

Amherst College

Amherst, MA

Amherst College is one of the nation's premier private, national liberal arts and sciences colleges. The student body of 1,650 includes students from 50 states and 30 countries - 30% are students of color, 46% receive need-based aid, and 5% are non-U.S. citizens. Two distinctive features of an Amherst education are its "open curriculum" (no core or distribution requirements) and its membership in a five-college consortium of nearby schools (providing students with the resources of a much larger institution). Founded in 1821 as an educational institution for men, it began admitting women in 1975. Its 978-acre campus is located close to the center of Amherst, 55 miles west of Worcester, Massachusetts, 90 minutes west of Boston and three hours north of New York City.

Website: www.amherst.edu/



Private



Co-ed

1,836

Undergraduate
Students

(49.5%)  908 Women

(50.5%)  928 Men



Not reported

Graduate
Students

Admission

Entrance Difficulty	Most difficult
Overall Admission Rate	13% of 9,285 applicants were admitted
Early Action Offered	No
Early Decision Offered	Yes
Regular Admission Deadline	January 1

Qualifications of Enrolled Freshmen

Average GPA	Not reported
SAT Math	750 average 710-790 range of middle 50%
SAT EBRW	742 average 720-770 range of middle 50%
ACT Composite	33 average 32-34 range of middle 50%

Money Matters

Cost of Attendance	\$73,966
Tuition and Fees	\$56,426
Room and Board	\$14,740
Average Percent of Need Met	100%
Average Freshman Award	\$53,209
Average Indebtedness of 2016 Graduates	\$19,075


Academics

Academic Calendar System	Semester
General Education/Core Curriculum	Not required
Full-Time Faculty Teaching Undergraduates	223
Regular Class Size	2-9 students: 21% of classes 10-19 students: 42% of classes 20-29 students: 20% of classes 30-39 students: 10% of classes 40-49 students: 4% of classes 50-99 students: 1% of classes Over 100 students: 1% of classes


Campus Life

Amherst Population	34,874
Nearest Metropolitan Area	&nbsp;
Freshman Housing Guarantee	Freshmen are guaranteed housing
Students in College Housing	97% of all students
Athletic Conferences	NCAA Division III
Mascot	
Sororities	
Fraternities	


Students

Ethnicity of Students from U.S.	0.7% American Indian/Alaskan Native 15.7% Asian 12.5% Black/African-American 14.0% Hispanic/Latino 5.8% Multi-race (not Hispanic/Latino) 0.1% Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander 48.2% White 3.0% Unknown
International Students	9.2% from 58 countries
First-Year Students Returning	96.0%
Students Graduating Within 4 Years	89.6%
Graduates Offered Full-Time Employment Within 6 Months	Not reported
Graduates Pursuing Advanced Study Directly	Not reported