

HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE



Hampden-Sydney College is a private liberal arts college of 1,100 students located in picturesque Southside Virginia, about an hour southwest of Richmond. Hampden-Sydney prides itself on upholding its long-standing mission to form good men and good citizens in an atmosphere of sound learning, as it has since its founding in 1775 with Patrick Henry and James Madison among its first Trustees. Students enter as youths and leave as thoughtful and honorable men, prepared to serve society on a regional, national, and global level.

College Highlights

Honor Code

Hampden-Sydney's honor code demands that a Hampden-Sydney man will not lie, cheat, or steal, nor tolerate those who do. This code permeates the campus atmosphere, and students enjoy the security of knowing that their brothers share respect for their own work and the belongings of others.

Leadership and Character

Hampden-Sydney offers a variety of opportunities for leadership study and practice. For example, students are encouraged to create their own clubs if their interests are not yet represented by the College's offerings. The Wilson Center for Leadership in the Public Interest and the Society of '91 provide formal programs that promote leadership development and service.

Serious-Minded Men

Hampden-Sydney requires its students to complete a rigorous liberal arts curriculum. The courses are challenging and the academic program engages students both inside and outside the classroom in serious and critical thought about the issues that shape their world.

Brotherhood

At Hampden-Sydney, we realize that there can be no me without we—that we can't achieve our full humanity as individuals. The bonds created among Hampden-Sydney students in the classroom, on the playing field, and all across campus last a lifetime as students collectively challenge one another to be better men in all aspects of life.

High Touch

Professors at Hampden-Sydney care about the academic and personal development of their students. Our low student-faculty ratio of 10 to 1 allows for intellectual intimacy, providing the individual attention young men need to develop a lifelong love of learning.

Rhetoric Program

Hampden-Sydney is home to a well-respected Rhetoric program. Young men who graduate from H-SC are well-trained to think clearly and communicate cogently and concisely. Graduates of all majors often comment that learning how to write was one of the most important academic experiences of their undergraduate studies.

Rankings

Forbes ranked Hampden-Sydney the 6th Best College in the South, the 50th Best Private College in the Nation, and the 54th Best College or University in the United States (2009).

U.S. News and World Report ranked Hampden-Sydney the 94th Best College in America in 2011.

Hampden-Sydney had the most successful men's athletic program in Virginia for 2009-2010 (Div. II & III).

