DEAN COLLEGE

Degrees of Difference
For many, a college degree is simply a stepping-stone to a career. A box checked. A résumé enhanced. But what if your future is a little less defined? Your goals a bit more personal? And success, for you, is measured not just by a document but instead by the degree to which you attain personal achievement and growth.

At Dean College, our faculty, curriculum and philosophy of support and guidance come together to create a college experience unlike any other. Fueled by a belief that the how and where of what you are learning is just as important as the what.

We call it The Dean Difference. And you’ll feel it the very first time you set foot on campus. Because at Dean, we put your needs first, whatever they may be. From academics to athletic endeavors or artistic expression, Dean offers both two- and four-year degrees in a wide range of challenging programs—each backed by unprecedented levels of one-on-one support and all within a tight-knit community and vibrant, diverse campus.

So no matter where you’ve been, where you’re headed or where you are today, Dean can help you earn a valuable diploma and something more: A greater degree of confidence, achievement, direction and success beyond your wildest dreams.
Dean College admits students of any race, color, nationality and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the college. Dean College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, marital status, veteran status, nationality and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other College-administered programs.
A difference you can feel.

At Dean, students know we’re focused on their needs and their success. It could be the difference between a professor who is too busy to intervene or one who can see when a student needs help understanding a challenging concept. Or the difference between acknowledging a student who’s doing well and recognizing potential that calls for pushing this student harder to reach even greater heights.

This personal attention is something our students experience every day. The degree you’ll earn from Dean College is a reflection of constant support. It is a bond between student and college—a promise to develop your potential to the fullest. We invite you to discover for yourself why this is. We invite you to discover The Dean Difference.
The difference is a game plan that’s all about you.

Not all of our coaches carry a whistle. But we definitely have a game plan, which, in a nutshell, is all about helping you figure out your academic journey. Whether you have your own path figured out and know every class you want to take or, like most, need some time to explore your options, we provide every student at Dean with a personalized education plan. In fact, we have dedicated advisors whose sole focus is to work with our students to ensure their success. This way, our professors can focus on teaching and sparking your imagination.

Our support system permeates the campus, through advising, mentoring and tutoring. Whether you’re pursuing honors-level coursework or require extra help or learning accommodations, Dean will help you find your path to success.

“From the first day I met my academic coach I had a feeling that he was going to help me succeed at Dean, and that’s exactly what he did.”

–Aiden MacDonald ’15
Dean's world-renowned Palladino School of Dance is the only school in the Northeast that offers both bachelor’s and associate degrees in dance. It is also one of the few programs in the U.S. that offers intensive training in all four major dance disciplines: ballet, jazz, modern and tap. Here, students combine conservatory-level training with a rigorous liberal arts program. Master classes and performance opportunities further enrich the classroom experience. Our students train and perform alongside professional dancers, and our graduates secure positions at some of the world’s most famous venues and companies, including Jacob’s Pillow, Cirque du Soleil and The Walt Disney Company. They also go on to become dance program directors, teachers, dance therapists and studio owners.

Our School of Business provides a theoretical and practical foundation that mirrors the ever-changing 21st-century business world. Here, you’ll learn from those who have succeeded in business, not just studied it, and who share real-world experiences and applications. Dean’s School of Business offers a number of impressive, résumé-building internships at companies, including Patriot Place, ABC Network, Ralph Lauren, Murphy Business & Financial Corporation and The Kraft Group, that give you a chance to put your knowledge to use and pick up some pretty useful skills along the way. Our graduates have gone on to secure positions as operations managers, financial managers, property and real estate managers, marketing executives, player agents and athletic directors.

Our School of the Arts is the perfect balance of theory and practice, preparing students for careers as performers, theatre technicians, teachers, directors, managers and entertainment-business professionals. We boast state-of-the-art sound and video-production equipment as well as an Arbitron-rated radio station. We also feature a 28,000-square-foot professional-quality theatre that plays host to college productions throughout the year. This year’s season includes The Crucible, Urinetown, Lysistrata and In the Heights.

Our School of Liberal Arts and Sciences may be our largest school, but its small classes and individual attention stand in stark contrast to its size. Our liberal arts students gain the kind of strong communication and problem-solving skills that make them valuable assets in today’s increasingly interdisciplinary workforce. Many of our students further their education in prestigious graduate schools across the country, and all go on to gain employment across a full spectrum of industries and institutions.

The difference is choice.

Dean College provides a wide variety of programs that let you pursue your particular interests. Our four schools offer 21 areas of study, leading to 9 bachelor’s degrees and 17 associate degrees. If you’re not sure what you want to major in, you can declare yourself “undecided” and take some time to explore your options while completing your core curriculum.
“If you’re looking for a school that actually cares, Dean College is the place. You’re not just a number here. They really know you and your story.”

Brianna planned to stay at Dean for only a year, but plans change. She stayed an additional year to receive her associate degree in criminal justice. Now she is in her third year at Dean, working toward a bachelor’s degree in psychology. She fell in love with Dean so much she turned down many offers from other schools.
“I remember walking on campus the first week of freshman year, also the first week in a country I had never been to before, and I met some of my closest friends.”

The difference is self discovery.

While most of his friends remained in Hong Kong to attend college, Frank knew Dean College was the right place for him the moment he stepped on campus, even if it meant stepping out of his comfort zone. From meeting friends from other cultures to taking hip-hop dance classes, Frank has thrived in Dean’s small and supportive community, experiencing personal growth he would’ve never achieved had he stayed close to home.
I chose Dean because the community is close-knit. I know my professors and they know me. At Dean, I actually count.

Brenna, a junior dance student, transferred to Dean and since then has felt at home in the rigorous dance program where she has grown as an individual, a student and a performer. Dean offers an education that pushes Brenna to be the best she can while also offering amazing opportunities like free master classes, a chance to see a Boston Ballet performance for free and a private audition for the Alvin Ailey Summer Intensive. Each day, Brenna looks forward to all of the new people to meet, the new opportunities available and all the memories to make.

The difference is endless opportunity.
“I am leaps and bounds better at auditions than I was in the beginning thanks to all the classes I have taken.”

The difference is performance.

A theatre major, Sam was drawn to Dean for its small size and strong performing arts program. As any good actor knows, the people behind-the-scenes help make for a great performance, and Sam is grateful for the support he’s received to help him excel onstage and off. The knowledgeable advisors at Dean helped Sam choose the classes that were best for his academic growth, and his experiences in the theatre have prepared him for auditions to come.

Samuel Kiley ’15
THEATRE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE | SUMMER INTERN FOR RESIDENCE LIFE, COMMUNITY ADVISOR AND RECENTLY IN “SPRING AWAKENING” AND “CRIMES OF THE HEART”
Some attend Dean for our four-year programs. Others prefer a two-year option*. Our vision isn’t to be one or the other. It’s to be the college you need us to be—no matter who you are or where you’re headed. We offer academic flexibility that allows our students to pursue a range of distinct possibilities—a bachelor’s degree in the liberal arts, the performing arts or business, or an associate degree in a variety of disciplines. There is no one formula—we understand that students have different circumstances, resources, timelines, and professional goals. We’re not here to define you. We’re just here to prepare you with the experience and credentials you need to succeed.

* Dean College has a 98% transfer-acceptance rate for associate degree graduates. Those students go on to top schools such as: Boston University, Brown University, Emerson College, Indiana University, Northeastern University, Penn State University, Tufts University, UC Berkeley, UCLA, University of Connecticut, University of Massachusetts, UNC Chapel Hill, University of Rhode Island and University of Vermont.

The difference is a degree that works for you.
The difference is measurable.

At Dean, the numbers are on your side. We take pride in individually guiding generation after generation of students toward a successful future. Dean invests money and time in students while providing the strongest and most supportive education possible. That’s why when each student graduates, his or her success is only beginning.

95% of recent B.A./B.S. grads completed their degree in 4 years.

1,100 student body size with a 16:1 student-to-faculty ratio.

$19M! That’s how much Dean College invests in scholarships and grants every year to help students benefit from The Dean Difference.

95% of bachelor’s degree recipients report employment or graduate school enrollment within six months of graduation.

100% of our bachelor’s degree candidates gain internship experience before they graduate.

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The difference is a place where you feel you belong.

Work hard. Play hard.

Naturally, academics are important here. But we think balance is too. When you put your laptops down at Dean, you’ll discover a world of social and recreational activities throughout the year, including sporting events, dance and theatre performances, fitness programs and much more.

Dean also offers a wide variety of student-run clubs and organizations for all kinds of interests—from academic to performance, leadership to multicultural activities and beyond. Visit dean.edu/organizationsandclubs to see a comprehensive list.

When it’s time to kick back or hang out you’ll have plenty of places to go. These include Boomer’s, featuring pool tables, flat-screen TVs, food and all your friends. Jazzman’s Café & Bakery is just the place for your caffeine fix, and the Green Family Library Learning Commons is just the place for hungry minds. Of course, there’s always the Holly & Jan Kokes ’64 Fitness Center, where you can stay fit and healthy.

Life in the comfort zone.

Residence life at Dean gives you an exciting opportunity to live away from home, make new and lasting friendships, and explore leadership opportunities. All of our residence halls are equipped with laundry facilities and all the essentials in a variety of housing styles. Cable and Wi-Fi are also standard.

Located in the picturesque New England town of Franklin, Massachusetts, Dean College’s campus offers students an ideal living experience—the safety and comfort of a small college town but with easy access to Boston or Providence and within range of great beaches and fantastic skiing. So whatever you enjoy, you’ll feel right at home.

The difference is a place that feels right on every level.
You’re not alone.
Our students feel like Dean is their second home, with a supportive, tight-knit community that’s like, well, having a second family. The first thing you’ll discover at Dean is a sense of community. People from all different backgrounds and paths of study come together here. Dancers, athletes, international students, majors in business or liberal arts can find common ground through the diversity of our students and their experiences.

This strong sense of community exists not only among students but in personal connections with our faculty as well. At Dean, people are here for each other—you’ll have a community that supports you and won’t let you slip through the cracks.

The difference is connecting.
Success stories.

FREDDY WHEELER ’11
Studio Technician Fox 25 News Boston
Freddy came to Dean knowing it was a stepping stone in the right direction. With the support of his academic advisor, Freddy received his associate degree in communication from Dean. Then he transferred to Emerson College, where he earned his bachelor’s degree in 2013.

“My advisor really helped me stay on track. With his guidance, I knew I was taking the right classes, that my credits would transfer and that I was set up to succeed. He also encouraged me to get involved with on-campus clubs and organizations. The social skills gained from participating in these groups definitely helped ease the transition into Emerson.”

While Freddy was at Dean, he was a part of Student Government Association and the Student Activities Committee.

BILL GREEN ’74
Former Chairman & CEO of Accenture
Bill Green wasn’t even sure college was right for him until he stumbled upon Dean. But his success at Dean gave him the confidence and academic foundation to transfer to Babson College and grow into his highly successful career as chairman of the largest consulting firm in the world.

“Ask Bill about his success, and inevitably, he mentions Dean College. “Dean is a place where, as I always say, ordinary people learn to do extraordinary things. I saw that people had some spark. What they were doing was incredibly motivating to me.”

Now retired, Bill continues to play a role on the national Business Roundtable, a collection of business leaders who provide advising and leadership in matters of national economic policy.

KATHERINE FERNANDES ’12
Professional Academic Advisor at American International College
Katherine struggled in high school and was diagnosed with a learning difference as a teenager. Although college seemed intimidating, she enrolled in Dean’s Arch program and took advantage of our academic coaching over the course of her four years here.

“My mentors helped me get involved with professional development opportunities and encouraged me to continue to earn my master’s degree.”

At Dean, Katherine was a force to be reckoned with. She was a peer tutor, served on the Business Club’s executive board and mentored Arch freshmen. When she graduated, Katherine was awarded the Trustees’ Prize for General Excellence.

LAUREN ALIFANO ’14
Master’s Student at Hunter College
Dance had been a passion of Lauren’s for as long as she could remember. She applied to a number of schools for her undergraduate degree, but after visiting Dean her decision was made. She loved the small community, picturesque campus and the personal attention she received right off the bat.

“I felt at home at Dean. As soon as I started, I knew I made the right choice. The faculty and staff here know everyone on a personal level. You get a lot of attention, in a good way. With their encouragement, you’re able to explore all areas of your interests.”

Through classwork in her senior seminar class, Lauren was motivated to apply to grad school. She knew she wanted to be a dance educator at some point, and the class really pushed her to take the extra step and apply. Now Lauren is pursuing her master’s degree in dance education at Hunter College in New York City.
Internships and experiential learning.

We recognize that a pile of books and a highlighter will only take you so far. This is why we encourage all of our students to explore experiential learning through internships. Learning by doing is a critical component of The Dean Difference—in fact, internships are required for any student pursuing a bachelor’s degree. At Dean, you’ll gain experiences both in and out of the classroom. Whether it’s spending time in our accredited on-campus Children’s Center, performing on a cruise ship or hosting your own radio show, you’ll enjoy continual access to opportunities and industry professionals that help you develop critical skills for the workplace—and life.

The difference between exposure and experience.

Check out a few of the exciting places our students have interned:

- Boston Ballet
- Disney College Program
- ABC Network
- New England Revolution
- Covidien
- Patriot Place
- TJX/Marshalls
- Garelick Farms
- New England Journal of History

Aiden MacDonald ’15

BUSINESS-SPORT MANAGEMENT | INTERN WITH NEW ENGLAND REVOLUTION AND SUMMER INTERN FOR CAREER SERVICES

The difference is support

Aiden was looking for a college that offered one-on-one attention, and at Dean he found it. Between the small class sizes, professors who know him by name and the close personal relationship he’s built with his academic coach, Aiden feels that everyone at Dean is personally invested in his success. And with an internship with the New England Revolution already on his resume, that investment is starting to pay dividends.

“I had various people in the Career Planning office, plus a couple different professors, work with me on my résumé. I applied and received the internship.”
A more worldly you.
At Dean, you’ll have the opportunity to travel and study away because there’s nothing like a change of scenery to get a different perspective on the world you live in and even yourself. The Great Wall of China is an amazing place to experience ancient history. Or maybe the running of the bulls in Pamplona is more your cup of tea. We also offer a domestic program through the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars in D.C. if you prefer something closer to home. Whatever you choose, one thing is clear: Travel isn’t only a fun experience, it’s an enriching one that teaches lessons not easily learned in a classroom.

Have a special destination in mind for where you’d like to study away? The options are endless. Here are just a few of the countries that host study programs with Dean College:

- Belgium
- Brazil
- China
- Czech Republic
- France
- Greece
- Ireland
- Italy
- Monaco
- Spain
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom
Dean at a glance.

B.A./B.S. PROGRAMS (4-Year)
- Arts & Entertainment Management
- Dance
- Media Studies
- Theatre
- Individually Designed
- Business
- Management
- Security Management
- Sport Management
- Human Resource Management
- Public Relations
- Dance
- Performance/Choreography
- Teaching
- Studio Management
- Dance Studies
- English
- History
- Liberal Arts & Studies
- Individually Designed
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Theatre
- Acting
- Musical Theatre
- Technical Theatre
- Undecided

A.A./A.S. PROGRAMS (2-Year)
- Business
- Criminal Justice
- Dance
- Early Childhood Education
- English
- Environmental Studies
- General Studies
- Health Sciences
- History
- Mathematics
- Media Studies & Communications
- Psychology
- Science
- Sociology
- Sport/Fitness Studies
- Athletic Training
- Exercise Science
- Physical Education
- Sport Management
- Theatre/Musical Theatre
- Undecided

FINANCIAL AID
We do our best to make your education affordable. More than 90% of our students receive some form of financial assistance, including grants, scholarships, loans and work-study opportunities. In fact, Dean provides students with more than $19 million in grants and scholarships every year. Combined with federal and state financial aid, that makes the cost of attending Dean comparable with other private and public colleges and universities. At the same time, you'll receive all the advantages of a small, private college education. Consistent with individualized attention, our financial aid counselors will work closely with you and your family. For more information, please call the Financial Aid Office at 508-541-1518.

STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
- Academic
  - Arts and Entertainment
  - Management Club
  - Business Club
  - Golden Key (Honor Society)
  - Inscriptions (Literary Journal)
  - Investment Club
  - Phi Theta Kappa (Honor Society)
  - Science Club
  - Sports Management Club
  - Club Sport
  - Badminton
  - Student Athlete Leadership Team
  - Table Tennis Club
  - Community Service
  - Dean Community Outreach (DCO)

- Governance
  - Student Government Association
  - Leadership
    - National Society of Leadership & Success
  - Student Leadership Network
  - Multicultural
    - International Student Association
    - Social/Special Interest
    - Arts & Culture Club
    - Commuter Student Association
    - Photography Club
    - Residence Hall Association (RHA)
    - Student Activities Committee (SAC)

- Student Activities Committee
  - Dance/Performance
  - Dance Team
  - Synergy (Hip Hop)
  - Vocal Conviction (A Cappella)
  - Zuri (Step Squad)

- NJCAA INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC TEAMS
  - Baseball
  - Basketball (men, women)
  - Football
  - Golf
  - Lacrosse (men, women)
  - Soccer (men, women)
  - Softball

- CO-ED INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAMS
  - Basketball
  - Dodgeball
  - Flag football
  - Soccer
  - Volleyball

TUITION & FEES
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Hopefully by now, you have a sense of how Dean is different. So, what’s next? There’s nothing like an actual visit to see what Dean is like for yourself. Personalized guided tours are available throughout the year. We also host Discover Dean Days—open-house programs where you and your family can spend a day getting to know Dean College better and have the opportunity to meet with faculty, staff and current students. For more information, visit dean.edu/visit. Now is the time to find out the degree of difference Dean can make in your life.

Applying to Dean is easy. Simply submit our free online application at dean.edu/apply.

Please note:
Early Action deadline is December 1, followed by rolling admissions with a recommended filing date of March 15.

An on-campus audition is required for all applicants to the dance and theatre programs. For more information, visit dean.edu/auditions.
The Dean Difference.

Our Mission
Dean College is a private residential college that creates and cultivates an environment of academic and personal success. The Dean Difference provides students with quality teaching, personalized academic support, leadership opportunities and professional development, promoting a lifetime of learning and achievement. Our students demonstrate community and social responsibility, high standards of personal integrity, and the ability to thrive in a global environment where change is constant and dramatic.