

# Study in America at Saint Mary's College

Our Guide for International Students

## You Belong at Saint Mary's!

Founded by women 180 years ago to empower others, Saint Mary's College supports students in developing the skills they need to lead and succeed. Students from around the world find their home away from home in Indiana and take the first steps toward careers in STEM-related fields through our offering of science and engineering classes. Whether you want to direct the work of a global relief organization, make the world a better place in a classroom or hospital, or pursue research on your way to scientific discovery, you will develop the knowledge, empathy, and vision to guide your part of the world forward.

Take a virtual tour at [youvisit.com/saintmarys](http://youvisit.com/saintmarys)

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## Where is Saint Mary's College?

Located in Notre Dame, Indiana, and neighbor to the City of South Bend, Saint Mary's College allows students to enjoy all there is to do in our area and nearby destinations. Whether you like to hike, bike, or just take a stroll, South Bend has plenty of bike paths, nature trails, and parks to visit. Ready for more adventure? Rent a boat or canoe and explore the St. Joseph River or Lake Michigan (the third largest lake in the US), or speed down the East Race rapids course in a raft. For quieter days, visit the many museums or our local zoo, walk around Notre Dame's campus, or take the train over to Chicago for a day of shopping and sightseeing.



## Why Attend a Women's College?

Attending a women's college is an incredible experience with many advantages. **Class sizes are small** and professors know your name. Experience also shows us that students here are **more likely to speak up**, ask for instruction, and **become leaders** in any career path or work setting.

Saint Mary's students and graduates will tell you that our learning environment gave them **confidence to know their place in the world**.

# 86%

of recent graduates say their Saint Mary's education has empowered them to **MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD**

*\*The information in this brochure is based on our most current data and is revised regularly.*

## Did you know?

### Graduates of women's colleges

- **Score higher** on standardized achievement tests
- Are more likely to **pursue traditionally male-dominated disciplines**
- Are four times as likely to **continue their education** after college
- Are twice as likely to **earn a doctoral degree**

Ranked

# #42

**BEST VALUE**

2024 National Liberal Arts Colleges

U.S. News & World Report



## Academic Excellence is a Priority

With more than 60 academic programs to choose from, you can find your ideal course of study at Saint Mary's. Work with us to discover how our **majors, minors, concentrations, and programs** can be combined to create the path that's just right for you.

# 2x

as many female **STEM graduates** compared to other colleges in the US

# 93%

of Saint Mary's graduates **get their degree within 4 years**

(vs. 38% of US public college graduates)

# 94%

of our students participate in **internships and field experience**

(vs. 50% of college students in the US)

Interested in

# STEM?

Saint Mary's is an excellent choice for students interested in our many STEM options. We foster an empowering and supportive environment so you can engage, learn, and grow in all STEM fields.



## 60+ Academic Programs to Consider

- Accounting
- Anthropology
- Applied Arts and Design
- Art
- Art Education
- Art History
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Communication Studies
- Computer Science
- Computing and Applied Mathematics
- Creative Writing
- Criminology
- Dance
- Data Science
- Design
- Digital and Public Humanities
- Economics
- Elementary Education
- Engineering Dual Degree with Notre Dame
- Environmental Studies
- Fashion and Costume
- Film Studies
- Finance
- Gender and Women's Studies
- Gerontology/Aging Studies
- Global Studies
- Global Justice and Human Rights
- History
- Humanistic Studies
- Intercultural Studies
- International Business
- Justice Studies
- Languages
- Literature in English
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Music
- Music Education
- Musical Theatre
- Neuroscience
- Nursing
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Physics and Applied Mathematics
- Political Science
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Med and Health Professions
- Psychology
- Public Relations/Advertising
- Religious Studies and Theology
- Secondary Education
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Statistical and Actuarial Mathematics
- Student-Designed Major
- Studio Art
- Theatre
- Women's History
- Accelerated Master's with Notre Dame
  - Master of Nonprofit Administration
  - Master of Science in Management
  - Master of Science in Finance
  - Master of Science in Accountancy



## Supportive Environment

As an international student, you are provided with many resources and programming that benefit your academic and social life here.

**International Student/Scholar Services**—provides support for students transitioning to US culture; offers activities and trips; and provides immigration services to assist in maintaining student visas.

**Multicultural Services**—hosts cultural, educational, and social events; provides mentoring and additional study spaces; and is home to our multicultural clubs and multiethnic celebrations and ceremonies.

**Center for Faith, Action, and Ministry**—offers a spiritual home to help deepen your faith and put it into action through outreach programs and volunteer events.

**Student Success**—provides additional academic resources in all areas of study; helps you learn testing and note-taking strategies; and teaches strong time management and study skills.



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**Full-time Professors  
Dedicated to Your Learning**

We believe that nothing replaces a direct connection to faculty who are leaders in their fields. That's why our classes are small and taught only by professors. In this environment, students are highly engaged in discussions, involved in comprehensive research, and encouraged to ask questions. Coupled with strong academic programs that develop critical thinking and communication skills, we ensure every student is well prepared to excel in their career and in life.

# 100%

of incoming international students receive **merit-based scholarships**

# 10:1

student to  
faculty ratio

# 18

average  
class  
size





**“When I arrived, Saint Mary’s helped me meet other students from around the world. We became great friends and it really helped to have others who understand the challenges of being in a very different place from what I was used to.”**

— Jovita Lledo Munoz '18, RN  
Santiago, Chile

### The Best of Both Worlds

At Saint Mary’s, you receive the benefits of a women’s college, plus access to the University of Notre Dame. You can extend your social and educational opportunities by taking classes, joining clubs, and attending sporting events and world-class concerts across the street at Notre Dame.

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**Clubs and Activities**  
between Saint Mary’s  
and Notre Dame



## Faith and Service

Saint Mary's women know that social justice, equality, and the human dignity of all—pillars of the Catholic faith—require action. Whether you are Catholic or not, here you can live your faith and develop your spirituality.



## More Reasons to Choose Saint Mary's College!

**9** NCAA Division III athletic programs

**90%**

of graduates are **employed** full time, enrolled in **grad school**, or engaged in other full-time activity **within one year** of graduation

**22**

study abroad programs at Saint Mary's



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**93%**

of our graduates say Saint Mary's taught them **to think critically or analytically**



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