



Character and Nature of Centre College

Founded in 1819, Centre is ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* as a top-50 national liberal arts college. While the College's teachers are active in research, their primary focus is the academic and personal growth of their students. Home to a Phi Beta Kappa Chapter, Centre has produced eight Rhodes Scholars, and in the last ten years: 5 Goldwater, 12 Rotary, and 23 Fulbright winners. Within 10 months of graduation, an average of 96 percent of students are either employed or engaged in advanced study. About two-thirds of Centre graduates go on to receive an advanced degree.

One of the premier intellectual gathering points in its region.
The Washington Post

Centre is a residential, entirely undergraduate college; 98 percent of students live on campus. At Centre, learning doesn't just occur on campus - international study is a way of life, with 85 percent of students studying abroad at least once and 25 percent of students doing so more than once. Centre has eight semester-long programs spanning France, Mexico, England, Japan, China, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Spain.

Graduation Requirements

Centre offers two degrees: Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. Students must complete 110 credit hours and earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 to graduate. The College's broad-based curricular requirements include competency in expository writing, a foreign language, and mathematics. Two lab science classes, two social studies courses, courses that explore "fundamental questions," a first-year seminar, and a year-long humanities sequence are also required, in addition to specialized courses in the major or majors.

Admission Data for Class of 2014 (entered fall 2010)

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| Entering Class Size: | 367 |
| Average High School GPA: | 3.60 |
| ACT Composite mid-50 percent: | 26 - 31 |
| SAT mid-50 percent: | 1150 - 1360 |
| Class Rank: | About 50% of entering first-year students were in the top 10% of their high school class. |
| Geographic Distribution: | 50% from Kentucky (in-state); 50% out-of-state |
| Graduating Class Size: | 311 |
| Four-Year Graduation Rate: | 85% |

Alumni Satisfaction

For the second year in a row, Centre College is ranked #1 in the nation for Overall Happiness according to the recently released 2013 *Alumni Factor* guidebook. The Alumni Factor measures six main outcomes—College Experience, Overall Assessment, Financial Success, Overall Happiness, Alumni Giving and Graduation Rate—to calculate its rankings.

Faculty Profile

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| Student/Faculty Ratio: | 10:1 |
| Average Class Size: | 17.61 |
| Ph.D. / other terminal degree: | 97% |

National Survey for Student Engagement (NSSE)

Centre students participate in the NSSE survey annually and the results are encouraging. Seniors report high gains in critical thinking skills, the ability to speak and write clearly and effectively, and to work cooperatively with others. Collaborative learning and working with diverse groups are strengths of Centre's educational experience according to the NSSE results, and students also report gains in the ability to reflect upon and integrate their learning and enhance their quantitative reasoning skills.

According to NSSE, Centre students spend a greater amount of time reading and writing and are challenged to do their best work by their classes at greater levels than peers at other private institutions in the Southeast.

Students also report spending a significant amount of time on academic work while simultaneously being more engaged on campus than at similar institutions in the Southeast.

The Centre Commitment

The Centre Commitment guarantees students who meet the College's academic and social expectations an internship or (beginning with the class of 2017) a research opportunity, an opportunity to study abroad, and graduation in four years. If a student is unable to secure the components of the Centre Commitment within four consecutive years of enrollment, the College will provide up to an additional year of study tuition-free.

GPA Distribution of 2014 Graduates

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| Top 10 percent: | 3.722 |
| Top 20 percent: | 3.590 |
| Top 30 percent: | 3.460 |
| Mean First-Year GPA: | 2.981 |
| Mean Senior GPA: | 3.314 |
| Mean Cumulative GPA: | 3.117 |

After Centre

Centre's commitment to experiential education—internships, collaborative research, and community-based learning—means that every Centre student receives valuable real-world experience before graduating. With the ability to participate in internships across the nation and the globe or to complete research with professors, students leave Centre with the kind of real-world experience that sets their graduate school or job application apart from their peers.

Internships

As part of the Centre Commitment, the College guarantees students at least one internship or research opportunity during their four years. All Centre students are guaranteed the opportunity to tailor their education through an internship, and more than 80 percent of the Class of 2014 conducted collaborative research with a professor or engaged in an internship.

First Destination

96 percent of students from the Class of 2013 were employed or in advanced study within 10 months of graduation (of those reporting).

94 percent of law school applicants in the Class of 2013 were admitted.

86 percent of medical school applicants in the Class of 2013 were admitted.

Destination Sampling 2011 & 2012 Centre College Graduates

ANTHROPOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY

Shoebuy.com: Team Leader, Billing
Abercrombie & Fitch: Manager Trainee
Kentucky Blue Blood Financial: Management Trainee
Emerson National Hunger Fellowship: Works with local organizations
Washington U.-St. Louis: M.A.
Texas State U.-San Marcos: Archaeology Field School

ART HISTORY

Teach for America: Mississippi Delta
Sotheby's Institute of Art, NY: M.A.

ART STUDIO

Community Arts Center: Education Director
U. Pittsburgh: Professional-M.S. Geographical Information Systems & Remote Sensing

BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCE

AmeriGas Propane: Consumer Relations Rep
Louisville Zoo: Intern
Appalachian State: M.A. Industrial Organizational Psychology
U. Louisville: M.D.

BIOCHEMISTRY & MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Alltech: Research Intern
Johns Hopkins: M.D.
Notre Dame: Ph.D.
U. Chicago: Ph.D.
U. Kentucky: D.M.D.
U. Kentucky: M.D.
U. Virginia: M.D.

BIOLOGY

Q Laboratories: Microbiologist
South Oldham High School: Biology Teacher
Boston University: M.S. Biomedical Forensics
Duke: M.A.
U. Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: M.S. Crop Sciences
U. Louisville: M.D.
Washington State U.: Ph.D. Food Science

CHEMICAL PHYSICS

U. Kentucky: M.A. Medical Physics
U. Kentucky: Ph.D. Material Science
U. Louisville: M.D.

CHEMISTRY

Advanced Testing Laboratory: Analytical Chemist
Pearson Education Publishing: New Markets & Development Intern
U. Kentucky: Chemistry Tutor for Student Athletes
Medical U. of S.C.: Research Specialist
Testamerica: Lab Analyst
U.S. Air Force: 2nd Lieutenant
Georgia Institute of Technology: Ph.D.
U. Cincinnati: M.D.
U. Kentucky: Pharm.D.

CLASSICAL STUDIES

Indiana U.: J.D.
U. Kentucky: Ph.D. High Energy Physics
U. Northern Iowa: Leisure, Youth & Human Services

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Jumtap: Smartphone Engineer
JPMorgan Chase: Applications Developer/Analyst
Fidelity Investments: Associate Software Developer
HP Exstream: Software Developer
Teksystems: Junior JAVA developer
Avanade: Associate Software Engineer
Lexmark: Network Firmware Test Engineer

DRAMATIC ARTS

Georgia Shakespeare: Development Manager
Kentucky Shakespeare: Director
Hertz Car Rental: Management Trainee
Trinity College Dublin (Ireland): M.Phil. Theatre & Performance

ECONOMICS

Canada's Central Bank: Research Assistant
Berkshire Bank: Junior Analyst
PNC Bank: Advisor, Operations Analyst
General Electric: Intern
Summit Energy: Analyst
Toyota: Buyer I
Owingsville Banking: Executive Trainee
Winegardner & Hammons: Department Supervisor
U. Kentucky: J.D.
U. Louisville: D.M.D.
Vanderbilt: J.D.

EDUCATION

Avalon English Institute, South Korea: English Teacher
Diakonie Kindergarten, Germany: English Teacher
Summit Country Day: 4th-Grade Teacher

ENGLISH

Photizo Group: Assistant Editor
Nashville Symphony: Education & Community Engagement Assistant
Kentucky Educational Television: Associate Producer/Intern
WDRB-TV: Account Manager
HoneyBaked Ham Co.: Human Resources Services
Centre College: Communications Fellow
Loyola: J.D.
Penn State: M.B.A.
U. Kentucky: J.D.

FINANCIAL ECONOMICS

Dupre Financial Group: Research Associate
Humana: Business Analyst
Toyota: Specialist
Toyota: Buyer
Commonwealth Economics Consulting: Junior Research Consultant
Churchill Downs Interactive: Product Development
Reynolds & Reynolds: Vendor Communication Specialist
Total Quality Logistics: Account Executive
Mathematica Policy Research: Research Analyst
Institut Français du Pétrole (Paris): M.A. Petroleum Economics
Texas A&M: Ph.D.
U. Kentucky: Pharm.D.

FRENCH

Big Ass Fans: Marketing Coordinator

GERMAN STUDIES

Admissions Associate: Purnell School
U. Kentucky: M.A. Historic Preservation

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

Jindal for Governor: Youth Coordinator
Congressman Richard Nugent: Scheduler
Ephraim McDowell Health: Marketing & Public Relations
Northern Kentucky U.: J.D.
U. Chicago: Ph.D.
U. Louisville: J.D.
Xavier U.: Master of Health Services Administration

HISTORY

Harpers Ferry National Historical Park: Park Ranger
Thaxton Barclay Group: Insurance Broker
City Year
Frazier History Museum: Intern
Emory: M.Div
Harvard: J.D.
U. Cincinnati: J.D.
U. Louisville: R.N.
U. Louisville: M.D.

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Blue Cross/Blue Shield: Bond Underwriter
Accipio Language Services: Spanish Interpreter
Louisville Advertising: Account Manager
Total Quality Logistics: Account Executive
Reynolds & Reynolds: Customer Solutions
Kentucky Democratic Party Campaign: Field Organizer
IDEX Fellowship, India: Sustainability Teacher
U. Denver: M.A.
U. Kentucky: J.D.

MATHEMATICS

Oak Ridge National Laboratory: Nuclear Medicine
Department
Martin J. Wolff & Co.: Account Executive
Teach for America, Chicago: High School Math Teacher
Bank of America, Global Government Division: Internal
Audit Intern
U. Kentucky : Ph.D.
U. Kentucky: M.D.
U. Illinois at Urbana-Champaign: Ph.D.
U. Louisville: M.B.A.

MUSIC

All Saint's Episcopal Church Atlanta: Staff Singer
5/3 Bank: Customer Service Rep
Louisville Orchestra: Music Librarian
Boston U.: M.A. Musicology
Colorado State U.: M.M. Voice Performance
Ohio U.: M.M. Trumpet Performance
U. Kentucky: M.A. Music Therapy

PHILOSOPHY

Owenboro Museum of Natural Science: Exhibit Illustrator
Memphis City Schools: Teacher
U. Kentucky: J.D.

PHYSICS

Columbia U.: M.S. Operations Research
U. Louisville: Ph.D. Electrical Engineering

PSYCHOLOGY

Aflac: Sales Associate
Gateway Homeless Coalition: Case Manager
Washington U.-St. Louis: M.A.

RELIGION

Duke Divinity School: Master of Theological Studies
Harvard Divinity School: Master of Theological Studies
Vanderbilt Divinity School: Master of Theological Studies

SPANISH

Accipio Language Services: Interpreter
Bullitt East High School: Spanish Teacher
Peace Corps, South Africa: Teacher

