

THE THREE-YEAR DEGREE AT LESLEY UNIVERSITY

WHAT IS THE LESLEY COLLEGE THREE-YEAR BACHELOR'S DEGREE?

Making use of consecutive summer and January-term offerings, Lesley students are able to engage in dynamic coursework, intensive language training, internship study, study-abroad, community service and service learning—and meet all bachelor's degree requirements in three years.

HOW MANY CREDITS DO I NEED?

As is true of a four-year degree student, 120 credits are needed.

WHEN DO I ENTER THE PROGRAM?

Students may enter the three-year program in September or January of their freshman year. Your decision to enter the three-year degree program is not tied to your admission to the College.

HOW DO I EARN 120 CREDITS IN THREE YEARS?

You will meet with your advising team, declare a major, and choose from a variety of options:

- Earn 15 to 18 credits a semester for six semesters.
- Earn 3 credits in three consecutive January intersessions to link with summer study.
- Earn up to 12 credits in two summer options.

You can earn credits through coursework, internships, study abroad, and fieldwork opportunities.

HOW DO I BENEFIT?

You will complete college one year early and still acquire the skills needed in an interdependent world. Together with Lesley faculty, you will not only examine knowledge in engaging and interactive formats, you will discover new knowledge—gaining a capacity for original thinking and problem solving. The Mentorship Program will provide opportunities for you to consider how to best align your course requirements, internships, and study abroad options with career aspirations. In addition, because of reduced January intersession and summer school costs, modest financial savings will accrue and you will enter your professional field or graduate school a year earlier. Ultimately, you will deepen your study through this year-round option to pursue research, internships, and study abroad related to your degree program.

AM I A GOOD CANDIDATE?

Focused and highly motivated students are ideal candidates for the three-year degree program.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGING SUMMER COURSEWORK AT LESLEY UNIVERSITY

At Lesley the best and most engaging learning takes place with attention to how you learn, who you are, and what you want to become. More than other colleges, Lesley prepares you for world citizenship. Learning occurs in challenging, active, and collaborative formats that enrich your educational experiences and prepare you for career advancement in a rigorous and supportive community environment.

Lesley College offers courses in a variety of modalities including on-campus, online, and hybrid combinations. Students may also choose to participate in faculty-led travel/study coursework or semester or summer-based study abroad in Paris completing language and course intensives. Our courses are designed to engage your analytical reasoning, language competencies, and challenge you to understand, appreciate, and solve real-world problems.

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION: STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES AT LESLEY UNIVERSITY

How would Bushmen in Botswana define citizenship? What does it mean to have membership in a nation? How does the G-20 differ from the G-8? What are the Oslo Accords? Are you able to read, write, and speak well in bilingual formats? Are you interested in exploring the world? Lesley students may choose to spend a semester or a full year of study in Europe, Israel, India, Ecuador, New Zealand, and Thailand. They return from their experiences abroad profoundly enriched, as described by the Art Institute of Boston (AIB) Photography major Alyse Dufour: "I would a million times over advise students to go to Paris—Eat dinner on the Seine! Visit an old bookstore or a vintage shop in le Marais! Living in Paris felt like a dream." Global Studies major Joanna Greene recognizes the power of education abroad to promote peace: "...by exploring new places, meeting new people, and experiencing new cultures it becomes possible to foster much-needed cultural understanding throughout the world."

To discuss Study Abroad opportunities, please contact the following Lesley College faculty mentors:

Study Abroad Director | Claire Carroll | 617.349.8323 | www.lesley.edu/info/studyabroad
Global Studies Program | Professor Robin Roth | 617.349.8972
Language Coordinator | Professor Clara Ronderos | 617.349.8691

INTERNSHIPS: IN THE COMMUNITY, NATION, AND ABROAD

Lesley College students participate in internships in Boston, Cambridge, Washington D.C., online, and throughout the world. Placements include schools, businesses, human service agencies, governmental agencies, ecotourism facilities, media corporations and more. At Lesley, internships are credit bearing and connected with a faculty-led seminar. Students may earn up to six credits of their required twelve to nineteen credits of internship during a summer term. To bolster the chances for career placement or graduate and professional study, Lesley College has launched the Career Advancement Network. The Network is designed to create opportunities for all Lesley College students who are three years away from graduation. Professor Christine Evans and Associate Dean for Career and Community Service Alice Diamond serve as Co-chairs of the Network.

To discuss Internships or the Career Advancement Network, please contact:

Director of Internships | Jan Wall | 617.349.8902
Professor | Christine Evans | 617.349.8959
Associate Dean for Career and Community Service | Alice Diamond | 617.349.8550

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Have you thought about the effects of climate change on the beaches of Cape Cod? Or wondered if there was a link between literacy and childhood obesity? Do your interests cut across a range of academic disciplines? Have you approached your studies asking why, or what if? Do you see or hear beyond your presuppositions and consider yourself good at solving problems? Then you might enjoy engaging in a research project with Lesley faculty and other highly motivated students. Contact your Division Director to partner with a Faculty Research Mentor in your major or in the field(s) you hope to explore.

HOW DO I PAY FOR THIS DEGREE?

The Lesley University Financial Aid Office encourages all students thinking about the three-year degree program to apply for financial aid consideration by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA.) The application should be submitted in February/March of each academic year so that eligibility can be processed in a timely manner for all fall, winter, spring, and summer academic semesters. Our financial aid counselors are happy to discuss the financial aid options available for students in the three-year degree program. If you are interested in studying abroad, we remind you that Lesley merit scholarship, grant, and institutional funds will not "travel" with you—however, your state and federal monies will. To assist with costs associated with studying abroad, we recommend that students investigate and apply for privately sponsored grants and financial aid.

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