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COLLEGE
BURLINGTON, VERMONT

**Where
learning &
experience
converge**





An outstanding career begins with an extraordinary education.

COVER: Students in our Filmmaking major spent a winter break in Saudi Arabia, where they learned the intricacies of filmmaking in another culture and collaborated with Saudi interns to create two short films.

However you define career success—by employer, community impact, field of work, job title, or anything else—Champlain’s distinctive academic approach will prepare you to build the future you envision.

This is education reinvented. We have defined a higher standard of academic excellence: Our experience-based, collaborative, and interdisciplinary approach to learning offers you an unparalleled education that will serve you well throughout your life.

Champlain pioneered an Upside-Down Curriculum that puts students in major-specific courses from day one. We’ve balanced career-focused majors and an innovative liberal arts curriculum with a four-year program devoted to ensuring your financial well-being and career readiness. As a whole, the Champlain College education is a transformational experience unrivaled in American higher education.

You can expect to graduate with the professional knowledge, intellectual agility, and practical abilities that enable you to deftly negotiate challenges as they arise in your professional and personal life. By the time you are ready to leave Champlain, you will be equipped with much more than a degree—you will have a foundation that’s been purpose-built for your future.

We don't just keep pace with current technology, arts, and social progress—we anticipate their change.

Champlain continually revises its program curricula to ensure our students learn the most relevant skills and concepts for the workplace they'll be entering.

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The 2021 Fiske Guide to Colleges selected Champlain as one of the “best and most interesting schools” in the United States, Canada, and Great Britain.

Broadcast Media Production Capstone students took a quick international field trip to Montreal to tour EyeSteelFilm, an award-winning documentary production company.

Experience the benefits of the Upside-Down Curriculum.

If you already know what you want to study, there’s no reason to wait. We’ll help you start building a rich background in your field. Not sure yet? Take classes in a few different programs and see what you like—the decision might be easy once you’ve explored the majors you’re considering.

Our Upside-Down Curriculum model means you get to start taking classes in your major—or in a few of your top-choice majors—in your first semester. What makes this kind of early learning an ideal path to career success?

- By working on real projects earlier, you’re qualified for meaningful internships sooner, and you will get more out of the experience.
- You’ll have more time to make mistakes and learn from them, all in a supportive academic environment.
- You’ll impress your first post-collegiate employer (or client) with your ability to hit the ground running.
- More time in your major gives you a better understanding of your work in the context of the job market and the world.

After four years of deep exploration in your field, you’ll be familiar with the impact of your work within the community, up to date on current issues, and fluent in best practices.

champlain.edu/upside-down

“**To have that immediate interaction with what you are interested in is really rewarding, and it sets you up to be more successful in the future. If you start sooner, you can end further.**

Michael Andrews, '19 // Game Art & Animation* // Mendham, NJ

*The name of this major has since changed to Game Art.

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CHAMPLAIN AS:**

Top 30 Best Schools
for Information
Technology.

One of the Top 100
Best Schools for
Design.

One of the Best
College Locations in
the Country, and the
Best College Location
in Vermont.



We don't call it *general education*—
because it's not.

Our Core curriculum is specifically focused on developing important skills such as critical thinking, inquiry, and communication.

The Core curriculum is the backbone of Champlain's innovative take on a liberal arts education. You'll explore a wide variety of topics with faculty who are excited to guide you in making interdisciplinary, intercultural, and interpersonal connections.

First-year Core classes start with the practicalities of your new collegiate life—what are your resources, and how can you thrive in this new environment? While you get situated as a college student, you'll also explore topics that spark your curiosity and inspire your studies. You'll choose from a number of intriguing courses, kicking off your deep dive into questioning everything you've ever known.

These first-year Core courses set you up with an impressive set of skills that you'll develop, expand, and build upon throughout your second, third, and fourth years of Core—culminating in your senior Capstone project.

champlain.edu/core

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Core has opened me up to a more global way of thinking and introduced some really important frameworks and methodologies that I am going to use for the rest of my life.

Emma Worthge, '22 // Creative Media // Social Justice minor // San Mateo, CA



For the sixth year in a row, Champlain was named a "Most Innovative School" in the North by *U.S. News & World Report's* "America's Best Colleges."

Champlain's Career Collaborative helps connect students with alumni who are working in their field of interest. Here, students visit Karisa Desjardins '16 at the Skimm in NYC during a one-of-a-kind Career Ed*Venture.

Learn how to maximize the degree you're working toward so diligently.

Even with the right credentials and background, you'll need to know how to get hired in a competitive job market.

Career Collaborative is where emerging talent and professional networking meet. Extending far beyond the College itself, Career Collaborative is the Champlain organization that capitalizes on all of our career-focused academic programs by connecting students with relevant experiential learning opportunities. It is the ultimate career and employer resource, and one of the main factors that contribute to our successful career outcomes for graduates year after year.

Led by the Career Collaborative, the InSight program provides career and personal finance education that will help you build a solid foundation for your future economic stability. While many institutions have an office for this type of instruction, no other college provides it to all students in such a comprehensive manner.

Through a series of workshops, seminars, field experiences, and coaching, you'll learn about budgets and credit scores, how to prepare for job interviews, and how to negotiate a raise.

From day one at Champlain, you'll be teamed up with a Career Coach who will help you fine-tune your résumé, cover letter, and interview responses. They'll help you secure internships and jobs that benefit you as much as your employer.

Along with your hands-on classroom learning, your extracurricular internships and jobs provide invaluable life experience. Career Collaborative makes it easy to find these experiential opportunities and build on them.

champlain.edu/career-collaborative | champlain.edu/insight

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Champlain focuses on career development from year one, day one. Through the Insight program, you are encouraged to start thinking about your career from the beginning.

Madi Brumbelow, '21 // Computer & Digital Forensics // Global Studies minor // Charlotte, NC

Welcome to your extraordinary academic community.

Each of Champlain College's academic divisions is home to phenomenal mentors, ambitious students, and an inspiring, supportive atmosphere. In every division, you'll find a commitment to academic excellence and a focus on professional expertise, critical thinking, collaboration, and hands-on learning.

DEGREE DESIGN LAB

Combine your passions and develop your creative problem-solving skills with a highly personalized degree that transcends several fields of professional study.

ROBERT P. STILLER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Build the confidence to identify and create opportunities, collaborate effectively, and lead. Through firsthand experience and with expert guidance, you'll learn to be efficient with resources and to appropriately manage risk. The value you create here will extend beyond profit as you understand your social impact and learn to do well by doing good.

Accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP)

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATION & CREATIVE MEDIA

Discover and develop your creativity no matter how you express it—through film, design, the written word, games, content creation, or any other artistic discipline. Our vibrant and creative environment, paired with our focus on professional development and career success, allows you to build a rewarding and personally fulfilling career.

DIVISION OF EDUCATION & HUMAN STUDIES

Spend your four years at Champlain making a difference in the world. Through extensive opportunities in schools, community organizations, government agencies, and other real-world settings, you'll gain invaluable experience and have an immeasurable impact.

DIVISION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCES

Build your résumé at one of the most forward-thinking colleges in the country. Your professors have years of industry experience in a variety of tech fields, and we combine classroom instruction with unparalleled field experience and career training to give you an advantage in the job market.

Our approach works: Overall, 91% of our Class of 2019 reported being employed or continuing their education just six months after graduating. You can see the data broken out by division below.

DEGREE DESIGN LAB**

Integrative Professional Studies

** The first Degree Design Lab cohort will graduate in 2023.

DIVISION OF EDUCATION & HUMAN STUDIES

Criminal Justice

Education

Environmental Studies & Policy

Law

Psychology

Social Work

* Employed or continuing education within 6 months after graduating. Of those employed, 87% are in positions relevant to their career goals. (Based on 90% knowledge rate.)

ROBERT P. STILLER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Business Administration

Finance

Game Production Management

International Business

Marketing

* Employed or continuing education within 6 months after graduating. Of those employed, 98% are in positions relevant to their career goals. (Based on 99% knowledge rate.)

Career data for each division is based on survey results from the Class of 2019.

93%
Success Rate*

DIVISION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCES

Applied Mathematics**

Computer & Digital Forensics

Computer Networking & Cybersecurity

Computer Science & Innovation

Data Science**

Game Programming

* Employed or continuing education within 6 months after graduating. Of those employed, 93% are in positions relevant to their career goals. (Based on 89% knowledge rate.)

** The first students majoring in Applied Mathematics and Data Science will graduate in 2024.

88%
Success Rate*

DIVISION OF COMMUNICATION & CREATIVE MEDIA

Broadcast Media Production

Communication

Creative Media

Filmmaking

Game Art

Game Design

Game Sound Design**

Professional Writing

Visual Communication Design

* Employed or continuing education within 6 months after graduating. Of those employed, 81% are in positions relevant to their career goals. (Based on 89% knowledge rate.)

** The first Game Sound Design majors will graduate in 2025.



Undecided?

You don't need to start your college journey knowing your destination. Being open to new paths can provide you with life-changing opportunities you may have otherwise missed.

Majors at Champlain are professionally focused, but that doesn't mean you'll be boxed in. It means you'll be able to experience a variety of majors and career options early on and build a versatile background full of practical skills.

Our Upside-Down Curriculum allows you to take a variety of major-specific courses during your first semester or two and still graduate within four years. If you've missed any important courses for the major you choose, you'll likely be able to make them up through a strategic extra class or by taking classes during one summer.

Throughout your time at Champlain, you'll have a network of experienced professors and advisors to help you navigate your interests, strengths, and goals; you'll receive the guidance and support you need to make the choice that's right for you.

With some practical experience in the fields you're considering, you'll be able to make an informed decision about what you enjoy studying and the kind of work you're drawn to.



Applied Mathematics (BS)

Shape your math education to build the career of your choice. In our Applied Mathematics program, you'll take courses that integrate your math skills with various fields of work, so you learn how to use math to tackle the problems people and organizations face in the real world. The program curriculum contains three key segments:

- Math Foundation: Courses in calculus, linear algebra, discrete mathematics, probability/statistics, and programming make up the basis of your math education, which you'll build upon throughout your studies.
- Math Electives: Spend more time on the areas of math you find most intriguing.
- Applied Electives: Put your math skills to use in projects like creating art, developing technology, or researching social wellness issues.

Our Applied Mathematics program uniquely integrates math expertise with professional aptitude, preparing you for the industry and fields you choose—like finance, engineering, or medicine. In addition to knowing the math, you'll know how to use it on the job.

champlain.edu/appliedmathematics

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Discrete Mathematics
Intro to Programming

SECOND YEAR

Mathematical Cryptography
Vector Calculus

THIRD YEAR

Probability & Statistics
Linear Algebra

FOURTH YEAR

Capstone Design
Capstone Senior Project



Broadcast Media Production (BS)

Immerse yourself in the tools and practices of nonfiction storytelling for today's digital landscape. Our Broadcast Media Production major prepares you to build a successful career in streaming media, television, radio, and independent production companies.

- Create content for podcasts and a variety of social media platforms.
- Train with a mobile studio production unit that streams video feed live to the web.
- Learn by doing in our digital editing suites, computer labs, and sound studio.
- Earn top prizes in regional and national film festivals and contests.

Gain an understanding of writing and production for today's most popular media platforms while you develop the adaptability that will keep you ahead of the curve as audiences trend toward new technologies.

champlain.edu/broadcast

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Video Storytelling
Visual & Digital Fundamentals

SECOND YEAR

Broadcast Writing
Video Field Production

THIRD YEAR

Show Producing II
Multi-Cam Production

FOURTH YEAR

Client-Based Production
Broadcast Management & Programming

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Business & the Entrepreneurial Mindset
Marketing & the Organizational Mindset

SECOND YEAR

Business Law I
Corporate Social Responsibility

THIRD YEAR

International Business & Macroeconomics
Project Management & Team Leadership

FOURTH YEAR

Advanced Business Internship
Problem Analysis & Decision-Making

Business Administration (BS)

Customize your business degree for the career—or more likely, careers—you'll hold over your lifetime. Our Bachelor of Science in Business Administration program sets you up with the perspective and adaptability you'll need to create social change and thrive in a data-driven economy.

Champlain's BSBA offers unique concentrations in the areas most valued by employers and most helpful if you start your own organization:

- Activist Marketing
- Business Analytics
- Business for Good
- Business Law
- Computer Science
- Cybersecurity
- Information Systems & Technology
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Management

Starting in your first semester, a learn-by-doing approach allows you to explore how businesses function from the inside out. Through real client work in classes, internships (both local and international), and an engaging senior Capstone project, you'll build an impressive professional background and the confidence to enter your field at full speed.

The combination of intensive business education and extensive hands-on experience will put you in high demand upon graduation.

champlain.edu/bsba

Communication (BS)

Learn how to connect with diverse groups, skillfully exchange ideas, and appropriately share all kinds of information. Develop skills in design, technology, public relations, and social community management.

Champlain provides an unbeatable combination of huge opportunity and small-institution support—you'll be able to work with a wide variety of clients on fascinating projects, and your professors will go out of their way to provide valuable resources and help you network. Your Communication education can be tailored to suit your professional interests and ambitions.

As an integral part of your Communication studies, you'll choose one of the following concentrations:

- Communication Studies
- Media Production
- Media Writing
- Public Relations/Strategic Communication

You may also select one of the following optional concentrations:

- Event Management
- Journalism
- Publishing
- Sonic Arts

You'll graduate with a substantial résumé, an impressive portfolio, and the confidence to enter a competitive field. Your expertise in content creation, interpersonal relationships, organizational leadership, and social media will open doors in almost any industry.

champlain.edu/communication

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Media & Society
Public Speaking

SECOND YEAR

Broadcast Writing
Production of Social Media

THIRD YEAR

Professional Communication Practices
Principles of Public Relations

FOURTH YEAR

Contemporary Media Issues
Communication Capstone



Computer & Digital Forensics (BS)

Our Computer & Digital Forensics program is one of the premier destinations in the country to study this discipline: Champlain College has been designated a National Center of Digital Forensics Academic Excellence by the U.S. Department of Defense Cyber Crime Center (DC3).

You'll spend your four years at Champlain developing a skill set with the depth and breadth to make you a top candidate for digital forensics positions with renowned employers.

You'll participate in relevant internships and may take paid positions in our Senator Patrick Leahy Center for Digital Forensics & Cybersecurity—a fully equipped, state-of-the-art digital investigation lab where students engage in leading-edge research and work with professional digital forensics investigators on real cases.

To further distinguish yourself and tailor your education, you'll choose either a minor or one of these concentrations:

- Computer Science
- Cyber Investigation
- Cybersecurity: Threats & Mitigation

A 4+1 Digital Forensic Science master's degree program is also available, allowing you to complete an undergraduate and graduate degree in just five years. This timesaving path makes you an ideal candidate for upper-level positions in this selective field.

champlain.edu/digitalforensics

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Cybercrime & Digital Forensics

Computer & Network Security

SECOND YEAR

Introduction to Digital Forensic Analysis

The Law of Searching, Seizing & Using Digital Evidence

THIRD YEAR

Mobile Device Forensics

Operating System Forensics

FOURTH YEAR

Malware Analysis & Incident Response

Digital Forensic Practicum

**DOUBLE MAJOR: Computer Science & Innovation
and Computer & Digital Forensics**

CLASS OF: 2020

Anna Matich

PRONOUNS: She/her

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Champlain encourages
students to take risks
and put themselves
out there by offering
them so many different
opportunities to do
so. Every student has a
different comfort zone.**

HOMETOWN:

Carmel, IN

CURRENT JOB:

Application Developer
at Workday

**OTHER CLUBS, JOBS,
AND ACTIVITIES:**

Co-Founder and Chief
Executive Officer of
Techdren

Software Engineer
Application Developer
Intern with Workday in
Pleasanton, CA

Career Peer Coach

President—Association
for Computing
Machinery Club

Co-President—Womxn
in Technology

Digital Forensics
Association

Cybersecurity Club

Techdren? Techdren—Technology for Children—is officially a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, and I’m the CEO and co-founder. We focus on providing technology for children with the goal of furthering education and technology literacy, as well as empowering girls and women. Since our first Core travel course, we’ve grown into a full nonprofit and run two successful trips delivering technology to students and primary schools on the Island of Pemba [in Zanzibar].



FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Systems Fundamentals
Computer & Network Security

SECOND YEAR

Network Protocols
Web & Applications Security

THIRD YEAR

Automation & Scripting
Enterprise & Network Security Controls

FOURTH YEAR

Global IT & Ethics
Capstone Project

Computer Networking & Cybersecurity (BS)

Champlain College has been designated a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance by the National Security Agency (NSA). The course content and curriculum meet the criteria established by the NSA and the Department of Homeland Security.

You'll gain an extensive and practical foundation in the full range of designing, building, and securing enterprise network and computing environments. As you come to understand how cyberattacks are staged against network infrastructure, you'll learn how to handle and reduce their effects as well as develop and integrate security measures to strategically prevent and defend against future attacks.

You'll have numerous opportunities for relevant internships, including paid positions in the Senator Patrick Leahy Center for Digital Forensics & Cybersecurity. This work—involving real data and cases for various organizations and government agencies—provides important hands-on experience.

Students in the Computer Networking & Cybersecurity program will choose one of these concentrations:

- Cybersecurity Operations
- Network & Security Operations
- Systems & IT Infrastructure Operations

champlain.edu/cybersecurity

Computer Science & Innovation (BS)

Computer science is a field that allows for nearly unlimited creativity. If you can imagine a digital outcome, our Computer Science & Innovation major will provide you with the tools to create it.

In addition to providing a solid foundation in all the most significant areas of computer science, this unique major covers the latest technological advances. Through a series of four Innovation courses that explore open-source development, you'll work with a variety of operating system environments and dive into advanced topics, such as emerging languages and artificial intelligence.

Your academic experience will culminate with a Capstone project, showcasing the skills you've gained throughout the program. Our students become sought-after professionals throughout the region, the country, and the world, working in diverse fields such as finance and aerospace.

A concentration or minor is a required part of your Computer Science & Innovation education. Concentrations include:

- Artificial Intelligence
- Mobile Application Development
- Software Engineering

champlain.edu/computer-science-and-innovation

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Mobile & Web Development
Innovation I: Introduction to Emerging Technologies

SECOND YEAR

Data Structures & Algorithms
Innovation II: Open-Source Software Development

THIRD YEAR

Computer Architecture
Innovation III: Emerging Languages

FOURTH YEAR

Capstone Project
Innovation IV: Topics in Artificial Intelligence

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Integrated Studio Foundations

Making Culture: Seminar in Art

SECOND YEAR

Art & Social Engagement

Professional Practices

THIRD YEAR

Art & Global Perspectives

Creative Media Portfolio II

FOURTH YEAR

Creative Media Salon III

Creative Media Capstone

Creative Media (BFA)

Develop your own ideas about artistic expression, experiment in a variety of media, and push boundaries in creative ways.

In this distinctive program, you'll gain skills in multiple media forms and explore big-picture ideas, such as the ways rapidly evolving social media are transforming the production and experience of art itself. You will also explore the creative process by evaluating, deconstructing, and revising your work in innovative portfolio classes and seminars.

You'll build a professional portfolio that can include performances, drawings, poetry, sculpture, and all kinds of art installations. By the time you graduate, you'll be comfortable with the business side of artistic endeavors. Whether you work for yourself or someone else, you'll be able to market your talents in a variety of creative industries.

Students in the Creative Media major will select one primary and one secondary focus from the following:

- Creative Writing
- Moving Image (Film & Video)
- Game Media
- Sonic Arts
- Interaction Design
- Visual Art & Design

champlain.edu/creative-media

Criminal Justice (BS)

Justifiably, the demand for reform-minded criminal justice professionals has exploded. Our program allows you to dive into the full spectrum of criminal justice topics, from lab-based forensics to social injustice, and become an effective and ethical community leader.

Your instructors are professionals with insider perspectives—including criminal trial judges, lawyers, and the current Vermont Attorney General. Your coursework will include projects such as writing solutions to modern ethical dilemmas, participating in mock trials under the guidance of real trial judges, and designing a new criminal justice system over the course of a semester. You may also have the opportunity to participate in a yearlong internship in a prison, teaching inmates how to do legal research and writing.

As a senior, you will complete fieldwork in a local, state, or federal criminal justice agency to gain crucial hands-on experience and confidence dealing with real-life situations.

With remarkable experiential learning opportunities and an innovative, current curriculum, you enter the workforce with the skills our communities need most.

champlain.edu/criminal-justice

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Criminal Law

Criminology

SECOND YEAR

Introduction to Cybercrime & Digital Forensics

Social Justice Intensive

THIRD YEAR

Social Justice: Oppression & Empowerment

Technical Writing

FOURTH YEAR

Criminal Justice Field Experience (Internship)

Criminal Justice Senior Capstone



MAJOR: Marketing MINOR: Data Science

CLASS OF: 2020

Shelsea Henry

PRONOUNS: She/her

HOMETOWN:

Boston, MA

LEADERSHIP ROLE:

Director of Internal Affairs for United Nations Association of Champlain College

COOL INTERNSHIP:

Fuse Marketing in Burlington, VT

OTHER CLUBS, JOBS, AND ACTIVITIES:

Student Ambassador

Captain–Soul Food Step

Secretary–Shades of Me

Library Assistant

Black Girls CODE Volunteer

Organized a cultural fashion show on campus

Marketing Assistant in The Leahy Center

Interned with Boss Enterprise in Boston, MA

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Last semester we were able to go to the National Model UN Conference in Erfurt, Germany. That was an amazing experience.

Which travel courses have you taken? I never thought I would travel at all, but Champlain provided me with that opportunity, so I took it. The first travel course I took was Aesthetic Expressions, and it was basically about art—looking at different types of art and the world in general. So we went to Zanzibar during winter break, and it was an amazing experience. I also went to India my junior year. It was a religion class, looking at Islam and how in different parts of the world, [religion] affects different mechanisms in terms of how people worship—that was also very educational. I loved it.

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Python Programming

Applied Statistics

SECOND YEAR

Data Structures with Python

Digital Marketing Analytics

THIRD YEAR

Data Mining

Global IT & Ethics

FOURTH YEAR

Forecasting & Predictive Analysis

Machine Learning

Data Science (BS)

Influence the future in countless ways by interpreting data to make brilliant, innovative decisions that change how we live, work, play, and save the world.

Are you curious, intrigued by challenges, and interested in math and technology? Learn the most in-demand data science skills that employers are seeking. Along with your data analysis and statistics work, you'll gain fundamental programming and communication skills. We've designed a distinctive series of courses in which you'll work on projects with industry partners to gain the real-world experience you need to participate in a data science internship after your first year.

You'll graduate with a well-rounded data skill set as well as the creativity and ingenuity to solve complex challenges in today's job market. Maybe you want to work on algorithms for Netflix or work on world health projects and public safety. Predict earthquakes, improve security systems, or build automation rules for robots—Champlain's Data Science program will prepare you to be a standout candidate for data positions across a variety of industries.

champlain.edu/data-science

Degree Design Lab: Create Your Own Major

Combine up to three areas of study to create an Integrative Professional Studies major that perfectly positions you for the profession you want. With the guidance of your Faculty Mentor, you can synthesize your interests into a customized degree program and create projects that will distinguish you in the job market.

Research shows that students who study in disparate fields are prepared to be especially agile in their thinking and able to respond well to changing working conditions. Employers prize innovation in the workplace, and with the experience of bridging your chosen fields of study in the Lab, you'll be well practiced at making connections and finding new relationships—keys to innovative thinking.

Based on your interests, you'll be immersed in a variety of professional fields starting in your first semester. Through our self-paced learning program, you will learn how to combine these studies to create new knowledge, and you'll see how your work fits within an increasingly complex world.

Below is just a small sampling of the available areas of study:

- Activist Marketing
- Advocacy
- Alternative Justice Studies
- Business Analytics
- Computer & Digital Forensics
- Computer Science
- Data Science
- Digital Marketing
- Forensic Accounting
- Global Studies
- Government Studies
- Information Technology
- Interactive Narrative
- Law
- Mathematics
- Media Production
- Professional Writing
- Psychology
- Public Relations
- Software Engineering
- Sustainability Studies
- Web Development

champlain.edu/degree-design-lab

FEATURED COMBINATIONS

Data Science, Marketing, Communication: Help corporations refine their digital marketing strategies by analyzing search engine algorithms and results.

Education, Communication, Global Studies: Work on advocacy at an international level, promoting female empowerment through girls' access to educational opportunities.

Environmental Studies & Policy, Business Administration: Start a consulting firm whose mission is to help other organizations adopt environmentally friendly and regulatory-compliant practices for future success.

Entrepreneurship, Professional Writing, Broadcast Media Production: Launch your own niche YouTube channel and be prepared to monetize the content through an understanding of both the creative production aspects of digital media as well as the financial aspects of making a website profitable.

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Child Psychology

Foundations of Mathematics

SECOND YEAR

Content Literacy

Teaching Diverse Learners

THIRD YEAR

Service Learning

Social Studies for Social Justice

FOURTH YEAR

Reflective Practices in Education

Student Teaching Capstone

Education (BS)

Work with students in local classrooms throughout all four years of college, doing fieldwork and observation that aligns with your coursework each semester.

Dive deeply into curriculum design, learn how to successfully integrate technology into the classroom, and develop an understanding of learner differences and culturally responsive instructional practices. You will have opportunities to work with English Language Learners and can take advantage of service learning opportunities both locally and internationally.

With support from expert faculty, you'll build confidence and experience by incrementally working up to your final senior semester of full-time classroom teaching.

Upon graduation, you'll be eligible—and well prepared—to apply for a teaching license in Vermont, and your Advisor can help you navigate licensure in another state.

EARLY CHILDHOOD/ELEMENTARY

Qualify for a dual licensure endorsement in the state of Vermont in either:

- Early Childhood (Pre-K-grade 3) and Elementary Education (grades K-6) or
- Early Childhood (birth-grade 3) and Elementary Education (grades K-6).

MIDDLE GRADES

Graduate eligible for Vermont licensure endorsement to teach grades 5-9. Choose two of the following subjects: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies.

SECONDARY (HIGH SCHOOL)

Graduate eligible for licensure in the State of Vermont in either English Language Arts, Mathematics, or Social Studies. You'll have the flexibility to teach grades 7-12 and the option to apply for a middle school endorsement (grades 5-9).

champlain.edu/education





Environmental Studies & Policy (BS)

In this distinctive degree program, you'll focus on the policies, politics, initiatives, and innovations of environmental issues and the human behaviors that affect them.

You'll be immersed in internships and experiential, field-based learning. Studying in Vermont, one of the country's most environmentally progressive states, provides a unique context for this major; the Vermont State House is a 40-minute drive from campus and offers numerous firsthand learning opportunities.

Our graduates are prepared to enter a variety of workplaces, such as:

- Conservation advocacy groups
- Businesses
- Environmental consulting firms
- Government agencies
- Nonprofits
- Green building and energy companies
- Public utilities

Gain the knowledge and skills to conceptualize bold solutions and join the growing group of environmental professionals who are making decisions about the complex issues that affect our world.

champlain.edu/environmental-policy

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Foundations of Human Communication
Environmental Earth Science

SECOND YEAR

Sustainability & Environmental Policy
Food Systems & Policy

THIRD YEAR

Environmental Justice
Place-Based Environmental Study

FOURTH YEAR

Environmental Policy Assessment & Development
Environmental Policy Internship

MAJOR: Filmmaking

Roger Castillo

PRONOUNS: He/him

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Champlain has taught me the patience, techniques, and networking skills that are essential to jump-starting my career.

What has been your experience with the Filmmaking program? I truly love the Upside-Down Curriculum—it gave me the opportunity to feed the beast that has been my artistic ambition since my first semester. The professors are a valuable and important part of my experience because they are all working professionals with an abundance of knowledge about how our industry is run.

I also value the connections I built with my peers. Because of the need for collaboration in filmmaking, we were all working on each other's projects and bouncing new and fun ideas off of each other. The element of competition is removed from the curriculum, which is great because it allows us to help one another grow.

CLASS OF: 2020

HOMETOWN:

Philadelphia, PA

CURRENT JOB:

Freelance Filmmaker & Photographer

COOL OPPORTUNITY:

Studied abroad in Dublin, Ireland

OTHER CLUBS, JOBS, AND ACTIVITIES:

Video Marketing Intern

Social Media Ambassador

Rental House Lead Technician

Resident Assistant



FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Filmmaking

Screenwriting I

SECOND YEAR

Directing & Acting for the Screen

Documentary Filmmaking

THIRD YEAR

The Business of Film

Video Compositing & Special Effects

FOURTH YEAR

Topics in Cinema

Filmmaking Capstone

Filmmaking (BFA)

With the guidance of award-winning filmmakers, you'll immerse yourself in the art and science of film and gain hands-on experience in different production roles, from director and cinematographer to sound designer and editor.

While you build a thorough knowledge base in film history, aesthetics, motion graphics, and the newest technologies, you'll also learn the business aspects of filmmaking.

Once you've explored the variety of roles available in the filmmaking industry, you'll choose a concentration and focus on the aspects that interest you most:

- Cinematography
- Producing
- Directing
- Screenwriting
- Editing (Motion Graphics)
- Sonic Arts

You'll have opportunities to share your work through numerous contests, film festivals, regional television segments, and more. Our students have earned recognition and won National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences (NATAS) Emmy Awards for student production.

champlain.edu/filmmaking

Finance (BS)

By the time you graduate, you'll have direct experience managing an investment fund and using the same tools and datasets used on Wall Street.

Our hands-on approach provides opportunities to work with real clients, so you can bring your learning to life in ways that truly matter. You'll gain additional practical experience through paid internships, peer-tutoring positions, and competitions that will further develop your finance savvy.

The cornerstone of your Finance degree will be your Capstone experience, during which you will manage a portion of the College's endowment in an investment fund. This isn't something we take lightly; throughout all four years at Champlain, support and guidance from faculty will empower you to make sound decisions and manage risk appropriately.

Champlain's Finance major is the only undergraduate Chartered Financial Analyst® (CFA) University Affiliation Program in Vermont. The CFA designation is the most respected and recognized investment credential in the world and is often called the "gold standard" for the investment management industry.

champlain.edu/finance

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Accounting for Decision-Making

Financial Management I

SECOND YEAR

Managerial Economics

Financial & Economic Modeling

THIRD YEAR

International Business & Macroeconomics

Investments

FOURTH YEAR

Advanced Investment Topics

International Finance & Trade



Colton Orr, '18 // Game Art & Animation

THE GAME STUDIO at CHAMPLAIN COLLEGE

Real game industry studios revolve around collaboration, which is why the Champlain College Game Studio places students in a setting that entails active participation on team-based projects. Our Game Studio replicates the experience our graduates will encounter as they enter the workforce.

Students in the Game Art, Game Design, Game Production Management, Game Programming, and Game Sound Design majors work side by side to create playable games. Facilitated by our game-industry expert professors, the cohort experience emphasizes teamwork across all the game development disciplines.

Each team member gets to see firsthand how their work affects a project. This early experience allows you to fine-tune your collaboration and communication skills; you'll learn to speak the languages of game creation with students in other roles, so work stays on track and progresses efficiently. You'll learn professional social skills as you master the latest game development tools and techniques.

Be ready to jump right into the game industry with a full understanding of how a professional game studio team functions. Through your résumé, portfolio, and confident interviewing, you'll be able to demonstrate to employers that you've already been doing the work they're hiring for.

champlain.edu/game-studio

Champlain is recognized as a 2020 College of Distinction for its "engaged students, great teaching, vibrant community, and successful outcomes."

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Game Development

Introduction to Animation for Games

SECOND YEAR

2-D Game Art

3-D Modeling II

THIRD YEAR

Art History

Game Production II

FOURTH YEAR

Senior Production

Senior Portfolio: Art & Animation

Game Art (BS)

Perfect for artists seeking a rewarding career, our rigorous Game Art curriculum builds digital and technological skills on a solid foundation of art principles.

Through the Game Studio at Champlain, you will be part of a creative team in an environment that replicates real studios in the game industry. In addition to developing extensive skills in creating 2-D and 3-D game environments, characters, and animation, you'll practice collaboration, communication, and all the power skills that come with working on a professional team.

By the time you graduate, you'll have an impressive portfolio of models, animations, sculptures, and concept art. You'll be able to proudly showcase your art to the game industry recruiters who attend our annual Game Studio Senior Show.

champlain.edu/game-art

Game Design (BS)

Game Design can refer to three distinct areas of the game production process:

- In system design, you establish the foundational logic for how a game operates and design the mechanics that bring the world of the game into existence.
- With level design, you create the step-by-step player experience and determine the parameters of play on each level of the game world.
- In narrative design, you define how the overall story is experienced by the player through traditional narrative, dialogue, characters, and environment.

At Champlain, you will explore each type of design and develop extensive skills in your area of interest, building an impressive portfolio of collaborative work through the Game Studio.

Our unique Game Studio environment is based on real working studios; students in each major work together on teams to create games. This immersive experience prepares you to enter directly into the industry upon graduation.

You may elect an optional concentration in Sonic Arts if you'd like to build a background in sound and music production.

champlain.edu/game-design

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Game Design

Game History

SECOND YEAR

Game Technology I

Level Design

THIRD YEAR

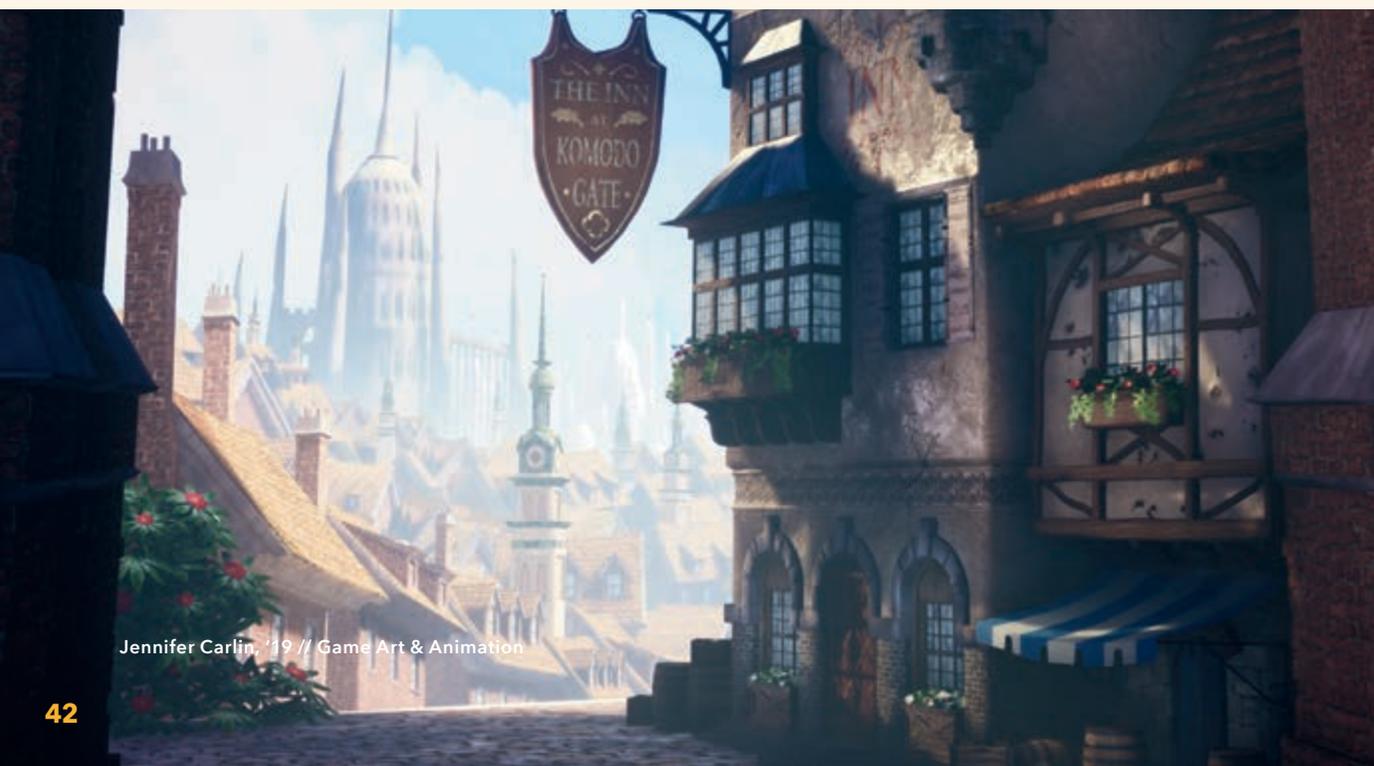
Game Technology II

Game Systems & Experience Design

FOURTH YEAR

College Capstone

Senior Portfolio: Game Design



Jennifer Carlin '19 // Game Art & Animation

The Princeton Review ranked Champlain in the top 20 schools for undergraduate game design programs on its list of "Top Schools to Study Video Game Design for 2019."

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Game Development Management

Game History

SECOND YEAR

Project Management & Team Leadership

Consumer Behavior

THIRD YEAR

Advanced Business Internship

International Business & Macroeconomics

FOURTH YEAR

Business Law

Senior Production

Game Production Management (BS)

Learn how to lead a development team to produce the next big video game.

In the Game Production Management major, you'll develop the essential skills you'll need to organize assets, motivate your team, and act as a liaison between your department and company executives. You'll also gain invaluable firsthand experience playtesting beta versions of games to uncover and fix defects, and you'll learn how to design effective tests and interpret player feedback.

Throughout your time at Champlain, you'll work in our Game Studio with peers from the Game Art, Game Design, Game Programming, and Game Sound Design majors to build games from start to finish—you'll create an impressive portfolio of collaborative work and write a résumé that showcases your project management, game fluency, team leadership, and business skills.

In your senior year, you'll present your team's game to recruiters from all over the United States and Canada: Some of the world's top video game companies know they'll find outstanding employees at Champlain.

champlain.edu/game-production-management



FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Game Development

Introduction to Game Programming

SECOND YEAR

Data Structures & Algorithms

Game Architecture

THIRD YEAR

Artificial Intelligence for Games

Game Physics

FOURTH YEAR

Console Programming

Networking for Online Games

Game Programming (BS)

Create magic! Learn how to bring video game concepts to life for players.

In our Game Programming major, you'll learn valuable and versatile programming skills in the context of game development. Your instructors have extensive industry experience, and throughout the program, you'll have opportunities to meet guest speakers, recruiters, and Game Studio alumni—you can even tour some of the biggest game studios in Montreal, Canada, just a short 90-minute drive from our Main Campus.

In the Game Studio, which mimics real studio structures and processes, you'll work in a collaborative environment to build games from start to finish. While you're diving into game engines and computer science, you'll also practice communicating with colleagues in other disciplines. This real-world parallel means that by graduation you will have unmatched experience in end-to-end game development and a highly marketable résumé and portfolio.

champlain.edu/game-programming

Game Sound Design (BS)

Build tension, amplify action, and design the perfect atmosphere; a good video game relies on a great soundtrack.

Our Game Sound Design major is perfect for students interested in creating the audio elements of games. You'll learn music composition, scoring, voiceover recording, game engine scripting, and more—all while working directly with game engines on a game development team.

Through our Game Studio, you'll practice collaborating on projects and communicating with teammates. You'll work with students from each of our game majors to create playable games, and in your senior year, you'll showcase your work for recruiters.

Dive into game audio and build an impressive portfolio and résumé with plenty of hands-on experience.

champlain.edu/game-sound-design

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Game Development

Fundamentals of Digital Music

SECOND YEAR

Synthesis & Sound Design

Game Production I

THIRD YEAR

Sound Design for Interactivity & Games II

Game Production II

FOURTH YEAR

Business of Music

Portfolio for Game Sound Design

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Exploring International Business

Global Business Strategy

SECOND YEAR

Business Law

Corporate Social Responsibility

THIRD YEAR

Import/Export

International Relations

FOURTH YEAR

International Finance & Trade

International Business Internship

International Business (BS)

Doing business in a global economy requires more than traveling around the globe. It means learning about the cultural, political, and technological forces that shape an industry.

The curriculum is built with the intention that you will spend at least one semester abroad; many students choose to study abroad for an entire year. You'll also have opportunities for internships while you're in another country. For instance, through the Freeman Foundation Grant program, you may be able to work in China or Japan for a summer at almost no cost to you.

Foreign study and project-based learning with expert faculty will help you develop a framework to increase your intercultural literacy and broaden your perspective. You'll gain tools to analyze and evaluate opportunities and risks in the international marketplace.

In teamwork settings with actual clients, you'll collaborate on significant projects: develop import/export strategies, help for-profit and nonprofit organizations identify international target-market opportunities and challenges, and build business plans for international growth.

champlain.edu/international-business

Law (BA)

Champlain's comprehensive Law major offers deep career preparation through law-specific courses not usually encountered in undergraduate pre-law or legal studies programs. One of just a few Bachelor of Arts degrees in Law in the country, this program offers an ideal blend of firsthand legal experience and humanities-based liberal arts.

All of your Law courses will be taught by legal experts—judges, lawyers, and elected or appointed officials—who will give you a true insider understanding of law and its procedures.

You'll gain analytical and practical skills in subjects such as criminal law, contract law, torts, civil procedure, and family law. An in-depth externship at a law office, governmental agency, or corporate legal department during your senior year will give you the experience that high-quality graduate programs and employers seek.

Champlain's Law program will make you a highly desirable candidate for law school—and an invaluable employee.

champlain.edu/law

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Law

Criminal Law

SECOND YEAR

Legal Research & Writing I

Social Justice Intensive

THIRD YEAR

Constitutional Law

Evidence

FOURTH YEAR

Law in Context Seminar

Law Externship



**MAJOR: Integrative Professional Studies
(Degree Design Lab)**

CLASS OF: 2022

Jessica Turner

PRONOUNS: She/her

HOMETOWN:

Wilmington, MA

LEADERSHIP ROLE:

Vice President of
Womxn in Technology

COOL INTERNSHIP:

NuHarbor Security in
Colchester, VT

**OTHER CLUBS, JOBS,
AND ACTIVITIES:**

Cybersecurity Club

Hiking Club

Champ Guide

Technical Officer–
Techdren

Physical Security
Intern at MIT in
Cambridge, MA

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**I like the creative space
the DDL program offers
to come up with solutions
and work collaboratively
with folx from different
backgrounds and interests.**

Have you been able to apply your learning to projects outside the classroom?

I work with my Faculty Advisor, Duane Dunston—he hired me, but he likes to say I work with him, not for him. We’re building an expert system* to identify victims of human trafficking and one to identify medical fraud, so I’m using basic programming skills and security programs. And I love working with Techdren; I like how we can use technology as a way to help other people.

Techdren is a student-run nonprofit created by students at Champlain College. We take donated laptops, fix them, put software on them, and ship them, along with generators and solar panels, to students in Pemba, Zanzibar.

*An expert system is a computer system that can emulate the decision-making process of a human.

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Exploring Marketing I
Marketing & the Organizational Mindset

SECOND YEAR

Consumer Behavior
Integrated Marketing Communication

THIRD YEAR

Marketing Internship
International Business and Macroeconomics

FOURTH YEAR

Current Topics in Marketing
Legal Issues in Communication

Marketing (BS)

Do you thrive on change, media creation, and communicating with others? Your interests and talents may be best used in marketing—the business discipline that connects ideas to the people who find value in them.

Gain a foundation in digital marketing, consumer behavior, and integrated marketing communication; learn to plan and implement campaigns; and expand your knowledge with in-class projects, working directly with clients and helping them address real marketing challenges.

From content creation to data analysis, our curriculum helps you figure out where you “fit” in the marketing landscape. The experience you gain by starting your marketing classes on day one translates into excellent internship opportunities—you’ll hold industry-standard certifications before your sophomore year and can work with innovative Vermont businesses, like Ben & Jerry’s, Burton Snowboards, NewBreed Marketing, and many more.

You’ll be a standout candidate when you graduate, with a portfolio of hands-on projects that will help you land a marketing position in any industry—high-profile corporation, startup marketing firm, or nonprofit.

champlain.edu/marketing



FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to the Writing Profession

Introduction to Creative Writing

SECOND YEAR

Writing & Producing Online Journalism

Magazine Publishing

THIRD YEAR

News Writing & Production

Photojournalism

FOURTH YEAR

Legal Issues in Communication

Literature Seminar

Professional Writing (BS)

Changes in digital communication, social media, and print technology are dramatically transforming the way we consume content—and creating demands for specific forms of writing.

Develop the adaptability to adjust your voice and techniques to suit the needs of your client or employer. Fine-tune your own ideas and learn how to showcase your work. Practice marketing, public relations, graphic design, and content creation for emerging media.

Our Professional Writing program offers courses in creative writing, poetry, screenwriting, and technical writing, along with a wide range of electives that will enhance your writing abilities and expand your skill set.

Students in the Professional Writing major will choose a concentration:

- Creative Writing/Literature
- Editing/Publishing
- Journalism

You'll gain hands-on experience in various fields through project-based courses, internships, and the Champlain College Center for Publishing. A variety of student-run publications offer a creative outlet on campus, and you'll graduate with a portfolio you're proud to share.

champlain.edu/professional-writing



MAJOR: Social Work

Riaz Clark

PRONOUNS: They/them

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I fell in love with Burlington because it's so much like where I'm from. I fell in love with the view. I fell in love with the people—I like to call them terminally delightful.

How has Champlain started to prepare you for your future? It's really the Upside-Down Curriculum. Champlain got me into my major and my profession on that first day. I was working with kids and the people I want to be working with from the start.

Champlain literally puts you in the real world on your first day. You're coding for projects that people on Church Street need to get done. You're doing photography for local businesses. You're actively becoming a member of this society, rather than learning what it looks like to become a member of this society.

CLASS OF: 2021

HOMETOWN:

Ann Arbor, MI

CURRENT JOB:

Family Programming
Assistant at YMCA in
Burlington, VT

LEADERSHIP ROLE:

Co-leader of Phi Alpha
Social Work Honor Society

OTHER CLUBS, JOBS,
AND ACTIVITIES:

Diversity Ambassador

Resident Assistant

Director of Operations—
Student Government
Association



FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Psychology

Developmental Psychology

SECOND YEAR

Abnormal Psychology

Social Psychology

THIRD YEAR

Behavioral Neuroscience

Media Psychology

FOURTH YEAR

Applied Psychology: Internship I

Applied Psychology: Community Activism

Psychology (BS)

Focus on the application of psychology to solve real-world problems and explore the myriad ways psychology is used in different fields and industries.

Starting in your first year, you'll work with upper-level Psychology students in a peer-mentoring system to explore options and think about how you'd like to use your degree after graduation. In your third and fourth years at Champlain, you'll be able to focus on the aspects of psychology that interest you most. These courses will be hands-on and practical, and will include professional and/or research internships.

In the Champlain College Neuroscience Lab, you'll be able to conduct research with the guidance of the experienced doctors who teach in the program. You'll have access to state-of-the-art tools, such as EEG testing, physiology recording equipment, and a tDCS machine (to stimulate specific areas of the brain).

Through internships at The DREAM Program, WomenSafe, Spectrum Youth & Family Services, and the University of Vermont Psychology Research Lab, our Psychology students gain invaluable experience in the field.

champlain.edu/psychology

Social Work (BSW)

If you are driven to bring change to the world through your professional life, you will find no better place to start than Champlain's Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) program, accredited by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE).

Through a combination of broad-based social work instruction and extensive field experiences, you'll be prepared for a career rich in the satisfaction that comes from providing help and hope to those who need it most. Beginning in your first year, you'll be ready for internship opportunities that allow you to connect with the community in meaningful ways.

In your senior year, you will participate in a yearlong internship, which provides you with over 400 hours of direct experience. You'll work under the supervision and mentorship of highly trained field instructors in community settings. This intense immersion helps you develop your professional identity and hone your social work skills.

Through the program's CSWE accreditation, Champlain students may apply to be considered for admission to a Master of Social Work program, and earn a master's degree in one year instead of two.

champlain.edu/social-work

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Social Work

Community Organizations

SECOND YEAR

Research Methods in Social Work

Studies in Social Justice: Poverty

THIRD YEAR

Social Justice: Oppression & Empowerment

Global Social Action

FOURTH YEAR

Social Work Field Practicum I

Social Work Capstone





Visual Communication Design (BFA)

Develop your artistic talents while you build a résumé tailored to a rewarding career.

Fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), Champlain's forward-thinking Visual Communication Design program will give you broad exposure to the concepts and skills you need to become a creative problem solver and accomplished designer.

Bridging traditional art principles and innovative technologies, this program will have you exploring a wide spectrum of design projects. By the time you graduate, you'll have a professional-level design portfolio that's been rigorously and individually critiqued by a panel of guest designers from top design firms.

You'll have opportunities to gain invaluable internship experience at local organizations, including Burlington City Arts, Clutch Creative, Driven Studio, and Four Nine Design.

Students in the Visual Communication Design major may choose an optional concentration:

- Motion Graphics
- Publishing

champlain.edu/visual-communication

FEATURED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

Introduction to Typography
The Digital Image

SECOND YEAR

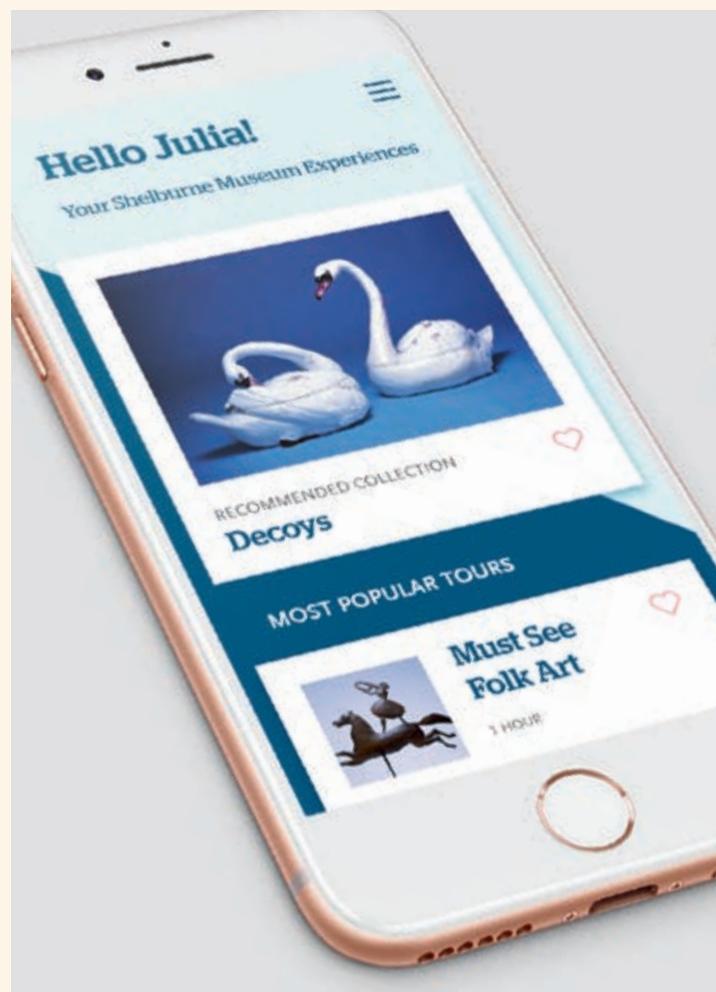
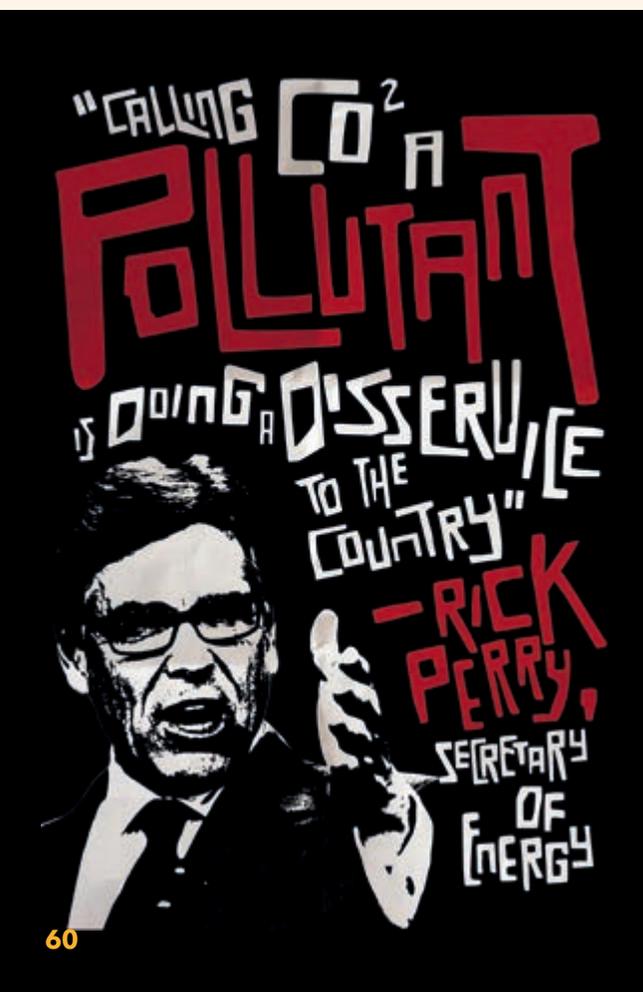
Publication Design I
Web Design I

THIRD YEAR

Advanced Art History
Projects in Graphic Design I

FOURTH YEAR

Senior Portfolio in Graphic Design
Graphic Design Business Practice



Top: Phillip Barrish, '20 // Graphic Design & Digital Media

Bottom Left: Ben Van Cleve, '20 // Graphic Design & Digital Media

Bottom Right: Zoe Moss & Rachel Vecchio, '20 // Graphic Design & Digital Media



Enhance your education with a minor: You can explore interests that aren't covered by your major and build versatile skills that will help you be agile in the job market. By diving into another field of study, you'll gain significant experience—and strengthen your résumé.

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Business Analytics
- Communication
- Community Management
- Computer & Digital Forensics
- Computer Science
- Conflict Management
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science
- Digital Marketing
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Studies & Policy
- Event Management
- Family Studies
- Finance
- Forensic Accounting
- Game Programming
- Gerontology
- Global Studies
- Human Resource Management & Organization Development
- Information Technology
- Interactive Narrative
- International Business
- Law
- LGBTQ Studies
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Media Production
- Organizational Innovation
- Psychology
- Public Relations
- Social Justice

Minors





Learn from someone who's been there.

Champlain College faculty are excellent educators. What they bring to the classroom goes above and beyond a well-planned syllabus and engaging instruction: Most faculty are former—or even current—practitioners in their field.

What are the day-to-day tasks really like? What is my employer going to need from me, and how can I go the extra mile? (And is that TV show portrayal of this job accurate?) From their earliest professional mistakes to the proudest achievements of their careers, our faculty can share stories that stick with you. Having access to all this industry knowledge from the get-go is one of the reasons you'll do so well in your internships and jobs.

With an average class size of just 16 students, your voice will be an integral part of your discussion- and project-based courses. You'll never be an anonymous face in a lecture hall—the familiarity of a smaller class makes it easy to build rapport with your classmates and professors, so your questions are answered and your perspective is heard.

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Every single professor so far has been inviting, humorous, laid-back, and I could not ask for greater people to teach me. They want to hear your opinions. They want to hear your stories. They want to tell stories of their own. They're dedicated to ensuring you're prepared for the real world and equipping you with the proper tools for life in your field of study.

Tyler Rand, '20 // Marketing // Lakewood, CA

Erik Shonstrom

PRONOUNS: He/him

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It is in Emily Dickinson’s line ‘I dwell in possibility’ that we find the beating heart of Champlain College: creative power, imagination, and world-changing ideas. In the face of a complex world, Champlain fosters the transformation in students, faculty, and staff needed to navigate the future.

Erik Shonstrom began his teaching career as an Outward Bound instructor at age 19. Since then, he’s been a small-town Vermont newspaper reporter, environmental consultant, cook, mentor for incarcerated youth, and he has worked in orchards pruning apple trees. But, mostly, he’s been a teacher—pushing boundaries in education for nearly two decades. Shonstrom still carries a backpack from his Outward Bound days; it serves as a beloved reminder of what’s most important to him: time spent with family, exploring Vermont and the world.

CLASSES:

Rhetoric of Self

Bodies: Paleo

Concepts of
Community

Professional Writing

Capstone

H&H: Kid Heroes

FYI: The Outdoors

FUN FACT:

Author of *Wild Curiosity* and *The Wisdom of the Body*, along with works published in *The Essay Daily*, *Education Week*, *Forbes Magazine*, and *Children & Nature Network*.





Dr. Kylie King

PRONOUNS: *She/her*

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Champlain College is a wonderful community of intelligent, energetic, and intellectually curious students, faculty, and staff. It is exciting to teach at such an entrepreneurial and innovative institution.

Dr. King's research interests include the study of entrepreneurial teams, methods for team selection and performance measurement, and the use of predictive analytics in human resource management. She is passionate about experiential learning, teamwork, design, and innovation.

CLASSES:

Business & the Entrepreneurial Mindset

Capstone I: Design Thinking

Entrepreneurship: New Venture

Capstone II

Business of Entrepreneurship

Exploring Analytics

FUN FACT:

Enjoys swimming, biking, running, and competing in triathlons.

Dr. Kimberly Quinn

PRONOUNS: She/her

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Champlain is a ‘think outside the box’ kind of campus, which encourages the freedom of creative expression for students and professors.

Along with her role as a professor, Dr. Quinn serves as Champlain College’s Well-Being and Success Coach. She hosts webinars on Trauma & Resilience and a weekly Mindcraft podcast series aimed at striving for optimal well-being and life satisfaction. Dr. Quinn has been a featured speaker for TEDx and other events on topics such as social media and well-being, and embracing neurodiversity.

CLASSES:

Psychology

Mindcraft

Introduction to Psychology

FUN FACT:

Enjoys downhill skiing, parasailing, and white-water rafting.





Dr. Van Dora Williams

PRONOUNS: She/her

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It is always an honor for me to work with such talented young people, on a beautiful campus in a gorgeous state.

Dr. Williams is an Emmy Award-winning producer and writer with experience in the full range of media platforms. With a penchant for creating historical documentaries, some of her favorite projects are films she worked on with PBS, including *Banished*, *Citizen King*, and *Matters of Race*.

CLASSES:

Broadcast
Writing

Production of
Social Media

Show Producing
I & Show
Producing II

Video Field
Production

FUN FACT:

Worked in
journalism for
over 30 years
and has worked
as a senior
producer and
reporter at PBS.

Dr. Wei Kian Chen

PRONOUNS: He/him

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Champlain is really unique in that it gives me, as a faculty member, complete freedom to design curriculum and courses that are relevant to our students and that give them an edge when applying for jobs.

Dr. Chen's top research interests are association mining, classification, data mining, databases, machine learning, pattern recognition, and software engineering.

CLASSES:

Advanced Programming

Data Structures & Algorithms

FUN FACT:

Fluent in English, Malay, Mandarin, Cantonese, and Hakka. Working proficiency in Japanese and German.





INTERNSHIPS

Start trying on careers as early as your first year of college.

One of the best aspects of our Upside-Down Curriculum is that you're prepared for skilled professional work after just a semester or two.

When we match you up with an internship position, we're not sending you off to get coffee for someone. You'll do things like create art that's used in a globally popular video game. You'll develop software for a company that has a very real deadline. You'll teach children in local schools, create an app for NASA, substitute as a local news channel correspondent, do social work in the hospital's emergency room—and we aren't even allowed to know what you do at the FBI.

Because your classroom education is hands-on and skills-specific from the beginning, you bring professional competence to your internships; many employers recognize this and come looking for Champlain students specifically. From this solid foundation, you can build an impressive professional background while you're still in college.



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Champlain grads have an entrepreneurial spirit. They're innovative. They're risk-takers. But above all, they learn by doing. That's not the typical approach of most colleges.

Burton Snowboards CEO Donna Carpenter

CENTERS OF EXPERIENCE

The best way to learn something?
Start doing it.

In our Centers of Experience, students work on important projects, solidifying the lessons learned in class.

The Centers of Experience provide students the opportunity to collaborate on professional projects for real clients with support from faculty. Within these experiential learning environments, students' classroom knowledge is put to use in practical applications.



CENTER FOR INNOVATION & ENTREPRENEURSHIP (CIE)

A thought-leader in entrepreneurship research, the CIE promotes entrepreneurial and innovator mindsets. This Center offers a unique opportunity for student entrepreneurs to get help launching a new business or developing their existing enterprise.

champlain.edu/cie

CENTER FOR FINANCIAL LITERACY (CFL)

The CFL promotes financial literacy skills, allowing people to make more sound decisions about spending, credit, debt, investments, and complex financial situations, such as buying a home and saving for retirement. The CFL is nationally acclaimed and has become a go-to source for national media coverage of financial literacy.

champlain.edu/cfl

CENTER FOR MEDIATION AND DIALOGUE

This Center provides mediation, facilitation, and multi-stakeholder consensus-building services for Champlain College, the Greater Burlington community, the state of Vermont, and beyond.

champlain.edu/mediation

CENTER FOR SERVICE & SUSTAINABILITY

The Center for Service & Sustainability provides students with leadership opportunities, international service trips, and resources for sustainable living practices. The Center also guides faculty through professional development workshops, coaching, and resources, so they can include service learning in their courses.

champlain.edu/sustain

DAVID L. COOPERRIDER CENTER FOR APPRECIATIVE INQUIRY

The Cooperrider Center is the only academic-based center in the world that focuses directly on Appreciative Inquiry (AI) and its implications for Positive Organizational Development and management. It offers a full range of educational programs, research, AI certification, and custom consulting services for companies, organizations, and corporate clients.

champlain.edu/appreciativeinquiry

EMERGENT MEDIA CENTER® (EMC)

The EMC is a laboratory/studio environment in which students collaborate with each other, faculty, and clients to develop new concepts, processes, uses, and applications for emergent technologies.

champlain.edu/emc

THE SENATOR PATRICK LEAHY CENTER FOR DIGITAL FORENSICS & CYBERSECURITY

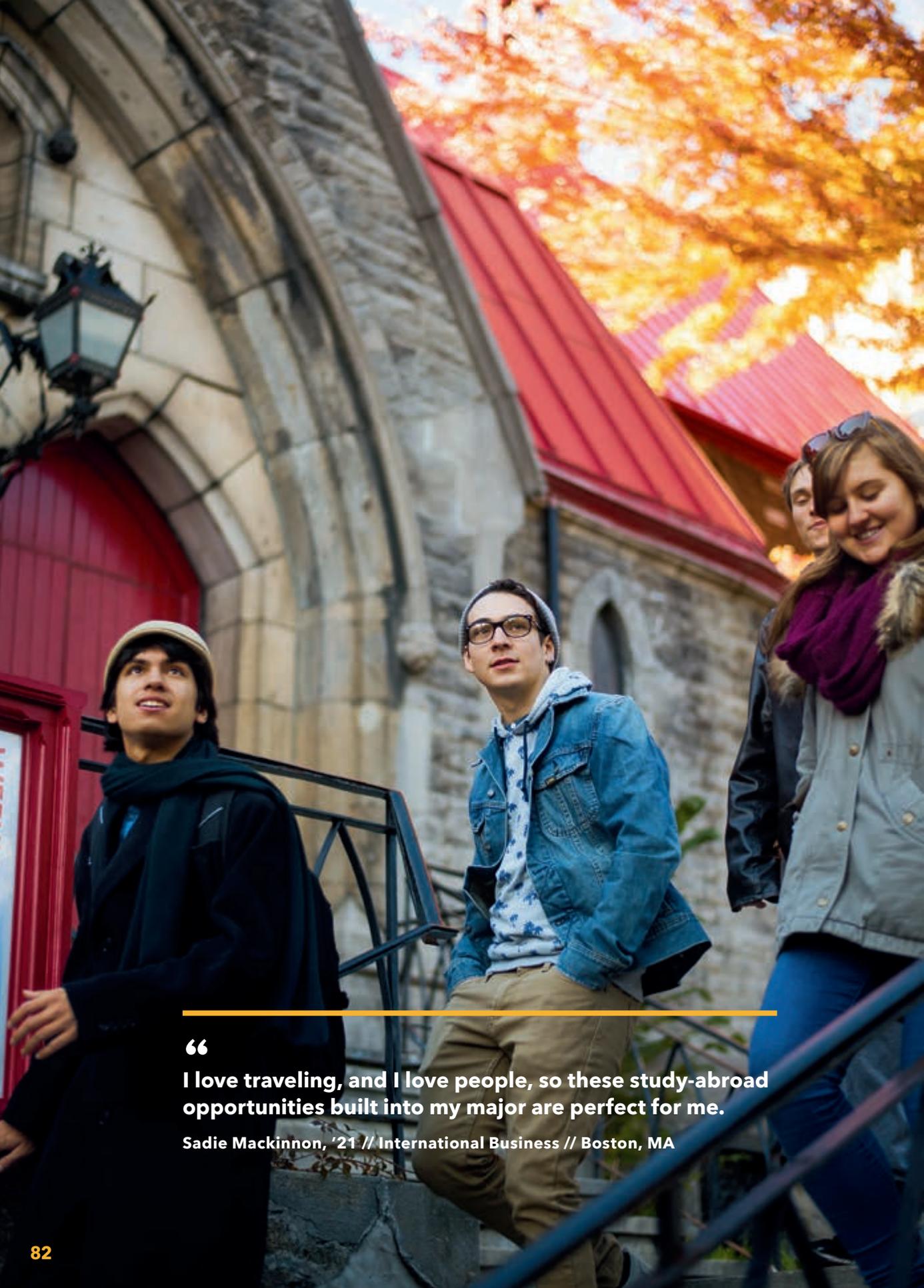
The Leahy Center is a local, state, and national resource for digital investigation. Students work with faculty to provide digital forensics and cybersecurity services to a wide variety of organizations, from government bodies to local businesses.

champlain.edu/leahycenter

MAKERSPACE

A makerspace is an experiential environment where people share tools and knowledge to make almost anything. Through a partnership with Generator Makerspace, which includes a dedicated area just for Champlain students, you'll have access to 3-D printers, an electronics lab, a metalwork studio, woodshop space, and much more.

champlain.edu/makerspace



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I love traveling, and I love people, so these study-abroad opportunities built into my major are perfect for me.

Sadie Mackinnon, '21 // International Business // Boston, MA

As difficult as it is to leave Burlington behind, Champlain makes it easy to go see the world.

The value of international learning can't be overstated—it's an opportunity to practice certain skills that can only be learned firsthand. You'll navigate a new environment, confront your own assumptions, meet new people, embrace curiosity, and gain a richer understanding of the world through truly realizing what it means to see from a global perspective.

Our Office of International Education will work with you to ensure all credits taken abroad will fulfill requirements for your major. Whether you embark on a semester abroad, a summer internship in China, or a week-long service trip, you'll learn so much more than can be put into words.

CHAMPLAIN ABROAD: MONTREAL

Our first study-abroad campus was established in Montreal, Canada, in the heart of the cosmopolitan city. Students love the insider tours of some of the world's best-known game studios.

CHAMPLAIN ABROAD: DUBLIN

With museums, parks, and restaurants all within walking distance of Champlain's student housing in the Liberties neighborhood, our campus in Dublin, Ireland, is a perfect gateway to the Emerald Isle—and the rest of Europe.

EXCHANGE PARTNERSHIPS

Students from any major have the opportunity to spend a semester at one of our four exchange locations in Scotland, New Zealand, The Netherlands, or Morocco.

APPROVED THIRD-PARTY PROGRAMS

Champlain has pre-approved a variety of international program providers to ensure our students can study anywhere in the world. Popular destinations include London, England; Cape Town, South Africa; and Innsbruck, Austria.

TRAVEL COURSES AND SERVICE TRIPS

If a full year or semester isn't for you, Champlain offers several shorter travel opportunities via our Core classes. After a semester studying in Jordan, for instance, you could spend an amazing week there, riding camels and swimming in the Dead Sea.

FREEMAN FOUNDATION GRANT

Since 2013, students in our Stiller School of Business have been traveling to Shanghai, China, for life-changing summer internships. Now open to students from all divisions and with new internship placements in Kyoto, Japan, this travel opportunity will make your résumé shine. Did we mention it's free?

champlain.edu/abroad



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The library provides a welcoming environment with a multitude of resources and lots of spaces for working. The staff is super helpful and understanding of different faculty expectations for classes as well.

Gillianne Ross, '22 // Professional Writing // Monkton, VT

Find the support and equipment you need for all things academic.

MILLER INFORMATION COMMONS

Our award-winning library is run by faculty and staff who are enthusiastic about helping you find relevant, trustworthy sources for your research—and who can always provide recommendations for your extracurricular reading.

In addition to thousands upon thousands of books, journals, and digital resources, the library provides access to study spaces, computers, printers, and some of Burlington's most breathtaking views.

champlain.edu/library

SMART (STUDY MENTORS AND RESOURCE TUTORS) SPACE

This space is your headquarters for academic success. SMART Space offers:

Academic coaching

24/7 online tutoring

Group & individual study spaces

Tutoring labs in several disciplines, including accounting & finance, math, writing, programming, cybersecurity, and digital forensics

champlain.edu/smart-space

ADDITIONAL FACILITIES

Find all the traditional and technological equipment you need for your creative endeavors on campus. Champlain students also have access to Generator, a fully equipped makerspace located right next to our Miller Center at Lakeside Campus building.

Champlain College Art Gallery & Lounge

Digital Photo Lab

Drawing Studio

Metz Studio Barn (for design work)

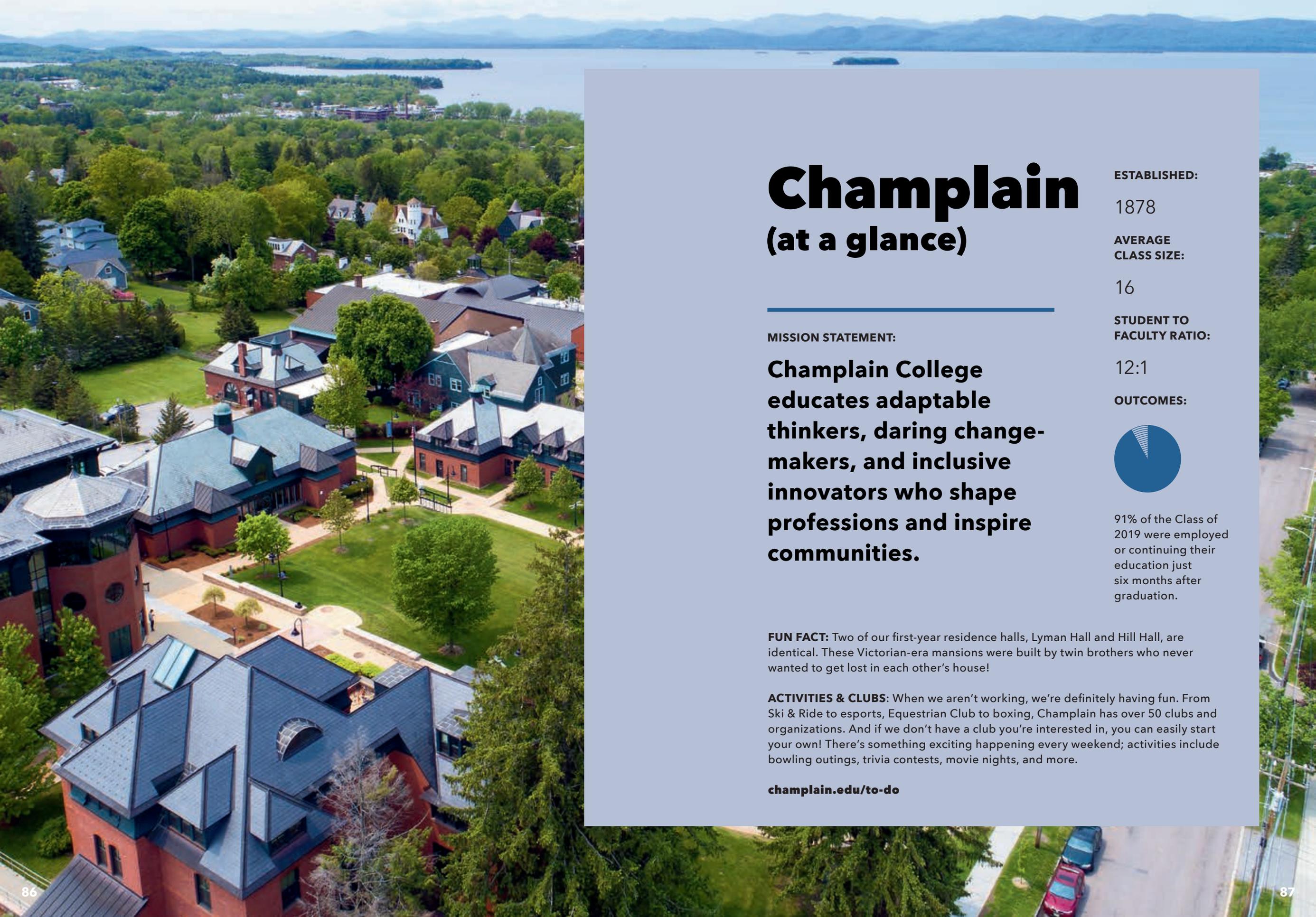
Photography Lab/Darkroom

Film and Broadcast Media Production Stage

Sound Recording Studio

Sarah Ramsey '12 Innovation Lab (collaborative space)

Media Equipment Rental House



Champlain (at a glance)

ESTABLISHED:
1878

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE:
16

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO:
12:1

OUTCOMES:



91% of the Class of 2019 were employed or continuing their education just six months after graduation.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Champlain College educates adaptable thinkers, daring change-makers, and inclusive innovators who shape professions and inspire communities.

FUN FACT: Two of our first-year residence halls, Lyman Hall and Hill Hall, are identical. These Victorian-era mansions were built by twin brothers who never wanted to get lost in each other's house!

ACTIVITIES & CLUBS: When we aren't working, we're definitely having fun. From Ski & Ride to esports, Equestrian Club to boxing, Champlain has over 50 clubs and organizations. And if we don't have a club you're interested in, you can easily start your own! There's something exciting happening every weekend; activities include bowling outings, trivia contests, movie nights, and more.

champlain.edu/to-do

Champlain College is renowned for its gorgeous views of Lake Champlain and the Adirondack Mountains. Located in the historic Hill Section of Burlington, between the city center and the University of Vermont, Champlain is an ideal home base for exploring all that the city—and the world—has to offer.

Although we're unable to welcome visitors to campus at this time, we are pleased to offer a variety of engaging virtual events, such as major-specific webinars, fun open houses with live demo classes, and more. Our virtual tour will take you right to some of our favorite places on campus, where you can have a leisurely look around. If you're interested in having a conversation or interview with an Admissions Counselor or Senior Admissions Intern, we can help you set that up, too.

We look forward to sharing everything that makes Champlain's academic experience unique. Please join us to meet our community, learn more about our methods, and discover whether our multidimensional approach to education is a good fit for you.

champlain.edu/visit

HOW TO APPLY

You may apply for admission as a first-year or transfer applicant by completing either the Common Application or Champlain's Application. It's completely free to apply to Champlain and submitting standardized test scores is optional.

DEADLINES

Early Decision: December 1

Regular Decision: February 1

Transfer Students: Rolling

Spring Enrollment: Rolling

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A complete application (Common App or our own Champlain app)
- Personal statement
- Your high school transcript (and any post-secondary transcripts, if you are a transfer student)
- Two letters of recommendation (one from a school counselor and one from a teacher or mentor)
- These majors require a portfolio: Creative Media, Filmmaking, Game Art, Game Design, Visual Communication Design

COUNT-ON-IT FINANCIAL AID GUARANTEE

We believe when families are evaluating the financial implications of their student's college choice, they should know exactly what they can count on receiving from the school—not just for that important decision-making process in the first year, but for the entire length of a student's full-time enrollment.

When you receive your financial aid offer letter as an admitted student, you can count on your scholarships from Champlain being consistent from year to year as long as you are enrolled full time—guaranteed.

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