THE ABRIDGED GUIDE TO THE UNABRIDGED EXPERIENCE
More opportunities, more challenges, more ways to push beyond the expected, the obvious. More ways to reimagine what a major looks like, more people from more places, more access to forward-thinking scholars and insightful mentors.

Plus: a world of study abroad programs, a distinctive College House residential life experience, an array of innovative research opportunities and almost limitless range of clubs and activities. More people who understand the power of collaboration, who want to build communities, who expect more from themselves, who give more than they get.

This is the start of Franklin & Marshall. We make our own education, we make our own way. We decide what dreams we want to follow—and then we find ways to bring those dreams to life. We’re the happiest bunch of workaholics you’ve ever seen. We believe there’s always more to know, more to do, more to discover.

This is the start of an unabridged, unlimited, constantly expanding life.
I wanted to be pushed. And this is a place where—in every class, in every activity—we push each other to go further. We’re always asking: What more can we do? What can we do better? Everyone wants to be just one step further—and that pushes the whole community further.

LAYLA THOMAS, SOPHOMORE, ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS, ORGANIZATIONS & SOCIETY, BECHTELSVILLE, PA Layla Thomas is the volunteer chair at Alpha Delta Pi sorority and founder and president of F&M Options: The Other Night Life. She also teaches English as a Second Language.
FIELDS OF STUDY

Africana Studies
American Studies
Animal Behavior
Anthropology
Arabic
Art History
Astronomy
Astrophysics
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Bioinformatics
Biology
Business, Organizations and Society
Chemistry
Chinese
Classical Archaeology and Ancient History
Comparative Literary Studies
Computer Science
Dance
Economics
Engineering
English: Creative Writing
English: Literature
Environmental Management (3-2 Program)
Environmental Science
Environmental Studies
Film and Media Studies
French
Geosciences
German and German Studies
Government
Greek
Hebrew
History
International Studies
Italian
Japanese
Judaic Studies
Latin
Linguistics
Materials Studies
Mathematics
Music
Neuroscience
Philosophy
Physics
Pre-Law
Pre-Med
Psychology
Public Health
Public Policy
Religious Studies
Russian and Russian Studies
Science, Technology and Society
Scientific and Philosophical Studies of Mind
Sociology
Spanish
Studio Art
Theatre
Women’s and Gender Studies

TOP 40 NATIONAL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE
(U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT)

EIGHTEEN students in the average class

9:1 student-to-faculty ratio

ONE OF TOP 50 COLLEGES WITH “BEST PROFESSORS IN AMERICA” (BEST COLLEGE REVIEWS)

40% of faculty publications coauthored by F&M students

$500,000+ in student research grants every year

RECENT STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. Galaxy Clusters in Slice Space
2. Pebble: The Crowd-Funding Story Changing the Smartwatch Industry
3. Visual Perception and Driving Performance
4. Weaving Tools at the Etruscan Site of Poggio Colla (Vicchio)
5. Assessing Nitrogen Fluxes in Pre- and Post-Restoration Wetland and Floodplain Ecosystems
6. Islam and the Ethics of Authenticity: Tradition, Reform and Innovation
7. Local Communities, Commodities and the Fight to Save the Amazon
8. Mapping Deserted Greek Villages for Cultural and Archeological Posterity
9. Philadelphia: An American Dance City
10. Vibrational Reporter Synthesis to Explore Protein Structures

MORE ACADEMICS

MORE CHALLENGE, more intellectual adventure, more opportunities to work side by side with faculty, testing ideas, putting them to work. First-year seminars in the College Houses, an opportunity to create your own major, and an invitation to pursue advanced research, study abroad, internships, independent study and more. More talent, more ideas, more experience: more ways to build a future.
As a student in musicology, the opportunity to go to Vienna was like a pilgrimage. The experience taught me to view music in a cultural context. It gave me a better idea of what musicology is about. I even had a chance to play on Brahms’ piano in his house!

BESS LIU, JUNIOR, MUSIC AND HISTORY, NANJING, CHINA

Bess Liu is a member of two honor societies—for music and American history—and two performance groups, the F&M Chamber Singers and the F&M Players.
MORE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH THE WORLD.
More ways to understand it, work within it, help change it. More cultures, more landscapes, more ways of doing business, governing, practicing medicine, making laws, making art, making cities. More ways to be an effective, forward-looking member of the world community.

MORE GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

11 RECENT STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES
1. Amman, Jordan: Modernization and Social Change
2. Barcelona, Spain: Liberal Arts and Business
4. Cape Town, South Africa: Human Rights in Post-Apartheid South Africa
5. Christchurch, New Zealand: Geology of New Zealand
6. Fortaleza, Brazil: Social Justice and Sustainable Development
9. Prague, Czech Republic: Film Studies
10. Shanghai, China: The 21st Century City
11. Varanasi, India: The City, the River, the Sacred
12. Vienna, Austria: Music History and Performance

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

Term abroad programs in England, France and Italy
Summer travel courses in China, Japan and Russia
Community-based learning courses in Ecuador and South Africa
Winter and spring break programs in Ghana and Honduras

DOZENS MORE LANGUAGES SPOKEN ON CAMPUS, INCLUDING:
Albanian, Bengali, Korean, Hindi, Hungarian, Gujarati, Portuguese, Romanian, Tamil, Thai, Turkish, Ukrainian, Urdu and Yoruba, among others

13% of students are international

11 languages taught on campus

50% of students participate in off-campus study

200+ STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS IN 60 COUNTRIES ON 6 CONTINENTS

12 Recent Study Abroad Opportunities

A FEW OF OUR MULTICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS
African Dance Troupe
Asian Cultural Society
Chabad
Ciao Bella (Italian Club)
EYEsee (International Service)
French Club
German Club
Hillel
International Club
Mi Gente Latina
Muslim Students Association
Russian and Eastern European Club
SANGAM (South Asian Club)
“Being in a College House enhanced every minute of my time at F&M. It not only made my social experiences better, but, academically, I felt more comfortable going to college. Just knowing there were two faculty members in the House who knew me enough to care made a big difference.”

GINA DiBENEDETTO, SENIOR, GEO SCIENCES, NYACK, NY
Gina DiBenedetto was chancellor of Bonchek College House and a member of the Diplomatic Congress. She also plays on the women’s ultimate frisbee team, is a member of Kappa Delta sorority, and studied abroad in Greece.
A DEFINING FEATURE of the Franklin & Marshall experience: the College House residential community. Every first-year student is a member of a house—Bonchek, Brooks, New, Ware or Weis—and stays a member for life. Students write their own house constitutions, manage their own budgets, plan their own events, work together with faculty and staff advisers to build an intellectual and social community. The result: more pride, more collaboration, more opportunities for leadership. An education that feels more like an around-the-clock experience.

REGULAR EVENTS PRODUCED BY COLLEGE HOUSES

- Weekly bagel breakfasts
- Film series and theatrical productions
- Field trips to Clipper Stadium, Fulton Theatre and Hershey Park
- Stay Classy F&M Ball on Hartman Green
- Dinners with visiting artists, authors and business leaders
- Holiday coat drive
- Sunday Night Sundaes
- Community "yard sale" benefitting Lancaster-area charities

HUNDREDS OF EVENTS HOSTED BY COLLEGE HOUSES EVERY YEAR

5 COLLEGE HOUSES

1. A vibrant intersection of intellectual and social life
2. A don (faculty liaison) and a dean (administrative liaison)
3. A student-drafted constitution
4. A culture of belonging and inquisitiveness in which students feel comfortable exchanging ideas and learning from each other
5. A substantial annual budget for student-produced social and cultural events
6. Unique traditions, identifying crests and house mottos
7. Fully furnished rooms and suites
8. Fascinating people from around the world, all of whom agree that pizza bagels would probably be a good idea right now
9. Common spaces for meetings, classes, events and eating pizza bagels

WHAT YOU’LL FIND IN EVERY COLLEGE HOUSE

- Recent first-year seminars held in houses

MORE COLLEGE HOUSES

RECENT FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS HELD IN HOUSES

- Choices, Decisions and Rationality
- Civil War Fictions
- Conserving Ecosystems with Predators
- Geeking Out
- How Ideas Become Form
- Human Genetics
- Philosophy in Film
- Quarks to Quasars
- The U.S. in a Global Context
The mindset is: We’re all in this together. The guy on your soccer team is making soup for the environmental activism club. My friend in the improv group is playing in a band at an open mic. We’re all so involved, and we all look out for each other. This is the constantly-doing-things, too-busy-for-our-own-good-and-we-like-it-that-way liberal arts school.

ROB SILVERMAN, JUNIOR, FILM AND MEDIA STUDIES, SEATTLE, WA Rob Silverman is a member of New College House and Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He also is involved with two performance groups: the F&M Players and the Runnspings, an improvisational comedy troupe.
MORE COMMUNITY

MORE PEOPLE doing things you’ve never heard of and suddenly want to do. More people who know you, value you, ask how you’re doing, smile. More ways to collaborate—on a service project, a musical, a start-up, a research project. More art galleries and restaurants and live music and local food (including whoopie pies) in Lancaster City. More access to more cities. A shared sense of enterprise, optimism, hard work, leading to more new ventures, lasting connections, endless possibilities.

SELECTIONS CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Anime Club
Art Club
Asian Cultural Society
Black Pyramid Senior Honor Society
Black Student Union
Catastrophic Relief Alliance
Chess Club
College Reporter
Computer Science Club
Dance Club
Dance Team
Debate Society
Environmental Action Alliance
Equestrian
F&M CARES
F&M Players
Gaming Society
Green Room Theatre Club
Hillel
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
John Marshall Pre-Law Honor Society
LGBTQIA+
LIFT/Slam Poetry
Model UN
Oriflame (Yearbook)
Outdoors Club
Pep Band
Pre-Veterinary Medicine Club
Quidditch Club
Running Club
Ski and Snowboard Club
Students for Autism Awareness
Ultimate Frisbee Club
WNFM

2,209 STUDENTS
51 COUNTRIES
42 STATES

A FEW GREAT THINGS ABOUT CAMPUS

1. You meet pretty much everyone on Hartman Green, an idyllic lawn at the heart of campus featuring Adirondack chairs and electrical outlets (!)
2. Café 1787 in Steinman College Center is open nightly till 1 a.m.
3. You’ll often see the president at Diplomats games with his face painted; or reading poetry at an open mic; or listening to a student bluegrass band at an Arts House concert
4. During finals week in Shad (Shadek-Fackenthal Library), professors and administrators bring snacks for students at midnight
5. Right across the street from campus is College Row, featuring great restaurants, retail shops and a café
6. Every Thursday starting at 11:30 a.m. is Common Hour, a time with no scheduled classes, when everyone is invited for free pizza and a free talk from a renowned expert in a topical field
7. Spring Arts Festival is a weekend packed with games, food, and performances by local and national bands

A FEW EXCELLENT THINGS TO DO IN LANCASTER CITY

1. Catch a film at Zoetropolis Art House and Theatre
2. Go to Central Market, the oldest continuously operating farmer’s market in America (est. 1730)
3. Sample food from around the world, from Ethiopian to Nepalese, Greek to Vietnamese
4. Go to a Barnstormers game—as close as you can get to professional baseball without actually playing
5. See a show at the Fulton Theatre, the oldest continuously operating theatre in America
6. Attend First Friday, a monthly arts extravaganza centered around the city’s Gallery Row
7. Become a regular at Mean Cup, a café in a former forge a few blocks from campus

1 COLLEGE WHOSE PRESIDENT STILL HOLDS OPEN OFFICE HOURS (and keeps a freezer full of ice cream for students in his office!)

22% of students identify themselves as being students of color

PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, WASHINGTON, D.C., AND NEW YORK CITY ALL WITHIN THREE HOURS’ REACH

ALMOST 70,000 hours of community service performed by students every year

60,000 entrepreneurial, creatively driven people in Lancaster City, in a county of 530,000

SELECTED CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

 anime Club
 art Club
 Asian cultural society
 black pyramid senior Honor society
 black student union
 catastrophic relief alliance
 chess club
 college reporter
 computer science club
 dance club
 dance team
 debate society
 environmental action alliance
 equestrian
 F&M CARES
 F&M players
 gaming society
 Green room theatre club
 hillel
 inter-varsity christian fellowship
 John marshall pre-law
 Honor society
 LGBTQIA
 lift/slam poetry
 model UN
 oriflame (Yearbook)
 outdoors club
 pep band
 pre-veterinary medicine club
 quidditch club
 running club
 ski and snowboard club
 students for autism awareness
 Ultimate frisbee club
 WNFM
DEREK PAWLUSH, SENIOR, MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE, MECHANICSBURG, PA

Derek Pawlush plays soccer and runs track; has won three conference championships. He’s co-president of Colleges Against Cancer, helped organize the College’s annual Relay for Life event, and volunteered with S.L.A.M. (Sports, Leadership, Academics and Mentoring).

"Participating in athletics has added to my college experience by giving me a chance to pursue activities and causes that are important and interesting to me. I have met a lot of friends along the way, gained a more varied perspective of life, and learned how to balance a lot of different activities."
MORE HUSTLE, more character, more integrity—and, very often, more winning. More spirit, more ways to dig deeper, push harder, test your limits. More ways to study, analyze, discuss—and then go out and execute. More ways to discover what you’re capable of—as an individual, as a teammate, as a leader.

MORE ATHLETICS

SPONAUGLE-WILLIAMSON FIELD (football) seats 4,000 spectators around a natural grass gridiron. Franklin & Marshall was the first non-Division I school to play 1,000 football games and is among the most successful programs in the history of college football.

THE MAYSER CENTER (basketball, squash, volleyball, wrestling) is home to newly renovated varsity locker rooms and 28 conference championships.

TYLUS FIELD (soccer, field hockey, lacrosse) features a 106,000-square-foot A-Turf playing surface with state-of-the-art lighting and sound systems, plus seating for 2,000.

A FEW THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT Our Athletics Facilities

THE ALUMNI SPORTS & FITNESS CENTER (ASFC) includes the 53,000-square-foot Schnader Field House and the Kunkel Aquatic Center, featuring the 50-meter x 25-yard McGinness Pool, regular site of the annual Centennial Conference Swimming Championships.

BROOKS TENNIS CENTER includes eight lighted courts surrounding Epps Pavilion.

Our pastoral Baker campus is home to CAPLAN FIELD (baseball) and BAKER CAMPUS FIELD (softball), and space for intramural and club sports.

1 DIVISION I TEAM
Wrestling (Eastern Collegiate Wrestling Association) (m)

26 DIVISION III CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE TEAMS
Baseball (m)
Basketball (m, w)
Cross Country (m, w)
Field Hockey (w)
Football (m)
Golf (m, w)
Lacrosse (m, w)
Rowing (Middle Atlantic Rowing Conference) (w)
Soccer (m, w)
Softball (w)
Squash (College Squash Association) (m, w)
Swimming (m, w)
Tennis (m, w)
Track & Field (Indoor/Outdoor) (m, w)
Volleyball (w)

15 CLUB SPORTS
Archery
Cycling
Equestrian
Ice Hockey
Lacrosse (m, w)
Rowing (m)
Rugby (m, w)
Soccer (m, w)
Ultimate Frisbee (m, w)
Volleyball (m)
Water Polo

10 INTRAMURAL LEAGUES
Basketball (m, w)
Flag Football (m, w)
Indoor Soccer (m, w)
Outdoor Soccer (m, w)
Softball (m, w)

1 PROGRAM IN ALL OF COLLEGE SPORTS CALLED THE DIPLOMATS

NCAA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC TEAMS

18 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS IN THE PAST 5 YEARS

400 All-America selections all-time

GO DIPS!
“This is about boosting your intellectual and social capital to the point where you can effectively create change in the world. It’s about people who will go out into the world and solve problems that don’t seem to have a solution. It’s about being in a community with the next education reformer, or the next criminal prosecutor, or the next artist or videographer. It’s about connecting with these people now, so we can make change together, in different ways, in different communities around the world.”

KEIRAN MILLER, SENIOR, ENGLISH (CREATIVE WRITING), BROOKLYN, NY
Keiran Miller is a board member for Mi Gente Latina and the Black Student Union, a cofounder of LIFT spoken word poetry club, and president of Intelligent Men Purposefully Accomplishing College Together (IMPACT). He also (!) studied abroad in England and completed internships at Penguin Group USA and Viacom/Comedy Central.
MORE LIFE AFTER F&M

MORE TRAILS BLAZED. More alumni in more parts of the world, doing work that matters. More alumni helping new generations of F&M students, offering internships, advice, support. More ways to imagine new jobs, new businesses, new projects that address ongoing human needs. More ways to build an unlimited life, starting now.

99% of the most recent graduating class working, in graduate school or volunteer service within 10 months of graduation

RECENT GRADS ARE WORKING HERE

A&E Networks
Aetna
Astra Zeneca
Citi Group
Condé Nast
EarthWater Technologies
ESPN
Google
HBO
Humanity in Action
IBM
KIPP
Morgan Stanley
National Institutes of Health
The Nature Conservancy
Nike
NYC Dance Arts
Orlando Magic
Pandora
Philadelphia Museum of Art
Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center
Walt Disney World

AMONG TOP 5 OF ALL COLLEGES FOR GRADUATES EARNING DOCTORAL DEGREES

A FEW NOTABLE ALUMNI

Wanda Austin ’75, president and CEO of The Aerospace Corporation
Stan Brand ’70, principal, Brand Law Group, and vice president of Minor League Baseball
Christine M. Corkran, Esq., ’05, associate director, corporate counsel, Tyco International
Denis Cortese, M.D. ’66, president and CEO of the Mayo Clinic
Michael Dee ’85, CEO of Major League Baseball’s San Diego Padres
William Gray ’63, former president and CEO of the United Negro College Fund
Patricia Harris ’77, CEO of Bloomberg Philanthropies
Jeffrey M. Lacker ’77, president, Federal Reserve Bank, Richmond, Va.
James Lapine ’71, Pulitzer Prize- and Tony Award-winning playwright and director
Kenneth Mehlman ’88, former Republican National Committee chair
Franklin Schaffner ’42, Oscar-winning film director
Mary Schapiro ’77, former chairperson, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

3/4 of all students—not just seniors—take advantage of career programming offered by F&M’s nationally acclaimed Office of Student and Post-Graduate Development

94% of recent grads say F&M prepared them for success in their first professional position

100% acceptance rate to law school for most recent graduating class

RANKED NUMBER EIGHT!
NATIONALLY
for liberal arts graduates who earn the most during their early- and mid-career years (Forbes)
ADMISSION AND FINANCIAL AID

More than just a widely respected diploma, more than a long list of achievements, more than a lifelong network of talented, ambitious friends and mentors—a Franklin & Marshall education is a transformative life experience. An unlimited, unabridged, inspiring future starts here. (But you have to apply first.)

APPLYING
We’re looking for students who are looking for more. To wit: We seek students of high promise and diverse backgrounds who love learning and appreciate a close and supportive campus community, rigorous coursework, rich opportunities for research and creative expression, and collaboration with other talented students and outstanding faculty.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:
Early Decision Round 1: November 15 (Notification by December 15)
Early Decision Round 2: January 15 (Notification by February 15)
Regular Decision: January 15 (Notification by April 1)

Important note: Franklin & Marshall is “test optional,” meaning we accept SAT and ACT scores, but they are not required. Students who apply via our standardized test option must submit the Standardized Test Option form and two graded writing samples with their application. Roughly one-third of our applicants select this option.

FINANCIAL AID
F&M is committed to meeting the full institutionally determined financial need of every student for all four years on campus. The College provides more than $49 million in financial aid annually, with an average need-based aid award of $45,595.

Students requesting need-based financial aid must submit the FAFSA, CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE and federal tax records by the appropriate deadlines. Additional details are available from the Office of Financial Aid: www.fandm.edu/financialaid

COST OF ATTENDANCE (2016–17)
Tuition: $52,490
Room and Board: $13,120

VISITING
There’s no better way to get a genuine sense of a college than to spend time on campus. Come visit us. Take a tour, talk to current students, sit in on a class, catch a game, explore the College Houses—see what more looks like when it’s put to work.

Sign up for a tour or interview: go.fandm.edu/visit
Talk with one of our regional deans: go.fandm.edu/dean
Take a virtual tour: go.fandm.edu/virtualtour
- **1787 FOUNDED**: Founded in 1787, the institution is one of the oldest in the United States.
- **47 MAJORS**: Offers 47 majors (or create your own!)
- **9:1 STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO**: With a ratio of 9:1, students have easy access to faculty.
- **13TH-OLDEST INSTITUTION**: One of the 13th-oldest institutions of higher education in the United States.
- **47 MAJORS**: Offers 47 majors (or create your own!)
- **18 AVERAGE CLASS SIZE**: Classes are small with an average class size of 18.
- **140 STUDENT-RUN CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**: A vibrant community with 140 student-run clubs and organizations.
- **9:1 STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO**: With a ratio of 9:1, students have easy access to faculty.
- **26TH “MOST ECONOMICALLY DIVERSE TOP COLLEGE” (New York Times)**: Known for its diversity.
- **13 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**: In 60 countries, students can explore the world.
- **27 NCAA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC TEAMS**: Competitive teams available for students.
- **289 MILLPORT CONSERVANCY**: Dedicated to environmental and biological research.
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- **70% COLLEGE HOUSES**: Governed by students.
- **289 MILLPORT CONSERVANCY**: Dedicated to environmental and biological research.
- **94% OF STUDENTS**: Study abroad, providing cultural experiences.
- **$44 MILLION IN NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID**: Each year, awarded to students.
- **83-ACRE MILLPORT CONSERVANCY**: Dedicated to environmental and biological research.
- **27 NCAA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC TEAMS**: Competitive teams available for students.
- **50% OF STUDENTS**: Study abroad, providing cultural experiences.
- **27 NCAA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC TEAMS**: Competitive teams available for students.
- **MOST VICTORIES OF ANY COACH IN NCAA DIVISION III HISTORY**: 890 and counting! F&M’s Glenn Robinson (men’s basketball).
- **70% OF STUDENTS**: Participate in community service projects.
- **2 MASCOTS**: Ben and John (Franklin) (Marshall).
- **1312 AVERAGE SAT**: 29
- **3287 STUDENT-RUN CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**: A vibrant community with 140 student-run clubs and organizations.
- **2 MASCOTS**: Ben and John (Franklin) (Marshall).
- **THE DIAGNOTHIAN (OR DEBATE) CLUB RANKING**: Nationally in 2016.
- **1312 AVERAGE SAT**: 29
- **LANCASTER IS A TOP 10 “MOST EXCITING SMALL CITY” (MOVOTO REAL ESTATE)**: Lancaster is a top 10 “most exciting small city”.
- **“BEST CITY FOR WELL-BEING” (GALLUP SURVEY)**: Lancaster is also a top 10 “best city for well-being”.
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Motto: **LUX ET LEX**

(“Light and Law”)