



MORE FOR VERMONT

12 Private Colleges

13,692

13,692 STUDENTS ATTEND Vermont private colleges.

They spend their college savings in Vermont and are active consumers in local economies. Private higher education is a key reason people move to Vermont.

20%
are enrolled
VERMONTERS

\$264+ million

in institutional aid from the colleges' own resources goes directly to students

29,734 alumni

live in Vermont, boosting our skilled workforce and taxpayer base and starting new businesses

5,152 employees

at work growing the economy

\$293.2 million

in employee wages and salaries paid

\$624.6 million

in actual expenditures generating business everyday for Vermont communities

VERMONT'S 12 PRIVATE COLLEGES

Bennington College (Est. 1932)

Bennington students design their own course of study. Students develop ideas in the classroom and then test those ideas—through hands-on work in places ranging from their local communities to international settings. Bennington is the only college in the country to require an annual internship since its founding.

Center for Cartoon Studies (Est. 2004)

The Center for Cartoon Studies (CCS) is a two-year institution focusing on sequential art, specifically comics and graphic novels. Located in White River Junction, CCS offers a Master of Fine Arts degree, one or two-year certificate programs, and summer camps. It is the only

college-level training program of its kind in the United States.

Champlain College (Est. 1878)

An Upside-Down Curriculum lets students take courses in their major during their first semester. Champlain also offers a Degree Design Lab for students whose passions cross more than one of the 111 academic areas offered. Champlain College Online degrees and certificates are designed for adult learners. Champlain also has campuses in Montreal, Canada and Dublin, Ireland.

Goddard College (Est. 1938)

Goddard's intensive-residency programs lead to either a bachelor's or master's degree that blends

remote learning and life experiences. Semesters start with an eight-day intensive that brings students and faculty from across the United States and abroad to Plainfield, Vermont or to Port Townsend or Seattle, Washington. Students of all ages pursue a Goddard education.

Landmark College (Est. 1985)

Offering bachelor's and associate degrees, as well as short-term and online programs, Landmark is intentionally engineered for students who learn differently including those with dyslexia, ADHD, autism, or executive function challenges. Landmark is, simultaneously, a traditional and a specialty college. It is one of only two colleges in the country that only enrolls college-capable, neurodivergent students.

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Middlebury College (Est. 1800)

Middlebury is a classic liberal arts undergraduate college that also offers graduate degrees and immersive language studies (including Abenaki). The College is committed to meeting 100% of students demonstrated financial need and has a need blind admissions policy for domestic students. The average grant covers 90% of the cost of tuition.

Norwich University (Est. 1819)

Norwich was the first private military college in the nation and the birthplace of ROTC. It was also the first private institution in the country to teach engineering. Two-thirds of residential students join the Corps of Cadets. Norwich also serves civilian residential and commuter students and has a large online graduate and continuing education student body.

St. Michael's College (Est. 1904)

The only Edmundite college in the world, St. Michael's welcomes every faith background. Many students participate in service - including a community Fire and Rescue Squad. It has undergraduate, graduate, and pre-professional programs, including teacher training. Vermont

residents are guaranteed St. Michael's scholarships and grants totaling at least \$27,000 per year.

SIT Graduate Institute (Est. 1964)

SIT offers Global Master's Degrees and Certificate Programs focused on critical global issues. Students may study in up to four countries. Hybrid-degree programs advance careers so working students can keep their jobs and include a brief summer residency in Vermont. Certificate programs include international education, conflict transformation, and TESOL.

Sterling College (Est. 1958)

Based in the Northeast Kingdom, Sterling is a small, rural college focused on social justice, sustainable food, and ecology. In addition to undergraduate degrees, continuing education programs include certifications on related issues. Sterling's Wendell Berry Farming Program in Kentucky offers a tuition-free curriculum. It was the first college in Vermont to divest its endowment from fossil fuel extractors.

Vermont College of Fine Arts (Est. 2008)

VCFA is the only college in the country dedicated solely to low-residency graduate arts education using an individualized mentorship model. VCFA has MFA and non-degree programs in the visual arts, film, music composition, graphic design, and writing. In 2023, residencies will be at Colorado College to allow collaboration across disciplines.

Vermont Law & Graduate School (Est. 1973)

The first and only law school in the state, Vermont Law School recently changed its name to Vermont Law & Graduate School (VLGS) and transitioned to a graduate institution housing two schools - law and graduate. The new degrees build upon environmental law and policy and justice reform programs. A new part-time Online Hybrid JD program will allow working professionals to earn a law degree from anywhere in the country.

