Financial Aid, Merit Scholarships and Awards
Albright College seeks to make the cost of an Albright education affordable. To make that possible, the College offers generous need-based financial aid awards, in addition to numerous merit scholarships and awards. Albright is included in Barron’s Best Buys in College Education.

Academic scholarships range from $10,000 to full tuition per year. All scholarships and awards are renewable, typically contingent upon achieving a specified grade point average and/or service commitment.

Class of 2013 Financial Aid Information
97 percent of students received some type of need-based and/or merit-based financial assistance.

Average award: $30,726 — These awards were made up of a combination of gift aid, loans and on-campus jobs (work study):
- 96% received gift aid (federal, state and/or college scholarships, grants and awards)
- 85% received loans
- 66% received work study

What’s New at Albright
Beginning in fall 2009, Albright College will offer a program in arts administration through the departments of art, music and theatre, and economics and business. The program is one of the first undergraduate programs of its kind in the region.

Students will learn about the inner workings of different types of arts organizations and how to engage both artists and audiences. Students will explore the unique opportunities and challenges that come with managing an arts organization.

Program courses will address making art, the history of art, and how business principles can be used in the arts. An internship is also a requirement. Opportunities with local organizations such as The Goggleworks, Reading Public Museum, and Berks County Arts Council, as well as with summer theatres, music venues, galleries and museums outside of Berks County, are being developed.

New Science Center: Albright College began construction on its new Science Center in the Spring of 2008. The new Science Center project, which will cost an estimated $33.4 million, will add 41,635 square feet of state-of-the-art lab space to the 37,019 square feet of state-of-the-art lab space and museums outside of Berks County, are being developed.

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Science at Albright has been one of the College’s pillars of excellence for a century and a half, and Albright has produced more than 1,000 physicians, researchers and teachers in the sciences.

New Classes
Arts Administration • Africana Studies • Asian Studies

ALBRIGHT PROGRAMS OF STUDY

- Accounting
- Accounting, Economics & Finance
- American Civilization
- Art
- Arts Administration***
- African Studies***
- Asian Studies***
- Art History***
- Biochemistry
- Bio-Cultural Anthropology***
- Biology
- Biotechnology
- General Biology
- Business Administration Economics
- Finance
- International Business
- Management Marketing
- Chemistry
- Environmental Chemistry
- General Chemistry
- Child & Family Studies
- Chinese Language***
- Communications
- Journalism
- Public Relations & Advertising
- Computer Science
- General Computer
- Science
- Information Systems
- Crime & Justice
- Digital Media*
- Economics
- Education*
- Art
- Early Childhood Elementary
- Foreign Language Secondary
- Special English
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- European Studies***
- Fashion Merchandising & Design
- Film/Video***
- French
- History
- Holocaust Studies***
- International Relations*
- Latin American & Caribbean Studies
- Legal Studies***
- Marine Science***
- Mathematics
- Music Business*
- Optics*
- Philosophy
- Photography***
- Physics
- Theoretical/Experimental Physics
- Optical Physics
- Political Science
- Pre-Dentistry**
- Pre-Law**
- Pre-Medicine**
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine**
- Psychology
- Applied Psychology
- Evolution & Animal Behavior
- Psychology
- Child Development
- Public Administration & Policy Analysis***
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Anthropology
- Criminology
- Family Studies
- General Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Women’s & Gender Studies*
- Cooperative Programs:
  - Forestry
  - Natural Resource Management

- An asterisk indicates a combinable major, which must be combined with another major.
- Two asterisks indicate a pre-professional program.
- Three asterisks indicate a special program/minor.

Albright College is committed to a policy of equal opportunity and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, veteran status, marital status or disability. This policy extends to all educational, service, and employment programs of the College.

Albright College encourages that people with disabilities have equal opportunity to participate in its programs and activities, in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and encourages students to request the accommodations they qualify for. Albright College disability services are coordinated through the Academic Learning Center, which handles all requests for academic accommodations and makes referrals to other College units as needed. The ALC is committed to providing timely, individual assessment of student needs and promotes self-advocacy and intentional learning among all students, especially disabled students. The ALC is located in the Administration Building, phone 610-921-7682, e-mail academiclearningcenter@alb.edu, TTY 610-921-7241.
Admission Emphasis

Albright reviews applications on a rolling basis. In order of importance, emphasis is placed on:

1. High school academic performance and rigor of curriculum.
2. Extracurricular activities, noting leadership, talent developed and length of commitment.
3. Counselor and teacher recommendations. These typically confirm and amplify what we are seeing on the record. Most notable are those that give us new insights into the applicant.
4. On-campus interview. Once again, these typically confirm and amplify what we see on the record, but often they give us new insight into a candidate.
5. Standardized test scores. Albright is a test optional college. We will use test scores in the application review process for those who wish to submit their scores. However, we do not feel that standardized test scores are needed to make informed admission decisions, so applicants have the option of not submitting their scores. Those who choose to not submit standardized test scores will be reviewed equally with those who do submit scores. This equality extends to all programs and opportunities, including merit scholarships and awards.

We do require an on-campus interview for students who apply test optional. These interviews allow a member of the Admission Committee to explore in greater depth the student’s high school curriculum and readiness for college-level work.

Founded in 1856, Albright College is a private, nationally-ranked liberal arts college of 1,667 students. The 13:1 student/faculty ratio means that classes are small and interactive, and our professors are legendary for being available to their students.

With more than 50 programs of study and excellent pre-professional programs, students may choose to focus on a single field of study or combine two or more to create dual majors or individualized majors. Approximately half of Albright students graduate with interdisciplinary or dual majors.

The College is located on a 118-acre suburban campus in Reading, Pennsylvania, one hour from Philadelphia, two hours from Baltimore and three hours from New York City and Washington, D.C.

Class of 2013 (Freshman Class) Profile

Applicants: 6,135 • Accepted: 3,065 (50%)
Enrolled: 541
• 58% female and 42% male
• 29% multicultural
• 15% African-American
• 6% Hispanic
• 7% international
• GPA (middle 50%): 2.91-3.74
• Class Rank: 26% top decile, 50% top quarter

Academic Profile

• More than 50 academic programs (listed on back cover)
• 50% of Albright students graduate with dual, interdisciplinary or individualized majors
• Most Popular Majors: business, education, psychology, biology, sociology (anthropology, criminology, family studies, general)
• Unique Majors: fashion, digital media, music business

Athletics Information

• NCAA Division III
• Mid-Atlantic Conference
• Commonwealth Conference
• Varsity Men’s
  Baseball • Basketball • Cross-country • Football • Golf
  Soccer • Swimming • Tennis • Indoor/Outdoor Track
• Varsity Women’s
  Basketball • Cross-country • Field Hockey • Golf
  Soccer • Softball • Swimming • Tennis
  Indoor/Outdoor Track • Volleyball
• Club Sports
  Lacrosse (M & W) • Rugby (M & W) • Ultimate Frisbee (co-ed)
  Badminton (co-ed)

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