 on the IELTS; additionally, students are required to enroll in 3 ESL classes for 2 terms as well as take one approved elective.

Point-of-Contact: Sheryl Stearns, sstearns@chatham.edu

Website: www.chatham.edu



COLLEGE OF
Saint Benedict

College of Saint Benedict
St. Joseph, Minnesota

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

Distinguishing Features: The following are available at the College of Saint Benedict: National Science Foundation-supported programs for women in science, a very strong international focus, and co-education within a women's college residential program.

School Size and Setting: The College has 2,000 students and is located in a small town bordering a large city; it is also near Mall of America.

Cultural Support Services: The school has a large international student population. The International Student Program Office is staffed with 2 full-time staff and 8 part-time student assistants. College of Saint Benedict respects and supports religious, cultural, and dietary (Halal) choices.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: With separate residential campuses for women and men, CSB partners with Saint John's University (SJU), a men's college that enrolls 1,900 men.

Cost of Attendance: \$45,800

Financial Aid: Up to \$20,000 in scholarships and \$2,800 work award can be granted.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is required; SAT is recommended (but not required).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 80%

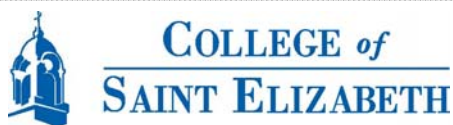
Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 15th. The preferred Regular Decision deadline is January 15th but students can apply until March 1st.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Alex Schleper, Director of International Admission, aschleper@csbsju.edu

Website: www.csbsju.edu



College of Saint Elizabeth
Morristown, New Jersey

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Allied Health Studies, Foods & Nutrition, Math, and Psychology; Pre-Professional Certifications: Pre-Med, Pre-Dental, and Pre-Vet; Joint Program with Seton Hall: Physician's Assistant; and 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 New York City by car, bus, or train (the stop is located at the gates of the college). CSE is conveniently near Morristown Memorial Hospital and numerous pharmaceutical companies. The average class size, even in science and for first year students, is 15. Students are guaranteed direct access to their professors and—as part of the teaching model—the school does not have Teaching Assistants. Having opened in 2007, the Annunciation Center is a \$17 million dollar, 44,000 square foot building with a 560-person performing arts hall, permanent art gallery, Holocaust Resource Center, art & music studios, a Mac Computer lab, and flexible classroom space.

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

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

Relationships with nearby Colleges: CSE students can take advantage of free cross-registration with Fairleigh-Dickinson and Drew Universities.

Cost of Attendance: For 2011-2012, tuition was \$26,440; room & board was \$11,560; fees were \$1,700; so the total cost of attendance was \$39,700 for a year.

Financial Aid: Scholarships for international students can be \$4,000-\$16,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT and TOEFL are required for financial aid.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: Each student is evaluated on an individual basis.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling Admission.

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

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Donna Tatarka, apply@cse.edu

Website: www.cse.edu



College of Saint Mary
Omaha, Nebraska

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Math, Psychology, and the joint Engineering program with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Distinguishing Features: College of Saint Mary (CSM) science programs are thriving; the college funds 3 full-ride, 4-year scholarships each year to incoming STEM students. The campus features a newly remodeled science and math building. 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 are compensated for research on the CSM campus or at larger research institutions during the summer. CSM prides itself on the close relationships between faculty and students, academic excellence, cultural diversity (20-plus percent are minority students), and the 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, and has about 1,100 students.

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

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Joint engineering program and Information Science program with the University of Nebraska-Omaha (UNO) and University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) are available. Science partnerships with UNO through INBRE and NASA are also available as discussed above.

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

Financial Aid: \$14,595

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes. Minimum acceptable scores are as follows: TOEFL – 550 on paper, 213 on computer, or 80 via the internet; ACT – 18; and SAT – 860 (critical reading and math).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 45%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling admission.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The preferred deadline for financial aid is March 15th.

Assistance with English: Yes, these services are available through the Center for Transcultural Learning and the Achievement Center.

Point-of-Contact: Christine Pharr, cpharr@CSM.edu

Website: www.csm.edu



Columbia College
Columbia, South Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer & Information Science, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: The National Science Foundation recognizes Columbia College for its innovative curriculum; additionally, the school promotes scientific inquiry and creative problem-solving in students. With the advantage of small classes and individual attention from expert faculty, science majors gain a solid foundation in the biological and physical sciences. Further, 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, computer, and tissue culture laboratories, 6 student/faculty research facilities, and a greenhouse.

School Size and Setting: In fall of 2011, Columbia College had 1,269 students at its metropolitan campus.

Cultural Support Services: Various services are provided through the Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs and Community Resources.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Columbia College partners with the University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC.

Cost of Attendance: Annual tuition, fees, and room & board were \$31,688 for 2011-12.

Financial Aid: Average aid for international students is \$15,000. Other opportunities for financial aid are such: Founders Scholarship – full tuition equivalency (1,300 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 29 on the ACT); Presidential Scholarship – \$14,000 per year for resident students (1,150-1,299 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 25-28 on the ACT); and Trustee Scholarship – \$12,000 per year for resident students (1,000-1,149 on the SAT in critical reading and math, or 21-24 on the ACT).

Application Fee Waiver: No fee for online applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Scores of 550 or greater on TOEFL are necessary for admission; SAT/ACT tests are optional although required for scholarship consideration.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 73%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: June 1

Financial Aid Application Deadline: August 1

Assistance with English: No

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

Website: www.columbiasc.edu



Converse College
Spartanburg, South Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Engineering (dual degree program offered in partnership with Clemson University), Math, Medical Technology, and 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 research on the Converse campus with faculty mentors 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 on 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 treatment.

School Size and Setting: Founded in Spartanburg, SC in 1889, Converse is a private residential women's undergraduate college with co-ed graduate programs. The total enrollment is 1,938 students, of whom 773 are undergraduates and 1,165 are graduates; 15 states and 14 countries represented. The student/faculty ratio is 10:1, which is among the best in the nation. In 2011, Converse College is ranked #1 for Best Value in the South by *U.S. News & World Report*.

Cultural Support Services: Converse College offers a wide range of resources to accommodate special dietary needs, including healthy choices for vegans and vegetarians. Students who live on campus are required to have a meal plan. Basic health care is provided by the on-campus Converse Wellness Center, which is staffed by all women; Converse partners with local doctors for additional treatments. 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 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 facilities are just miles from the Converse campus.

Cost of Attendance: For 2011, tuition and fees were \$27,320 per year; room and Board was \$8,554.

Financial Aid: 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 & Design, Music & Theatre, and funding for 8 Division II sports.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 15; the Regular Decision deadline is March 1st.

Point-of-Contact: April Lewis, april.lewis@converse.edu

Website: www.converse.edu

COTTEY

Cottery College
Nevada, Missouri

STEM Majors Offered: Cottery College offers Associates' Degrees in Astronomy, Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Psychology, and a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies.

Distinguishing Features: Cottery's 2-year curriculum is packed with campus life experiences worth 4 years' of college. Further, Cottery's rigorous academic credentials get students admitted into their preferred university to finish the bachelor's degree requirements. The newly accredited 4-year bachelor's degree programs with interdisciplinary courses in women's leadership, social responsibility, and global awareness offer a unique educational opportunity at Cottery. Courses in the biology curriculum prepare students 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 Cottery's academic program. Since having a global perspective is important, every year the entire second-year class travels to an international destination for an adventure—and Cottery College pays for the trip!

School Size and Setting: Cottery College is located in Nevada, Missouri, which is 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 allows for a lot of individual attention, and represents 40 states as well as 23 countries.

Cultural Support Services: International Friendship Circle (IFC) helps form bonds of understanding among Cottery's international students and interested U.S. students. At bimonthly meetings, students share ideas and cultural experiences. IFC works with the college's food service to share international students' favorite foods and cultural activities during special events throughout the academic year. IFC also sponsors opportunities to discuss customs of the countries represented on campus.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Students who pursued the 2-year programs at Cottery have successfully transferred to numerous 4-year colleges and universities.

Cost of Attendance: The annual cost for 2012-2013 is \$23,800, which includes tuition, room & board, and fees.

Financial Aid: Yes and the average aid package is \$7,500.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL scores of 500 or IELTS 5.5 are required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 61%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Rolling

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Rick Eber, reber@cottery.edu

Website: <http://www.cottery.edu/>



Douglass Residential College

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: Douglass Residential is a women's college set among Rutgers University, a major research institution, and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ). A 25-year-old program at Douglass Residential College supports women in the STEM fields.

School Size and Setting: The population of Douglass Residential College is ~2,000 students; Rutgers in New Brunswick has ~31,000 students. Douglass Residential College is located in central New Jersey about 1 hour from New York City and 1.5 hours from Philadelphia.

Cultural Support Services: Douglass Residential College serves a large and diverse group of students; as such, the school takes the cultural and religious needs of each student very seriously.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Douglass Residential College is closely affiliated with Rutgers University and UMDNJ.

Cost of Attendance: The total for tuition, fees, and room & board is \$36,679.

Financial Aid: No financial aid is available for international students; however, merit-based scholarships range from \$2,000 to \$8,000.

Application Fee Waiver: No

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: The following link indicates minimum TOEFL and IELTS score requirements: <http://admissions.rutgers.edu/International/ApplyNow/requiredcredentials.aspx>. Information on SAT and ACT scores is at <http://admissions.rutgers.edu/Academics/AdmissionsProfile.aspx>.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: Admission rates vary by the program.

Common Application Accepted: No

Application Deadline: The Early Action deadline is November 1st and the Regular Action is December 1st. The deadline for transfer students is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The deadline for financial aid is January 1st.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Elaine Zundl, Assistant Dean, ezundl@echo.rutgers.edu

Website: <http://drc.rutgers.edu/>



Hollins University
Roanoke, Virginia

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

Distinguishing Features: Hollins University offers guaranteed internships to all students; summer and January short term research opportunities are available with faculty members.

School Size and Setting: The 475-acre campus of Hollins University is located in Roanoke, VA. In attendance there are 723 undergraduate and 235 graduate students from 47 states and 14 countries.

Cultural Support Services: Special dining hall hours are available during some religious holidays. Leadership development programs are offered for underrepresented pupils and international students including during orientation, through the cultural diversity workshop series, and as part of cultural adjustment and cultural identity counseling.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Hollins University and Roanoke College have a long-standing reciprocal agreement. Students can receive courses taken at Roanoke College provided that the course is not offered at Hollins University.

Cost of Attendance: \$41,465

Financial Aid: Hollins has grants, loans, and work study available to students. The average award for international students is half of the tuition.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 85%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

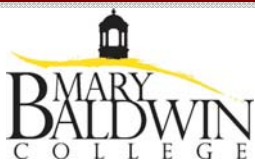
Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 1st; Regular Decision is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Inquire with college directly.

Assistance with English: No

Point-of-Contact: Stacey Hill, hillsm2@hollins.edu

Website: <http://www.hollins.edu>



Mary Baldwin College
Staunton, Virginia

STEM Majors Offered: Applied Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Clinical Laboratory Science, Computer Science/Mathematics, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Mary Baldwin offers STEM students undergraduate research opportunities; a description of this cornerstone program is at <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 at 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 such as engineering and computer science through the University of Virginia, and physics through Washington and Lee University.

School Size and Setting: Mary Baldwin College is a residential women-centered campus of ~800 students located in the beautiful historic downtown of Staunton, Virginia. Located among the rolling hills of Shenandoah Valley, the college is approximately 3 hours from Washington, D.C., and 90 minutes from Richmond, VA.

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

Relationships with nearby 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 University, and Virginia Military Institute.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition: \$26,610; fees: \$350; and room & board: \$7,790. Total: \$34,750.

Financial Aid: Yes, financial aid of \$5,000-\$13,000 based on TOEFL, IELTS, or SAT scores can be available. The average financial aid award for international students is \$5,000.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: No

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The College has a rolling admissions deadline.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The financial aid deadline is rolling admission.

Assistance with English: Yes. English as a Second Language course is offered in the fall semester; English tutoring and English conversation partners are also available.

Point-of-Contact: Heather Ward, globalengagement@mbc.edu

Website: www.mbc.edu



Meredith College
Raleigh, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Psychology, and dual-degree program in Engineering with North Carolina (NC) State University

Distinguishing Features: Meredith College's STEM programs are housed in the state-of-the-art Science and Mathematics building. Student-faculty research laboratories and an Electron microscope are available. Pupils may participate in the undergraduate research program as early as the freshman year; the college has great partnerships with several pharmaceutical, technological, medical, and many research agencies in the 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. An honors program is offered for high achieving students. Meredith also has a master's programs in nutrition, business, and education.

School Size and Setting: Meredith College has 2,100 undergraduate and graduate students. The campus is located in a beautiful and safe environment of 225 acres in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Cultural Support Services: Meredith College is known for its welcoming campus and the services available to all students including international community members. The school's international programs staff serves as liaisons to students visiting from other countries. Meredith also participates in internationally-known programs that specialize in assisting women reach success such as the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women and the Zawadi Africa Education Fund. Also available are partnerships and a safe network of supportive community members that help to host international students and assist in meeting special needs of students.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: There are 11 colleges and universities in the local area and much collaboration exists with schools like NC State, University of NC-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: Pending board approval, the 2012-13 cost is \$40,220 (\$29,190 for tuition, \$8,340 for room & board, and \$2,690 for other expenses).

Financial Aid: A range of academic and need-based awards from \$3,000 to \$15,000 per year are available. If selected as a Legacy Scholar, the award is for the full cost of attendance. The Presidential Scholar receives an award of full tuition.

Application Fee Waiver: No

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL / IELTS or SAT / ACT (one is required).

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 60%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is October 30th; Regular Decision is February 15th. Space permitting, additional applications are accepted after February on an individual basis.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the preferred deadline for financial aid.

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Stephanie Ellis, Associate Director for Operations, elliss@meredith.edu

Website: www.meredith.edu

MILLS

Mills College
Oakland, CA

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Biopsychology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Mathematics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Mills College has a long-standing commitment to advance women interested in science and technology. Academic resources include a 26,000-square-foot natural sciences facility with state-of-the-art laboratories that model environmentally-friendly construction. The on-campus Botanic Garden serves as a living laboratory for biology students. Mills also has a range of research and internship opportunities. The student-faculty ratio is 10:1 with an average class size of 16, which ensures personal attention and collaborative, interactive classes. Diversity is recognized as a vital component of the educational experience. Over 65% of the Mills faculty is female and 52% of Mills undergraduates are women of color.

School Size and Setting: The College is located on 135 lush acres in the foothills of Oakland, California, between San Francisco and Silicon Valley. The Mills student body for 2012–13 includes 949 undergraduate women and 597 graduate women and men.

Cultural Support Services: Support services include the Muslim Student Association (an on-campus student club); female physicians and medical staff at Mills Student Health Center; meal accommodations at Ramadan; and non-denominational prayer spaces on campus as well as the Oakland Islamic Center, Islamic Cultural Center of Northern California, and Masjid Al-Islam mosque located near campus.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Cross-registration is available with San Francisco Bay Area colleges and universities including the University of California-Berkeley. The special 3+2 Engineering Program in conjunction with the School of Engineering at the University of Southern California (USC) enables students to earn 2 bachelor's degrees in just 5 years.

Cost of Attendance: The cost is ~\$50,000 per year including tuition with single room & board.

Financial Aid: Some 95% of undergraduates receive some form of financial aid. The average financial aid award for 2012–13 was \$36,437.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT (reasoning) or ACT plus TOEFL are required for international students.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 63% of first-year applicants

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: November 15th is the deadline for Early Action; February 1st is for regular decision. Spring enrollment is also available (see website for details).

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th

Assistance with English: Yes

Point-of-Contact: Giuletta Aquino, Dean of Undergraduate Admission, gaquino@mills.edu

Website: www.mills.edu



STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Geology, Math, Neuroscience and Behavior, Psychology, and Statistics

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. The college's 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 (MHC) is located 90 minutes west of Boston and 3 hours north of New York City; the school has 2,200 undergraduate students. The campus is located in South Hadley, a small town in Western Massachusetts' Pioneer Valley, which is one of the most beautiful and intellectually vibrant places in New England.

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

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Through the Five College Consortium—Mount Holyoke, Amherst, Hampshire, and Smith Colleges as well as the University of Massachusetts at Amherst—students can enjoy the vast resources of 4 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 contribute to the maximum level of its ability, the college has a long tradition of meeting the full need—as determined by the College—of all admitted students.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: The SAT is optional but TOEFL or IELTS is required. MHC has no minimum scores required but students are more successful with at least 100 on TOEFL or 7 on IELTS.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 42%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision deadlines are November 15th and January 1st. The Regular Decision deadline is January 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The deadlines are as follows: Early Decision I – November 15th, Early Decision II – January 1st, and Regular Decision – January 15th.

Assistance with English: Limited

Point-of-Contact: Elizabeth DuMont-McCaffrey, dumon20e@mtholyoke.edu

Website: www.mtholyoke.edu



NOTRE DAME OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY

**Notre Dame of
Maryland University**
Baltimore, Maryland

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Behavioral Neuroscience, Chemistry, Computer Information Systems, Engineering (3-2 dual degree), Environmental Sustainability, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: For more than 100 years, Notre Dame has educated leaders who make a difference in their professional fields, families, 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: Notre Dame has 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students on a 58-acre campus located in a residential neighborhood close to Baltimore's cultural district. The school is a short trip to Washington, DC; Philadelphia; and New York, which adds to the availability of cultural, recreational, and professional opportunities for students.

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

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Notre Dame participates in an academic consortium with local colleges and universities, which permits 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 per year) is \$28,700; room & board is \$9,900; and student fees are \$1,000.

Financial Aid: Yes, academic scholarships and awards are available to eligible international students.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT/ACT is required but TOEFL can be accepted in lieu of SAT/ACT; a minimum score of 500 required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

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

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the deadline for financial aid applications.

Assistance with English: The English Language Institute at Notre Dame provides an intensive English language program for non-native speakers. The sessions are 8 weeks and consist of classes in writing, grammar, reading, listening, speaking, pronunciation, vocabulary, TOEFL preparation, and American culture.

Point-of-Contact: Office of Admissions—Women's College, admiss@ndm.edu, 800-435-0200 or 410-532-5330

Website: www.ndm.edu



STEM Majors Offered: Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Mathematics with a concentration in Computer Science, and Psychology

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

School Size and Setting: SJC has 2,500+ undergraduate, graduate, and professional students. The pupils enjoy living and learning on SJC's beautiful 84-acre campus, which is located in West Hartford, CT as 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: SJC's food service provider works with individuals who have special dietary needs. In addition, each residence hall has a kitchen; students can be exempted from the meal plan and cook their own food. The health service facility is staffed with all female doctors and nurses. Additionally, a dedicated prayer room is available in one of the residence halls.

Relationships with nearby 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 for tuition, room & board, and fees

Financial Aid: Merit Scholarships of \$3,000-\$20,000 can be offered to qualified students.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT / ACT or TOEFL / IELTS

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 50%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: SJC has rolling admission; the priority deadline for international students is April 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: The priority deadline for financial aid is February 1st.

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

Point-of-Contact: Jennifer Healey, Admissions Office, jhealey@sjc.edu

Website: www.sjc.edu



Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana

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, and Math

Distinguishing Features: Students can pursue self-initiated undergraduate research projects with guidance from a faculty mentor. The campus's natural setting—organic fields, gardens, and orchard—can be used for class and research purposes. Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College is less than 3 miles from Jackson-Schneider Nature Preserve and Wabashiki Wetlands. The school has newly renovated biology facilities and 100% of STEM faculty has terminal degrees. The college has interdisciplinary Sciences and Mathematics department as well as a consortium, which enables broader availability of resources such as instrumentation and collaborations. Additionally, service learning and internship opportunities are available.

School Size and Setting: Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College has nearly 1,800 students and is located in a beautiful rural setting. It is approximately 78 miles west of Indianapolis and only 180 miles south of Chicago.

Cultural Support Services: Students will receive individualized support from student life staff while being immersed in all facets of our campus community. The school has accommodated dining options during religious holidays, prayer space, and female nursing staff on-site.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Indiana State University and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

Cost of Attendance: \$40,000

Financial Aid: Tuition assistance is available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 75%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: There is no application deadline as the college has rolling admission.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: No information on financial aid is available.

Assistance with English: Yes

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

Website: www.smwc.edu



Saint Mary's College
Notre Dame, Indiana

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 teaches students mastery in the STEM fields and also how to effectively communicate that knowledge. Further, the college has a unique commitment to research at the undergraduate level. Every student completes a senior comprehensive research project or examination before graduating. Saint Mary's also offers students the opportunity to conduct research and engage in creative activity on a one-to-one basis with faculty 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 8 weeks during the summer.

School Size and Setting: Saint Mary's College has 1,469 women students. It is located in a suburban setting just north of South Bend, IN, and 95 miles from Chicago, IL.

Cultural Support Services: 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 be successful in the classroom.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: The University of Notre Dame shares a long tradition with Saint Mary's College. The schools are united by being founded in the Catholic Holy Cross tradition and are directly across the street from one another. Students of both schools benefit from academic cross-registration. Pupils 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: For 2012-2013, tuition and fees are \$33,280; average double room & board is \$10,140.

Financial Aid: Each applicant is reviewed for merit scholarships, ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: No application fee is required.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: 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: 85%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 15th; Regular Decision is February 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: 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 a U.S. higher education. Each day, there is a 5-hour session of classes in English focusing on reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Modern language laboratories are available for additional practice.

Point-of-Contact: Sarah Waynee, swayne@saintmarys.edu

Website: www.saintmarys.edu



Salem College
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Salem College features a Women-in-Science and Mathematics program. Additionally, Salem offers internships and undergraduate research opportunities at the nearby biotech research park and the medical school.

School Size and Setting: Salem has 1,100 students and is located in a safe historic village just 4 blocks from the thriving downtown in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in the hub for biotech research.

Cultural Support Services: The school offers individualized services for dietary and religious needs. The health center has female doctors and counselors.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Cross-registration with Wake Forest University is available. Additionally, social and leadership opportunities exist with the other 3 institutions in the city.

Cost of Attendance: \$36,124

Financial Aid: Yes, assistance is available in the sum of \$8,000.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: One of these test scores (SAT, ACT, TOEFL, or IELTS) is required for admission.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 62%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: March 1st is the recommended deadline for admission.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st is recommended as the deadline for financial aid.

Assistance with English: The writing center is available for help with written assignments.

Point-of-Contact: 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 (see 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 3 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 & external sources (e.g., NSF STEP funds). Through an extensive summer research program, students receive paid 10-week fellowships to work with faculty.
- Accelerated Integrated Science Sequence (AISS) is an innovative, year-long introductory lecture-laboratory course integrating chemistry, biology, and physics. This intensive sequence is equivalent to 3 year-long introductory courses, which is most appropriate for those 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 diverse instruments for leading-edge scientific research. There are no graduate students so faculty relies on undergraduates as research assistants and collaborators. Undergraduate students present research at professional conferences and publish.

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

Cultural Support Services: Juma'a Prayer is on Friday afternoons. Torah Study and Shabbat dinners are on Fridays. Female doctors are available throughout the student health service.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Students may cross-register for 2,500 courses and join in activities at 4 partner colleges—Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd, Pitzer, and Pomona—located within 1 mile of Scripps.

Cost of Attendance: Tuition, fees, and room & board total \$54,900 annually.

Financial Aid: Need-based financial aid is available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: For TOEFL (Scripps code #4693), a minimum of 600 is required on the paper-based test or 100 on the internet-based exam. The minimum required IELTS score is 7.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 33-38%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: Early Decision I is November 15th; Early Decision II & Regular Decision, January 2nd.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: Writing tutors are available.

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

Website: <http://www.scrippscollege.edu/>



Simmons College
Boston, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Biostatistics, Chemistry, Chemistry Management, Computer Science, Environmental Science, Information Technology, Mathematics, Physics, Psychobiology, and Web Development

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), which is 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 the beautiful, traditional residential campus. Located in the heart of Boston, Simmons College encompasses the many benefits of a small university of approximately 2,000 undergraduates in the nation's best college town.

Cultural Support Services: 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 is available. A catered Kosher meal plan is available for Passover.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Simmons is a member of the Colleges of the Fenway (COF), which is a collaboration of 6 academic institutions in the area. The COF gives students the opportunity to engage and interact with other pupils, organizations, and classes at partner colleges and offers activities for international students.

Cost of Attendance: The undergraduate full-time tuition is \$32,376 and room & board is \$12,906.

Financial Aid: While Simmons College does not offer need-based financial aid to international students, the school awards scholarships based on academic achievement, ranging from \$5,000 to full tuition.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: 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

Application Deadline: The non-binding Early Action deadline is December 1st. The Regular Decision deadline is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: No information on financial aid is available.

Assistance with English: No

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

Website: www.simmons.edu/undergraduate



Smith College
Northampton, Massachusetts

STEM Majors Offered: Astronomy, Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Computer Science, Engineering, Environmental Science and Policy, Geosciences, Marine Science, Mathematics, Neuroscience, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: Smith College has a preeminent position in science education that is broadly-acknowledged across multiple disciplines; in fact, 30% of Smith's students major in the sciences. Students will learn from professors who are top scholars in their fields and work with state-of-the-art equipment and laboratory instrumentation. Notable facilities include the 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. Ford Hall, a \$73 million LEED-certified building, 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: Smith consists of 2,600 undergraduates located in a small city west of Boston, MA.

Cultural Support Services: The Dean for International Students, Dean of Multicultural Affairs, Director of Institutional Diversity, and Dean of Religious Life are available to students needing support. Halal and Kosher dining options and special consideration during Ramadan are available. Additionally, there is prayer space, female medical staff at health services, individual counseling, and a variety of student cultural organizations.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Smith is a member of the 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: The school will meet the 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 2011-12, Smith 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: There is no charge for applying online; fee waivers available for paper applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: International citizens must submit SAT / ACT scores. If the student's language of instruction is not English, TOEFL or IELTS is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 42% (rates are lower for international students requesting aid)

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The deadline for Early Decision I is November 15th. For Early Decision II, it is January 1st and Regular Decision applications are due by January 15th.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: Writing and quantitative skills tutoring are available. However, proficiency in English is required for admission.

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

Website: www.smith.edu (international students: <http://www.smith.edu/admission/international.php>)



Spelman College
Atlanta, Georgia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Computer and Information Sciences, Dual Degree Engineering, Environmental Science and Studies, Mathematics, Physics, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features: In 2008, the National Science Foundation ranked Spelman College second-greatest producer of black PhD's in STEM. In 2006, 29.3% of all black PhDs in STEM earned their bachelors at historically black colleges and universities (HBCU). Spelman opened the state-of-the-art Albro-Falconer-Manley Science Center in 2001. Other features include pre-freshman summer programs and focuses in biomedicine/health or mathematics/CIS/physical sciences and engineering. There is the Health Careers Office; Office of Science, Engineering, and Technical Careers; and the Math Lab. Spelman has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Environmental Protection Agency, Princeton University, and the Department of Transportation. Several research training programs are available. Local collaborations exist with the Atlanta University Consortium, Georgia Tech, Emory, and Georgia State University. A dual-degree in Engineering Program is available at 14 Participating Engineering Schools. SpelBots and a robotics team (which competed in 3 RoboCups) are unique at Spelman; the school is the only undergraduate women's HBCU team to ever qualify. Student achievement groups range from WISE Scholars, Xerox Scholars, Boeing Scholars, Exxon Mobil Scholars, Department of Energy Scholars, NSF STEM Scholars, to Health Disparities Scholars.

School Size and Setting: Spelman College has 2,100 students. Spelman is a private, independent, and urban 4-year liberal arts college for women offering BA and BS degrees.

Cultural Support Services: New international student accommodations are made for pupils observing Ramadan. Additional features include prayer space and vegan bar. Diverse culturally-based student organizations and programs are available along with assistance from the Office of International Student Services. Annual Georgia International Student Leadership Conference, AMIS International Friendship Program, and Student Affairs Host Family Program are available at Spelman College.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Partnerships exist with Morehouse, Clark Atlanta, Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC), Atlanta Metropolitan, and Morehouse School of Medicine.

Cost of Attendance: \$49,641

Financial Aid: Spelman College does not offer tuition waivers, but scholarships are offered on a limited basis to outstanding students who have demonstrated financial need.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL is required for non-native English speakers; otherwise, the SAT or the ACT is required.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 52%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 1st, Early Action is November 15th, and Regular Decision is February 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st.

Assistance with English: All students are required to read and write in English, but the comprehensive writing center and tutoring is available.

Point-of-Contact: Arlene Cash, acash@Spelman.edu

Website: www.spelman.edu



St. Catherine University
Saint Paul, Minnesota

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Chemistry (3 tracks—Chemistry, Biochemistry, and American Chemical Society-certified Chemistry), Mathematics, Nutrition, Pre-Engineering, and Psychology. Actuarial Science, Physics and Computer Science are available via Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities (ACTC) Consortium.

Distinguishing Features: St. Catherine University is the largest undergraduate college for women in the United States; the *US News & World Report* ranks the school #14 Best Midwestern University. St. Catherine offers research experiences in introductory courses. STEM minors and certificates are available to students in all majors. Additional features include the National Center for STEM Elementary Education, as well as social and professional development events for all STEM students including job search, interviews, and resumes.

School Size and Setting: St. Catherine has approximately 5,000 students in an urban residential neighborhood setting.

Cultural Support Services: Full-time international student advisor is on staff at St. Catherine. Additionally, a 3.5-day comprehensive international student orientation is offered to foreign students along with ongoing advising on immigration, cultural, and academic matters. Career development services at St. Catherine include assistance in finding internships. Female doctors and staff are available at the Health & Wellness Center. Vegetarian options are offered in the dining hall and prayer space exists on campus. There are several mosques within the Twin Cities metropolitan area, and the campus has an active Muslim Student Association and St. Catherine International Student Organization.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: ACTC includes St. Catherine University, St. Thomas University, Macalester College, Hamline University, and Augsburg College. Students can cross-register for courses at any of these institutions.

Cost of Attendance: The cost of attendance for 2012-2013 was \$37,070-\$45,294 depending on credit load.

Financial Aid: Scholarships of up to 45% of tuition and room & board costs are available for students living on campus. For students living off campus, similar scholarships include just tuition costs.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL minimum is 61 IBT or 500 PBT. IELTS minimum is 6.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 54% for all applicants are admitted to the undergraduate program.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: March 15th is the priority scholarship deadline.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: English classes and tutors are available for non-native speakers who have met the TOEFL / IELTS admission minimum.

Point-of-Contact: Aimee Thostenson, international@stkate.edu

Website: www.stkate.edu



STEM Majors Offered: BS in Biology with the option of a Health Science Track (preparation for medical and veterinary professional study) or Laboratory Science Track (preparation for doctoral studies); and BA in Biology that prepares women for a 3:2 Master's in Physician Assistant Studies at Chatham College or 3:2 Master's in Occupational Therapy at Washington University; BS in Psychology. (At the graduate level, a doctoral program in Physical Therapy is available through Chatham College.)

Distinguishing Features: Special degrees list and research-oriented programs are above.

School Size and Setting: Stephens College has approximately 700 women living in the dorms and residential suites. Students enjoy a wide selection of cultural events and artistic performances on campus and in town. The College prides itself on small classes as well as close faculty-student interactions 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: Stephens has a full-time female nurse on staff. Stephens is a small school and can be quite flexible in accommodating individualized needs. At this time, the college cannot accommodate a full Kosher or Halal diet but other arrangements may be possible. Stephens College has dorm apartments with kitchens where students can prepare their own food. Within walking distance is the Islamic Center of Central Missouri. The University of Missouri hosts the Muslim Student Organization.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Stephens participates in the Mid-Missouri Association of Colleges and Universities. Students of member institutions may take classes at any of the 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: International students are eligible for academic merit scholarship awards of up to \$8,000. The average award is approximately \$7,500.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, application fee waivers are available upon request.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: No SAT or ACT scores are required for international applicants. TOEFL scores should be as follows: 79 for internet test, 213 on computer, or 550 on paper.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 65%

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Application Deadline: The Early Decision deadline is November 15th, Early Action is January 1st, and Regular Decision is rolling after January 1st.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: March 1st is the financial aid application deadline.

Assistance with English: Tutoring may be available; no formal ESL program.

Point-of-Contact: Nancy C. Cornwell, ncornwell@stephens.edu

Website: <http://www.stephens.edu>



Sweet Briar College
Sweet Briar, Virginia

STEM Majors Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Engineering Science, Engineering Management, Mathematics, Physics, and 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 in their studies what one 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.

School Size and Setting: Sweet Briar College has 600 students on its rural campus of 3,250 acres.

Cultural Support Services: Sweet Briar provides appropriate individualized support as necessary to its students. For international students, Sweet Briar has an advisor—not to assist in an academic capacity though she can certainly help with this as well—who primarily provides cultural and adjustment support to aid international students as they navigate this college and the US in general. This advisor 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, invite the student for dinner periodically, take the student shopping for school supplies if necessary, and assist with similar activities.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Sweet Briar students can register for a class at 2 other area colleges. Students can also seek social outlets on area college campuses.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2012-2013 academic year, cost of attendance was \$43,765.

Financial Aid: Scholarship opportunities exist up to a maximum of \$20,000 per year.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, an application fee waiver is available in case of financial need.

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

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 82% overall

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the common application is accepted with an institution-specific supplement, which is available online.

Application Deadline: February 1st is the application deadline.

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

Assistance with English: Peer-to-peer tutoring in academic subjects is available but there is no English language assistance.

Point-of-Contact: Steven Nape, Dean of Enrollment Management, snape@sbc.edu

Website: www.sbc.edu



STEM Majors Offered: Biology (pre-med/pre-professional), Biology-Life Science, Biotechnology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Pre-Engineering, and Psychology

Distinguishing Features:

- 92% female student population
- majority of faculty and administration are female
- 100% female full-time faculty in Mathematics and Chemistry
- small classes with 8:1 student-to-faculty ratio
- interactive pedagogy based on *Women's Ways of Knowing*
- safe campus
- strong track record of acceptance into medical & professional schools

School Size and Setting: Ursuline College has approximately 1,450 students, 180 of whom live in the residence halls. The school is located in Pepper Pike, Ohio, which is a suburb of Cleveland. Ursuline's campus is in an extremely safe area and has 110-plus wooded acres. Many cultural opportunities are available in Cleveland (<http://www.cleveland.com/arts>).

Cultural Support Services: The Office of Multicultural Affairs provides ethnic programming for the entire college community. Cleveland has many diverse ethnic communities and resources. The dining hall has extended hours during Ramadan. Prayer spaces include the non-denominational College chapel, designated areas in the residence hall, an outdoor Peace Pole, and an outdoor labyrinth.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: John Carroll University and Notre Dame College have partnerships with Ursuline College. Additionally, Ursuline has articulation agreements with the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine and the master's in engineering program at Cleveland State University.

Cost of Attendance: The estimated tuition is \$26,304; room & board is \$8,288.

Financial Aid: 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 of variable amounts are awarded to students recruited directly by the Athletic Department.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, fees are waived for online applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: TOEFL score of 68 on IBT or 520 on CBT is needed.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 88%

Common Application Accepted: Yes, the common application is permitted.

Application Deadline: Ursuline College has rolling admission but international students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible to ensure that all required materials are submitted in time. Sufficient time is also needed for the institution to issue all paperwork required for the visa process.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Contact the college for additional information.

Assistance with English: All international students must meet the minimum English proficiency requirements for admission. Tutoring for English Composition coursework is available through Ursuline Resources for Success in Academics (URSA).

Point-of-Contact: Jensen Hanna (jhanna@ursuline.edu)

Website: www.ursuline.edu



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, and Psychology. In addition, Wellesley offers 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 Olin College of Engineering), and 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: Wellesley has 2,300 undergraduate students at its suburban location that is 12 miles west of Boston.

Cultural Support Services: Wellesley offers the host families program for international students, international students' cultural and advising center, Halal and Kosher dining options, the Muslim Student Association, daily and Friday prayer services, Halaqas, a Muslim chaplain, multi-faith center, and female doctors at health services.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Cross-registration programs are available with Babson College, Brandeis University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and the Olin College of Engineering.

Cost of Attendance: \$55,114

Financial Aid: Generous need-based financial aid awards are available for international students. Awards meet 100% of demonstrated financial aid need as loans are not offered.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, SAT-I plus two subject tests or the ACT with writing. TOEFL or IELTS is strongly recommended for applicants from non-English-based high school curricula.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: The admission rate is 29% overall for US citizens, permanent residents, and international applicants not seeking financial aid, and 10% for international citizens seeking aid.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

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

Financial Aid Application Deadline: November 1st is the financial aid deadline for ED; January 15th is the deadline for EE and RD.

Assistance with English: No

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Website: <http://web.wellesley.edu/web/Admission>



Wesleyan College
Macon, Georgia

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

Distinguishing Features: Wesleyan was the first college chartered to grant degrees to women. The school is 28% international students. Further, International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma graduates may receive up to 30 credit hours.

School Size and Setting: Wesleyan College has 699 students on its 200-acre campus in Macon, GA, which is an hour south of Atlanta.

Cultural Support Services: A number of support services are available to students including via the food service, health service, counseling services, international student orientation, the International Student Association, and interfaith initiatives.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Yes, there is a partnership with 3 colleges in Macon, Georgia.

Cost of Attendance: For the 2012-2013 academic year, the cost is \$28,400.

Financial Aid: Full and partial tuition scholarships are available.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes, there is no fee for all on-line applications.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes

Percent of Applicants Admitted: 52%

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

Application Deadline: For Early Decision, the deadline is November 15th; to receive a scholarship, the deadline is January 15th; and the Regular Admission deadline February 15th. Wesleyan College also maintains a rolling admission policy.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: February 15th is the financial aid deadline.

Assistance with English: Tutoring is available through our Academic Center.

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Website: www.wesleyancollege.edu



Wilson College
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania

STEM Majors and Programs Offered: Biology, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Financial Mathematics, Mathematics, Psychobiology, Psychology, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Veterinary, and Pre-Health Professions

Distinguishing Features: Students majoring in the physical and life sciences collaborate with faculty on a 3-semester research sequence, which concludes in a presentation of 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. The Faculty/student ratio is 1:9 and the average class size is 13 students. Enrollment is around 800 students.

Cultural Support Services: The International Student Advisor plans excursions, cultural activities, and Friendly Family placements. The 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. The nearest Mosque is in Harrisburg, which is 35 miles from campus. A prayer room is open 24 hours a day for personal prayer and devotions. This space respects all faiths and is devoid of denominational symbols.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: Exchange relationships exist with Shippensburg University and Gettysburg College.

Cost of Attendance: Annual cost is \$39,050. Scholarships up to 50% of tuition are determined by cumulative grade point average; however, there are no full-tuition waivers. The average institutional aid awarded for the 2011-12 academic year was \$14,374.

Application Fee Waiver: Yes

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: Yes, TOEFL or IELTS is required if the first language is not English. For TOEFL, a score of 500, 173 on computer-based test, or 61 on the internet-based test is required. For IELTS, a score of 5 or above is required.

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

Application Deadline: May 1st is the deadline for the fall semester and October 15th for the spring semester.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Apply for financial aid prior to April 30th for maximum aid eligibility.

Common Application Accepted: Yes

Assistance with English: Academic Purposes (EAP) courses are offered.

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Website: <http://www.wilson.edu>



STEM Majors Offered: Information Technology Studies are offered at The Women's College (TWC).

Distinguishing Features: University of Denver's TWC features research-one classification, top-tier national rankings, and world-class facilities. Students represent over 15 countries; further, there are many nontraditional students in the age range of 18-60 years. Many faculty members are also multi-lingual and multi-cultural. The faculty of the Information Technology Studies program provides students the opportunity 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 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, which provides great professional and academic opportunities.

School Size and Setting: The University of Denver (DU) is a medium-sized campus located within the city of Denver. Its ~11,000 students are evenly split between the undergraduate and graduate institutions. The Women's College has ~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: 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 available. For example, DU will accommodate Halal or Kosher foods and can ensure access to the dining facility outside of typical facility hours. DU also celebrates the Muslim student population during Ramadan. Further, a special prayer space is provided on campus. Female physicians and psychologists are available at the health and counseling facilities. Students also receive assistance with re-entry to their home country. Currently, DU has over 1,100 international students and ~25% are from Muslim countries.

Relationships with nearby Colleges: TWC is part of the larger co-educational DU system; as such, students can take advantage of all resources provided by facilities at both.

Cost of Attendance: Annually, tuition, room, and board costs \$27,448 for a full-time student taking 12 credits.

Financial Aid: The Women's College offers ~180 scholarships each year ranging from \$500 to \$10,000. Average aid for current international students is \$2,500.

Application Fee Waiver: The College does not have an application fee.

SAT / ACT / TOEFL / IELTS Tests: SAT or ACT is not required. For TOEFL, a minimum of 550 PBT or 80 IBT is needed. On the IELTS, a minimum of 6.5 with no less than 6 on any individual band scores is required. Exemptions can be found at <http://www.du.edu/apply/admission/apply/international/proficiency.html>.

Percent of Applicants Admitted: In Fall 2011, 61.54% of applicants were admitted.

Common Application Accepted: No; http://womenscollege.du.edu/admission/admission_information.html.

Application Deadline: Applicants are accepted each quarter. The fall entry deadline is August 10 but applying earlier is recommended.

Financial Aid Application Deadline: Same as above.

Assistance with English: DU has an accredited intensive English language program on site and bridge English courses for non-native speakers. DU offers conditional admission based on English proficiency.

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