Hello!
First recognized in a student handbook nearly a century ago, the “Colgate Hello” embodies what it means to be part of this university. A simple “hello” on campus has the potential to lead to involvement, lifelong friendships, internships and jobs, intellectual engagement, and more. With so much to explore in academia, recreation, and service at Colgate University, students forge their own unique paths, but they never travel alone — there’s always the chance to exchange hellos along the way.
Students who want to study off campus can choose from study-abroad programs located all over the world as well as semester-long study groups or short-term faculty-led trips.

The Outdoor Education Program gets the Colgate community involved in wilderness activities such as climbing, camping, skiing, snowshoeing, and more.

Office of Undergraduate Studies (OUS) scholars have shown ability, ambition, creativity, intellect, and determination in the face of personal, economic, educational, cultural, and social challenges. The four-year OUS program supports scholars’ academic excellence and leadership in the traditions of the liberal arts.

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A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF MARIAMA LEMON ’24

Hometown: Bronx, N.Y.
Major: Political science; writing and rhetoric minor
Activities: Sisters of the Round Table, Outdoor Education, Sophomore Residential Seminar, Queer and Trans People of Color, Office of Undergraduate Studies scholar
Off-Campus Study: South Africa, New Zealand

“I love Colgate’s environment. It is very easy to be active outside and interact with people who push themselves and want to try new things.”

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A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF
NIKHIL BAHAL ’25

***Hometown:*** Short Hills, N.J.

***Major:*** Sociology; economics and computer science minors

***Involvement:***
Student Government, Link Staff, Academic Affairs Board, Club Tennis, South Asian Cultural Club, Greek Life

***Internship:*** Corporate Development Intern on a Strategy and Operations team at COTA Healthcare

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Links are recognized leaders who assist new undergraduate students and their families with their transition to the University.

Career Services creates constant opportunities for students to explore, prepare, and connect their academics and interests to a fulfilling career direction.

Joining a fraternity or sorority can provide students with a home away from home and a foundation for leadership, academic, athletic, service, and interpersonal opportunities.

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“I’ve made friends in my dorm, classes, and extracurriculars, and if I bump into any of these people on campus, they will always say ‘hello.’”

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Colgate’s 25 athletic teams compete at the highest level: Division I.
A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF ZACHARY STONE ’27

Hometown: Chicago, Ill.
Major: Undeclared
Involvement: Colgate 13 (a cappella group), Model United Nations, Club Sailing, Ciccone Commons, Wilderness Adventure

“Hello”

“It is nearly impossible to go anywhere on campus without stopping for a quick conversation with a friend.”

Wilderness Adventure is a pre-orientation program for incoming first-years. Students make friends and connections while on camping and outdoor adventures in the upstate New York wilderness.

200

Nearly 200 clubs and organizations on campus means there are plenty of opportunities for students to come together in shared interests and activities.

Small living and learning communities called Residential Commons provide a sense of belonging and connection through intellectual, recreational, and social opportunities.

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FAST FACTS

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3,206
Undergraduate students and 11 graduate students

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345
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25%
Domestic students of color

95%
Faculty with PhD or highest degree in their field

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First-generation college students

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STUDENT BODY

FACULTY

FINANCIAL AID

100%
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.

Zero
loans for families with income up to $175K

2023–24
Cost of Attendance

Tuition $66,622
Activities fee $402
Room $8,108
Meals $8,682
Total $83,814

Est. Personal Expenses/Books $3,256

Average four-year debt incurred by a Colgate student is $10,577

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