The power of a global university ...

✓ Opportunity for undergraduate research
✓ Professional and career-focused programs
✓ Top 10-ranked study abroad program
✓ Students from nearly every state in the U.S., and more than 50 countries
✓ NYC Executive Center provides a home base for innovative program, internship, and study opportunities in Manhattan
✓ Global internships at Fortune 100 companies
✓ Nationally recognized technology infrastructure
✓ Nearly 100% placement into job or graduate school
✓ Active, engaged, and successful alumni network

... with the personal touch of a leading liberal arts college.

✓ Small class sizes that encourage participation
✓ Faculty teach all classes. No graduate students or teaching assistants
✓ Innovative classroom experiences
✓ No lecture halls
✓ Strong sense of community
✓ Emphasis on character and values

www.marist.edu
Mission Statement

Marist is dedicated to helping students develop the intellect, character, and skills required for enlightened, ethical, and productive lives in the global community of the 21st century.
It starts in the beginning.
Transitioning to college is a big deal, so we will help you acclimate to the academic and social experiences at Marist.

Activities Fair
First-Year Mentors
First-Year Programs
Orientation
Pre-College
Welcome Week

Your adventure—your choice.
Not sure of your major? Considering studying abroad? Thinking about a minor? You are normal. Marist is about new experiences and broadening your horizons.

Accessible faculty
Advisors
Electives
FOCUS Program for Undeclared Students
Interactive Learning Environment
Liberal Arts Education
Majors & Minors Fair
No lecture halls
Small class sizes

Our classrooms are cool.
Marist’s state-of-the-art facilities engage the senses, putting theory into practice in the classroom.

Centers for Excellence
Clinical Simulation Lab
Guest Lecturers
Innovative Faculty
Investment Center
Marist Poll (MIPO)
Social Media Studio
Weiss Language Center

Learning without boundaries.
Take what you have learned on campus and apply it to real-world experiences. From Poughkeepsie to Prague, and everywhere in between, global opportunities allow you to engage with the world around you.

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You aren’t alone.
Whether it’s overcoming a writer’s block on your thesis, developing a résumé, or needing extra help in a subject, we have the resources to help you succeed.

Job & Internship Fair
Math Lab
Mock Interviewing Sessions
Résumé & Cover Letter Workshops
Tutoring
Writing Center

You are ready.
You now have the intellect, character, and skills to be a leader in your field and a global alumni network to support your ambitions.

Alumni Career Network
Center for Career Services
International Network of Alumni Chapters
### AREAS OF STUDY

The Marist academic experience bridges the gap between theory and practice. Students can explore their interests in an environment that challenges them to discover ways to channel their passions and talents into transformative career opportunities, and beyond.

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* 5-year accelerated programs available

** Only available at Marist’s Florence, Italy campus
Students are immersed in an integrated approach to the study and practice of communication and the arts through the exploration of theories and models associated with their field of study, and by the application of what they have learned in hands-on, real-world practical experiences.

“Marist ignited a curiosity for subjects that I had never been exposed to because of passionate professors; it gave me friends that will last a lifetime because of the community that Marist fosters; it opened my eyes to the world through studying abroad and partaking in various internships. Every individual aspect of Marist prepared me for the future by giving me the right skills, the most supportive friends, and an optimistic attitude to be ready for each and every ‘next step’ I will have.”

— Colleen Kollar ’16, Ad Sales Assistant O, The Oprah Magazine
Take a bite of the Big Apple with a Manhattan internship

Get the practical experience you need to succeed in the exciting world of art, fashion, media production, or communication. Marist’s NYC Executive Center serves as the home base for expanded program, internship and study opportunities in Manhattan. Marist in Manhattan combines a semester-long residential stay and a full-time credit-bearing internship with some of the industry’s top companies, complemented by a group of activities, lectures, networking opportunities, and all that the City has to offer.

To date, Marist has placed students at companies such as Meredith Corporation/Fitness Magazine, Hearst Corporation/Food Network Magazine and Harpers Bazaar, Condé Nast/Glamour Magazine, Madison Square Garden Company, Marvel Entertainment, MTV Networks, A/X Armani: Exchange, Allure Magazine, Michael Kors, ABC News, CBS Sports, Dateline NBC, and more.

Express yourself through Music

With over 400 students, the Music Department offers nineteen instrumental and vocal ensembles that have become a performance backbone of the College. Students regularly perform on campus as well as throughout the greater Hudson River Valley, New York State, the Nation, and abroad. Three of the most highly visible and active organizations on campus are the College Band, Singers, and String Orchestra.

Courses range from applied voice and instrumental studies to researching the lives and works of renowned composers. While many students declare a Music Minor, it is not a requirement for participation in performance ensembles or course offerings—all that’s needed is a love of music!

The Center for Social Media is dedicated to educating students in industry-leading practices in social media listening, engagement, influence, and analytics.

At the heart of the Center is its state-of-the-art command center: a collaborative workspace featuring multiple flat-screen TVs displaying real-time social conversations and analytics. The command center gives students access to technology that industry professionals would use to turn social insights into strategic communication action.

The Center hosts guest speakers and offers educational workshops, among other activities, during the academic year.

Christopher Hupper ’18
Communication major,
Sports Communication concentration
writer/intern for isportsweb.com

“The Marist Sports Communication program has allowed me to become a versatile asset to any potential employer. I’ve had many unique experiences, from sports reporting, broadcasting, and anchoring, to public relations.”
SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & MATHEMATICS

The school’s robust network of research and recruiting partnerships and alumni at both leading, international companies such as IBM, Goldman Sachs, and Cisco as well as start-up ventures scattered throughout the region, offers students learning and mentoring experiences that complement those presented in the classroom.

MAJORS
Applied Mathematics
Computer Science
Game Design and Programming
Software Development
Cybersecurity
Data Science and Analytics
Information Technology & Systems
Information Technology
Information Systems
Mathematics

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Applied Mathematics
Computer Science
Game Design and Programming
Software Development
Cybersecurity
Data Science and Analytics
Information Technology & Systems
Information Technology
Information Systems
Mathematics

NOTABLE DESTINATIONS
Apple
Fitch Solutions
Gemini Fund Services
Goldman Sachs
Google
IBM
Infosys
Morgan Stanley
Rockstar San Diego
The Hartford Financial Services
UPS
USAA
Verizon

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Actuary
Applications Engineer
Artificial Intelligence Specialist
Budget Analyst
Business Analyst
College/University Professor
Computer Aided Designer
Computer Analyst
Computer Programmer
Database Administrator
Database Analyst
Electronic Data Analyst
Financial Analyst
Game Designer/Programmer
Information Scientist
Market Research Analyst
Media Center Manager
Meteorologist
Network Administrator
Operations Manager
Programmer/Analyst
Project Manager
Research Mathematician
Sales/Marketing
Software Engineer
Software Package Developer
Statistician
Systems Manager
System Programmer/Designer
Technical Support

“The combination of technical and leadership skills that I learned during my time at Marist has allowed me to advance my career in ways I would never have expected. If it were not for my professors, advisors, and fellow students, I would not be as outgoing and professional as I am today. I can undoubtedly credit my experience at Marist as the reason why I am employed at one of the best places to work in Information Technology.”

— Nicholas Marengo ’17, User Interface Designer

USAA
Hone skills in Cybersecurity

Students interested in protecting the country’s critical computer data have an opportunity to develop hands-on, leading-edge skills in cybersecurity at Marist College. A wide selection of courses, certificates, degree programs, and undergraduate research experiences are designed to prepare graduates for real-world careers in computer forensics, cloud network security, mobile security, penetration testing, and similar fields. Demand for graduates in this area continues to grow (job postings increased over 114% in the past five years), and new organizations such as the New York City CyberCommand offer exciting new career paths.

Put Big Data to work

Marist students use IBM’s Watson Analytics to develop the in-depth knowledge needed for manipulating large amounts of data and to acquire the critical analytical skills used to identify data trends and their meaning and impact. The field of data science has experienced exponential growth over the past few years, and businesses of all kinds now understand that using data to predict future events and behaviors is key to revolutionizing the way they compete, produce and innovate. Said Matthew Jaroszewski ’16, “There is so much information to be derived from big data that failure to utilize it is like flushing precious resources down the drain.”

Test your skills at IBM TechConnect

Once a year, Marist College and IBM go head to head in IBM’s TechConnect competition, along with other select colleges and universities that have academic partnerships with IBM. Students prepare for the event in Marist’s Cloud Computing Lab, alongside faculty advisor Dr. Casimer DeCusatis, an Assistant Professor in the Computer Science Department who worked at IBM for 24 years before coming to Marist. “The competition gives students really good exposure and helps them with internships and job opportunities,” he noted. Valley Joseph ’18 said that participating in TechConnect taught her a significant lesson — that hard work and dedication pays off. “Once you find a career path that lines up with your personal goals, and you work every day to achieve your dreams, your dedication will reward you in the future.”

Robotics competition offers mentorship, fun, and excitement

When was the last time you saw 300 people doing “the wave” at a science fair? If you’re visiting the Hudson Valley FIRST Lego League robotics tournaments, this sort of thing happens all the time. Marist students routinely volunteer to act as referees, judges, and support staff for FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), an international organization which teaches programming, engineering, teamwork, and core values. “I think it gives our students a chance to give something back to the community,” Professor Casimer DeCusatis said of the Marist Computer Club and IEEE Student Chapter volunteers. “Plus they get to interact with professionals from our sponsoring companies like Google, IBM, the Albany Nanotech Center, and the New York State Cloud Computing Center.”

Take technology beyond borders

Computer Science students routinely mentor and collaborate with K-12 students in the Dominican Republic during a summer session service-learning project led by Dr. Carolyn Matheus and Dr. Kevin Gaugler. Past projects have involved students gaining skills for building robots, developing virtual reality environments, and creating interactive stories and games using Raspberry Pi. “My favorite part of the program was learning about the kids, what they do for fun at school,” said Tyler Galske ’19. “Some of these kids walked miles to school, so we worked hard on our plans and activities because we didn’t want to let them down.” Through this innovative and engaging service-learning project, all students gain valuable skills in critical thinking, problem-solving, intercultural competence, and leadership.
MAJORS
American Studies
English
French
History
Italian
Philosophy
Political Science
Religion
Spanish

SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS

Observing and participating in classroom dialogue sharpens students’ awareness of the complexity of 21st-century problems and the need for integrated solutions. A wide array of service learning, internship, research, honor societies, and study-abroad experiences prepares Liberal Arts students for future employment and develops their capacity to be innovative and ethically grounded leaders.

96% Employed or Attending Graduate School

Class of 2017

Employed — 64%
Attending Grad School — 14%
Employed AND Grad School — 13%
Other — 5%
Actively Seeking — 4%

**“Other” includes students who are serving in the military, volunteering, traveling, caring for family member or not actively seeking employment.

NOTABLE DESTINATIONS
1-800-Flowers.com, Inc.
AmeriCorps VISTA
DSJ Global
FDR Presidential Library
Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy
Liveright Publishing Corporation
Reader’s Digest Spectrum
TAPIF (Teacher Assistant Program in France)
Teach for America
The TJX Companies, Inc.
U.S. House of Representatives

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Actor
Agent/Staff in U.S. Govt.
Author/Playwright
College/University Professor
Copywriter
Curator
Economist
Foreign News Correspondent
Historian
Historic Preservationist
Hospitality Specialist
Human Rights Advocate
International Trade Specialist
Interpreter
Journalist/Columnist
Judge
Law Enforcement Officer
Lawyer
Librarian
Museum Curator
Opinion Researcher
Paralegal
Political Analyst
Publisher
Reporter
Research Assistant
Script/Speech Writer
Theatrical Agent/Director
Writer

“While studying Political Science at Marist, I fine-tuned my writing and analytical skills, and developed a diversified skill set that can be used in many different fields. It was here that my passion for global health and international humanitarian aid was first harnessed. My professors challenged me to open my mind to the world, while exposing me to countless academic, cultural, and professional development opportunities. Through the Center for Civic Engagement and Leadership, I gained invaluable knowledge about how to achieve great impact through education and community engagement while working in the nonprofit sector.”

— Nicholas Bayer ’16, Public and Internal Events Associate Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)
**Learn a language, make new friends, expand your world**

The Weiss Language Center offers a dynamic environment where students can learn, explore, and interact with languages both academically and socially. According to Dr. Kevin Gaugler, Associate Professor of Spanish and the Director of the Center, there is more to learning a language than just using a cassette tape or Rosetta Stone. “The state-of-the-art Weiss Language Center enables students to pursue technology, coursework, self-instruction, and research in Western and non-Western modern languages and cultures.” In addition to cutting-edge learning tools, the center also hosts weekly events that include Skyping with students from other countries, game nights, and workshops that are open to everyone in the Marist community. Lenni Joya ’19, a double major in Spanish and Political Science, and a native Spanish speaker, notes that “it’s the perfect place to meet other students from different backgrounds and interests, where I can practice new languages with people that also love languages.”

**Explore New York’s political process**

Marist’s Albany Internship Experience (AIE) is an exciting and immersive learning program open to juniors and seniors of all majors during the academic school year and summer session. Students work directly with lawmakers and institutions involved in policymaking at the local, state, and national level in areas such as criminal justice, social welfare policy, education, and financing of current government priorities. Kylie Balogh ’17, a Social Work major and Sociology/Global Studies double minor, interned with Families Together in New York State, where she lobbied, attended press conferences, assisted in grant writing, conducted research, and compiled questionnaire data into an extensive report to send to the grant funding source. “My time interning was exactly what I wanted it to be and more,” she said. “This sparked my interest in social policy and the need to create macro-level change to help those in need of services.”

**Survey and analyze public opinion**

Home of the Marist Poll, the Institute for Public Opinion is a survey research center recognized worldwide by journalists and academics, rated number one for accuracy by Bloomberg Politics and given an “A” rating by Nate Silver’s FiveThirtyEight. The Marist Poll’s unprecedented media partnerships provide Marist students and the public with a front row seat to the dialogue of the day. Surveys cover topics ranging from politics and the economy to life, sports, and technology. In addition to working with NBC News, *The Wall Street Journal*, Telemundo, and Yahoo News, the Marist Poll teams with the Center for Sports Communication and HBO’s *Real Sports with Bryant Gumbel* to gauge America’s attitudes to some of the most pressing topics in the world of sports.

**Curate and publish your research on the rich history of the Hudson River Valley**

The Hudson River Valley Institute (HRVI) at Marist is a national resource for education and public awareness about the historical importance of the Hudson River and the surrounding area. The Institute’s work includes public relations, maintaining a digital library, publishing *The Hudson River Valley Review*, and involving Marist students in original research on topics related to historic sites throughout the Hudson River Valley. For their work, many students receive publishing credit either digitally at www.hudsonrivervalley.org or in print in *The Hudson River Valley Review*. **Make an impact in your community**

Interested in a career in public service or politics? The Center for Civic Engagement and Leadership at Marist is your go-to place for internships, inspiration, and other nonprofit career-building resources. The Center’s goals are to involve students in community building efforts in local organizations, encourage community-based learning in the classroom, and invite highly qualified speakers to talk about the field of community relations. Kristen Semple ’17 participated in the Center as a business marketing major with a minor in environmental policy. She was able to combine her studies with her interests: “I worked with Clearwater on environmental issues in the Hudson Valley area. After experiencing how much of an impact we can make it’s made me realize how vital the Center for Civic Engagement is.”
SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

Today’s business world is 24/7 and global. The School of Management prepares you to excel in the world of business with innovative international programs, cutting-edge investment technologies, career networking and training, and the opportunity for advanced research and presentation.

MAJORS
Accounting
Business Administration
Finance
Human Resource Management
International Business
Marketing
Economics

98% Employed or Attending Graduate School

Class of 2017

- Employed — 84%
- Attending Grad School — 8%
- Employed AND Grad School — 5%
- Other — 1%
- Actively Seeking — 2%

*“Other” includes students who are serving in the military, volunteering, traveling, caring for family member or not actively seeking employment.

NOTABLE DESTINATIONS
Bank of America
Barclays
Bloomberg LP
Ernst & Young
Goldman Sachs
KPMG
Morgan Stanley
Ogilvy & Mather
PricewaterhouseCoopers
S&P
Sony Music Entertainment
Twitter
UBS
Vanguard

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
- Actuary
- Accountant Executive
- Asset Manager
- Business Analyst
- Chief Executive Officer
- Chief Financial Officer
- Chief Investment Officer
- Chief Operations Officer
- College/University Professor
- CPA Firm Partner
- Economist
- Employment Recruiter
- Financial Analyst
- Financial Planning Manager
- Human Resource Assistant
- Investment Analyst
- Manager
- Marketing Director
- Market Research Analyst
- Mortgage Lender
- Operations Manager
- Stock Plan Administration
- Tax Compliance Manager
- VP – Finance
- VP – Human Resources
- VP – Marketing/Sales

“I worked in the Finance Department of the National Republican Congressional Committee on Capitol Hill when I completed a semester in Washington, D.C. the fall of my junior year. Also, I worked as an asset management intern for Chubb Insurance in New York City. I recently accepted a position as a Market Risk analyst for J.P. Morgan Chase. I’m excited to apply everything I learned here at Marist in this new role while continuing to learn and challenge myself.”

— Samantha Leenas ’17
Market Risk Analyst
J.P. Morgan Chase
Rachel Pfister ’16  
Business Administration  
"During my semester studying abroad, I worked as a marketing intern at a new business in London. At times it was challenging, but I really enjoyed working for a small company and learning how business is conducted in another country."  

Engage in collaborative research projects  
Working with School of Management Professor Helen Rothberg, John Guiffre ’17 recently presented a research paper at the 17th annual European Community Knowledge Management Conference in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Guiffre was the lead author of “The Outside Looking In: Do Activist Investor Knowledge Management Actions Pay Off?” Guiffre claims he was calm during his presentation. “Prof. Rothberg made sure I was adequately prepared. I wasn’t nervous, but I was definitely excited and proud of what I had done.” Prof. Rothberg echoes that sentiment. “John was the only undergraduate [at the conference],” she reports. “He did a great job, and the paper was published in the proceedings. I am really proud of him.”  

Last summer, Guiffre worked as an intern at Duff & Phelps in their portfolio valuation business and began work there after his graduation in May.  

Gain a global perspective on finance  
The business world has gone global, and learning to interact with people from different cultures is a necessity. The ASPIRE program is a six-week summer program in Florence, Italy that explores the complexities of finance in a global marketplace. Visits to Italian and international firms provide an introduction to the complexity of currency exchange rates, cross-border financial regulations, and investing with a multinational mindset.  

“Seven credits in finance—in beautiful Florence, Italy—helped me jump ahead in the requirements for my major, giving me the option of double majoring in finance and accounting. “We met with the laser company El En’s CFO, who gave us a personal tour around the laser manufacturing plant. We also spoke with the head marketing director for the Mercato Centrale in Florence. It was interesting to learn the ins and outs of two different types of business right here in Florence. My abroad experience made me consider a career overseas and realize how far my Marist degree from the School of Management can take me.”  

Sydney Williams ’19  
Accounting and Finance double major  

Network with industry leaders in NYC  
Practice real-world investment skills  

Career Trek  
Hone informational interviewing and networking skills during a full day of presentations and meetings with NYC companies such as JP Morgan, Goldman Sachs, Bloomberg, Ernst & Young, AOL, IBM, Ogilvy & Mather, Neuberger Berman, Northstar Travel, Sony Music, UBS, and Voya.  

The Hancock Investment Center  
The Investment Center is a state-of-the-art trading center where you will be able to execute stock analysis, trade options, and many of the same activities as stock brokers on Wall Street do.
The School of Science provides students interested in the natural, physical, and health sciences with state-of-the-art facilities. However, a Marist education goes beyond the traditional classroom and laboratory, which is why our students also have opportunities to participate in internships, clinical rotations, high-quality research projects, and international experiences.

“I fell in love with Marist the second I stepped on campus. Having extremely small class sizes for my major-related classes allowed my cohort and professors to become close-knit and my second family. Our professors went out of their way to integrate professional development into the curriculum. The combination of high level academics, a family atmosphere, and personal connections allowed me to secure a job before I walked across the stage at graduation.”

— Michael Regan ’16, ATC, EMT-B, Outreach Athletic Trainer for St. Charles Hospital, Head Athletic Trainer for Elwood-John Glenn High School

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
- Athletic Trainer
- Food Technologist
- Forensic Scientist
- Forensic Technologist
- Hematology Technologist
- Lobbyist
- Medical Technologist
- Microbiology Technologist
- Microbiologist
- Nutritionist/Dietician
- Oceanographer
- Paramedic
- Park Ranger
- Physical Therapist
- Physician
- Physician Assistant
- Sport Psychologist
- Urban Planner
- Veterinarian
- Wildlife Biologist

Major:
- Athletic Training
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Biomedical Sciences
- Chemistry
- Environmental Studies
- Medical Technology

NOTABLE DESTINATIONS
- CareMount Medical
- Jersey Shore University Medical Center
- Massachusetts General Hospital
- Memorial Sloan Kettering
- NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
- Novartis Institute for Biomedical Research
- Nyack Hospital
- Orange Regional Medical Center
- PhysAssist Scribes
- Premier Medical Group
- Regeneron Pharmaceuticals
- Towson Sports Medicine

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Earn recognition and funding for advanced research

Research awards are the best way to integrate your passion with advanced scientific study. Alec Lee ’18, an environmental science and policy major from Albany, N.Y., and Carolyn Turcotte ’18, a dual major in biomedical science and chemistry/biochemistry from Hopewell Junction, N.Y., have both been named Goldwater Scholars for 2017. Both students have conducted sustained research projects here at Marist: Carolyn under the direction of Dr. Paula Checchi, assistant professor of biology, and Alec under Dr. Zofia Gagnon, associate professor of environmental science. Alec’s interest lies in the area of toxicology, specifically an emphasis on mimicking the biological reactions to toxins of living organisms with the aim of devising systems to contain or nullify those toxic substances. Carolyn’s research focuses on genetics and mutations at the molecular level, knowledge of which can help develop tools to fight specific diseases.

According to Graduate School and Fellowship Advisor Pat Taylor, the Goldwater is “the premier recognition of undergraduates in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) fields who show promise in pursuing further study in these areas.” Alec and Carolyn are two of only 240 students nationwide to be chosen as 2017 Goldwater Scholars, from a pool of 1,286 nominees.

Get hands-on access to state-of-the-art resources

Science students learn in a student-centered, supportive environment in small classes housed in modern state-of-the-art facilities. In Donnelly Hall, Biochemistry and Chemistry students work in newly renovated teaching and research laboratories that include a nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) room, computational chemistry space, and student study suite, while Environmental Studies students have access to a greenhouse, river laboratory and monitoring station, and a research and teaching vessel.

Marist’s Allied Health and Science building is home to undergraduate programs in Athletic Training, Biology, Biomedical Science, and Medical Laboratory Sciences, as well as graduate programs in Physician Assistant Studies and Physical Therapy. A simulation lab and observation room gives students real-life experience with both live patients and medical manikins for treating patients and working in hospital environments with other professionals. In addition, the Hudson Valley is home to many hospitals and other healthcare centers offering fieldwork and internship placement opportunities.

Explore health and medical practices around the world

Tropical Health in Thailand is a winter session course designed to immerse biology and pre-medical students in the healthcare systems and practices of a non-Western country. Combining visits to cultural and historical centers with in-depth tours of health care facilities, students have the opportunity to connect with a variety of medical professionals serving in different capacities. The trip also allows participants to compare and experience the practices of Western medicine with those of Thai traditional practices such as massage and herbalism—great insights for any student considering a career in medicine. Previous travel included Ghana, and next spring a South Africa trip is planned.

Put environmental science theory into practice

The School of Science has one of the best environmental laboratories in the world: the Hudson River, home to the environmental movement in America, lines the College’s shore along the western side and is the source of research and experiments in environmental assessment, policy, and study.

Prepare for a medical career with pre-health programs

Do you dream of becoming a doctor, optometrist, dentist, veterinarian or any of the numerous health professions requiring advanced level medical training? “Our pre-health programs have had a great deal of success in preparing students for competitive med school placement and career opportunity,” notes Lisa Stephens, advisor for the Pre-Health Programs at Marist. “Students and alumni are routinely admitted into prestigious graduate programs and are excellent candidates for Marist’s master’s and doctoral programs in Physician Assistant Studies and Physical Therapy. They’ve received highly competitive grants and fellowships, and significantly contribute to both medical research and the delivery of high-quality medical care to their communities.” Marist’s pre-health programs provide rigorous and comprehensive educational training as well as medically related experiences such as specialized study abroad options and research opportunities, to expose students to the many facets of healthcare systems.
SCHOOL OF SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Faculty come to know every student and are available to help develop an appropriate plan of study and counsel on key topics such as internships, preparation for graduate study, research opportunities, and employment. Our network of alumni at schools, community service agencies, government, and non-profits offers students learning and mentoring experiences that complement those presented in the classroom.

“...The professors I had at Marist gave me new-found confidence as a student, researcher, and practitioner. They invested in me through supervision of my independent research projects and work as a teacher assistant, and pushed me to challenge myself in and out of the classroom. I was able to build close relationships with my professors, and I have continued to look to them for advice on my professional development after graduation.”

— Laura Miller ’17, Research Assistant

Heath Brain Network, Child Mind Institute; MSW Candidate, Columbia University
Catherine Ponziani ’18
Social Work major, Sociology concentration

“I chose Marist because I was very impressed with the quality of the academic programs. I felt I would get the best education in and out of the classroom, as well as individualized attention and relationships with my professors.”

Transform communities through Service Learning and Social Work

The Marist Sociology & Social Work Department emphasizes a service learning model by linking learning goals with civic responsibility and community empowerment. In addition to specific coursework in the Social Work program, students interested in social justice careers can apply to participate in the Marie and Rupert Tarver Summer Internship Program, where students work full-time for 8 weeks during the summer in a local nonprofit organization on a specific capacity-building project. In one example, Tarver Scholars Gabrielle Gerber ’17 and Kristen Semple ’17 led a workshop for over 100 nonprofit professionals at an event sponsored by the United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region (UWDOR). Entitled “#How to Hashtag: Making Social Media Work for Your Nonprofit,” the talk focused on the usefulness of social media platforms, specifically Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, for organizations seeking to publicize their initiatives. Ms. Semple said the talk and her work as a Tarver Intern have aided her professional aspirations: “I have always wanted to work with nonprofits, so being able to teach how to use social media has been a great way for me to make my way into the industry.”

Launch your teaching career with the Hudson Valley New Teachers Institute

Get up to speed on pressing issues facing educators in the 21st century, and start to develop your career network at the Hudson Valley New Teachers Institute. The Institute involves Hudson Valley teachers, school administrators and Marist Education students in an annual conference focused on the needs of early career teachers and educators. Topics presented include changes in curriculum, functions of special service personnel, time management, coping with the demands of student teaching, and interview skills.

Serve and protect: explore the wide variety of careers in Criminal Justice

Issues of racial justice, civil liberty, and personal and collective security are among the most pressing issues of our times, and they are the focus of study in the field of Criminal Justice. To explore the various opportunities in this field, the Criminal Justice Society sponsors a Career and Internship Fair as an opportunity for Marist students to meet with representatives from the courts, corrections, and law enforcement. Past participants have included the Secret Service, U.S. Marshals, and NYPD.

Criminal Justice students also participate in frequent visits to area agencies and facilities to learn about equipment, resources, and the training required to secure a professional career in the field.

Original research enhances your graduate school opportunities

Throughout the year, psychology students present original research projects in the form of posters and presentations to faculty and area professionals. Research opportunities provide excellent credentials for students considering advanced studies in Psychology and the Behavioral Sciences at the masters and doctoral level. Says Christian Haupt ’18, “I’m interning with Community Housing Innovation in Poughkeepsie and an active member of Psi Chi, and hoping to attend graduate school for Psychology after graduation. The research I presented will help my application stand out.”
Marist Italy

Florence is a place where students feel like a part of a global city, all the while experiencing the unique Florentine community feel. Marist Italy utilizes its location to provide a once-in-a-lifetime learning experience.

4-Year Bachelor Degree Programs

Spend your entire college experience attending our Florence campus for all four years! With courses taught in English, you’ll earn a U.S. Middle States-accredited diploma, no different from those earned at our New York campus.

Freshman Florence Experience

The FFE program allows first-year students to pursue their foundation coursework in a study abroad environment, while also allowing for a cultural exploration of Florence, Italy.

Pre-College

A transformative two-week program for prospective students in high school to sample college life as a Marist Italy student. Earn three college credits in the process and find out whether Marist, Florence, or even your intended major are the right fit for you.

Master of Arts in Museum Studies

An interdisciplinary advanced degree program that provides students with an understanding of how museums operate within their social and cultural contexts.

Venice Biennale

Calling all artists! Marist offers students the opportunity to study in Venice, Italy every other year during the internationally recognized Biennale art exhibition.
The Marist educational experience breaks the confines of the classroom by engaging students in the real world. Through a variety of internships and study abroad opportunities, students learn how to succeed in the global community.

**Freshman-Year Abroad Experiences**
- Freshman Dublin Experience
- Freshman Florence Experience

**Semester Study Abroad**
- More than 50% of Marist students study abroad (U.S. average is 10%)

**Internships**
- 83% of our students participate in one or more internships while at Marist
- Marist in Manhattan
- London Internship Experience
- Washington Semester Program
- Albany Internship Experience
Several Centers of Excellence throughout the campus provide students state-of-the-art resources for hands-on application of real-world tools and technologies, making the step from college to career a seamless transition.
Marist actively cultivates research partnerships between undergraduate students, faculty members, senior administration, and corporate and governmental sponsors. In most cases, undergraduate students work as part of a research team led by a faculty member or with a small group of students preparing materials for a conference, competition, or Marist’s annual Celebration of Undergraduate Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (CURSCA).

Marist has been named a “Top Producing Institution” of Fulbright U.S. Student Grants for two years in a row. Over the last fifteen years, 22 Marist students have received Fulbright awards.

This year, two students were named Goldwater Scholars, the premier nationwide recognition of undergraduates demonstrating promise as future researchers in the STEM fields.

The Hansard Scholars Program enrolls recipients in a semester of study at the London School of Economics and Political Science, and also places the Scholars in an internship with a Member of Parliament.

“In the four years at Marist, the research I conducted [with Dr. John Galbraith] was accepted for publication and allowed me to present at national conferences throughout the United States. I never would have dreamed on that first day of General Chemistry that my studies would lead me to meet world-renowned scientists and Nobel laureates.”

— Croix Laconsay ’16, Fulbright Scholar
THE HONORS PROGRAM

The Marist Honors Program encourages academic excellence, provides opportunities for cultural enrichment, and promotes social and ethical responsibilities. The Program offers outstanding students in all majors a variety of learning experiences in and outside the academic setting. Honors seminars and co-curricular activities, such as field trips and lectures, bring together talented students who seek a more intensive and extensive educational experience.

Honors Seminars
Every semester the Honors Program offers seminars on focused topics. Honors seminars are inspiring, fun, and challenge students to think about big ideas and problems. For the seminar “Environmental Explorations” the classroom is a research boat on which students learn about the history and ecology of the Hudson River. “Ethics of Food” brings students to farms and restaurants to learn about the production, distribution, and consumption of food. Recent seminars include “Communication, Social Media, and Leadership,” “Responsibility and Flexible Leadership,” “Moral Cognition,” and “Biotechnology: From Concept to Clinic.”

Undergraduate Research
Undergraduate research is at the core of the Honor Program’s mission. The Honors Program builds relationships between our top faculty and best students. In the junior year, students work alongside faculty on a one-credit research project. As seniors, they work closely with a faculty mentor on a three-credit Senior Thesis Project. The Thesis Project reflects the high standards of work in graduate school and industry. The finished product is entered into the catalog of the Marist Library, and many Honors students present their research at national and international conferences.
Croix Laconsay ‘16 set foot on the Marist campus for the very first time on freshman move-in day. Some people said that I was crazy for choosing to go to college so far from my home in Hawaii, but looking back on it, I wouldn’t have changed a thing.

Chemistry was my declared major, but I had plenty of doubts about this choice. Perhaps some of you are feeling this way now, as you get ready to start your first year, but don’t worry: if you’re hungry and curious, I’m confident you will find the right major and fall in love with your studies.

My very first day of my very first class at Marist was General Chemistry. I walked into the classroom and did a double-take as the professor was dressed in a plaid blazer with bright pink socks! Surprisingly, I was not in the wrong class, and so began my relationship with the professor who would soon become my research advisor, Dr. John Galbraith. Having Dr. Galbraith as an advisor and mentor was instrumental in erasing my doubts about creating an academic and professional career in Chemistry.

In addition to Chemistry, I declared a second major in Philosophy, which meant my course requirements needed to be carefully orchestrated. Despite these constraints, I was able to study abroad in Beijing with the help and encouragement of my Organic Chemistry professor, Dr. Jocelyn Nadeau, who believed a well-traveled person makes a humble and empathetic scientist. The semester-long experience is one I will never forget, and I hope all of you—regardless of your major and class schedules—are able to do the same.

My mentors at Marist have helped me develop a foundation of unceasing curiosity that will stay with me as I continue to mature as a thinker and scientist. While I had access to the tools and technology needed to conduct high-level research, I was also surrounded by professors and peers who genuinely cared about my success, were fully invested in my future, and provided me with opportunities to learn and grow. Marist will forever be a place of importance to me because not only were opportunities offered, but they also instilled in me the confidence that I would need for success.

Croix Laconsay ‘16 came to Marist from Kaneohe, Hawaii and pursued a double major in Chemistry and Philosophy. As a student, Croix conducted research under the direction of Dr. John Galbraith, Associate Professor of Chemistry, and was invited on three occasions to present at the American Chemical Society national meetings. Prior to graduating, Croix was awarded a 2016 Fulbright Scholarship to spend a year in Israel conducting research on computational methods to increase understanding of chemical bonds. He is now a Ph.D. student at the University of California - Davis. At Marist, Croix was also an active member of Campus Ministry, the Emerging Leaders Program, Marist Toastmasters, and Asian Alliance. The following is an excerpt of a talk he presented to newly admitted students in the Marist Honors program at the end of his senior year.
Where can you find Marist alums? Marist alumni, more than 42,000 strong, are spread throughout the United States and across the globe, from the halls of government to the corridors of top research facilities, from classrooms to courtrooms, nonprofits to Fortune 100 companies, from media capitals to private art galleries, and from technology giants to startup industries—and the list keeps growing!

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98%
Employed or Attending Graduate School

Class of 2017

*Data was compiled from the following sources: multiple online surveys, the Career Service Center, LinkedIn, National Clearinghouse, and through formal and informal conversations with graduates from the Class of 2017.
“The students that attend Marist simply have far more opportunity and exposure to practical technology than I have seen in any other undergraduates that I interviewed for full-time jobs.”

–Joseph Verderame ’00, Vice President, Global Head of Windows Virtualization and Remote Access Engineering, Morgan Stanley

“My internships (I did three) were extremely beneficial, and each provided contacts that I still use today.”

–Christina Garibaldi ’06, Video Correspondent, Us Weekly

“Not only did Marist prepare me well academically for the rigors of post-graduate studies, but my time in Poughkeepsie taught me how to study efficiently, manage my time, and is where I met some of my greatest friends.”

–Tori Saferin, DMD ’08, Dentist, Cromwell Dental

“It’s been said many times that Marist is a community - and that community provided the much-needed support for my transition into the working world.”

–Alicia Mattiello ’10, Manager, Partnerships & Portfolio Products, NBCUniversal

“Internships were key in gaining a competitive edge. While at Marist, I did a wide range of internships at companies including Maersk, The New York Federal Reserve and Fox News Corporation.”

–Chelsea Rich ’10, Contracts Negotiator, Lockheed Martin

“Being able to gain not only journalism experience but also a sports-specific communications background really gave me a leg up.”

–Allison Duffy ’10, Associate Editor, Major League Baseball

“Marist is a breeding ground for bigger ideas and new thinking.”

–Stephen Vendetta ’11, Data Quality Associate, EnerNOC

Learn more about alumni events, people, and opportunities to network at maristconnect.marist.edu
At Marist, a challenging curriculum rooted in the world of ideas and the world of work ensures that our students graduate as well-educated, self-confident, and responsible individuals, prepared to pursue a satisfying career or to go on to graduate or professional school. Faculty work to help students identify an interest, and continue to offer support as that interest is developed and explored.

**ACCOUNTING**

Today’s accounting majors are expected not only to provide auditing, accounting, and tax services for small and large companies, but also to provide services in forecasting, financial planning and evaluation, and the creation and monitoring of new technologies.

The accounting program at Marist College provides a high-quality, professional education in a supportive, interactive, and personalized learning environment. The program is designed to prepare accounting graduates to progress to sensitive management positions in business and industry, public accounting and governmental units. Professional opportunities include careers as a certified public accountant (CPA) or as a certified management accountant (CMA). The Marist Bachelor of Science in Accounting also serves as a sound educational base for post-baccalaureate study in business and law.

**AFRICAN DIASPORA STUDIES**

The minor in African Diaspora Studies prepares students to live and work in, and make sense of, an increasingly interdependent and multicultural world. As the world becomes increasingly interactive, the acquisition of new skills, knowledge, and cultural sensitivity will be critical for interacting with people of African descent as professional colleagues and neighbors working and living together. In addition to the required history course Introduction to African Diaspora Studies, this 18-credit minor offers electives in several disciplines (Communications, English, History, Political Science) and two courses in Foreign Languages and Culture.

**AMERICAN STUDIES**

An interdepartmental program involving history, politics, law, literature, philosophy, religion, art, and music, American Studies allows students to transcend narrow disciplinary boundaries in exploring the broad interplay of ideas and events which have shaped the American past.

This requires a careful selection among designated courses within the American arena, while also developing a concentration (12 credits) focusing upon a different culture such as that of Latin America, England, or Russia. A 3-credit capping experience then unifies these perspectives upon the American Experience.

**APPLIED MATHEMATICS**

The Applied Mathematics major provides a strong foundation in traditional mathematics, but additionally is interdisciplinary in nature as it addresses the needs of those students interested in scientific or operational applications of mathematical techniques. Such applications can be found in the fields of physics, chemistry, biology, medicine, computer science, finance, actuarial science, operations research, industrial mathematics, and many others. These applications require an understanding of the appropriate field, so students are expected to choose one of four subfields outside of mathematics in which to specialize.

**ATHLETIC TRAINING**

The Athletic Training Education Program (ATEP) provides students, within a liberal-arts framework, with the strong scientific foundation and extensive practical experience they need to become certified Athletic Trainers (ATC). Athletic Training is an area of health care concerned with prevention, recognition, care, and rehabilitation of sports-related and similar injuries. Athletic Trainers work as part of a comprehensive sports-medicine team that includes physicians, physical therapists, and other health-care professionals.

Marist’s ATEP is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) and is registered with the New York State Education Department as a licensure-qualifying degree program. Upon completion of the B.S. degree in Athletic Training at Marist, graduates will be eligible to sit for the certification examination administered by the Board of Certification, Inc. (BOC).

**BIOCHEMISTRY**

Biochemistry is a major for students who wish to work at the interface between biology and chemistry. Biochemists seek to understand at the molecular level the complex chemical structures and accompanying reactions that determine biological processes such as metabolism, disease, reproduction and growth, and their regulation through chemical messenger-receptor interactions in the immune, endocrine, and nervous systems.

A research-rich, challenging curriculum engages undergraduate biochemistry majors amidst a supportive environment featuring exceptional access to faculty and facilities. Two American Chemical Society-approved curricula emphasize extensive hands-on experience with state-of-the-art instrumentation and development of effective communication skills. Computational modeling is integrated throughout the curriculum as one mechanism to blend contemporary practice with traditional methods.

Most departmental majors complete original research projects, many of which culminate in presentation or publication at the national level.

**BIOLOGY**

The biology curriculum offers a variety of courses that provide both breadth and depth in the scientific study of life. There are specific courses required of all biology majors, but each student will select additional biology courses with the assistance of an academic advisor to best meet the demands of the planned career goal.

Students may select a path which prepares them for the various health professions ranging from medicine, dentistry, podiatry, veterinary medicine, optometry, pharmacy, physical and occupational therapy, physician’s assistant, and other allied health professions. Students who intend to pursue a career in the health professions can major in Biology or Biomedical Sciences. The curriculum also provides a foundation for graduate studies and offers the student...
the opportunity to gain research experience within the selected advanced courses, as well as through independent faculty-student research at Marist.

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

The Biomedical Sciences curriculum is an interdisciplinary science program that includes core courses in biology, chemistry, and physics. These courses provide a solid foundation in each of these basic sciences and serve as general prerequisites for admission to most health professional schools. Elective and Core (liberal studies) courses will satisfy additional admission prerequisites to master’s and doctoral programs in the health sciences. These schools include, but are not limited to, medical, dental, veterinary, physical therapy, optometry, chiropractic, physician assistant, pharmacy, nursing, public health, and genetic counseling.

Two features of the program – the Introduction to the Health Professions course and required internships in a clinical setting – provide focused information about and direct experience with the health-care system. While most internships will be served locally at Mid Hudson Regional Hospital, Vassar Brothers Medical Center, or other health-care providers, in many cases students may be able to arrange internships in their hometowns. The inclusion of Business courses as Biomedical Sciences electives represents a distinct difference from any other program of this type, and provides students with the management background so strongly recommended by our Pre-Med/Pre-Health Advisory Board.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Finance
Human Resource Management
International Business
Marketing

The Business Administration Program is fully accredited by AACSB, the premier accrediting organization for business schools worldwide. The Program is designed to provide graduates with the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to become effective, socially responsible leaders in today’s competitive and rapidly changing global business environment.

After taking the analytical preparation courses and the core business courses in marketing, human resource management, finance, operations management, organizational behavior, and law, students pick an area of emphasis - international business, finance, marketing, or human resource management. They can even construct, with permission of their advisor, a customized area of emphasis that crosses discipline lines. Some students manage to fit into their programs more than one area of emphasis.

Many internships throughout the Hudson River Valley, New York City, and overseas in six other countries (Australia, France, Ireland, Italy, Spain, and the UK) offer excellent opportunities to integrate academic knowledge with actual business operations. Internships allow students to acquire that all-important “experience” that means so much to employers.

CHEMISTRY (B.A./B.S.)

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COMMUNICATION*

Advertising
Communication Studies
Global Marketing Communication
Journalism
Public Relations
Sports Communication

The Communication Program at Marist is designed to challenge students interested in studying the many forms of human communication—its process, outcomes, and effects. The core of this investigation centers on the ways in which human beings purposefully utilize symbols in interaction to create or modify a socially meaningful world. Through courses and internships, the Program combines a strong liberal arts background with a professional focus.

The strong alumni network of the School ensures that our students intern in some of the top communication organizations in the Northeast, including the major television networks, public-relations firms, radio stations, newspapers, nonprofit and human-service agencies, and Fortune 500 companies.

COMPUTER SCIENCE*

Game Design and Programming
Software Development

The mission of the Department of Computer Science and Information Systems is to prepare students for lifelong careers in the study, design, development, and implementation of hardware and software systems. After completing a program within the Department, a student will:

• Have received instruction in the theoretical foundations of Computer Science, which will form a structure on which specific skills will be built throughout an individual’s career.
• Have been introduced to current computing technologies, as appropriate to the field.
• Be able to make socially and ethically responsible decisions about the uses of technology.

Paula Checchi, Assistant Professor of Biology
Dr. Paula Checchi teaches General Biology I and II, Human Genetics, Developmental Biology, and Capping for the School of Science’s Biology Department. She recently received a National Institutes of Health Academic Research Enhancement Award for her project titled “Role of Higher-Order Chromatin Structure in Gamete Formation.”

“I love the energy of the students here. So many of them are incredibly driven, both in and out of the classroom. Seeing them succeed is undoubtedly the best part of my job, and I feel very fortunate to have made so many connections with students in the time I have been here. My research students, in particular, I spend countless hours with, and it is by far the most positive laboratory environment I have ever worked in.”
The Department of Computer Science and Information Systems is committed to providing its students with a broad range of opportunities both on and off campus, including internships in the surrounding business community that provide many students with experience in their chosen fields.

CONSERVATION STUDIES/RESTORATION
The Conservation Studies program offers a rich educational experience in the field of art conservation and the history of restoration techniques. Students work directly and exclusively on original materials from the 14th to 19th centuries. These opportunities are provided by religious, state, or even private institutions, including the City of Florence Fine Art Department, and are carried out under the direction of the Soprintendenza per i Beni Artistici. Students have the privilege of working on objects ranging from paintings, frescoes, and wood sculptures. From the beginning to advanced levels, students can enjoy the unique experience of working on original works of art both in the state-of-the-art restoration laboratory and at the nearby historical sites.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE*
The Criminal Justice Department is dedicated to helping students think critically and apply criminological theory to practical experience in service to the justice community and society. Upon completion, students will have mastered the knowledge, methods of inquiry, and intellectual skills pertinent to the study of the causes, consequences, and responses to crime and its interrelatedness to other areas of inquiry, including culture and theories of criminology.

All courses focus on the study of crime and delinquency from a variety of perspectives: cause of crime, societal reaction, punishment and rehabilitation, as well as the philosophy and practice of social control and administration of justice. Students gain practical experience in the field where they apply criminological theory and provide service to the community. Emphasis is particularly placed on critical thinking and problem solving.

It is possible for students who plan carefully early in their college careers to double major in Criminal Justice and Psychology. Students who are interested in working with victims of crime and/or individuals who become involved in the criminal justice system may want to consider this option.

CYBERSECURITY
The study of cybersecurity focuses on applying information technology to improve the security of data processing, storage, and communications within organizations. This program is especially appropriate for technical professionals who wish to assume leadership roles in cybersecurity innovation. Developing a core skill set in cybersecurity will help individuals looking to make themselves more marketable in an increasingly technology-dependent world. The typical audience for the minor includes individuals earning their B.S. degree in computer science or information technology and systems who wish to expand their information security knowledge and get hands-on experience with modern hacking and penetration testing tools. The minor also provides necessary cybersecurity skills to students in related disciplines, such as criminal justice and pre-law.

DATA SCIENCE AND ANALYTICS
Data Science and Analytics builds on a core of computer science, information technology and systems, mathematics and statistics. Data Science is, in simple terms, the extraction of knowledge from data. Analytics is a sister term, used mostly in business settings to characterize the analysis of business data to describe, predict, and improve business performance. These disciplines include statistical analysis, machine learning, data mining, probabilistic modeling, computer programming, distributed and high performance computing, and database management. Graduates of the data science & analytics program develop a thorough understanding of the field, learn to manage data effectively, are prepared to apply statistical techniques for the analysis of data, and learn to explore data, communicate data analysis findings through visualizations and build models from data to describe phenomena and make predictions on future occurrences and events. Students in this program learn to develop large scale data mining applications, as well as implementing algorithms and designing, building and managing large distributed data (“big data”) systems.

DIGITAL MEDIA
Animation
Digital Arts
Graphic Design
Web Design
The B.S. in Digital Media is designed to allow students the opportunity to explore, in depth, the new exciting field of Digital Media under the guidance of recognized working artists, designers, and educators. It combines courses in digital media with a balanced curriculum of studio art, art history, and liberal arts courses. Students will gain broad-based training in a wide range of new media, along with an understanding of their concepts, historical background, and heritage in the traditional media. Digital Media majors are encouraged to apply for internships in their junior or senior year.

ECONOMICS
Economics courses at Marist complement students’ liberal arts education with a thorough understanding of economics and its use in applied fields — such as monetary, international, and environmental economics—within a supportive, interactive, and personalized

* 5-Year Accelerated Program option available
learning environment. This program prepares students for entry-level positions in business, nonprofit organizations, and government, and for graduate study in economics, business, and law.

Student objectives for the program of study in economics are to:

- Understand the market economy and its behavior, growth, and stability in a broad conceptual framework for the identification of economic issues and the analysis of economic conditions as related to business and society.
- Develop analytical skills and comprehend quantitative techniques in order to apply them to the analysis of economic activities and their fluctuations, and to infer and foresee economic relationships and trends.
- Develop a critical understanding of diverse perspectives in the rapidly changing global economy.
- Develop an understanding of the ethical issues that arise in the formation of economic policy.

**EDUCATION**

**Adolescent Education 7-12**

Psychology/Dual Certification/- Special Education 1-6

The Marist College teacher education programs are accredited by the New York State Regents Accreditation of Teacher Education (RATE).

The program of study leading to dual certification in Childhood Education/Students with Disabilities (1-6), prepares graduates to teach in the general childhood education classrooms and in a variety of settings serving students with special educational needs. All dual certification students major in psychology. The psychology major provides a comprehensive understanding of human behavior and specifically emphasizes the physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development of children for successful learning in grades one through six.

Certain students may also choose to seek acceptance into the Accelerated Program, resulting in dual certification and the MA in Educational Psychology.

**ENGLISH**

**Literature**

**Theatre**

**Writing**

The English program offers concentrations in literature, writing, and theatre; the goals and principles underlying these concentrations are the same:

- Increase the student’s appreciation and understanding of the literary, pragmatic, rhetorical, and dramatic uses of language.
- Develop the student’s ability to write effectively in a variety of situations.
- Help the student become more receptive to the many-sided pleasures of reading, writing, and oral presentation.
- Enable the student to see how literary and nonliterary texts illuminate the complexity of human experience.
- Heighten the student’s awareness of the moral and ethical implications of literary and non-literary texts.
- Foster the student’s intellectual, aesthetic, and professional creativity.

The professional goals of the three concentrations are similar:

- Prepare students for careers utilizing analytical writing skills and/or performance skills in such fields as business, industry, education, government, theatre, and media.
- Prepare students for graduate studies in literature and writing and in fields that require analytic, interpretive, and writing skills.
- Prepare students for careers in secondary education (in conjunction with the Teacher Education Program).

Jocelyn Smith Lee, Assistant Professor, Psychology

Dr. Smith Lee’s research examines the experience of homicide survivorship to understand how losing friends or family members to violence shapes the health and well-being of Black males. Her research has been published in journals including the American Journal of Public Health and she has presented at numerous national meetings.

“In Psychology, our tagline for the major is ‘show me the data.’ So we take an evidence-based approach to examining issues that is informed by science. My favorite part about teaching at Marist is having the opportunity to expose my students to evidence-based, interdisciplinary course material that challenges them to consider the role of context in shaping the psychology of groups and individuals.”

**ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

**Assessment**

**Policy**

**Science**

The Department of Environmental Science & Policy educates students to become professionals, which enables them to understand and solve environmental problems. More broadly, the program works to develop a body of students within Marist College with a high level of environmental consciousness. The Department has gained a reputation for crafting students who are well-prepared for challenging environmental careers; whereby, employers, both government and private sectors, extol the knowledge and skills our students can and have demonstrated. Whether a student’s interest pertains to the political, economic, legal, scientific, or natural aspects of the environment, the Department’s program equips the students with a pertinent educational background that is molded to each student’s individual needs and goals.

Located in New York’s Hudson River Valley, our courses offer numerous nearby sites well-suited for field study, and our new Mobile Aquatic Laboratory enables students to enhance their hands-on skills with studies on the Hudson River. In addition, a vast array of internships are available to augment the learning experience. For students whose ambition is to pursue graduate studies, our program has a very successful record of placing students in excellent graduate programs by providing a comprehensive undergraduate research experience that utilizes the most up-to-date laboratory equipment, and includes conference presentation opportunities. This program is also well-suited to accommodate dual majors and minors, allowing students to strengthen their undergraduate education and career preparation.

**FASHION DESIGN**

**(PORTFOLIO REQUIRED)**

The Fashion Design major trains students to create apparel for various markets considering creative, technical, and costing factors. Students develop skills in design, textiles, draping and flat pattern making, garment construction, and computer-aided design. In their senior year, they design and execute an apparel collection under the guidance of a professional designer to be shown at the school’s annual Silver Needle Fashion Show. Internships are an integral part of the learning experience in the Fashion Show, as is the increasing use of technology, including computer-aided design.
FAVING MERCHANDISING
(PROJECT REQUIRED)
Business
Fashion Promotion
Product Development
The Fashion Merchandising major concentrates on the planning, procurement, and marketing aspects of the fashion business. Students learn to research target markets, analyze business results, and develop strategies that effectively meet the needs of consumers. In their senior year, Merchandising students create an in-depth business plan and comprehensive investor presentation. Internships are an integral part of the learning experience in the Fashion Program, as is the increasing use of technology, including computer-aided design.

FINE ARTS
Art History
Studio Art
The Department of Art and Digital Media believes a sound foundation and an exploration of the fields of digital media, studio art, and art history should be combined with a strong liberal arts education to expand the intellectual horizons of our students. The department seeks ways to broaden their intellectual development through the investigation of state-of-the-art technologies in addition to traditional forms of study and techniques. The department believes an education in the visual arts should go beyond the classroom, lab, and studio. Opportunities are provided to exhibit artwork, visit galleries and museums, obtain internships, and study abroad. The Department’s mission is to prepare students for careers and graduate study in the fine and applied arts.

The B.A. in Fine Arts with a concentration in Studio Art is designed to combine a broad-based training in the visual arts with a traditional liberal arts education. After gaining a solid foundation in design, drawing, and art history, each student specializes in one of five tracks: drawing, graphic design, painting, photography, or digital media. Students also select additional studio courses to expand their knowledge of the visual arts. This curriculum is ideally suited for students who want to combine their studio major with a second one or plan a more rigorous study of the liberal arts. The B.A. in Fine Arts with a concentration in Art History is designed to provide both a survey of western art and an in-depth study of selected periods. In addition to the required coursework, students concentrating in art history must pursue an alternative discipline, preferably in a foreign language. Study abroad is strongly encouraged and the department provides many opportunities for doing so. All majors, whether in Studio Art or Art History, are encouraged to apply for internships in their junior or senior year. The Department’s programs are augmented by trips to nearby galleries and museums in the Hudson Valley, New England, and New York City. There are also noteworthy opportunities to study abroad, particularly at our branch campus in Florence, Italy, as well as short-term programs in Italy, England, France, Spain, and Japan.

FRENCH
In a global and interdependent world, no education can be considered adequate without the skill of a second language and the ability to consider the perspective of other cultures. Used by over 200 million people in more than 50 countries around the world, French is a key language for international communication. It is an official working language at the UN, NATO, UNESCO, the International Olympic Committee, the European Union, the International Red Cross, and numerous NGOs. A double fluency in French and English is a competitive asset in the national and international job market for work in international business, the humanitarian and nonprofit sectors, the diplomatic world, the teaching professions, the fields of art history and fashion design, and to meet the requirements of various programs of graduate study. In addition, the study of French offers a tradition of inquiry into the meaning, structure, and practice of Language; a history of critical thought, literature, and fine arts that has shaped the Western tradition; and a window to the rich diversity of African, North American, and Asian cultures that still choose French as a primary or secondary mode of expression.

The French Program affords the committed student the following special academic options:
• An interdisciplinary track for double majors designed to customize the language knowledge to the student’s second field of study, for maximum professional marketability.
• The Marist Abroad Program in Paris, Aix-en-Provence or Marseille, featuring a stay with a French family and opportunity for community service involvement. Programs in Senegal and Morocco are also available.
• Secondary school teacher certification.
• The option to substitute several French courses to fulfill distributive Core/LS requirements in Mathematics, Science, History, or Literature, an arrangement which facilitates a double major or minor in French.

GAMES AND EMERGING MEDIA
Design, Writing, and Culture Technical Development/Programming
The Games and Emerging Media major provides a strong practical and theoretical understanding of game design, development, and writing, as well as an understanding of the history, culture, and business of games. In addition, we research, develop, and design other emerging forms of media—including virtual reality, 3-D environments, and mobile applications—as well as media that have yet to be imagined. Depending on their interests, students develop a wide variety of skills, such as in design, programming, writing, production, art, animation, prototyping, public speaking, and research. Our interdisciplinary approach to games encourages creativity, innovation, exploration, and empathy. Students choose between two concentration areas: (1) Design, Writing, & Culture, and (2) Technical Development & Programming. All students begin the program with a shared interdisciplinary foundation in game design, production, and development, and then concentrate

Vernon Murray, Assistant Professor of Marketing
Vernon Murray studied at Queens College for his undergraduate degree in Sociology, Michigan State for his MBA, the University of Alabama for his Ph.D. He enjoys the marketing program at Marist because of students’ passion for the subject matter.

“What I really like about marketing is that you can apply it anywhere. If you want to help get a politician elected, you use marketing. If you want to help people have better health, you use marketing. If you want people to eat more pizza or drink more beer, it’s all marketing. Religion, politics, basic services, everything is marketing. I like its flexibility.”
Mastery of these principles will enhance a student’s understanding of space, creativity, and art. Students will learn to facilitate all phases of a project by working with different departments, professors, and professionals to fully understand all of the complexities and challenges of the professional field. Classrooms are designed in a studio format to allow creativity and building. A state-of-the-art computer lab is available for digital design and model construction.

**ITALIAN**

The Italian program provides the foundational skills for spoken and written proficiency as well as essential knowledge of Italian culture through the study of a broad range of topics such as Italian literature, history, and contemporary ideas. The major provides students with a solid base for the many professions linked with international endeavors and helps to prepare students to work in Italian and Italian-American communities and institutions here and abroad.

With the growing interest in Italian and Italian American studies at a national level, students of the Italian program will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge and language skills by integrating the major or minor into other fields, such as business, communications, economics, education, fashion, history, and political science through interdisciplinary coursework that explores various theoretical and methodological approaches. The program strongly encourages students to fulfill their immersion experience through study abroad at Marist’s branch campus in Italy or other venues available through the Marist International Programs (MIP).

**JEWISH STUDIES**

The minor in Jewish Studies is an interdisciplinary program which involves faculty from the departments of English, Religious Studies, History, and Political Science. A planned program of courses drawn from current and future offerings, the minor has been developed for students who wish to deepen their knowledge of Judaism and Jewish culture. Participation in the program can help students to perceive the relationship of Judaism to other world religions and to understand Judaism’s impact on Western culture. It can stimulate reflection on fundamental human values.

A minimum of 18 credits constitutes the minor. In addition to the designated curriculum, independent study courses are available. Students can satisfy up to nine credits of the minor through summer study at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.
work in hospital, university, government, diverse career opportunities. They may diagnose and therapeutic management of disease. Technologists may pursue provide information needed for the medical technologists work closely with personnel and can establish challenging careers in laboratory administration, specialized research, technical services, marketing, or in medical technology education.

**MUSIC**

The Marist College Music Department offers a minor in Music with both vocal and instrumental tracks. Primarily a performance-based program, the Music Minor offers students the opportunity to pursue their musical endeavors on the college level. The Department is home to over 600 students who participate in any of 21 performing ensembles and take a variety of courses offered in music theory, music industry, music history, and applied music. From applied study in voice, piano, brass, woodwinds, percussion, or strings to researching the lives and works of various composers, the Marist student finds an atmosphere of individual care and attention to personal musical growth. These skills can be used and enjoyed for a lifetime.

**PHILOSOPHY**

Religious Studies

The mission of the Philosophy Major is to cultivate in students a habit of critical reflection on the nature of reality, the methods of acquiring knowledge and understanding the world, the nature of moral values, and other issues of fundamental human concern. This will be accomplished through the study of Core courses (Introduction to Philosophy, Ethics, World Views and Values) and electives in philosophy or in philosophy and religious studies.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

International Studies

Public Affairs

The study of political science at Marist challenges students to make sense of the political world and issues they are inheriting, instilling in them an interest in politics, political systems and institutions on all levels, and giving them the tools so they might enable the world to be a better place. The program offers a foundation in the four discipline subfields of political science – American government, political theory, comparative politics, and international relations. 

The major is designed with flexibility so that students can develop their own interests in at least two subfields as they grow as scholars.

Students learn to read primary texts; collect, analyze and interpret data, distinguish facts that are pertinent to their elegant arguments and communicate — both written and orally — effectively and persuasively. By grappling with the great issues of our time and of the past, the faculty guide students to appreciate the dynamic interplay of theory, methodology and practice in understanding the political world.

The department emphasizes taking advantage of the unique resources at Marist and beyond, including The Marist Institute for Public Opinion (MIPO), the FDR Presidential Library, town meetings, academic conferences, the Model United Nations, internships, the Albany Semester, the Washington Semester, Marist Abroad, Pre-law, and the American Bar Association approved Paralegal programs. Consistent with the mission of Marist, Political Science challenges students to confront the perennial values and issues involved in politics. The department aims to prepare students for responsible citzen-
Kevin Lerner, Assistant Professor of Communication/Journalism
Dr. Kevin Lerner is a journalism professor at Marist, teaching topics ranging from the history of journalism, mass communication law, journalism as literature, to basic reporting and writing classes. He also serves as the faculty advisor for the Marist chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists.

“What I like about Marist is the balance between pre-professional programs like journalism and communication and the liberal arts core. For journalists, in particular, it’s essential to be a good critical thinker and to have a humanistic understanding of the world that you can bring to your reporting. I also see journalism as a kind of ‘applied liberal arts,’ the way that engineering is an applied science. As a journalist, you take your critical thinking and information gathering and analytical abilities and apply them to the world.”

ship in our changing world, and to assist students in developing lifelong learning skills and a broad grounding in a liberal arts education.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
In addition to the majors above, programs are available to provide preparation for professional school, graduate study, or certification in the following areas:

- Pre-Dental
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medical
- Pre-Veterinary

PSYCHOLOGY
Psychology courses stress psychological theory as well as the application of psychological principles. The range of application varies from experience in a psychological research course, where students actually conduct research, to life-span development courses, where students can see the relevance of applying principles of development in their own lives.

As students become familiar with the psychological literature and its applications, they develop a professional orientation that prepares them for entry-level jobs in the field and acceptance to graduate schools in psychology. This professional orientation is highlighted through a field/service learning experience that takes place in the junior/senior year in a local human-service agency, school, or research setting. This undergraduate preparation as a psychology major is valuable not only for students who choose advanced graduate study in psychology, but also as preparation for elementary/special education teacher training programs and law school, as well as a wide array of positions generally included under the fields of business management and communication or the pursuit of advanced degrees in other areas such as law or medicine.

RELIGION
The Religion Program focuses on the history, scriptures, ethics, and rituals of ancient and modern religions. The purpose of the Religion Major is to investigate the nature of religion and the role that religion plays in society. While the department highly values the Catholic tradition handed down from the Marist Brothers who founded the College, Religious Studies courses are non-confessional. Instead, the emphasis is placed on appreciating the historical, cultural and critical development of this vital branch of study, and exploring the role of religion with regard to contemporary moral problems. The social values students encounter in religious studies courses and the analytical skills students acquire in the program will help prepare them for a wide variety of jobs that focus on understanding human behavior and promoting social values.

SOCIAL WORK
The Social Work Program prepares graduates for competent, ethical, professional generalist practice grounded in the history and values of the profession. A dynamic and comprehensive program enables students to integrate and apply social work knowledge, values, and skills as professional generalist practitioners to enhance human well-being in the social context. The Program of Study leading to the Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the Council on Social Work Education. Human values, personal values, and professional values are studied and refined so students may form an appropriate values context for professional practice. Courses in sociology and in other behavioral and social sciences provide students with a foundation for understanding human behavior in the social environment. Social Work courses provide relevant theoretical perspectives for beginning generalist practice. Field education is distributed throughout the program and culminates in an in-depth practicum during the senior year. All field education activities take place in local social-service agencies.

SPANISH
Communication through language is at the core of human experience, and the study of a foreign language provides a powerful key to successful interaction. The ability to communicate efficiently and sensitively in another language with people of different cultural backgrounds can only enhance one’s professional advancement in any career. The Department of Modern Languages aims to enrich students’ education by helping them gain a rich preparation for the future through the support of global studies, teacher education, international tracks in other disciplines and, in general, career opportunities in key areas of domestic and international service where knowledge of a foreign language facilitates and increases the level of success.

The Spanish area of the division affords the serious student of a foreign language the following special academic programs:

- The Marist Abroad Program, featuring individual placement, generally during the junior year, in Madrid, Quito, or Monterey.
- Bilingual Education concentration.
- Secondary school teacher certification.
- Latin American Studies program.

Spanish Majors are urged to spend two semesters abroad in a Spanish-speaking country.

STUDIO ART (B.S.) (PORTFOLIO REQUIRED)
The B.S. in Studio offers a balance of courses between the traditional art media areas required by the major and the liberal arts courses required by the Marist College Common Core. This program will provide a concentrated and carefully structured series of courses organized to enable students to broaden their understanding, aesthetic awareness, and technical abilities in the studio arts. It will also stress the concepts and historical background that have determined the way in which tra-
ditional art media have evolved. In addition, this comprehensive program will encourage an awareness of art in relationship to other areas, provide art students with the opportunity to participate in internships, take related courses in other disciplines, and offer students an opportunity to develop their portfolios in preparation for graduate studies. The Studio Faculty is composed of full-time and visiting art professionals who are committed to creating a nurturing but challenging environment in which students can explore, experiment, and develop their own personal visions.

TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS
Marist offers undergraduate programs leading to initial teaching certification.

In order to teach at a middle or high school level, programs of study in Secondary Education (7-12) are integrated with an academic major in the subject area. This is available for: Biology, Chemistry, English, French, History, Mathematics, Political Science, and Spanish.

To teach in grade school, programs of study leading to dual certification in Psychology and either Childhood Education (1-6) or Childhood Education /Special Education (1-6) are offered. All dual certification students are psychology majors.

THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPUSS SAFETY

The Advisory Committee on Campus Safety will provide upon request all campus crime statistics as reported to the United States Department of Education. Marist College’s annual campus crime information can be found at http://ope.ed.gov/security/search.asp or at http://www.marist.edu/security/student.html or by calling the Office of Safety and Security at 001 845-471-1822.
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- General Information Sessions
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- Transfer Information Sessions
- Marist’s Florence, Italy Campus Session (Hosted on Marist’s New York campus)
- Marist’s Freshman Abroad Programs in Dublin, Ireland and Florence, Italy (Hosted on Marist’s New York campus)

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