Merrimack College and Experiential Education Opportunities
Allan Weatherwax, Provost
Merrimack College is a selective, independent college in the Catholic, Augustinian tradition whose mission is to enlighten minds, engage hearts and empower lives.

The College offers undergraduate degrees in the liberal arts, business, science and engineering, and education; it also offers graduate programs and a range of bachelor's degree completion programs.

- Over 3,000 full-time undergraduates and 450 graduate students representing 32 states and 31 countries
- 90+ academic programs
- 13-to-1 student-teacher ratio
- Strong cooperative education program for all majors, study abroad, internships and career services programs
- Just 25 minutes north of Boston
- 75% of students reside on campus
- More than 50 student clubs and activities
- NCAA Division I men's and women's hockey and 20 men's and women's NCAA Division II sports
“Our new engineering suite provides Merrimack students cutting-edge equipment and technology in state-of-the-art classroom environments. Our students are invited to imagine, design, explore, and construct in these spaces. We want them to push beyond traditional education boundaries.”

Dr. Allan Weatherwax, Dean of the School of Science and Engineering
Merrimack College
ENROLLMENT GROWTH

Undergraduate

Graduate
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<th>Academic Year 2010</th>
<th>Academic Year 2017</th>
<th>Change Over Time</th>
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<td>Undergraduate Fall Enrollment</td>
<td>1,879</td>
<td>3,416</td>
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<td>Graduate Fall Enrollment</td>
<td>60</td>
<td>581</td>
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<td>Full-Time Faculty Lines</td>
<td>134</td>
<td>192</td>
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<td>Total Financial Aid</td>
<td>$20.8M</td>
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<td>U.S. News Ranking</td>
<td>178 NLA</td>
<td>Regional Univ. North 57</td>
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<td>Operating Revenue</td>
<td>$78.2M</td>
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<td>Fundraising / External Funding</td>
<td>$2.3M</td>
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<td>Resident Students</td>
<td>1,397</td>
<td>2,440</td>
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<td>Campus Size (gsf)</td>
<td>1,021,326</td>
<td>1,279,531</td>
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High Impact Experiential Education Design

Experience
- Has direct Learner Involvement (is hands-on and learner’s choice)
- Is meaningful & substantial (not just watching, has impact)
- Is situated/authentic (ideally in place where learning is to be used)
- Embraces disruptive moments and supports personal exploration of one’s beliefs and values

Curriculum Integration
- Learning outcomes are articulated and measured
- Outcomes and assessment are aligned
- Experiential and academic learning are connected for, and by, the learner

Student Outcomes
- Skills, knowledge & understanding are developed
- Attitudes, values and beliefs are challenged
- The learner contributes to the learning environment and the curriculum
- New meaning is constructed by connecting previous and new learning

Reflection
- Is ongoing and meaningful: In and on practice and projected forward to future practice
- Is Critical vs Descriptive
- Is socially mediated, supported, and assessed

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Over-arching Content

Warriors in the World
Preparing Students for Life After Merrimack

Warriors at Work
Co-op & Internships

Warriors in the Lab
Undergraduate Research
Project-based Learning

Warriors Away
Study Abroad & Study Away
Conferences

Living Learning Community

Industry Mentors

Academic & Career Advisors

Exclusive Workshops

Warriors in the Community
Service Learning
Community Engagement
Merrimack College

INSTITUTIONALIZING RELATIONSHIPS
Designed to build emotional intelligence and provide students with "soft skills" such as problem-solving, conflict resolution, critical observation and adaptability.

Through an application and selection process, sixty students from a wide range of academic disciplines representing the Girard School of Business, School of Liberal Arts, School of Education and Social Policy, School of Science & Engineering and School of Health Sciences will participate in this signature program.