

Lafayette College Info Guide

School Type

- Private liberal arts college
- 4-year

Admissions

- Acceptance rate: 31%
- Average SAT scores admitted: 1250-1440
- Average ACT scores admitted: 28-33

Cost & Financial Aid

- Annual tuition: \$55,874
- Annual room and board + other fees: \$17,910
- 35% of students received financial aid
- Average net price for income of \$0-\$30k: \$10,471
- Average net price for income of \$30k-48k: \$15,006
- Average net price for income of \$48k-\$75k: \$14,444
- Average net price for income of \$75k-\$110k: \$25,574
- Average net price for income of \$110k+: \$46,392

Application Info

- Application fee: \$65
- ED I deadline: Nov. 15
- ED II deadline: Feb. 1
- RD deadline: Jan. 15
- Transfer admissions deadlines:
 - Fall: May 1
 - Spring: November 1
- 1 common app essay required
- 1 optional question
- Counselor letter of recommendation required

- 1 teacher letter of recommendation required, 1 optional
- SAT/ACT test-optional for 2021-22 and 2022-23

School Population & Class Size

- 2,662 undergraduate students
- Average class size: 20 students
- Student-to-faculty ratio: 10:1

Location & Surrounding Area

- Easton, PA
- 60 miles from Philadelphia
- 70 miles from New York City
- Occupies College Hill, located in the Lehigh Valley
- Suburban
- 110 acres

Housing

- Campus housing is guaranteed each year of enrollment
- Watson Hall
 - Co-ed
 - Located on Anderson Courtyard
 - Facilities include a study/ seminar room, lounges, recreational area, and laundry
- Watson Courts
 - Three-building apartment complex
 - Each apartment houses 4 students and contains 3 bedrooms, a kitchen, bath, and living room
 - Populations: upper-level students
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms
- South College-Jesser Hall
 - Co-ed floors; single gender bedrooms

- Facility includes air conditioning, an elevator, floor lounges, floor kitchens, music practice rooms, and laundry
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Soles Hall
 - Upper-level women in suite arrangements
 - Lower level: laundry facilities and second floor suites that include an in-suite bathroom shared with neighboring suite
 - Building includes one kitchen area
 - Room types: suited single and double bedroom with an unfurnished common space
- Ruef Hall
 - Co-ed-by-floor for first-year students
 - Large lounge space with a kitchen area
 - Laundry room in the ground floor
 - Study and social lounges on the upper floors
 - Room types: double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Rubin Hall
 - Upper-level students in single and double air-conditioned rooms
 - Lounges, kitchens, laundry room, and an elevator
 - Room types: single and double bedrooms
- 225 Reeder St.
 - Upper-level students looking for more independent living
 - Co-ed floors
 - Kitchen, laundry, yard, and porch
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Ramer Hall
 - Upper-level students
 - Lounges, study areas, cooking facilities, and laundry room
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms
- McKelvy House
 - Home to McKelvy Scholars program
 - Single-use bathrooms, laundry room, kitchen, lounges, and living rooms

- Upper-level students
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- McKean Hall
 - Co-ed floors
 - First-year and upper-level students
 - Study rooms, lounges, and kitchen and laundry facilities
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Marquis Hall
 - First-year women
 - Lounge, laundry room, and kitchen areas
 - Contains two main dining halls and administrative offices
 - Room types: double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Kirby House
 - Upper-level men
 - Large library, formal living room, kitchen, multi-purpose lounge, and laundry facilities
 - Home to a dining facility
 - Room types: suited single and double bedrooms with unfurnished common space
- Keefe Hall
 - Upper-level men and women
- Kamine hall
 - First-year students (co-ed)
 - Lounges, kitchen, laundry room, elevator, dining facility
 - Room types: double bedrooms
- Grossman House
 - Global perspectives living-learning community
 - Comprised of upper-level students from different backgrounds and experiences related to globalization
 - Private kitchen, bathroom, and living room
 - Room types: single bedrooms and double bedrooms
- Gates Hall

- Mainly first-year students
 - Co-ed, but different floors
 - Large lounge, cooking facilities, and laundry room
 - Room types: single bedrooms, double bedrooms, triple bedrooms
- Fisher East and Fisher West
 - Independent living for upper-level students
 - Each unit houses 2-7 residents
 - Private kitchen, bathroom, and living room
 - Room types: single bedrooms and double bedrooms
- Farber Hall
 - Upper-level students
 - Lounges, study areas, and laundry and cooking facilities
 - Room types: single bedrooms and double bedrooms
- Easton Hall
 - First-year and upper-level students
 - Co-ed
 - Kitchen, lounge, and laundry areas
 - Room types: single, double, triple, quad bedrooms
- Conway House
 - First-year students
 - Gender-inclusive
 - Large living room, lounge/ recreation area, kitchen, and laundry facilities
 - Room types: double bedrooms and triple bedrooms

Dining

- Marquis Dining Hall
 - House-made brick oven pizza, salad bar, full deli
 - Vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options
- Upper Farinon Dining Hall
 - Comfort foods
 - Vegan and vegetarian options

- Wellness options: lean and plant based proteins, whole grains, and vegetables
- Lower Farinon Commons
 - Breakfast, lunch, dinner, late night
- Skillman Coffee Shop
 - Coffee, hot and cold espresso creations, desserts, pastries, and express lunch options
 - Sells Starbucks coffee
 - Lunch
- Gilbert's Cafe
 - Many healthy options
 - Breakfast and lunch
- Simon's Deli
 - Create your own sandwich or flatbread pizza
 - Dinner, late night
- Clay Ketcham Room
 - Buffet-style
- The Eco Cafe
 - Smoothie shop
 - Grab n' Go items
 - Vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options
 - Breakfast and lunch
- The Trolley Stop Diner
 - Breakfast, lunch, dinner
- Meal Plan Options
 - 20-, 14-, 7-, and 5-Meals-Per-Week Plans
 - As much as the student wants to eat at campus dining halls (Marquis and Upper Farinon) and using Meal Exchange, Lower Farinon Commons, Gilbert's Cade, Eco Cafe, Simon's Deli, and the Trolley Stop Diner for the number of times each week specified in the plan
 - Meals do not carry onto the next week or next semester
 - Four meal periods:

- Breakfast, Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 10:59 a.m.
- Breakfast, Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 10:59 a.m.
- Lunch, Saturday through Friday 11:00 a.m. and 4:29 p.m.
- Dinner, Saturday through Friday 4:30 p.m. until 8:59 p.m.
- Late Night, Saturday through Friday 9:00 p.m. until closing

Student Life/ Student Body

- 51% female students
- 49% male students
- 200+ clubs and organizations
- Part of NCAA I
- Varsity Sports
 - Men: baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, lacrosse, soccer, swimming & diving, tennis, indoor track & field, and outdoor track & field
 - Women: basketball, cross country, field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming & diving, tennis, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, and volleyball
 - Co-ed: fencing

Organizations/ Extracurriculars

- Greek life
 - Alpha Gamma Delta
 - Alpha Phi
 - Delta Gamma
 - Delta Kappa Epsilon
 - Delta Upsilon
 - Kappa Kappa Gamma
 - Pi Beta Phi
 - Chi Phi
 - Phi Kappa Psi
 - Zeta Psi

- Academic Departments
 - American Society of Mechanical Engineers
 - Beta Beta Beta
 - The American Chemical Society
 - Lafayette Neuroscience Club
 - Lafayette Speech and Debate Team
 - Math Club
 - Open Debate Club
 - Psychology Club
- Arts
 - Cadence
 - Lafayette College Arts Society
 - MAFia
 - The Lafayette Mar-Keys
 - Marquis Players
 - Pottery Club
 - Soulfège a Cappella
- College Initiatives
 - Live Well
- College Resources and Services
 - Alpha Phi Omega
 - Engineers Without Borders
 - Lafayette Emergency Medical Services
 - Lafayette Student Government
 - Landis Center for Community Engagement
 - Refugee Action
 - Student Movement Against Cancer
- Cultural
 - African Caribbean Student Association
 - Asian Cultural Association
 - Association of Black Collegians

- Caribbean and African Dance Club
- Hispanic Society of Lafayette
- International Students Association
- Italian Club
- Le Cercle Francais
- NIA
- Spanish Speakers of Lafayette
- Stylez of Laf
- Media and Publications
 - Her Campus at Lafayette
 - The Lafayette Student Newspaper
 - The Marquis Literary Magazine
 - Lafayette Fashion Society
- Peer Support
 - Leopard's Lair
- Pre-Professional
 - National Society of Black Engineers
 - Lafayette College Consulting Club
 - Lafayette College Investment Club
 - Pre-Med Club
 - Lafayette Society of Women Engineers
 - Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers
 - Tau Beta Pi
 - WJRH
 - Women in Law
- Recreation and Leisure
 - Lafayette Activities Forum
 - Lafayette Juggling Club
 - Club Table Tennis
 - Social Gathering Network
- Religious and Spiritual

- Fellowship of Christian Activities
 - Lafayette College Hillel Society
 - Lafayette Disciple Makers: Christian Fellowship
 - Young Life: Lafayette College
- Social and Political
 - Girl Up Lafayette
 - Lafayette College Democrats
 - Lafayette Sunrise
 - The Lafayette Happiness Project
- Sports Clubs
 - Club Field Hockey
 - Club Women's Ice Hockey
 - Club Softball
 - Lafayette College Crew Club
 - Lafayette College dance Team
 - Lafayette College Equestrian Team
 - Lafayette Ski and Ride
 - Lafayette College Squash Club
 - Club Women's Rugby
 - Lafayette Running Club
 - Precision Step Team
 - Salsa Club
 - Women's Club Lacrosse
 - Ultimate Frisbee
 - Tae Kwon Do
- Sustainability
 - Food Recovery Network
 - Lafayette Environmental Awareness and Protection
 - Lafayette Food and Farm Cooperative
 - SEES Club
- Other

- Brothers of Lafayette
- Family Weekend Committee

Academics

- Students may petition the Committee on Academic Progress for permission to pursue a five-year, two-degree program leading to the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Science degrees in two fields of study (lafayette.edu)
- Degrees
 - Bachelor of Arts
 - Bachelor of Science
 - Bachelor of Science in Engineering
- Graduation requirements
 - Completion of the Common Course of Study
 - First-year Seminar
 - 1 Humanities course
 - 1 Natural Science with lab
 - 1 Social Sciences course
 - 2 additional courses in two other divisions outside the student's home division
 - Quantitative Reasoning Requirement
 - Writing Requirement- three additional courses other than the first-year seminar
 - 2 Global and Multiculturalism courses
 - Completion of a year (or less depending on the entry level, 102 or higher) or the study of a language
 - An overall GPA of 2.00
 - A GPA of 2.00 in the major(s)
 - Completion of the minimum number of course credits required by the degree(s) (32 / 36 / 40)
 - Completion of all major requirements

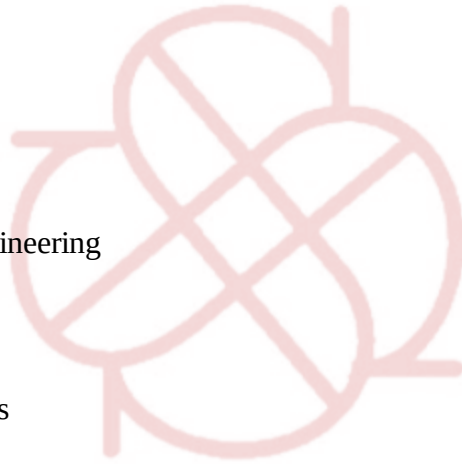
Majors

- Africana Studies* (A.B.)
- American Studies
- Anthropology and Sociology* (A.B.)
- Art* (A.B.)
- Asian Studies* (A.B.)
- Biochemistry (A.B. and B.S.)
- Biology (A.B. and B.S.)
- Chemical Engineering (B.S.)
- Chemistry* (A.B. and B.S.)
- Civil Engineering (B.S.)
- Computer Science* (A.B. and B.S.)
- Economics* (A.B.)
- Electrical and Computer Engineering (B.S.)
- Engineering (B.S.)
- Engineering (B.S.) and International Studies (A.B.)
- Engineering Studies (A.B.)
- English* (A.B.)
- Environmental Studies (A.B.)
- Environmental Science (B.S.)
- Film and Media Studies* (A.B.)
- French* (A.B.)
- Geology* (A.B. and B.S.)
- German* (A.B.)
- Government and Law* (A.B.)
- Government and Law & Foreign Language (A.B.)
- History* (A.B.)
- International Affairs (A.B.)
- Mathematics* (A.B. and B.S.)
- Mathematics-Economics (A.B.)
- Mechanical Engineering* (B.S.)
- Music* (A.B.)

- Neuroscience (B.S.)
- Philosophy* (A.B.)
- Physics* (A.B. and B.S.)
- Policy Studies (A.B.)
- Psychology* (A.B. and B.S.)
- Religion and Politics (A.B.)
- Religious Studies* (A.B.)
- Russian and East European Studies (A.B.)
- Spanish* (A.B.)
- Theater* (A.B.)
- Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies* (A.B.)

Minors

- Aging Studies
- Architectural Studies
- Biotechnology/ Bioengineering
- Chinese
- Classical Civilization
- Computational Methods
- Data Science
- Global History
- Health and Life Sciences
- Health Care and Society
- Italian Studies
- Jewish Studies
- Latin American and Caribbean Studies
- Literature in Translation
- Medieval, Renaissance, and Early Modern Studies
- Russian
- Writing



School's Strengths

- Engineering and science programs

Internship Opportunities

- Available to students upon completion of their first year
- Departments that offer internship courses for credit: A.B. engineering, art, economics, English, environmental studies, film and media studies, government and law, history, music, psychology, theater, and women's and gender studies

Study Abroad Program

- Six to nine three-week courses abroad are offered during the January term and in May
- Each course counts for one course credit

Research

- EXCEL Scholars Program
 - Get involved in research projects
 - Work closely with faculty
 - Nominated into the program by a faculty member
 - Earn in between \$9 and \$11 an hour
 - 160+ students participate each year
- National Conference on Undergraduate Research
 - Highlights research done by undergraduates in all fields of study
 - Students can give oral presentations, present their original artwork, give a performance in dance, music, or theater, or participate in poster sessions
- LEARN Program
 - Connects students with a neuroscience major with alumni who work in the neurosciences
 - Participate in cutting-edge research and receive a full-time salary for 8 to 10 weeks

Sources

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