

# Wellesley College

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2014-2015  
FACT SHEET



## HISTORY AND MISSION

For almost 140 years, Wellesley College—one of the most selective liberal arts colleges in the country—has provided a transformative educational experience for the women who lead change in our world. Known for its intellectual scholarship, research, and innovative teaching, Wellesley cultivates accomplished, thoughtful women who are committed to making a difference in the lives of others, and to purposeful, personal, and meaningful engagement with the challenges of our times.

## CAMPUS

More than 450 acres in Wellesley, Massachusetts, 12 miles west of Boston

## STUDENT ENROLLMENT

2,308 women from 49 states and the District of Columbia and 78 countries of citizenship (56 countries of residence)

## CLASS OF 2018: STATISTICS

• Number of 2018 applicants	4,710
• Number enrolled	593
• Ethnically diverse students	43%
• Students from other countries, including Americans abroad	11%
• U.S. states represented (plus D.C. )	44
• Countries represented (including U.S.)	33

## FACULTY

- 346 full- and part-time faculty members, with women making up 53% of tenured faculty
- Student/faculty ratio of 7 to 1

## ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

- More than 1,000 courses offered in over 52 areas of study

## EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

- Cross-registration programs with MIT, Babson, Olin College of Engineering, and Brandeis
- Five-year B.A./B.S. double-degree program with MIT; B.A./M.A. double degree in international economics and finance at Brandeis
- Twelve College Exchange Program that includes Amherst, Bowdoin, Connecticut College, Dartmouth, Mount Holyoke, Smith, Trinity, Vassar, Wesleyan, and Wheaton
- Other exchanges with Mills College, the National Theater Institute, Spelman College, and the Williams-Mystic Seaport Program in American Maritime Studies
- Sustainability Certificate, a tri-campus collaboration program with Babson and Olin colleges
- Engineering Certificate through Olin College

## INTERNATIONAL STUDY

- Wellesley-administered program in Aix-en-Provence, France
- Wellesley co-sponsored programs in Chile, England, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Spain
- Exchange programs with universities in Canada, China, Egypt, England, France, Japan, and Korea
- 150+ pre-approved fall, spring, or full-year study abroad options; financial aid is portable and transfer credit is guaranteed

## SUMMER SESSION

- Coeducational program featuring full-credit courses from the Wellesley College curriculum
- Open to college students, professionals, and eligible high school juniors and seniors
- New Residential Pre-College Program for rising high school juniors and seniors

## FACILITIES

- Buildings range in style from collegiate Gothic with stone towers and brick quadrangles to modern facilities for the sciences, arts, and sports
- Residence halls: 14; residential houses: 7
- Clapp Library, plus Art, Music, and Science Libraries
- Davis Museum and Cultural Center
- Keohane Sports Center
- Knapp Media and Technology Center
- Wang Campus Center
- Newhouse Center for the Humanities
- Pforzheimer Learning and Teaching Center
- Science Center plus Whitin Observatory
- Wellesley Centers for Women
- Wellesley College Botanic Gardens, including the Ferguson Greenhouses, the Alexandra Botanic Garden, and Hunnewell Arboretum

## TECHNOLOGY

- Labs featuring video editing, 3D printing, and advanced academic software
- More than 1 million library resources, including e-books, journals, databases, music scores, CDs, films, and maps
- Television studio, Knapp Media Center, Book Arts lab, Conservation lab, Special Collections with rare books and manuscripts, the College's Archives, and the Computing Help Desk
- Wireless internet access in all buildings; Mac and Windows workstations and printers

## CAREER RESOURCES

### CENTER FOR WORK AND SERVICE (CWS)

The CWS is a lifelong connection to Wellesley's rich array of career resources for students, alumnae opportunities. Its online presence ([www.wellesley.edu/cws](http://www.wellesley.edu/cws)) provides access for Wellesley students and alumnae to the following: (1) informative web pages on all aspects of career development, internships, fellowships and scholarships, and service; (2) MyCWS, web-based software that includes an event calendar, job/internship database, on-campus recruiting, and online Resource Library; and (3) the Wellesley Alumnae Network, Wellesley's student-alumnae networking resource on LinkedIn.

The CWS financially and administratively supports domestic and international student internships, stipends, and service endeavors. The CWS also sponsors an on-campus recruiting program and a comprehensive career fair, and provides graduate and professional school advising.

## SPORTS AND ATHLETICS

- The College is affiliated with the NCAA Division III, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference, ECAC, Seven Sisters, and Liberty League.
- Varsity sports: 14
- Varsity student athletes: 235
- Recreational programs: aquatics, boathouse, club sports, climbing wall, fitness, intramurals, outdoor adventure, and special events
- Club sports: 8
- Instructional programs: aquatics, dance, fitness, martial arts, sports, and rock climbing

### *Athletic Facilities*

- Keohane Sports Center houses squash, fencing/dance/exercise studios, a multipurpose gymnasium, and the Chandler Pool
- Towne Field House offers tennis, volleyball, and basketball courts, a 200-meter track, cycle-spinning room, indoor hitting cage for golf and softball, team meeting rooms, archery practice areas, and a newly constructed fitness mezzanine
- Additional athletic and recreational facilities include: 8 outdoor tennis courts, softball field, 3 natural grass fields, and an 8-lane outdoor track surrounding an artificial-turf field
- Boat House on Lake Waban for kayaking, sailing, canoeing, and paddle boating
- Nehoiden Golf Course, a 9-hole course next to the campus

## FINANCES

**Endowment:** \$1.8 billion

### *Tuition and Fees 2014-2015*

• Tuition	\$44,802
• Room and Board	\$13,960
• Student Activity Fee	\$276
• Comprehensive Fee	\$59,038

### *Financial Aid*

- Average financial aid award: \$42,612 (consisting of scholarship/grants, student work-study, and student loan)
- Approximately 60% of all students receive financial aid from the College.

*Aid is awarded based on need established by required financial information.*

### *Annual Fund Statistics (2013-2014): Gifts and Bequests*

• Alumnae	\$82,416,992
• Corporations and foundations	\$1,119,135
• Parents, friends, and others	\$9,543,611
• Total	\$96,116,449
• Percentage of alumnae donors	53.4%

## ALUMNAE

- More than 35,000 living alumnae
- More than 85 active geographic Wellesley clubs worldwide; more than 80 active classes; more than a dozen Shared Interest Groups
- More than 3,000 active volunteers

### *Alumnae Association*

Supports the institutional priorities of the College by building alumnae connections to the College and to each other through programs, including regular class reunions and mini-reunions; faculty speakers; shared interest groups; alumnae recognition, e.g., Alumnae Achievement Awards and volunteer training; local club events; and *Wellesley*, an award-winning quarterly magazine sent to alumnae and friends of the College.

## **AFTER WELLESLEY: CLASS OF 2014—A FEW STATISTICS**

### *Distribution of Majors*

• Humanities	29.5%
• Social Sciences	49.1%
• Mathematics and Science	27.2%
• Interdepartmental	34.3%

### *Employment by Field*

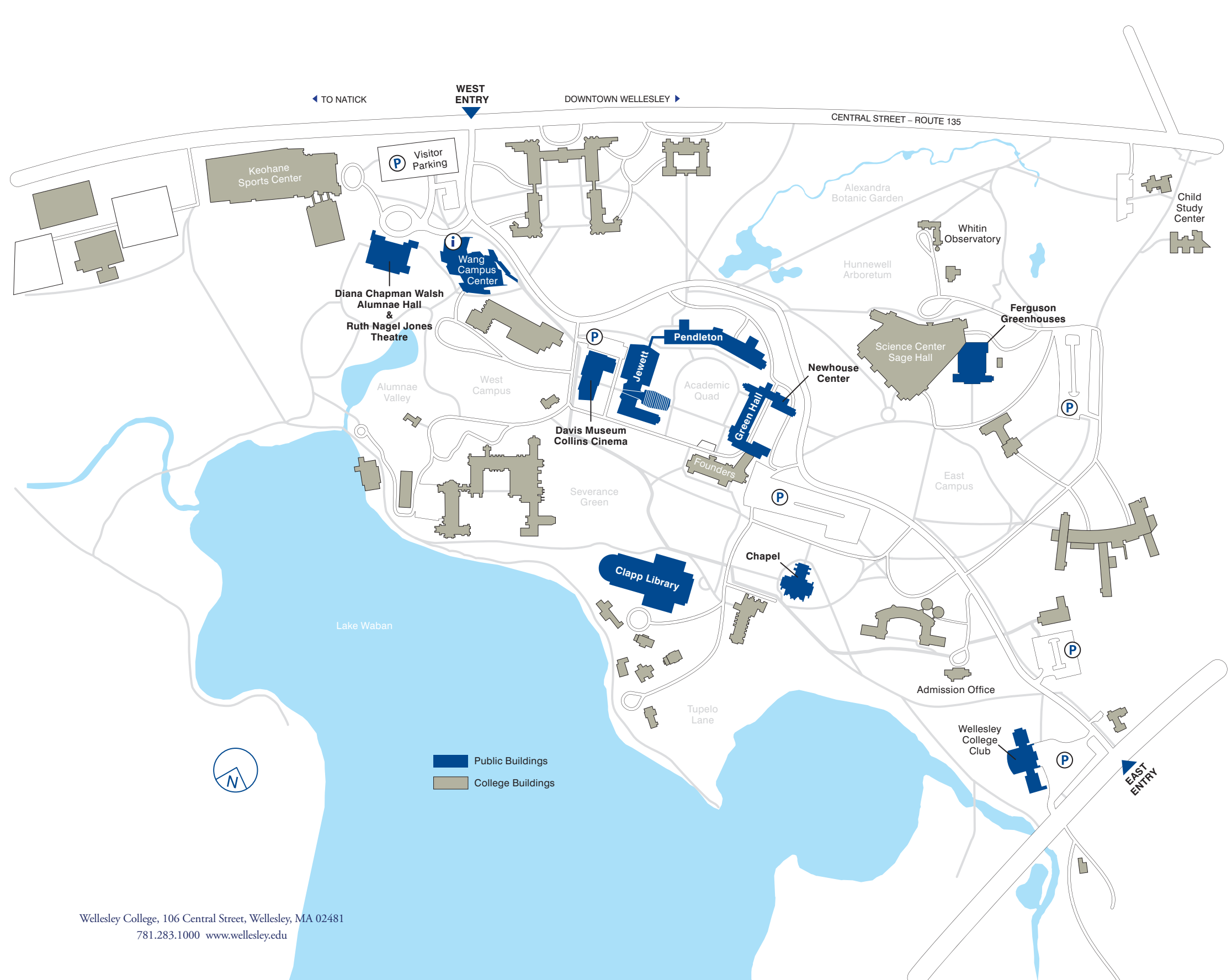
• Biotech, Pharmaceuticals, Medical Equipment	1%
• Business & Management Consulting	5%
• Communications, Journalism, Media	4%
• Computers, IT	6%
• Education—Higher Education	5%
• Education—Other Education	7%
• Engineering, Architecture, Design	2%
• Environmental	2%
• Finance	8%
• Fine and Performing Arts	4%
• Healthcare and Medicine	10%
• Insurance and Real Estate	1%
• International Affairs/International NGO	3%
• Business Services, Accounting, Marketing	5%
• Law, Legal Services, Judicial	2%
• Military, National Security, Public Safety, Security	1%
• Museum, Cultural Institution, Foundation or Charity	3%
• Public Policy, Politics	5%
• Public Service, Community Organization	4%
• Retail, Restaurants, Consumer Services, Hospitality, Tourism	2%
• Science or Research—Other	8%
• Social/Human Services	3%
• Other	10%

*Total number of student responses:* 307

### *Top Graduate Fields of Study*

• Master of Arts	21%
• Master's in Fine Arts	3%
• Master of Science	9%
• Master's Degree in Business	3%
• Professional Master's	9%
• Other Master's Degree	7%
• Law Degree	13%
• Medical Degree	11%
• Ph.D.	24%
• Other Degree	8%
• Undecided	3%

*Total number of student responses:* 75



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WEST ENTRY

DOWNTOWN WELLESLEY

CENTRAL STREET - ROUTE 135

Keohane Sports Center

Visitor Parking

Wang Campus Center

Diana Chapman Walsh Alumnae Hall & Ruth Nagel Jones Theatre

Alumnae Valley

West Campus

Davis Museum Collins Cinema

Severance Green

Clapp Library

Pendleton

Jewett

Academic Quad

Green Hall

Newhouse Center

Science Center Sage Hall

Ferguson Greenhouses

Whitin Observatory

Hunnewell Arboretum

Alexandra Botanic Garden

Child Study Center

East Campus

Founders

Chapel

Admission Office

Wellesley College Club

EAST ENTRY



Public Buildings  
College Buildings