

# 2011 PROFILE

Lawrence University is a nationally recognized undergraduate institution consisting of a college of liberal arts and sciences and a conservatory of music. Chartered in 1847, Lawrence was among the first colleges in the United States to be founded coeducational. In 1964, Lawrence College consolidated with Milwaukee-Downer College for Women to form the present-day Lawrence University.

## LOCATION

Appleton, Wisconsin, a city of just over 70,000 in the northeastern section of the state, is at the center of the Fox Cities. The Fox Cities, a cluster of 18 cities, villages, and towns along the Fox River with a combined population of more than 220,000, is one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the state and has consistently been named one of the best medium-size metropolitan areas in the nation, based on quality-of-life indicators.

By car, Appleton is 30 minutes south of Green Bay, 90 minutes north of Milwaukee, two hours from Madison, three hours from Chicago and five and one-half hours east of Minneapolis/St. Paul. The Outagamie County Regional Airport is five miles from campus and is served by United Express via Chicago; Comair (Delta) via Atlanta, Detroit, and Minneapolis/St. Paul; and Allegiant Air via Las Vegas and Orlando.

## CAMPUS

The 84-acre Lawrence campus is situated on a bluff overlooking the historic Fox River and contains 58 instructional, residential, recreational and administrative facilities. Adjacent to downtown Appleton, the campus is bordered on two sides by attractive early 20th-century residential neighborhoods. Björklunden vid Sjön, a 425-acre estate on Lake Michigan in Door County, serves as the college's northern campus, hosting curricular retreats and seminars for students each weekend throughout the academic year and continuing education seminars during the summer for alumni and the public.

Lawrence is a residential college, and more than 90 percent of all students live on campus in one of seven residence halls, 17 small houses and other student residences.

## ACCREDITATION

Lawrence is accredited as a degree-granting institution by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The Conservatory of Music is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Music.

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Three 10-week terms (Fall, Winter, Spring) comprise the academic calendar, spanning mid-September through mid-June. A full-time course load for students is three six-unit courses each term (18 units) or a minimum of 15 units.

## ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The program emphasizes individualized instruction through a rich set of small group or single-student tutorial courses, independent study projects, studio work, and faculty-student research and scholarship collaborations, all of which take advantage of a low student-to-faculty ratio. Nearly 90 percent of recent Lawrence graduates have had one-on-one course experiences. The university also offers a large number of interdisciplinary courses, emphasizing engagement with contemporary world concerns, and has extensive programs of off-campus study and community internships. All students begin their program with a nationally known Freshman Studies seminar course.

Lawrence offers majors in traditional liberal arts disciplines and interdisciplinary programs; student-designed majors are also available. Within the Bachelor of Arts program there are 42 majors and 35 minors, including anthropology, art history, biochemistry, biology, chemistry, Chinese language and literature,

classics, East Asian studies, economics, English, environmental studies, French, gender studies, geology, German, government, history, linguistics, mathematics, mathematics-computer science, mathematics-economics, music, 10 natural sciences interdisciplinary areas, philosophy, physics, psychology, religious studies, Russian language and literature, Russian studies, Spanish, studio art, and theatre arts. Additional minors or interdisciplinary areas of study exist in biomedical ethics, cognitive science, computer science, ethnic studies, film studies, Greek, international studies, Japanese, Latin, Latin American studies and neuroscience.

Professional study in music and study in the liberal arts may be combined in a five-year, double-degree program leading to both Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Arts, the latter with a major other than music.

## CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

Established in 1894, the Lawrence Conservatory of Music is an integral component of a nationally recognized, exclusively undergraduate institution. Music students at Lawrence University take full advantage of course work in the liberal arts and sciences, often pursuing double-degree programs and benefiting from the opportunity to work directly with senior faculty members across the disciplines. The Conservatory offers the Bachelor of Music in performance, education, or theory/composition, and the Bachelor of Arts with a major in music.

## GRADUATION AND RETENTION

2005 Cohort 6-year Graduation Rate	76%
Freshman to Sophomore Retention Rate (2010-11)	89%
Degrees Awarded (2010-11)	364
Students Receiving Degrees (2010-11)	347
B.A.	281 (81%)
B.Mus.	49 (14%)
B.A./B.Mus.	17 (5%)

Majors with the largest number of graduates (in descending order): music performance (52), biology (41), psychology (35), government (30), English (25), history (20), music education (20), economics (19), theatre arts (18), music (15), art history (14), Spanish (14), studio art (13), biochemistry (11).

## ENROLLMENT (FALL 2011)

Total Enrollment	1,496
Full-Time	1,443 (96%)
Part-Time	53 (4%)
Degree-Seeking Students	1,445
Men	666 (46%)
Women	779 (54%)
Total Student FTE <sup>a</sup>	1,461
Race/Ethnic Composition	
African American	49 (3%)
Asian	44 (3%)
Hispanic/Latino/Latina of any race	53 (4%)
Two or more races	42 (3%)
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	2 (.1%)
Native American/Alaskan Native	2 (.1%)
Non-Resident International	126 (8%)
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	25 (2%)
White	1,151 (77%)
Geographic Representation	
45 states and the District of Columbia	
35 foreign countries	

<sup>a</sup> Based on IPEDS calculation of FTE by enrollment head count:  
Full-time + (Part-time/3)

## ENTERING FRESHMEN PROFILE (CLASS OF 2015)

Number Applied	2,666
Acceptance Rate	53%
Number Matriculated	326
Average Combined SAT Score* (verbal + math)	1,267
Average ACT Score*	28
Top 10 Percent of High School Class	46%
Average High School GPA**	3.66

\* SAT and ACT scores are not required for application.

\*\* Includes only academic subjects; any high school weighting of grades has not been used.

## FINANCIAL AID PROFILE (AS OF OCTOBER, 2011)

Total Financial Aid	\$39.2 million
Lawrence Gift Aid	\$23.1 million (58.9%)
Average Need-Based Financial Aid Package	\$29,500
Degree-Seeking Students Receiving Aid (Fall 2011)	1,399 (97%)
International Students Receiving Aid	108
Domestic Students Receiving Need-Based Aid	883
Domestic Students Receiving Non-Need Based or Merit-Only Aid	408

## FACULTY (FALL 2011)

Full-time Faculty (Fall 2011)	163
FTE Faculty <sup>a</sup>	176
Percent Full-time Faculty/FTE	93%
Full-time Faculty who Hold the Ph.D. or Other Terminal Degree	96%
Full-time Tenure-Track Positions (130) with Tenured Faculty	69%
Student-Faculty Ratio <sup>b</sup>	8.3:1
Class Size (2010-11)	Number of Class Sections
1 (College)	532 (17%)
1 (Conservatory)	1,452 (47%)
2-9	396 (13%)
10-19	436 (14%)
20-29	149 (5%)
30-39	58 (2%)
40-49	36 (1%)
50 Plus	22 (1%)

<sup>a</sup> Based on IPEDS FTE calculation: Full-time + (Part-time/3); <sup>b</sup> Based on FTE Student/FTE Faculty

## ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCES (2010-11)

Endowment (June 30, 2011)	\$214.7 million
Endowment per Degree-Seeking Student	\$141,218
Total Net Assets (2010-11)	\$283 million
Operating Budget (2011-12)	\$52.3 million
Comprehensive Fee (2011-12)	\$46,371
Tuition and Fees	\$38,481
Room and Board	\$7,890
Staff (Fall 2011)	342
Full-Time	261 (76%)
Part-Time	81 (24%)

## UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT (2010-11)

Total Outright Gifts from Private Sources	\$13.2 million
The Lawrence Fund	\$3.42 million
Alumni of Record	19,002
Alumni Participation Rate	40.1%

## FRESHMAN STUDIES

Entering students enroll in Freshman Studies, a two-course sequence specifically designed to acquaint them with the modes of inquiry characteristic of intellectual discourse at Lawrence and to enhance their reading, writing and speaking skills. Through the study of important works of systematic thought or creative imagination, the course raises for discussion and analysis important ideas of abiding concern. Freshman Studies is both an introduction to and an integral part of a Lawrence education

## COOPERATIVE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Engineering (B.A./Bachelor of Engineering), with Columbia University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, or Washington University; Forestry and Environmental Studies (B.A./Master of Forestry or Master of Environmental Management), with the Duke University School of the Environment; and Occupational Therapy (B.A. or B.A./M.S.), with the Washington University School of Medicine.

## TEACHER CERTIFICATION

Secondary education certification (early adolescent through adolescence, grades 6-12) is available for most majors offered in the B.A. curriculum. Early childhood through adolescence (K-12) certification is offered in art, foreign languages (Latin, Chinese, Japanese, French, German, Russian and Spanish) and music (choral, general and instrumental).

## OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS

Lawrence encourages students to engage in at least one term of study away from the campus and offers 57 off-campus programs: 10 domestic and 47 international. The college itself administers a marine biology term and sponsors the Lawrence London Centre and the Francophone Seminar in Dakar, Senegal. Other programs are offered through Lawrence's membership in or affiliation with a variety of organizations including the Associated Colleges of the Midwest, Associated Colleges in China, Great Lakes Colleges Association, Institute for the International Education of Students, and International Studies Abroad.

Sponsored Off-Campus Program Participants (2010-11)	135
Domestic	10 (7%)
Study Abroad	125 (93%)

## LIBRARY RESOURCES

Seeley G. Mudd Library is one of the finest small-college libraries in the Midwest, housing 401,581 books and bound periodicals; 346,035 government documents; 2,505 current periodical subscriptions; 18,921 music scores; 128,526 videotapes, recordings and microform items; 220,704 E-books; and subscriptions to more than 100 databases. Special holdings include a rare book collection of more than 3,400 items dating back to the 16th century and a Lincoln Reading Room containing published materials, works of art and autographs relating to the Civil War and Abraham Lincoln.

Total Library Expenditures (2010-11)	\$1.8 million
Library Expenditures per 2010-11 Student FTE	\$1,187

## ATHLETICS, CLUB SPORTS, INTRAMURALS AND CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

Intercollegiate athletics at Lawrence dates back to at least the 1890s. A founding member of the Midwest Conference and a member of NCAA Division III, Lawrence fields 22 varsity teams: 12 for men and 10 for women, including baseball, basketball, cross country, fencing, football, golf, hockey, indoor track, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, outdoor track, and volleyball.

Club sports offer a middle ground between the highly competitive varsity sports and the more low-key approach to intramurals. Club sports such as men's and women's crew, men's volleyball, co-ed and women's ultimate Frisbee, and women's hockey compete against other schools.

Intramural sports offer students seeking fun and fitness a chance to compete without the commitment of a practice schedule and season. Activities vary depending upon student interest, and include such sports as flag football, basketball, volleyball, cross-country skiing, bowling, darts, billiards, floor hockey, broomball and racquetball. Anyone can join intramural teams and special tournaments are organized every year.

For a complete list of campus organizations and opportunities for involvement, visit the website for Campus Activities: [www.lawrence.edu/dept/student\\_dean/activities/Guidebook.pdf](http://www.lawrence.edu/dept/student_dean/activities/Guidebook.pdf)

## TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Academic Affairs	920-832-6528	Financial Services	920-832-6540
Admissions	920-832-6500	Human Resources	920-832-6564
	800-227-0982	Library	920-832-6750
Alumni and Constituency Engagement	920-832-6549	Technology Services	920-832-6570
Athletics	920-832-6760	International Student Services	920-832-6509
Communications	920-832-7325	President's Office	920-832-6525
Conservatory	920-832-6612	Registrar	920-832-6578
Counseling Services	920-832-6574	Research Administration	920-993-6025
Dean of Students	920-832-6596	Student Academic Services	920-832-6530
Development	920-832-6517		
Financial Aid	920-832-6583		

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