

An  
AMHERST  
Kind of  
CURIOSITY.

Amherst College



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You'll find that what makes us uniquely Amherst is the same thing that makes you distinctly you: Your curiosity, *unquenchable*. Your empathy, *unbreakable*. Your intellectual fire, absolutely *inextinguishable*.

You already have what it takes to be a Mammoth, now discover what it means to carry Amherst with you on campus and for a lifetime.

# A community driven by collaboration.

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The community is probably the main reason I committed. My friends are always busy, but if I need help with math homework, someone will sit down and help me for hours. This is just a very supportive and uplifting place.

FIONA CHO



“  
People here are so friendly and kind. Everyone is always smiling at each other as we’re walking around campus. Amherst is a nice, inclusive community.

HANNAH DIMAS



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I think it’s so exciting to meet new people here. Everyone is so willing to help each other and work together, and it’s very collaborative. I feel like everyone wants what’s best for each other, which is great.

JUSTIN PAPAGELIS



We’re known at Amherst for our caring and spirited community, and life here is fueled by a sense of togetherness. And we have fewer than 1,900 students, so faces become familiar, friendships form easily, and interests are explored freely.

Have a passion for advocacy? There’s an organization for you. Interested in club sports? We’ve got you covered. Whatever you choose to pursue, you’ll find yourself right at home, alongside other Mammoths who can’t wait to meet you.





# An *Amherst* approach to education.

Academics at Amherst are rooted in the liberal arts. We offer intimate class sizes, intentional faculty mentorship, and a diverse academic catalog so that students can foster intellectual curiosity and continue to grow as independent thinkers. Here, there is no shortage of opportunities to explore—and discover—what excites you. And because we're strictly an undergraduate campus, students never have to share the attention and resources with graduate students. Whether you pursue multiple majors or create your own, our range of dynamic courses and expert faculty members prepare you to uncover new perspectives, adapt to challenges, and pursue a career path you care deeply about.

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A liberal arts education is really important. It allows students to try classes and see what they like. This education prepares you to distinguish what career path you want and what you want for your own life.

TYLER FIELDS

850+

courses offered per year

42

majors that range across disciplines

7:1

Student-to faculty-ratio

# An experience that's *uniquely yours.*

Amherst College's open curriculum offers a dynamic and interactive educational experience. While students must complete a certain number of classes to graduate, you aren't required to take general education requirements or have a core curriculum. This means that the classes you take are fully up to you. Here, you can take classes across disciplines, explore research opportunities through your four years, and pursue courses that match your interests.



I feel like coming to a liberal arts institution teaches you to be adaptable and stay curious.

THOMAS YE

## What's the Benefit of an OPEN CURRICULUM?

### FLEXIBILITY

You can explore various fields and customize your educational experience. The open curriculum at Amherst College allows you to mix and match courses, giving you the flexibility to tailor your education to your diverse interests and career goals.

### INDEPENDENCE

You have the autonomy to direct your own learning. Our open curriculum empowers you to take charge of your coursework, making decisions that best suit your personal and professional aspirations. Independence in your studies helps you stay motivated, engaged, and committed to filling your days with classwork that fascinates you. And with faculty mentorship to guide you, you'll never be alone on this journey.

### CREATIVITY

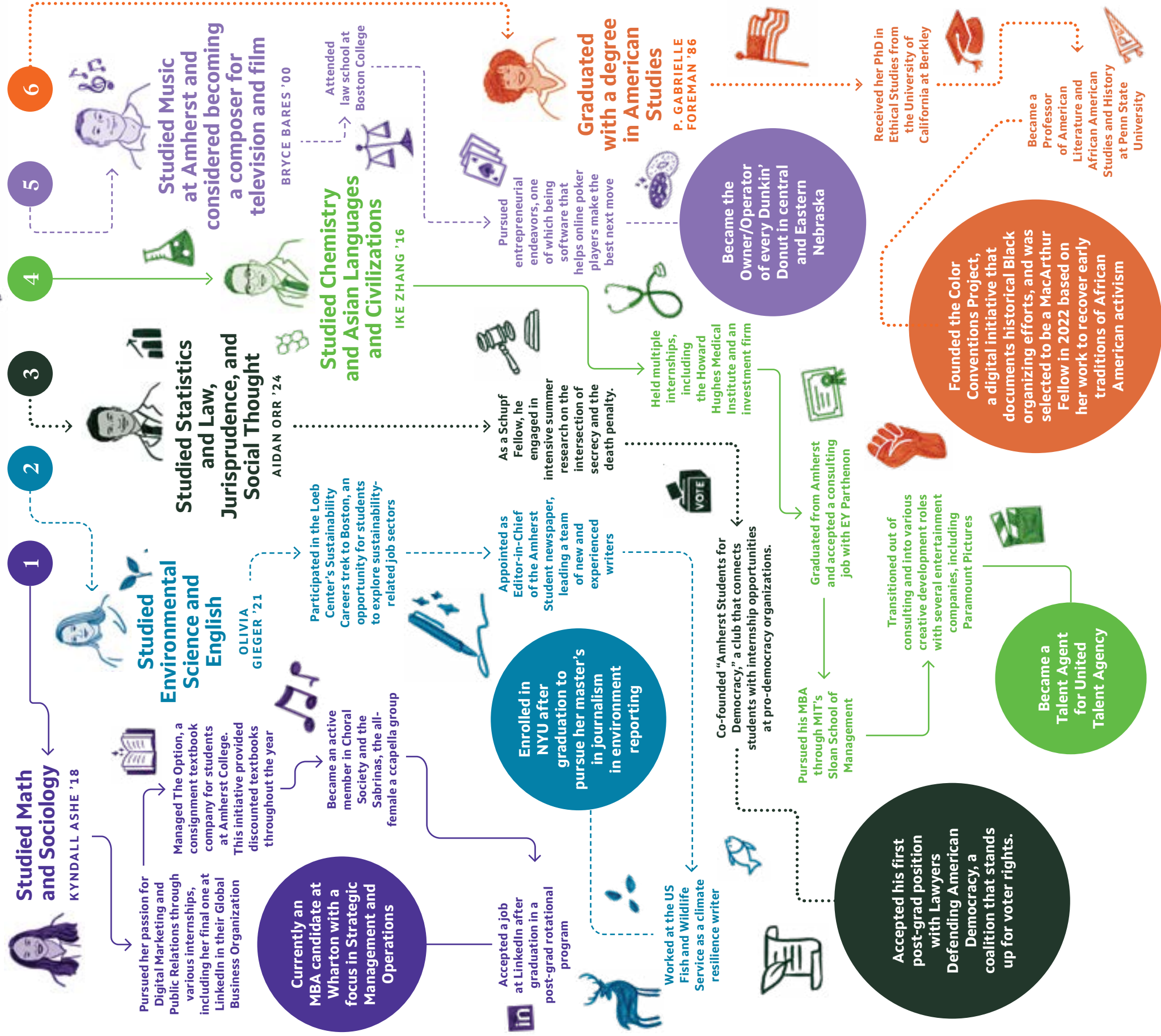
You have unlimited opportunities to innovate and express yourself at Amherst. The open curriculum provides the perfect environment for you to think creatively and push the boundaries of traditional education. Here, you'll enjoy the freedom to integrate creativity into all aspects of your academic life.



# Where can AmHERST TAKE YOU?



Follow the path to see where alumni have made the most out of their Amherst education.



# An investment in you.

Your education is the most valuable investment you can make. Our need-blind admission process ensures that your financial situation will never impact your admissibility to Amherst. This applies for all students, domestic and international. As one of the first colleges to adopt a no-loan policy, we work to ensure that you can leave Amherst with your long list of accomplishments and the freedom to build your future *without* the burden of student loan debt.

Here are some questions you might have.

## Q: Can I afford Amherst?

**A:** We are committed to putting Amherst within reach by meeting the full financial need of all families based on their household income, regardless of citizenship status. For families with typical assets and a household income of less than \$141,000, you can typically expect grants meeting the full cost of tuition; for families with typical assets and a household income below \$67,500, you can typically expect grants meeting the full cost of tuition, housing and meals.

## Q: What will my financial aid offer look like?

**A:** Use our Quick College Cost Estimator to get an estimate of how much aid you qualify for.



## Q: What does being a “no loan” school mean?

**A:** Our aid offers include only grants, scholarships, and student employment to meet the full calculated need of each student. This means that no part of your aid offer from Amherst needs to be repaid. However, loans are still available to students and families, as a tool for family financial planning to support this important investment.

## Q: Are there other costs I need to prepare for?

**A:** We consider the full scope of a college education when calculating your need. For example, we include an estimated cost for travel to and from Amherst. While this is not money granted directly, our aid offer assumes this as an indirect cost you will incur and accounts for it in the overall cost, thus reflecting it in your aid offer. Additionally, we provide all required course materials through our Textbook Solution Program.

In the 2023-24 academic year:

56%

of students received financial aid

\$68K

was the average grant offered

100%

of calculated need met

78%

of the Class of 2023 graduated with no loan debt



# Everything you need to become a *Mammoth.*

## Explore

The college experience goes beyond the classroom. See what your next four years at Amherst could look like.

Learn more about Amherst at  
[AMHERST.EDU/GO/ADMISSION](https://amherst.edu/go/admission)

## Visit

The best way to experience campus is for yourself. We offer in-person, self-guided, and virtual tours throughout the year.



**SCHEDULE  
A VISIT**

[AMHERST.EDU/GO/VISIT](https://amherst.edu/go/visit)

## Apply

You've got what it takes to be a Mammoth, now see what you need for the next step.

See our admission requirements and deadlines.  
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# Everything you need to become a Mammoth.

## MAJORS

American Studies

Anthropology & Sociology \*†

Architectural Studies \*\*

Art & the History of Art

Asian American & Pacific Islander Studies\*\*

Asian Languages & Civilizations

Biochemistry & Biophysics \*\*

Biology

Black Studies

Chemistry

Classics Δ

Computer Science

Economics

Education Studies \*\*

English

Environmental Studies

European Studies \*\*

Film & Media Studies \*\*

French

Geology

German

History

Latinx and Latin American Studies \*\*

Law, Jurisprudence & Social Thought

Mathematics & Statistics \*

Music

Neuroscience \*\*

Philosophy

Physics & Astronomy \*

Political Science

Psychology

Religion

Russian

Sexuality, Women's & Gender Studies

Spanish

Theater & Dance

\*Separate majors within a single department.

\*\* Program major

Δ The Classics department offers four majors: Greek, Latin, Classics, and Classical Civilization.

† A student may petition to become an Anthropology-Sociology major.

## TERMS to KNOW:



### Amherst College Textbook Solution (ACTS)

The ACTS program provides all enrolled students with all required textbooks and course materials each semester.

### Five College Consortium

Students can take courses and certifications through four liberal arts colleges and one flagship university all within 10 miles of each other. These schools are Amherst, Hampshire, Mount Holyoke and Smith Colleges, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

### Liberal Arts

A liberal arts education allows you to explore academic interests. You can take classes across the humanities, arts, mathematics, physical sciences, and social sciences, enabling you to think and work independently and creatively.

### Faculty Advisor(s)

One or more professors are assigned to help you chart your unique academic path through the open curriculum.

### Jearns

This is a hybrid mash-up of two mirror-image residence halls on the first year quad which share a connected basement: James Hall and Stearns Hall.

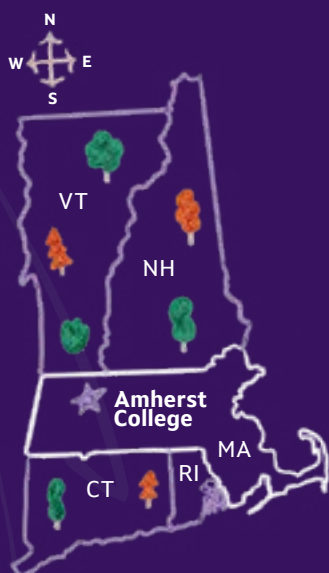
### Faculty-student Research

Students have the opportunity to participate in a project alongside a professor, or propose their own and work with a faculty advisor.

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