This is Colgate.
The campus rises steeply, creating a sense that this place is always ascending. And so it has climbed for over 200 years, proud of its tradition, emboldened by ambition. This is where the best scholars in their fields actually put teaching first. This is where students thrive in the most creative curriculum in America. This is what it feels like to have the best of a research university and a liberal arts college in one. This is a scene of unforgettable beauty, of energetic spirit, of intellectual preparation for life. This education is distinct. This is Colgate.
Students walk on the academic quad between classes.
Chapter 1

A Sense of Place
Beauty

From the first look, the campus is inviting. And then, as it takes hold, the scenery becomes defining. Colgate’s allure shapes the experience of living and learning here. The feeling comes alive in every majestic view. It is in the cover and colors of sugar maples and red oaks. It is in the strolls along Willow Path, the serenity of Taylor Lake and Payne Creek, the history chiseled into halls of stone. Set in the Chenango Valley of central New York, Colgate is one of the most beautiful environments in America. It is forever in Colgate’s identity: breathtaking beauty.
**CHARLIE QUILL ’23**

Hometown: Scarsdale, N.Y.

Major: Geology

Minor: Sociology

Activities: Link Staff, Indoor Rock Climbing Club, Club Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee Club, Greek life

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**ALEX TRAN ’22**

Hometown: Hanoi, Vietnam

Majors: Psychological sciences; educational studies

Activities: President of the Colgate Vietnamese Society (CVS), Head Verbal Coach for SAT Prep, Sipsam (Kpop) Dance group, Office of International Student Services intern

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**MAX RUBINSTEIN ’24**

Hometown: Buffalo Grove, Ill.

Major: Biology

Minor: Theater

Activities: Orientation Link Leader, Chabad of Hamilton, General Chemistry teaching assistant

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**OWUSU ANSAH ’23**

Hometown: Accra, Ghana

Major: Biology; psychology

Activities: Community Leader, Olin Bird Colony lab assistant; Theater production assistant, President of African Student Union, Model AU, Intramural soccer

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**KELSEY BEAUSOLEIL ’23**

Hometown: Groton, Mass.

Majors: Molecular biology; history

Activities: Cross Country, Track and Field, Sidekick mentor, Career services liaison for Pre-Health Pathways

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**ABIGAIL GETZ ’24**

Hometown: Saratoga Springs, N.Y.

Major: Biochemistry

Activities: Ultimate Frisbee Club, Colgate Buddies
Students often choose Colgate because it just fits, the intangible quality that can mean everything in picking a college. They know it as soon as they get here. It starts with that first step on campus, seeing the landscape and the way people engage with each other. It grows and endures because students find others who share their interests in class, in recreation, in reflection.

Colgate, from its courses to its residential commons, is expressly designed to help people connect. This place attracts students who want to live in a community with peers, study seriously, challenge themselves, be active, get involved. The reason it feels right to people from so many different places and perspectives is because Colgate supports, welcomes, and wants them.
Scale

The scale of Colgate is unlike any in America. As a university, it offers world-caliber faculty, extraordinary research opportunities, dozens of diverse majors, nearly 200 clubs, and the highest level of competition in athletics: Division I. As a private and selective liberal arts college, it is intimate enough to ensure that teaching is the priority and that students know their professors. Colgate is a learning environment of small classes, on a campus designed for community, in a town where people gather at the inn and village green. It is also a 575-acre home of expansive academic choices on campus and around the world. The balance of that scale is distinctive. It creates opportunities only Colgate can offer.

SMALL-SCHOOL FEEL

3,228
Size of the student body. A small student body creates a connected community

→ Scenic setting in a small town. Forbes listed Hamilton as one of America’s friendliest towns

18
Average class size

57%
Percentage of tenure-track professors who live within the Hamilton area

→ Housing is guaranteed, providing a four-year residential experience

→ Residential Commons system offers smaller living-learning communities

→ Faculty and administrative leaders are approachable and active in the lives of students by attending brown bag lunches, holding drop-in hours, and more
BIG-SCHOOL BENEFITS

25 NCAA Division I Athletics teams

- Uncommon opportunities for undergraduates to take part in research and significant service projects each summer

22,000 internships and jobs posted by career services this year

- Strong, loyal, passionate network of alumni

- Distinguished faculty

- Recent expansion of physical spaces on campus: Benton Hall, Jane Pinchin Hall, Burke Hall

196 Clubs, organizations, and club sport options, plus the option for students to start their own

- Study-abroad options: 100+ approved programs, 18 Colgate study groups, five extended-study options

- High caliber of visiting speakers, scholars, and artists
Excellence

What makes learning at Colgate so exceptional is academic quality at a remarkably personal level. Every single class is taught by distinguished faculty — never teaching assistants. Professors truly get to know and mentor their students, with classes kept small enough to ensure it. At the same time, Colgate’s larger scale provides an enviable choice of majors, research, and global study. The hallmarks of a Colgate education have stood for centuries: critical inquiry, knowledge across disciplines, rigorous preparation for the world. Graduates have a profound ability to summon reason, gather facts, solve problems, and communicate with power. This is the choice for students who are sophisticated, driven, and eager for transformative teaching.

Anthropology and peace and conflict studies professor Nancy Ries listens to students in her class War in Lived Experience.

Physics and astronomy professor Enrique Galvez was named an Optical Society Fellow for his outstanding research, development of educational optics laboratories, and involvement of undergraduates in research.

Renowned author Jonathan Franzen speaks to students in the Living Writers course. Discussion and a Q&A session covered topics ranging from Franzen’s personal life to his book Freedom: A Novel, which students read prior to Franzen’s visit.
100%
Classes taught by faculty who are leaders in their fields

9:1
Student-to-faculty ratio

Zero
Classes taught by teaching assistants

94%
Retention rate (students returning as sophomores)

SCHOLARS PROGRAMS
Colgate offers scholars programs for first-year students based on qualities demonstrated in their admissions applications. All of these students receive valuable support toward learning, research, and global travel as they begin their Colgate life.

Alumni Memorial Scholars
Students with an exceptional academic record and who will thrive by contributing to the intellectual community

Office of Undergraduate Studies Scholars
Students who have shown creativity, determination, and intellect in the face of significant challenges

Geography professor Peter Klepeis discusses the ways in which the environment and sustainability initiatives affect emotion in GEOG 306: The Geography of Happiness.

Art and history professor Lynette Stephenson explores creative visual modes of expression in her studio art class.
LEGACIES OF THE ANCIENT WORLD
Explore ancient texts that articulate perennial issues: the nature of the human and the divine; virtue and the good life; truth, justice, and beauty; the difference between subjective opinion and objective knowledge.

CHALLENGES OF MODERNITY
Think about how our world has been shaped by long-standing debates over gender, psychology, identity, imperialism, morality, race, science, urbanization, and violence.

SCIENTIFIC PERSPECTIVES ON THE WORLD
Examine how science illuminates our understanding of issues in the world around us.

COMMUNITIES AND IDENTITIES
Introduce yourself to processes and factors that fashion communities and identities around the globe.

CREDITS
Five of the 32 credits needed for graduation are part of the core. Courses can be completed in any order.

THE CORE REQUIREMENTS
Sample courses offerings:
- Religion and Jewish Studies (CORE 151)
- History (CORE 151)
- Classics (CORE 151)
- Political Science (CORE 151)
- English (CORE 152)
- Philosophy (CORE 152)
- Art and Art History (CORE 152)
- Sociology (CORE 152)
- The Story of Colorants (CORE 152)
- Intro to Statistics (CORE 142)
- Language & Cognition (CORE 152)
- Japan (CORE 143)
- The Middle East (CORE 144)

THE STORY OF COLORANTS
Examine how science illuminates our understanding of issues in the world around us.

Professor Rebecca Ammerman discusses aspects of early Greek life, including art, architecture, and culture.

Associate Professor Kezia Page and her students trace the sociocultural history of the Caribbean using literature, film, and music.
Core

Colgate’s core curriculum teaches not just topics but habits of mind. The core takes students through an intellectual exploration of questions that every educated person will need to deal with at some point in their lives. Gathered in lively small-group discussions, students go in surprising directions of discovery as they dive into history and challenges of modern life. The courses cross all majors, reflecting a Colgate liberal arts education that teaches the whole person and a world that never fits neatly into just one discipline.

Although it is one small slice of a student’s overall coursework, the core unites everyone in a common academic experience. And even though its tradition runs more than 90 years, the core is distinctive for never aging. With intensity and care, the faculty debate each year how to keep the core fresh, ensuring that it is constantly relevant.

A GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT SELECTION
Investigate the conditions and consequences of intercultural and global interactions from a variety of intellectual and methodological approaches so as to confront responsibly the challenges of the 21st century.

Areas of Inquiry
In addition to the core itself, students also choose two courses each from these three areas: Human Thought and Expression; Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and Social Relations, Institutions, and Agents.
Majors
Minors are offered in most majors

- Africana and Latin American studies
- Anthropology
- Applied mathematics
- Architecture†
- Art and art history
- Asian studies
- Astrogeophysics
- Astronomy/physics
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Chinese
- Classical studies
- Classics
- Computer science
- Computer science/mathematics
- Creative writing†
- Economics
- Educational studies
- English
- Environmental biology
- Environmental economics
- Environmental geography
- Environmental geology
- Environmental studies
- Film and media studies
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- German

†Minor only
The Colgate University Department of Theater presents Sophocles’ Antigone at the Brehmer Theater in the Dana Arts Center.
Enrique "Kiko" Galvez, professor of physics and astronomy
Courses: Physical Optics (PHYS 304), Electronics (PHYS 336); Kiko mentored Faith Williams ’19, who later received a national award for her research on diagnosing Alzheimer’s disease

Karen Harpp, professor of geology and peace and conflict studies
Courses: Volcanology (GEO 220), The Advent of the Atomic Bomb (CORE 138); Karen led a team of students, staff, and faculty in an interdisciplinary academic experience of the Galápagos Islands

Padma Kaimal, professor of art & art history
Courses: From Emperors to Anime (ARTS 246), Hindu Temple Architecture (ARTS 344); Padma took students in her ARTS 244, Temples, Caves, and Stupas class to western India

Peter Balakian, professor of English
Courses: Confession and Rebellion: American Literature in the 1950s (ENGL 422); 2016 Pulitzer Prize for poetry; in 2019, Peter won the Jerome Balmuth Award for Teaching and Student Engagement
Students at Colgate tend to refer to their courses by the name of the person who teaches them. That shorthand reflects what students feel — a personal connection to the classes because of the professors. The faculty are not just known for their achievements; they are actually known by the students in a real way, every day. Beyond their research and teaching success, the faculty have developed a proud reputation for who they are: approachable, invested, involved, and inspiring.

Eddie Watkins, professor of biology
Courses: Plant Physiological Ecology (BIOL 489); Eddie and former student (now colleague) Weston Testo ’12 have collaborated on research projects for 10 years, publishing seven papers together.
STUDENT RESEARCH AT COLGATE

$2.5 million
in funding designated in the last three years for students participating in summer research

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
Microplastic Chemical Retention
Cecelia Vu ’22

CLASSICS
Reconstructing the History of the Sanctuary of Athena
Cole Ventresca ’23

PHYSICS / ASTRONOMY
Dark Matter and Stellar Evolution
Jillian Paulin ’23

MATHEMATICS / ECONOMICS
Regulation and Environmental Risks in Mortgage Lending
Sahil Lalwani ’22

POLITICAL SCIENCE
Bolivia as a Case Study for Trade Policy in Developing Nations
Jackson Coleman ’22

ART HISTORY
Architecture and Culture During the Venetian Plagues of 1576 and 1630
Raina Jung ’23

BIOLOGY
Variation in Leaf Area Index of Cajander Larch Forests Within a Fire Perimeter
David Nadav ’22

ANTHROPOLOGY / SOCIOLOGY
Aristotle, Nietzsche, and the Nature of Truth
Matthew Silver ’22

HISTORY / AFRICANA AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES
Runaway Advertisements and Enslaved Database
Will Lam ’23

81% of students participate in academic research before graduating from Colgate
Research

Colgate’s research is distinguished in quality, respected by peers, and honored by awards, but the real surprise is who gets to do it: an overwhelming majority of undergraduate students. The access to research opportunities is a true differentiator at Colgate, where students can typically work directly with top scholars simply by asking.

Undergraduates at Colgate get doctorate-level opportunities without having to compete with graduate students for those chances. The research covers the entire spectrum of Colgate liberal arts, from the sciences and social sciences to the arts and humanities. Some students even get research published before they graduate. The intellectual experience of teaming with faculty in discovery is transformative.
Success

The students of Colgate carry its values. And one day, they carry out the value of a Colgate degree, which opens doors with its reputation for excellence. The finest employers and most competitive graduate schools all know what it means to meet someone who went to Colgate. This university teaches people to grow in both confidence and humility. To challenge themselves and others with reason and respect. To communicate clearly. To see many perspectives. To embrace responsibility and engage in society. Those are the skills employers want. They reflect well-rounded people who can help, compete, and win in the real world. They are Colgate graduates.

TOP EMPLOYERS OF COLGATE GRADS

AlphaSights
Bank of America
Merrill Lynch
Barclays
Colgate University
Ernst & Young
Guidepoint
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
National Institutes of Health
NBCUniversal
Peace Corps
UBS
Vettery

94%
of last year’s class secured jobs, admission to graduate schools, fellowships and scholarships, military or volunteer service within nine months of graduation.

190
Formal recruiting partners, including Deloitte, Ernst & Young, Goldman Sachs, Google, Major League Baseball, Mass General Hospital, Peace Corps, and Revlon

SophoMORE Connections networking event, offering students an opportunity to ask advice and seek the guidance and counsel of Colgate alumni, as the students begin to think about their career options and job opportunities
With support from Colgate’s Thought Into Action Incubator, entrepreneur Uyi Omorogbe ’19 created African-inspired clothing company NaSo. Profits from sales fund renovations and supplies for Nigerian schools.

JASPER LIM-GOYETTE ’23
Became EMT certified and served as a volunteer firefighter and EMT in Hamilton, N.Y.

MINH KHUE NGUYEN ’22
Created investor presentations focusing on macroeconomic trends as well as the equity market for Wipunen Asia Capital.

R WYNTER SCHNELL ’22
Researched the intersection of user experience, marketing, product design, and management at UX Bureau to improve the company’s image as a consultancy for other companies.

AKSHARA RAMASESHAN ’22
Assisted in a number of capacities while an intern at Mediators Beyond Borders International, including research to finalize the 2020 Economic and Social Council Report and piloting a new youth action group.

ABIGAIL FLYNN ’22
Participated in a 10-week Arabic program with the Huruf Center in Cairo that increased her formal and colloquial skills and prepared her to study abroad.

$1.7+M
has been designated in the last three years for students to pursue valuable experiences in unpaid or underpaid positions.

Students in the lobby of Benton Hall, the home of the Center for Career Services, the Office of National Fellowships and Scholarships, and the Thought Into Action entrepreneurship program’s administrative office.

More Photos
#1
Ranked nationally in number of undergraduates participating in semester-length, off-campus study among baccalaureate institutions

63%
Percentage of Colgate students who take part in off-campus study

Colgate students take a tour of Moore Town, a maroon community village in the Portland Parish in Jamaica.

Students visit Chethams Library in Manchester, England, as part of their course Technology, Science & Culture in the History of Manchester.

The National University of Singapore Study Group explores diverse and dynamic Southeast Asia, including a weeklong trip to Bali.
Off Campus

Colgate opens up the world to students by giving them an extraordinary chance to see it. Over its history, Colgate has long been moving outward, encouraging its students to learn the cultures and perspectives of foreign places. What came of that commitment is one of the most revered off-campus programs anywhere. The sheer scope is remarkable, led by more than 100 approved study-abroad programs in 50 countries.

Students can do semester-long off-campus study groups or short-term faculty-led trips with a professor after the semester ends. The majority of students study somewhere else in the world. From Cuba to China, Uganda to Jamaica, Australia to Argentina, Colgate classrooms are everywhere.
SELECT OFF-CAMPUS STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Economic principles and analysis through the study of Britain’s economic problems and policy responses in London, England

French language and culture through extended residence and study in Dijon, France

Individual identity and material culture of the ancient city of Athens, Greece

Environment, health, and community in rural Uganda

Spanish language and culture in Madrid, Spain at Universidad San Pablo CEU

Interdisciplinary exploration of environmental studies in Wollongong, Australia

Environmental problems and environmental activism in Kunming and Beijing, China

Internship at an international governmental or nongovernmental organization in Geneva, Switzerland

COUNTRIES VISITED

Africa:
Cameroon
Ghana
Jordan
Kenya
Madagascar
Morocco
Rwanda

Europe:
Austria

Azerbaijan
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany
Greece

Hungary
Iceland
Ireland
Italy
Lithuania
Netherlands
Poland
Portugal
Russia
Serbia
Slovakia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
United Kingdom
Intensive language study and exploration of Japanese society and culture in Kyoto, Japan

The legacies of Carrolup in Western Australia

Constitutional procedures and government operations of political parties, congress, public administration, and the legislation in Washington, DC., U.S.

Intensive research at the National Institutes of Health laboratory in Maryland, U.S.

National security in New York City, U.S.

Dolphin Research Center in the Florida Keys, U.S.

Archaeological sites in Mexico

History, culture, and life in Havana, Cuba

Middle East:
Egypt
Israel

Asia:
China
India
Indonesia

Japan
Mongolia
Nepal
Singapore
South Korea
Sri Lanka
Thailand
Vietnam

Oceania:
Australia
Cook Islands
Fiji
French Polynesia
New Zealand
Samoa

North America:
United States

Latin America:
Costa Rica
Mexico
Panama
Puerto Rico

Caribbean:
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Grenada
Jamaica
Montserrat
U.S. Virgin Islands

South America:
Argentina
Bolivia
Chile
Ecuador
Peru
Colgate students participate in a “tree climbing for break” class in the woods along the Darwin Thinking Path on the former ski hill on Colgate campus. The class was run by Outdoor Education for students who remained on campus during the autumn break.

Colgate's Outdoor Education program traveled to Cochise Stronghold, a rock-climbing destination in the backcountry of Southern Arizona, for spring break. Staff, guides, and students came together to enjoy the spectacular landscape of rugged canyons and towering granite domes.
Colgate loves the outdoors, and it sure tends to attract students who feel the same way. The University’s outdoor education program is regarded as one of the nation’s best. For first-time students, it begins even before they do; more than a quarter of incoming students take a pre-orientation trip in the New York wilderness, hiking, climbing, and paddling with trained leaders. That symbolizes a commitment to get people outside, have fun, and earn credit in the backyards of natural settings around the region. Outdoor classes capture the driven nature of Colgate students. The lessons learned — leadership, teamwork, personal growth — capture Colgate itself.

Colgate is also committed to protecting the environment. In 2019 it became the first college or university in New York to be carbon neutral — meaning it offsets its own greenhouse gas emissions by reducing or removing emissions elsewhere, such as by planting trees that absorb carbon as they grow.
Chapter 3
Community
Students who live in Colgate housing

92% Students who live in Colgate housing

RESIDENTIAL COMMONS SAMPLE ACTIVITIES

Art Fest
Student art exhibition and sales

The Colombian Peace Process
Guest lecture

Brown Commons event series
“Seekers, believers, and doubters” brings students together to answer important questions on identity and meaning.

Mindfulness-Based Stress-Reduction Course

Halloween Soiree
Karaoke, mask making, costume contests, trivia, improv, and music

Apple Picking

Coffeehouse
Music Nights

Trivia Night

FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES

Part of a long-standing tradition at Colgate, the first chartered fraternity dates back to 1856. About 30% of students belong to one of the five fraternities and three sororities.

Students in West Hall, part of Dart Colegrove Commons

Jane Pinchin Hall is one of the new residential buildings on campus. Colgate’s Residential Commons program connects students with professors, staff, and each other in special recreational, social, and intellectual activities.
Living

What makes living at Colgate so uncommon is what the University does to give first-year and second-year students something in common: a community within a community. Beyond the hall in which they live, students belong to one of four residential commons, groupings that allow them to have support, make friends, and feel connected early in their college life. The activities are optional, but they usually draw a crowd: weekly dinners with faculty, ski trips, study groups, trivia nights, provocative discussions, weekend brunches.

This is part of how Colgate prepares people for life. Living in a close community means learning the skills of empathy, sociability, flexibility, and respect for others. Beyond the commons, most every student lives in Colgate housing, an offering that is guaranteed for all four years.
Inclusivity

Opportunities abound for Colgate students to explore, understand, and appreciate culture and identity. Because of this, students can learn to make connections and communicate well across their different experiences, identities, and backgrounds, which can help build a stronger community and empower students to embrace and celebrate their strengths and those of their peers.

Student-favorite ALANAPalooza, hosted by the Africana, Latin, Asian, and Native American (ALANA) Cultural Center, kicks off Colgate’s academic year. Brown bag lunches offer a platform to discuss challenging topics. Today’s leaders and activists are special guests on campus, sitting down for dinner, joining classes, offering thoughts and insights. These countless activities and resources — and the staff, faculty, and peer mentors who support them — bring a diverse community together in the spirit of personal growth and discovery.
SUPPORT AND RESOURCES FOR EVERY STUDENT

Each Colgate student is paired with an administrative dean and a faculty adviser, who help them navigate student life and academics. The support builds from there. Students are surrounded by resources that focus on their health, safety, and success and aid in their personal and academic growth. These include:

- Shaw Wellness Institute
- Student Health Services
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counseling
- Haven: Sexual Violence Survivor Support
- 24/7 Campus Safety

FIRST@COLGATE

Every year more than 300 first-generation students pursue their degrees at Colgate. The First@Colgate program supports first-generation students and their families in taking advantage of everything that Colgate has to offer.

SAMPLE CULTURAL AND INCLUSIVITY PROGRAMS

- Artforce
- Blue4Q LGBTQ+ Awareness Game
- Empower: Student of Color Support Group
- Heritage Month Celebrations
- Lambda
- Lavender Graduation
- LGBTQ+ Family Dinners
- LGBTQ+ History Month and Queerfest
- QTPOC
- Unity
- VISION: Multicultural Group Leader Meetings

Photos: Social activist, human rights advocate, and writer Opal Tometi at Colgate's MLK Celebration in Colgate Memorial Chapel
Fans cheer on the Colgate men’s basketball team.

Dancefest is Colgate’s best-known tradition, where dance groups perform in a celebration that unites the campus.

Earth, Wind, and Fire performed in the Sanford Field House during the Bicentennial Kickoff Weekend.
Spirit

It starts on arrival day. As first-year students pull onto campus, fellow students stand atop the stone Colgate University marker as a welcoming committee — banging pots and pans, cheering on the new students, and prodding them to honk their horns if they love Colgate. That is what students do: they love Colgate. They are serious about learning and about having fun, and they chose a school that embraces both. They are passionate and ambitious. They channel that drive into everything. Colgate students seek out connections, share warm hellos on the walk to class, and feel part of this university for life. They create a whir of energy. That is Colgate spirit.
Alumni

Even by college standards, where many universities have proud and passionate followers, the alumni of Colgate are more than loyal. They are famously loyal. And that means the students of Colgate can count on support from one of the most inspiring and successful group of leaders in America. Colgate alumni provide mentoring, internships, and constant engagement with undergraduates, tailored right down to their areas of interest.

At more than 35,000 strong, Colgate alumni are leaders of business, literature, finance, entertainment, and more. Each year, dozens return for a weekend devoted to giving career counsel to Colgate sophomores — just one of many examples of how Colgate alumni are involved and invested in the alma mater they love.

Academics

Michèle Alexandre ’96, civil rights scholar, dean of Stetson University College of Law, and professor of law

Denniston Reid ’94, co-chief executive officer at Excellence Community Schools

Kevin Ross ’94, president of Lynn University

Henry Zymeck ’82, principal of M.S. 245 in NYC; featured in the New York Times

Andrea Maldonado ’97, founder and director of international admissions at the National Student Leadership Conference

Drea Finley ’13, inaugural dialogue facilitator at Williams College

Arts

Joe Berlinger ’83, Academy Award-nominated, and Peabody-and Emmy-winning filmmaker

E. Garrett Bewkes IV ’10, publisher of National Review

Juliet Cohen ’86, director of RBG, nominated for Best Documentary Feature at the 2019 Oscars

Chris White ’91, executive producer of the Academy Award-nominated film Minding The Gap and documentary series POV and America ReFramed; winner of multiple Emmy Awards

Athletics

Rob Stone ’91, lead studio host at FOX Sports

Mark H. Murphy ’77, president and CEO of the Green Bay Packers

Tad Brown ’86, CEO of Harris Blitzer Sports and Entertainment, including the 76ers

Kiira Dosdall ’09, plays professionally for the Metropolitan Riveters of National Women’s Hockey League

Adonal Foyle ’99, 13-year NBA player; entrepreneur, philanthropist, and CEO of Adonal Foyle Enterprises

Daniel Green ’06, founder and CEO of Green Sports Management

David Lloyd ’83, studio host at ESPN

Lauren Schmetterling ’10, Olympic gold medal–winning rower

Mosaic Volunteers

Colgate’s Mosaic connects multicultural alumni with current Colgate students, providing them with an opportunity to learn from alumni, especially in career development and networking.

Alumni Career Volunteers

Colgate alumni play an active role in career development and networking opportunities by offering internship programs, job shadowing, mentorship, and more.
**Business and Entrepreneurship**

Silvia Alvarez ’96, SVP, associate director, international and domestic communications at Major League Baseball Players Association

Jenna Kramer ’10, associate policy researcher, RAND Corp

Samantha Radocchia ’11, co-founder of Chronicled Inc.; Forbes 30 under 30

Tim Spence ’01, Digital Banker of the Year (American Banker), president at Fifth Third Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio

Jon Sendach ’98, executive director, North Shore University Hospital

Carmine Di Sibio ’85, global chairman and CEO of Ernst & Young Global Ltd.

Nick Kokonas ’90, founder and owner of Alinea, Next, The Aviary, and Roister; founder and CEO of Tock, Inc.

**Media and Publishing**

Jennifer Levene
Bruno ’94, SVP, group publishing director, and chief revenue officer, Hearst Magazine

Kristin Koch ’05, executive director of Seventeen Magazine

Bob Woodruff ’83, correspondent at ABC News


Gloria Borger ’74, journalist and columnist; chief political analyst at CNN

Stephen Burke ’80, senior advisor at Comcast Corporation

Matt Renner ’01, VP of production at National Geographic’s, Free Solo

**Politics and Advocacy**

Amy Dudley ’06, VP of communications at Chan Zuckerberg Initiative

Maggie Dunne ’13, founder of Lakota Children’s Enrichment; Forbes 30 under 30

Peter Feldman ’04, commissioner of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Evan Kramer ’09, director of research, analysis, and reporting at DC Office of the State Superintendent of Education

David Kusnetz ’09, litigation associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

Nicol Turner Lee ’90, senior fellow, governance studies and director, Center for Technology Innovation at the Brookings Institution

Rob Sobelman ’08, Assistant U.S. Attorney

**Science and Tech**

Spencer Charles ’11, product operations manager at Google Inc.

Matthew Culbreth ’09, associate creative director at Peloton

Jason Rand ’07, global travel brand partnerships at Pinterest

Clarissa Shah ’10, managing counsel at LinkedIn

Kim Sass ’12, architectural job captain, HLW

Debra Locastro ’05, global sites strategy lead to the CIO at Google Inc.

**35K**

Number of Colgate alumni globally

**PROFESSIONAL NETWORKS**

Colgate’s 10 professional networks are powerful sources of student-alumni connections and career programming. Students participate in events such as the Michael J. Wolk ’60 Conference on Medical Education; Be the Change Weekend, illuminating socially conscious paths under the Common Good Network umbrella; and producing and creating unscripted TV under the Marketing, Media & Communications Network.
Chapter 4

Pursuits
Athletics help define Colgate — its drive, spirit, and ambition. Belonging to and succeeding in Division I NCAA athletics attracts outstanding student-athletes and unites so many people. It reflects Colgate’s excellence as a top American school and distinguishes it from smaller liberal arts colleges. And that is just the start of what sport means at Colgate. For the hundreds of students who take part in intercollegiate athletics, even more sign up for club or intramural sports for fun, fitness, and competition. From the friendly games to the fierce ones, Colgate’s sport culture welcomes all, as athletes and fans, at the highest levels and for all levels.
97%
Graduation rate of student-athletes

CLUB SPORTS
Badminton (Co-ed)
Baseball (Men)
Basketball (Women)
Bowling (M/W)
Cricket (M/W)
Curling (M/W)
Equestrian
(Western, English)
(M/W)
Fencing (M/W)
Field Hockey (W)
Figure Skating
(M/W)
Ice Hockey (M/W)
Indoor Rock
Climbing (M/W)
Lacrosse (M/W)
Nordic Skiing (M/W)
Rugby (M/W)
Sailing (M/W)
Ski Racing (M/W)
Soccer (M/W)
Spikeball (M/W)
Swimming (M/W)
Tennis (M/W)
Ultimate Frisbee
(M/W)
Volleyball (M/W)
Water Polo (M/W)

INTRAMURAL SPORTS
Basketball
Flag Football
Inner Tube Water Polo
Racquetball
Soccer (Indoor, Outdoor)
Softball
Table Tennis
Volleyball (Indoor, Outdoor 3 vs. 3)

From top: Colgate takes on Bucknell in women's field hockey; Colgate guard Jordan Burns takes a 3-point shot during a game against the University of Tennessee in the first round of the NCAA Tournament; Colgate students and faculty members play cricket in the Sanford Field House; men's and women's swimming and diving teams compete in Lineberry Natatorium.
Arts

In all its stirring forms, the arts come alive at Colgate. They reflect the characteristic spirit of the students, who come here wanting to explore and engage. That spirit is why the most beloved event on campus is Dancefest, a packed-house performance of student groups. Music, theater, dance, writing, film, and art allow students to develop a fuller sense of who they are. They bring that imagination into everything else they study. Colgate fosters this exploration in the arts through the majors and minors it offers, in the clubs and concerts it sponsors, in the performers it hosts on campus. The rhythms of every day run through the arts.

From top: The Colgate community participates in artist Nick Cave’s RATTLE; students perform during Dancefest at Memorial Chapel; performance of Paul Catanese’s opera Century of Progress/Sleep
Top: A full-length play written and directed by Dani Solomon, Soup is a tragicomedy about embracing vulnerability through the act of asking a question. Above left: Lynette Stephenson teaches a painting class in the Ryan studios. Above right: Colgate University Chamber Players rehearse in James C. Colgate Hall.
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SAT Prep
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Southern Madison County Volunteer Ambulance Corps
Stockbridge Juniors
Stockbridge Tutors
The Network
Utica Refugee Tutors
We Are Enough

Politics
Colgate Political Review
Colgate Socialist Association
Colgate Vote Project
College Democrats
College Republicans
Debate Society
Democracy Matters
John Quincy Adams Society
Model United Nations

Professional Development
Colgate Actuarial Society
Colgate Architecture Club
Colgate Coders
Colgate Consulting Club
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Pre-Vet Society
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Publications and Media
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Colgate Political Review
Colgate Portfolio CUTV
Monthly Rag
Salt Magazine
WRCU

Sports and Recreation
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Beekeeping Club
Colgate Esports Club
Colgate Golazos
Disc Golf Club
Hiking Club
Recreational Golf Club
Ski & Snowboard Club

Student Government
2022 Class Council
2023 Class Council
2024 Class Council
2025 Class Council
Colgate Activities Board
Senior Honor Society

Sustainability
Green Earth Gang
Green Thumbs
Students for Environmental Action

Wellness
Active Minds
Baking Club
Colgate Cooks
Dumpling Club
Planned Parenthood Generation Action Chapter
Public Health Initiative Spoon University
Volunteering

Colgate believes that those who lead should help others. The students who come to Colgate embrace that belief in social responsibility. They serve the community because of how it feels to know they are making the world better. Their activities help them see real life in a way that broadens what they learn in class. And what they do really makes a difference — tens of thousands of hours tutoring students, helping the elderly, putting out fires, mentoring kids. Colgate’s service learning is rooted in its mission to develop thoughtful leaders who seek to strengthen the larger community. This commitment is backed up by Colgate’s bustling hub of volunteerism, which makes it easy for students to learn how and where to help.
Students volunteer at Hamilton Community Bikes, an organization founded by Chuck Fox ’70 that repairs bikes for those in need during a campuswide Afternoon of Community Service.

Volunteers work at the Colgate Community Garden, located on Route 12B in Hamilton, N.Y.
Chapter 5
Where Colgate Is
Location

In the center of New York, in a town known as one of the friendliest in America, Colgate offers the best of college life. A short walk down the hill is charming Hamilton, a village of about 3,800 people, where most of the Colgate faculty live. The town is like an extension of Colgate, from the stores run by alumni to the landmark Colgate Inn that amounts to a front door to the University. Hamilton is the spot for students to get off campus and grab a slice, catch a movie, browse the bookstore, and enjoy a weekly farmers’ market. Weekend getaways are a reasonable drive away: the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains in 40 minutes; the Syracuse Hancock International Airport in one hour; and Boston, Philadelphia, and New York City all within four to five hours.
WHERE COLGATE IS

One of the top collegiate golf courses in America

Bustling farmers’ market

Historic inn and eatery

University bookstore

Independent movie theater

Performing arts center

Miles and miles of hiking trails

Local farm brewery

Alumni-owned bakery

Cold brew at artisan coffee roasters

Historic candy shop

Ice cream made by local dairy farmers

Late night pizza

Local farm brewery

Miles and miles of hiking trails
 Seasons

The seasons create a stirring sense of place at Colgate. More than a backdrop, they are at the forefront of a campus that embraces every element of the year. Just as Colgate’s lawns and wooded paths define the landscape, just as Colgate’s stately buildings reflect the sweep of history, so are the seasons an active player in Colgate’s story.

**Fall** brings incredible views of the foliage from the Sky Bridge at Persson Hall, apple picking in nearby orchards, and the first walk up the hill to start the academic year.

**Winter** brings out the best of Colgate’s rugged spirit, where snowballs fly, Willow Path is aglow in thousands of lights, and students grab a spot to study by the fireplace in the student center.
Spring means blossoming trees, rugby on Academy Field, classes outside, ultimate Frisbee next to Taylor Lake, and students grabbing the best study spot: an Adirondack chair on the quad.

Summer is bursting with greenery, cherished reunions, sports camps, a writers’ conference, and a film seminar. Hundreds of students do creative projects with faculty.
Chapter 6
Where Colgate Is Headed
Vision

Colgate is deeply proud of who it is. And it is ever driven to be even more — the finest undergraduate institution in America and one of the premier universities in the world. Pursuing the Third-Century Plan, Colgate cultivates a dynamic culture of intellectual rigor. This school is for extraordinary students whose minds are alive with possibility. It is for faculty who transform lives as they teach. It is for those who want a global perspective as they shape their own. This is a school of first choice for students who expect rigorous classes, brilliant faculty, a campus of enduring beauty, and an assurance they will learn to thrive in work and in life. This is Colgate.
THE THIRD-CENTURY PLAN
A long-term framework to guide the University as it achieves the highest fulfillment of its mission.

First-Initiative Highlights

Making a Colgate education within reach for the best students from all economic backgrounds
The Colgate Commitment will eliminate or adjust tuition based on a family’s income level, significantly reducing student debt for eligible domestic students.

Expanding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
A great institution is a diverse institution. Colgate embraces its obligation to welcome and support students of different socioeconomic backgrounds, races and ethnicities, and religions on campus.

Building on a multyear effort to arrange our first- and second-year students in meaningful Residential Commons
Colgate's Residential Commons system is grounded in the desire for every student to have a strong foundational community from the first day, a place where they experience tradition and build class unity.

Launching The Robert Hung Ngai Ho Mind, Brain, and Behavior Initiative (MBB)
Through the cross-disciplinary MBB, innovative faculty and student collaborations (ethics + biology; neurology + linguistics) will push the boundaries of our understanding of brain function at multiple levels.

Redeveloping Middle Campus to focus on arts, creativity, innovation, and entrepreneurship
Long-term development of this region of campus will set a new standard for the teaching and expression of the arts, creativity, and innovation within a liberal arts context.

Restoring the campus tree canopy and landscape
Colgate must carefully steward one of its most precious assets — its campus — by sustaining and strengthening the natural and built environments, and continuing its efforts toward environmental sensitivity and green practices.
### Facts

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### STUDENT BODY

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- 1,779 female students
- 1,449 male students
- 76 countries represented on campus

### FACULTY

- 95% Faculty with PhD or highest degree in their field
- 24% Faculty of color

### CLASS OF 2025 PROFILE

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- 1,256 Early Decision applications (487 enrolled)
- 3,015 Accepted (17%)
- 57/43% Female/Male
- 25% Domestic students of color

Demographic information accurate when compiled, June 1, 2021.
Colgate fully meets the demonstrated need of all admitted students. The Colgate Commitment will eliminate or adjust tuition based on a family's income level, significantly reducing student debt for eligible domestic students.

2021–22 Cost of Attendance

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Average four-year debt incurred by a Colgate student is $14,763

Average financial aid package for the Class of 2025 is $59,297