

Worth the hustle.

YOUR FUTURE

Worth the climb.

IS WORTH IT.

Worth the Work.



An education that's **BUILT TO WORK.**

At Hood College, our minds are always on the future.

You'll see it in the curriculum we teach, with a focus on liberal arts, specifically geared toward the relevant professions pushing our world into tomorrow.

You'll see it in how we prepare you for a successful career, with campus resources that give you experience even before you're expected to perform on the job.

And you'll see it in our commitment to growing industry partnerships and amplifying what they add to your education.

Here, you'll connect one-on-one with faculty and staff, coaches and counselors. You'll explore our hometown of Frederick and then venture even further, enjoying nearby cities like Baltimore and Washington, D.C.

You'll discover who you are and what you're capable of, and tap into your truest potential alongside a community of peers whose support creates a foundation for your growth.

This is Hood College. Welcome to a journey well worth the work.



A TRADITION BUILT TO LAST:
FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS ARE
WELCOMED WITH DINKS, OR BEANIES,
IN THEIR UNIQUE CLASS COLOR.





AN EDUCATION THAT WORKS AS HARD AS YOU DO.

Hood College’s well-rounded, cross-disciplinary education gives you the best of all worlds, with majors and minors that appeal to your skills and interests, while putting you on the fast track to career success.

What is “liberal arts for the professions”? It’s a meeting of subjects, concentrations and studies, all geared toward developing skills that give you the confidence (and the training) to adapt to evolving workplaces across industries.



MAJORS

- Accounting
- Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies
- Art and Archaeology
 - Archaeology
 - Art Education (pre-K-12)*
 - Art History
 - Studio Art
- Art Therapy
- Biochemistry
- Biology*
- Business Administration
 - Accounting
 - Finance
 - Human Resource Management
 - Individual Career Interest
 - International Economics and Finance
 - Marketing
- Chemistry*
- Communication Arts
 - Digital Media
- Computer Science
- Early Childhood Education
- Economics
 - International Economics
 - Political Economy
- Elementary/Special Education
- English*
 - Creative Writing
 - Drama and Theatre
 - Literature
- Environmental Science and Policy
 - Coastal and Watershed Studies
 - Environmental Biology
 - Environmental Chemistry
 - Environmental Policy
- Finance
- French*
- Global Studies
- History*
 - Public History
- Integrated Marketing Communication
- Law and Criminal Justice
- Mathematics*
- Nursing
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Spanish*: Iberian and Latin American Cultural Studies
- Sustainability Studies
- Pre-Professional Preparation
 - Pre-Dental Studies
 - Pre-Law Studies
 - Pre-Medical Studies
 - Pre-Veterinary Studies

*Eligible for secondary education certification.

MINORS

- Actuarial Science
- African American Studies
- Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies
- Archaeology
- Art History
- Behavioral Neuroscience
- Biology
- Business Administration
- Chemistry
- Classical Studies
- Coastal Studies
- Computer Science
- Criminology and Delinquency
- Data Science
- Economics
- Environmental Studies
- Ethics
- Forensic Psychology
- French
- German
- Global Studies
- Graphic Design
- History
- Human Development
- Journalism
- Literature
- Management
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Education
- Music
- Nonprofit and Civic Engagement Studies
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public History
- Public Relations
- Religion
- Social Science Research
- Social Work, Pre-Professional Practice
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Sports Entertainment and Marketing
- Studies in Women and Gender
- Studio Art
- Theatre and Drama

BY THE NUMBERS

1,181

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

11:1

STUDENT/FACULTY RATIO

29

STATES

15

COUNTRIES

30

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

20

MASTER'S DEGREES

4

DOCTORAL DEGREES

11

4 PLUS BACHELOR'S + MASTER'S PROGRAMS

With expert faculty and researchers as guides, you'll become a prime candidate for whatever career you pursue. We offer multiple program options, experience working with the latest tech and opportunities for hands-on learning, so that your education is immersive and relevant.



FACULTY ADVISERS WHO HELP YOU MAP YOUR MAJOR

Our advisers are committed to helping you get the courses you need to accomplish your goals.



200+ INTERNSHIPS

No matter what you want to do, we can help you find an internship to explore the field.

WORTH THE WORK



HONORS PROGRAM

The Hood Honors Program is a selective, limited-access program for high-achieving students who have a passion for learning.



CAREER CENTER, HANDSHAKE AND ALUMNI NETWORKING

Learn job-searching skills and connect with potential employers.

WORTH THE EXTRA EFFORT



STUDENT SUCCESS TEAMS AND COACHING

You won't struggle academically at Hood if you take advantage of the many resources available to you.



RESEARCH CENTERS

Our nine different research centers offer you unique opportunities to explore through internships, study abroad trips and specialized hands-on training. With each center focused on a subject like global studies, biomedical training, coastal research and more, you can be at the forefront of what's next in your chosen field.

WORTH THE TIME



4PLUS PROGRAMS

Start working on your master's degree before you finish your bachelor's, saving you time and money.

WORTH PUTTING YOURSELF OUT THERE



STUDY ABROAD

Learn about other cultures and broaden your perspective on the world. Our study abroad opportunities are open to all students in all majors.

RECENT TRIPS

Global studies majors have studied in Argentina, France, Germany, Spain and Morocco.

Art and archaeology majors have studied in Italy and Turkey.

Political science and law and criminal justice majors have studied in South Korea.

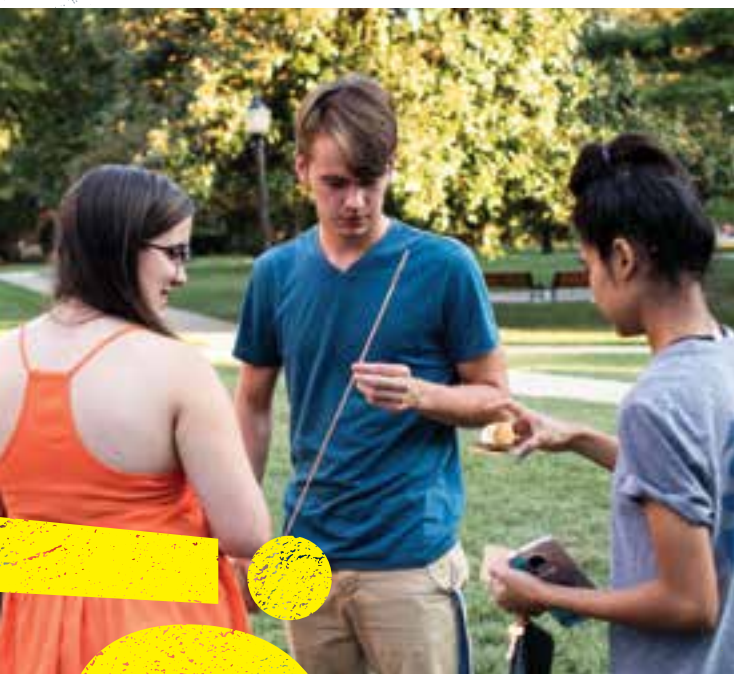
Business and finance majors have studied in Australia and England.

WORTH THE FOCUS

- SUPPORT
- PROGRAMS
- OPPORTUNITIES



OPPORTUNITIES AND SUPPORT FOR EVERY FUTURE-FOCUSED STUDENT.



SAY HELLO TO NEW FRIENDS WHO FEEL LIKE FAMILY.

From your first Hood Hello to the fond farewells of graduation day, the relationships you build during your years here are just as valuable as the education you receive.

Some of the strongest connections you'll make—and some of the greatest lessons you'll learn—will come from your professors and coaches. At Hood, these relationships aren't just about shared interests; they can also help you secure internship opportunities or even job placements directly after graduation.



HOUSING

Living on campus is a big part of the Hood experience. For the first three years, we require you to live on campus in one of our six residence halls. Students who live on campus report a strong sense of community and close ties with dorm-mates. And all residence halls have amenities like large, flat-screen HDTVs in the lounge areas; vending machines; computers and printers; and free on-site laundry.

CAMPUS HEALTH

All students at Hood have ready access to health and wellness services. Our partnership with Frederick Health provides a number of these services, many at no cost to you. Students can also take advantage of free mental health counseling from Hood College Counseling Services.

SAFETY

Our top priority is a campus that's healthy, happy and secure. So we help keep you safe and focused on your studies through our Office of Campus Safety, open 24/7/365. Our officers patrol campus on foot and by vehicle, responding to all calls.

DINING

When hunger strikes, you don't want to be left without brain fuel to power your boldest ideas. Hood has dining options for every appetite, palate and dietary preference.

HOOD DINING FAST FACTS

- You have three on-campus options for dining: the Blazer in Whitaker Campus Center, the main dining hall in Coblenz Hall and the cafe in the library.
- Quick, on-the-go bites, like pre-made salads, sandwiches, snacks and coffee, can be found in the library cafe.
- Coblenz, our dining hall, carries many options—including pizza, salad bar, soup, pasta bar and grill, as well as the chef's featured "made to order" items.

CHICKEN NUGGET THURSDAYS,
IT'S A THING



DON'T MISS OUR SPECIAL EVENTS LIKE CRAB FEAST (ABOVE), HOLIDAY DINNERS AND LATE-NIGHT BREAKFAST. WE EVEN HAVE A SOFT-SERVE ICE CREAM MACHINE, SO YOU CAN GRAB A CONE AFTER MEALS!



42.5%

DIVERSITY

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Hood College is striving each day to increase diversity, inclusion and belonging on campus. We know this mission is ongoing, and we'll always continue working to improve the experiences of all our students.

Through these efforts, our aim is to make every student at Hood feel like they belong here—including you.

CLUBS AT HOOD

Meet others with similar interests, try something you've always wondered about, or develop your leadership skills in a student organization or club. Maybe you'll try your hand at Model UN, or fall in with the Free Radicals Chemistry Club, or get moving with our Dance Ensemble! Those are just a few of the more than 50 clubs and organizations you can join. Don't see one you're interested in? Start your own!

50+

STUDENT CLUBS



GET INVOLVED



MILITARY

As a Yellow Ribbon Program school, Hood proudly supports our military students—whether they're active duty, veterans or part of our Army ROTC program.



SPORTS AT HOOD

We have more than 20 athletic programs at Hood, and our spirited Blazer pride inspires the entire community—both the talented student-athletes and the supporters who keep our players going when the game gets challenging. Engaging in sports builds skills like teamwork, leadership and problem-solving, and it's even been proven to create better scholars.

MEN'S SPORTS

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Esports
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Track and Field
- Volleyball

WOMEN'S SPORTS

- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Esports
- Field Hockey
- Golf
- Ice Hockey
- Lacrosse
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Track and Field
- Volleyball

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VARSITY SPORTS

MORE THAN

75%

OF OUR STUDENT-ATHLETES HAVE A GPA OF 3.0 OR ABOVE

HOOD PROPELS YOU TO THE TOP OF YOUR FIELD.

With our connections to top industries, you'll graduate with a clear path to a profession.

Hood keeps pace with changing needs and growing industries to ensure that our graduates develop into skilled, ambitious scholars. Anchored in Frederick, Maryland, we keep our finger on the pulse of tomorrow—and we provide hands-on experience and ample opportunity to the aspiring professionals of today.

THE RUTH WHITAKER HOLMES SCHOOL OF BEHAVIORAL AND HEALTH SCIENCES

The Ruth Whitaker Holmes School houses both graduate and undergraduate degree programs, including nursing, counseling, psychology, nutrition, social work, sociology and public health.



200+ internship sites throughout the region with which Hood maintains relationships

15,700 hours of internship experience annually

THE GEORGE B. DELAPLAINE JR. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Get a high-quality business and economics education with dynamic faculty, meaningful extracurricular and cocurricular experiences, and industry preparation. You'll have experiences inside and outside of the classroom that will prepare you to support and advocate for the needs of diverse communities.

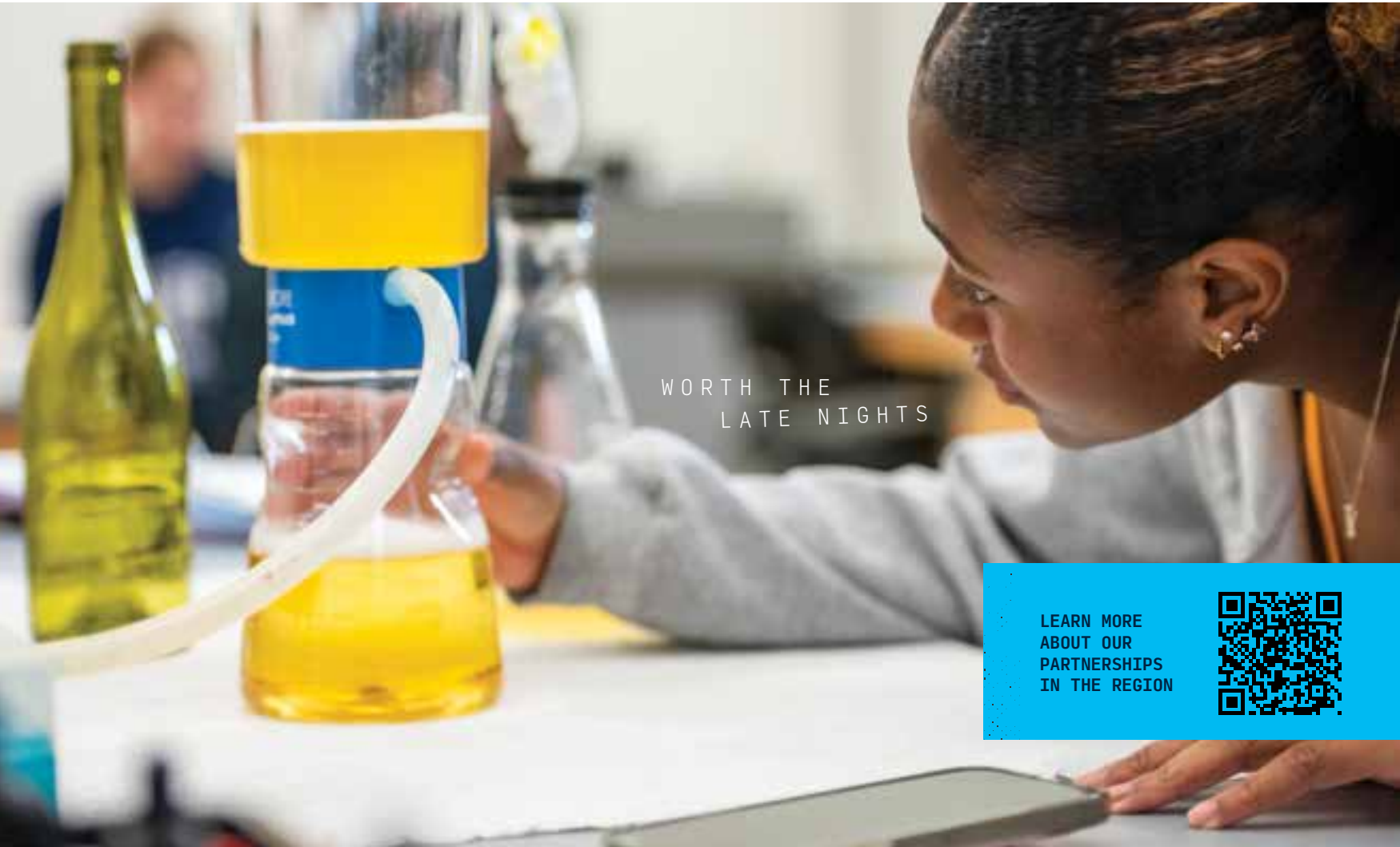


PARTNERSHIPS NEAR CAMPUS

- Community Resource Garden
- Frederick County Public Schools
- Frederick Food Security Network
- Frederick Health Hospital
- Frederick National Laboratory for Cancer Research
- Frederick County Chamber of Commerce
- Fort Detrick
- Kite Pharma
- Maryland Tech Council
- ScienceWerks

THE MICHAEL AND MARLENE YOUNG DATA DRIVEN FREDERICK CENTER

This one-of-a-kind, state-of-the-art classroom functions as a center for collecting information on the region's health, economy, social welfare, land use and infrastructure.



LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR PARTNERSHIPS IN THE REGION

MAKING YOUR EDUCATION WORTH IT.

We have a longstanding history of financial support for all students.

We know that a Hood education offers substantial return on its value—starting with access to internships as a student and then career connections when you graduate. And we’re here to help you afford your future, as one of tomorrow’s professionals.



SEE HOW YOU QUALIFY



WORTH THE WORK

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

\$18-33,000

HOOD ADVANTAGE PROGRAM

Covers tuition for high-achieving students from Maryland with the greatest financial need.

CHAIR OF THE BOARD SCHOLARSHIP

This prestigious scholarship provides four new full-tuition awards to students with a record of excellence inside and outside the classroom. This award is renewable annually, up to four years, as long as the recipient maintains a GPA of no less than 3.5 and makes satisfactory progress toward a bachelor’s degree.

To maximize the federal, state and Hood funds you can qualify for, make sure to file the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at studentaid.gov.



\$36K
AVERAGE AID GIVEN PER STUDENT

\$40M
IN FINANCIAL AID AWARDED EACH YEAR



TUITION AND FEES 2025-26

The financial aid office estimates the cost of attendance, defined as the total cost for attending Hood College for one year.



TUITION AND FEES 2026-27*

Tuition (12 to 18½ credit hours per semester)	\$49,800
Comprehensive fee	\$1,100
Housing (average room)	\$8,600
Food (average)	\$8,400
AVERAGE NET PRICE STUDENTS PAY	\$25,000

*Estimated.



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