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Overview of the College

Guilford College draws on Quaker and liberal arts traditions to prepare men and women for a lifetime of learning, work and constructive action dedicated to the betterment of the world.

Toward that end the college provides:

- student-centered instruction that nurtures each individual amid an intentionally diverse community.
- a values-rich education that explores the ethical dimension of knowledge and promotes honesty, compassion, integrity, courage and respect for the individual.
- a challenging academic program that fosters critical and creative thinking through the development of essential skills: analysis, inquiry, communication, consensus-building, problem-solving and leadership.
- a global perspective that values people of other cultures and the natural environment in which we all live.
- access to work and service opportunities that forge a connection between thought and action. ■

Why Guilford College?

Consistently rated nationally by The Princeton Review as well as being one of the 40 colleges in *Colleges that Change Lives* by Loren Pope, Guilford College inspires each student to achieve excellence through an engaging community, rooted in Quaker values, which nurtures creativity and social responsibility.



What can a Guilford education offer?

- A suburban setting near other colleges & universities with an area student population of over 27,000 students
 - A consortium agreement with University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro College, Bennett College, North Carolina A&T State University and Elon University provides students with access to courses free of charge
 - A college mission statement & core values based on, and consistent with, Quaker testimonies. Guilford's
- core values are: Community, Diversity, Equality, Excellence, Integrity, Justice & Stewardship.
- A challenging academic program which emphasizes not only academic tracks and the learning process, but also the interconnection between curricular and co-curricular pursuits
 - A diverse student population providing a stimulating peer environment
 - Excellent study abroad programs ■



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First Year Programs

The First Year Program fosters entering students' academic, social and personal transitions necessary for successful participation in the total life of the college community.

The First Year Program begins the moment you choose Guilford, continues into New Student Orientation and extends through the first year until your student declares a major.

The First Year Program provides models, resources, information, mentoring, programming, advising, courses and experiences to assist new students in their transition to college culture and to help them become active participants in the learning community.

Some of the components include:

- first-year advising
- peer mentoring
- course offerings and a schedule based on first-year student need and preference
- accurate and early Foreign Language, Quantitative Skills and English placement
- social programming
- assistance in the declaration of the major, first-year advisory board and faculty adviser

The Curriculum


The first semester in college is an academically challenging experience. Guilford's curriculum is challenging and flexible and designed to help you get the most from your learning. For first-time fall semester college students, a central component of the first semester is the First Year Experience (FYE) Course. The FYE is a Foundations course designed to engage

First Year Center

Clay Harshaw, Director;
charshaw@guilford.edu
 For additional information about the First Year Program at Guilford College visit
www.guilford.edu/firstyear

entering students in significant interactive inquiry. With a focus on speaking and listening and experiential learning, the course explores an interdisciplinary content area as well as aids in the academic and social transition to college life.

The First Year Program director and peer mentors in the First Year Center help new students with academic choices. ■



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Academics

Guilford College stresses breadth and rigor in its academic program.

As a Quaker-founded college, Guilford offers an educational experience that emphasizes the study of human values and the inter-relatedness of the world's knowledge and cultures.

The curriculum prescribes for all students a basic framework from which they choose courses. This framework consists of a set of general education requirements and 38 major fields in which students can pursue studies in depth.

Guilford also supports students in creating individualized programs and in selecting studies which will best contribute to their own development and interests. Faculty advisers readily assist students in exploring their interests and abilities and in relating their courses of study to future plans.

Students with varied talents and aims may profit from different methods of instruction. Guilford deliberately offers a selection of educational experiences: courses combining lectures with discussion or laboratory; seminars demanding more direct participation by the student; and opportunities for independent study.

The college encourages off-campus



learning and foreign study, and advisers help students design internships in the community as a way of relating study and work experiences. In addition, the college offers a large number of non-credit certification programs and training opportunities.

Academic Departments

Guilford's academic programs promote synthetic thinking. Synthetic thinking is the ability to draw on ideas from across disciplines and fields of inquiry to reach a deeper understanding of the world and one's place in it. Programs stress both breadth and rigor, and they provide the means by which students ▶



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- Biology
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- Chemistry
- Computing and Information Technology
- Economics
- Education Studies
- English
- Environmental Studies
- Exercise and Sport Studies
- Foreign Languages
- Forensic Accounting
- Forensic Biology
- Geology
- Health Sciences
- History
- Integrative Studies
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International Studies
- Justice and Policy Studies
- Mathematics

Our Five Academic Principles

- Innovative, student-centered learning
- Challenge to engage in creative and critical thinking
- Cultural and global perspectives
- Values and the ethical dimension of knowledge
- Focus on practical application: vocation and service to the larger community

Unique Academic Programs

- Peace & Conflict Studies
- Forensic Biology
- Forensic Accounting

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Study Abroad

The opportunity to understand and appreciate diverse cultures is an integral part of a Guilford education.

Guilford's study abroad programs take students around the globe, where they play an active role in their host communities.

More than a third of Guilford's traditional student population participates in study abroad programs in China, England,

France, Germany, Ghana, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Netherlands, Scotland, Spain, and Wales.

Each Guilford Semester Abroad has its own unique academic character and lifestyle. A careful balance is maintained between formal study and opportunities for cross-cultural encounters. The courses taught by Guilford colleagues around the world provide the intellectual background and framework for an exciting and enriching program. ■

Career and Community Learning Programs

More than ever before, college students find themselves free to define their futures in any way they want.

Our society no longer expects young graduates to settle on a field of expertise and then stick with it for the next thirty to forty years. For many college students, a bachelor's degree offers enormous freedom to explore the world of work. Great freedom can make the search for meaningful work extremely challenging. Therefore, the Career and Community Learning Center offers a number of services and resources designed to help students establish an inner foundation for discerning their vocation or "calling" in the outer world of the job market:

Internships — Students can explore their deeper sense of purpose through

practical, on-site internships in a variety of settings. The Internship Coordinator/Vocational Counselor can assist students in identifying suitable internship opportunities as part of the process of self-exploration.

Vocational Counseling — Identifying how a student's unique mix of passions, talents, experiences, and insights can be applied in service to humanity, whether as a career or as a developing skill, is part of the work of vocational counseling. From one-on-one sessions to clearness committees, vocational counseling can provide direction from a deeper, reflective perspective.

Resource Library — There are a number of books and tools that students can utilize to assist them in exploring career and call choices from a vocational viewpoint.

For more information, please e-mail careers@guilford.edu (336) 316-2314. ■

Health, Wellness, and Safety

Student Health Center

The staff in the Student Health Center is interested in helping you attain and maintain a healthy approach to college life. It is our objective to view each student as a whole person, with objectivity, confidentiality, and concern in meeting their health care needs.

The center is staffed by a full-time registered nurse and a part-time physician assistant (9 hours per week).

All of your student's health care needs can be assessed at the Student Health Center. If off-campus referral is needed, the staff will assist you in planning and implementing a consultation.

The student health staff is available for acute and chronic illness evaluation, consultation for positive health strategies, identification of health risks, contraceptive counseling, referrals to counseling centers and referrals off campus for specialty care (e.g. dentist, ophthalmologist, surgeon, etc.). Inpatient care is not available in the Student Health Center. If hospitalization is needed, it will be arranged through local medical facilities.

For more information, please contact: (336) 316-2194

Counseling

The Counseling Center seeks to provide traditional students with opportunities for personal growth and exploration in a safe and caring environment. We are committed to helping students to navigate the transitions and challenges of college life, including relationship concerns, feelings of anxiety or depression, alcohol or drug issues, issues with food and body image, academic and social pressures as well as other concerns. Our work with students is confidential and free of charge. Common areas to address are:

- Alcohol and Other Drugs
- Anger
- Anxiety
- ADHD
- Counseling
- Death, Loss, and Grief
- Depression
- Eating Disorders
- Healthy Relationships
- Sexual Assault
- Sleep
- Stress

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(336) 316-2163 and (336) 316-2143.
Located at 1203 Rachel Carson Court
(former Milner Guest House).
Hours are 8:30-5:00 Monday-Friday. ■

Housing and Dining

Residence Life

The Department of Residence Life provides a clean, comfortable, well-maintained and secure campus living environment that enhances collaboration, community, programming and scholarship between and among students, faculty and the staff, while expecting students to accept responsibility for their role in creating a positive living environment.

Resident Advisors (RAs) and professional residence life staff members (Hall Directors) live in the residence halls, working to create a positive living-learning environment. The staff is readily available for support, advising, programming and introducing residents to the many resources of the College.

Guilford College is a residential college and all traditional age students under the age of 23 are required to live on campus unless granted permission to live off campus based on the criteria and guidelines set by the Office for Campus Life.

Dining Services

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Guilford College and culinary partner Meriwether Godsey team together to provide all dining services for the campus.

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Healthy food never tasted so good! Meals are not just about eating – they are an experience. Founders Hall will be your new favorite restaurant featuring delicious food and service with a smile.

SCRATCH COOKING

“Scratch” is defined as “from the beginning.” We have always believed this is the right way to cook. Many of our salad dressings, soups, sauces, composed salads and sides, entrees, breads and desserts will be made from scratch. In addition, we will be offering selections that are locally scratch made by friends of Guilford – like artisan breads and pastries. Without exception, our chefs are passionate about cooking and are remarkably creative so this expectation is part of Meriwether Godsey's essence.

STUDENT-CENTRIC APPROACH

If the students aren't happy, nobody's happy. It is our commitment to serve food that makes students happy. The saying goes: “feedback is the breakfast of champions.” We want Guilford Dining to be a winner, so we want your feedback. In this business the customer is always right and our answer should rarely be “no.” If you want to meet with our staff to discuss special events, new food ideas, or to tell us about a meal that didn't go quite right, you will find open doors and open minds. ■

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Student Financial Services

The Student Financial Services Office combines the functions of the traditional Financial Aid Office and Students Accounts Office.

Financial assistance at Guilford College is based on need or exceptional academic or other merit achievement. The college makes every effort to ensure that every qualified student will have an opportunity to attend, regardless of financial circumstances. Students demonstrating eligibility receive a package of assistance composed of scholarships and grants, and/or loans and work. We are eager to get to know your student and to be of service as they undertake this challenging and rewarding enterprise.



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Guilford FAQs

What does Guilford have to offer my child?

Take some time to learn more about our academic programs. You'll find a curriculum that emphasizes our core values and provides numerous opportunities for study abroad, internships and service work. With a 16:1 student to faculty ratio and small discussion-based courses, our students receive excellent preparation for wherever life takes them, whether they continue on in graduate school or enter the professional world right after graduation. Guilford also offers a rich campus life program, with student involvement in 16 inter-collegiate athletic teams, a strong intramural & recreational sports program, 37 student organizations, and a vibrant campus ministry program. They can also take advantage of hearing world-renowned speakers through the Bryan Series.

How does my child apply for admission?

The application process begins by applying online. Students may apply for admission using the Common Application, the Universal Application, or the Guilford online application. They must also submit supporting materials. We take several factors into consideration during the review process. We do not have Early Decision. Our Early Action deadline is January 15th with notification by February 15th and our Regular Decision deadline is February 15th with notification by April 1st. Students must submit their \$400 enrollment deposit by May 1st.

How can my child pay for a Guilford education?

Guilford is an affordable option for families. We recognize that families are concerned about the cost of a private education. The Offices of Admission & Student Financial Services are available to answer your questions and concerns as you go through this process.

Guilford offers a variety of merit-based scholarships and need-based aid. Merit-based scholarships are awarded based on a student's academic performance. Students should submit the FAFSA after January 1st of their senior year to determine what types of need-based aid for which they will qualify. Please visit the Student Financial Services web site to learn more about the financial aid and student billing process.

What types of support (academic and social) does Guilford provide?

We realize that going to college is a big step for your child. Whether Guilford is 40 miles or 400 miles from your home, we understand the importance of providing support to you and your child during their time at our college. We offer various types of academic support through our Learning Commons. We also have a Counseling Center and a Student Health Center located right on campus. Our campus Public Safety Office is open and officers are available 24 hours a day. Our First Year Program facilitates our New Student Orientation program, the First Year Experience courses and labs, and the student programming during a student's first year at Guilford. Our residence halls are designed to provide a safe and healthy living environment for students. ■



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- Human Resources
- Purchasing
- Registrar
- Student Financial Assistance and Planning

B. Duke Memorial Hall

- Foreign Languages, Political Science and Mathematics
- Language Lab
- Leak Room

C. Hege Library

- Office of the President
- Friends Center
- Friends Historical Collection and College Archives
- Guilford College Art Gallery
- Learning Commons
- Carnegie Room
- Conflict Resolution Resource Center (CRRC)
- Betty Place Digital Classroom

D. King Hall

- Academic Affairs
- Business Management, Justice and Policy Studies, Economics, Multicultural Education, Sociology & Anthropology, Psychology and Women's Studies
- Career & Community Learning
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Multicultural Resource Center (MRC)
- African American Affairs
- Native American Program
- Latino Community Coordinator
- Center for Principled Problem Solving (CPPS)
- International Student Advising
- Study Abroad

E. Hendricks Hall

- Center for Continuing Education (CCE), Adult Student Admission

F. Frank Family Science Center

- Biology, Chemistry, Geology and Physics
- Joseph M. Bryan Jr. Auditorium
- Science Laboratories and Observatory
- Science Library

G. Bauman Telecommunications Center

- Accounting, Education Studies and CMIT
- Information Technology & Services
- Public Safety (lower level)
- Student Computer Labs
- Administration Offices
- Quaker Card Office

H. The Hut

- Campus Ministry

I. Founders Hall

- Dining Hall
- Gilmer Room
- Bookstore
- Student Mailboxes
- Boren Lounge & Dana Lounge
- Campus Life
- Commons and Gallery
- Community Senate & Student Organizations
- Residential Life
- First Year Center
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- Sternberger Auditorium
- Theatre Studies
- Grille and Pizza Shop
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L. Ragan-Brown Field House & Physical Education Center

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- Mary Ragsdale Fitness Room
- Outdoor Basketball and Volleyball courts

M. Alumni Gym

- Basketball Court
- Intercollegiate Athletics, Sp Studies
- Locker and Training Rooms

N. Hege-Cox Hall

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O. Archdale Hall

- Offices: English, History and Philosophy

P. Mail & Print Services

Q. Dana Auditorium

- Moon Room
- Music and Religious Studie

R. Bonner Center for Community Learning

S. Alumni House

T. George White House

- Early College at Guilford

U. Facilities & Campus Servi

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- Housekeeping
- Grounds

V. Student Residence Halls and Apartments

- V-1 Binford
- V-2 Mary Hobbs
- V-3 Shore
- V-4 Bryan
- V-5 Milner
- V-6 English
- V-7 North Apartments
- V-8 South Apartments
- V-9 Hodgins Retreat

W. Special Interest Housing for Students

- W-1 The Pines
- W-2 Pope & Campbell Hous
- W-3 Cobb House

X. The Early College Classrooms

Y. Community Center

Z. Hildebrandt

- Art Department Space

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Academic Calendar 2010-2011

Thurs., Aug. 19	New Student Check-In
Sat., Aug. 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence Halls Open for Continuing and Readmitted Students 9am • Traditional Continuing and Readmitted Student Check-In/Registration
Mon., Aug. 23	First Day of Classes for Fall Semester
Wed., October 13	First Half of Semester Classes Final Exams
Sat., October 16	Fall Break Begins
Wed., November 24	Thanksgiving Holiday: Classes End 2:45pm
Mon., November 29	Classes Resume
Mon., January 10	First Day of Classes for Spring Semester
Wed., December 15	Tuition, Room and Board Payment Due for Spring Semester
Fri., December 17	Residence Halls Close 6pm
Mon., December 20	Final Grades for Regular/Intensive/Second Half of Semester/Saturday Classes Due 8:30am
Wed., December 15	Tuition, Room and Board Payment Due for Spring Semester
Sun., January 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residence Halls Open at 9am • Traditional New Student Orientation
Mon., January 17	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday (College Closed)
Sat., March 5	Spring Break Begins
Thurs., May 5	Residence Halls Close at 6pm for All Non Graduating Students
Sat., May 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May Commencement • Residence Halls Close at 8pm for Graduating Seniors • Tuition, Room and Board Payment Due for Fall Semester

Important phone numbers and websites for offices on campus

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