

# 2009 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, two hours from Milwaukee and Madison, three and one-half hours from Chicago, and five hours from Minneapolis/St. Paul. The Outagamie County Regional Airport is five miles from campus and is served by United, Northwest/Delta, Midwest and Allegiant Air airlines.

## CAMPUS

The 84-acre Lawrence campus is situated on a bluff overlooking the historic Fox River and contains 64 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 eight 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 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 our recent 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 offer majors in traditional liberal arts disciplines and interdisciplinary programs; student-designed majors are also available. Within the Bachelor of Arts program there are 44 majors and 34 minors, including anthropology, art history, biochemistry, biology, chemistry, Chinese language and literature,

classics, East Asian languages and culture, East Asian studies, economics, English, environmental studies, French and Francophone studies, gender studies, geology, German, government, history, linguistics, mathematics, mathematics-computer science, mathematics-economics, music, 11 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 degrees, 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 coursework 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 degree in performance, education, or theory/composition and the Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in music.

## GRADUATION AND RETENTION

2003 Cohort 6-year Graduation Rate	76%
Freshman to Sophomore Retention Rate (2008-09)	87%
Degrees Awarded (2008-09)	320
Students Receiving Degrees (2008-09)	310
B.A.	267 (86%)
B.Mus.	33 (11%)
B.A./B.Mus.	10 (3%)

Majors with the largest number of graduates (in descending order): music performance (38), psychology (38), biology (35), English (33), government (32), history (16), music (16), art (15), physics (14), anthropology (12), theatre arts (12), art history (11), natural science interdisciplinary (11).

## ENROLLMENT (FALL 2009)

Total Enrollment	1,495
Full-Time	1,433 (96%)
Part-Time	62 (4%)
Degree-Seeking Students	1,433
Men	666 (46%)
Women	767 (54%)
Total Student FTE <sup>a</sup>	1,454
Race/Ethnic Composition	
African American	39 (3%)
Asian/Pacific Islander	40 (3%)
Hispanic/Latino/Latina	36 (2%)
Multi-ethnic	41 (3%)
Native American/Alaskan Native	5 (.3%)
Non-Resident International	130 (9%)
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	167 (11%)
White, not Hispanic	1,037 (69%)
Geographic Representation	
44 states and the District of Columbia	
Virgin Islands and 33 foreign countries	

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

## ENTERING FRESHMEN PROFILE (CLASS OF 2013)

Number Applied	2,516
Acceptance Rate	69%
Number Matriculated	352
Average Combined SAT Score* (verbal + math)	1303
Average ACT Score*	29
Top 10% of High School Class	38%
Average High School GPA**	3.39

\* 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, 2009)

Total Financial Aid	\$35.2 million
Lawrence Gift Aid	\$19.7 million (56%)
Average Need-Based Financial Aid Package	\$27,500
Degree-Seeking Students Receiving Aid (Fall 2009)	1,340 (94%)
International Students Receiving Aid	112
Domestic Students Receiving Need-Based Aid	837
Domestic Students Receiving Non-Need Based or Merit-Only Aid	391

## FACULTY (2009-10)

Full-time Faculty (Fall 2009)	157
FTE Faculty <sup>a</sup>	175
Percent Full-time Faculty/FTE	90%
Full-time Faculty who Hold the Ph.D. or Other Terminal Degree	99%
Full-time Tenure-Track Positions (126) with Tenured Faculty	67%
Student-Faculty Ratio <sup>b</sup>	8.3:1
Class Size (2008-09)	Number of Class Sections
1 (College)	409 (14%)
1 (Conservatory)	1,479 (51%)
2-9	365 (13%)
10-19	406 (14%)
20-29	136 (5%)
30-39	63 (2%)
40-49	30 (1%)
50 Plus	27 (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 (2008-09)

Operating Budget (2009-10)	\$ 48.1 million
Endowment (June 30, 2009)	\$ 168.5 million
Endowment per Degree-Seeking Student	\$ 117,585
Total Net Assets (2008-09)	\$ 235 million

Comprehensive Fee (2009-10)	\$ 41,649
Tuition and Fees	\$ 34,326
Room and Board	\$ 7,053

Staff (Fall 2009)	351
Full-Time	262 (75%)
Part-Time	89 (25%)

## UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT (2008-09)

Total Outright Gifts from Private Sources	\$16.8 million
The Lawrence Fund	\$3.7 million
Alumni of Record	18,979
Alumni Participation Rate	43.2%

## 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 54 off-campus programs: 10 domestic and 44 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 (2008-09)	118
Domestic	10 (8%)
Study Abroad	108 (92%)

## LIBRARY RESOURCES

Seeley G. Mudd Library is one of the finest small-college libraries in the Midwest, housing 394,383 books and periodicals; 344,118 government documents; 2,478 current periodical subscriptions; 17,786 music scores; and 143,083 videotapes, recordings and microform items. 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 (2008-09)	\$1.8 million
Library Expenditures per 2008-09 Student FTE	\$1,228

## 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 Web site 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	Human Resources	920-832-6564
Admissions	920-832-6500	Information	920-832-6570
	800-227-0982	Technology Services	
Alumni Relations	920-832-6549	International	920-832-6509
Athletics	920-832-6760	Student Services	
Communications	920-832-6587	President's Office	920-832-6525
Conservatory	920-832-6612	Registrar's Office	920-832-6578
Dean of Students	920-832-6596	Research	920-993-6025
Development	920-832-6517	Administration	
Financial Aid	920-832-6583	Student	920-832-6530
Financial Services	920-832-6545	Academic Services	
		Switchboard	920-832-7000

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