A FIELD GUIDE to
THE DOMAIN
of the University of the South
SEWANEE, TENNESSEE
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When you pass through the gates of our campus, something happens. Because it’s not a campus. Not exactly. It’s so much more than a campus that we had to come up with new words for it.

**THE MOUNTAIN,**
our home on the Cumberland Plateau.

**THE DOMAIN,**
comprising 13,000 acres of forests, meadows, lakes, caves, and rock outcroppings.

Because the Sewanee experience stretches further & reaches higher than our boundaries can contain.

Because what happens right here has the power to change everything.
Everything in this picture is a part of our campus.

Yes. Really.
This is where things get interesting.

Our small classes mean that your voice will be heard, your contribution will be expected, and your opinion will be listened to (and disagreed with, and challenged, and seen from a different perspective, and pushed in a new direction, and considered—and you know what? Maybe we’re both right. See how it works?).

It’s not an environment where a professor stands up and lectures while hundreds of students scratch out notes. Sewanee is a place where everybody stands up for what they think and what they believe in. Don’t forget to bring something interesting to say.
You’ll learn two different types of information here: the kind that somebody else already figured out and put into a book, and the kind that you’ll figure out for yourself. That second kind is the reason we have so many student research opportunities.

It’s what happens when you collaborate with your professor, get out into the field, and wrestle down the answers to the questions the world hasn’t figured out yet. And in the process, it’ll enhance your studies, hone your skills, and improve your postgraduate prospects. You won’t even have to compete with graduate students for these opportunities or, in many cases, worry about getting the funding to make them possible.

**RECENT STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- Perceptions of the African Diaspora: A Microstudy of Nima, Ghana
- The biomechanics of the white-breasted nuthatch
- How medieval literature has shaped modern ideas of race and gender
- Understanding modern political conditions through a Foucauldian framework
- Hydropower development and environmental civil societies in Cambodia
- The connections between air pollution and disease risk

**BIG ANSWERS ARE OUT THERE. This is where you’ll find them.**
It also happens that you'll write here.

Sure, people don't use pencils like they used to, or old-timey quills, but the ability to write is still one of the most important skills you'll use in your career and your life. And at Sewanee, you'll become a writer.

You'll be writing in nearly all of your classes: It’s emphasized across our curriculum. Because writing is not only one of the best ways to express yourself as a person, it’s the primary way your talent, your work, and your learning will be evaluated by colleagues, employers, and members of your community. It helps you make sense of information, enables you to explain complex ideas, and is the only way these words could have appeared on these pages.

Sewanee is the home of The Sewanee Review, the oldest continually published literary quarterly in the nation. It’s notable because it’s printed work by Flannery O’Connor, Cormac McCarthy, William Faulkner, T. S. Eliot, Joyce Carol Oates, and hundreds of other well-known writers.
FIND YOURSELF learning to speak and speaking to learn.

A library that speaks for itself.
DuPont Library houses the Center for Speaking and Listening, where you will find all the space, equipment, and resources you will need on your journey to becoming the voice of your generation.

But with all that talking, don’t forget to listen.
The Ralston Listening Library holds more than 15,000 records as well as rare scores and books about music. The heart of the listening library is the nationally acclaimed acoustically designed loudspeaker listening room, able to reproduce the full impact of concert music without strain or distortion.

Then grab a quick bite.
When you’re hitting the books and feeling a bit hungry, swing through Cup & Gown on the first floor of the library for any of your all-nighter needs.
But that doesn’t mean you can’t keep your feet dry.

Our core liberal arts curriculum means you’ll dig deep to get a fuller understanding of the world and your place in it. It’s an education that will prepare you for life, with the critical thinking, creative synthesis, refined judgment, and leadership skills you’ll apply every day in your real-world career.

But when you really want to get out in the world, you need the right shoes. That’s why these hiking shoes are always right here on the front porch of the Office of Admission. They’re perfect for when you want your campus tour to extend to all of campus.
Welcome to Sewanee.

Now pack your bags.

There's a big world out there, and at Sewanee, you'll have the chance to experience it (well, not at Sewanee, but you know what we're saying). Nearly half of the students here spend a summer, a semester, or longer studying at some of the most interesting places on the planet.

Do you know where they know a lot about Ancient Greece? Current-day Greece. And Spanish-speaking countries are just about perfect for speaking Spanish. And although the Domain is an amazing example of biodiversity, we have barely any Belizean rain forests or coral reefs. So get out and get involved in the world. We'll still be here when you get back.

Oh, and by the way: We guarantee you access to a semester-long study-away program at no additional tuition cost. It’s part of the Sewanee Pledge.

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**SOME OF THE COOL PLACES WE GO**

- Ecuador
- France
- Sweden
- China
- Chile
- England
- India
- New Zealand
- Cuba
- Mongolia
- Indonesia
- Uganda
- Japan
- Iceland
- Cameroon

**SOME OF THE COOL STUFF WE STUDY**

- Bangladeshi economics
- Japanese society and culture
- Russian art history
- World War I
- French literature

**SOME OF THE COOL THINGS WE SEE**

- Hot springs
- Glaciers
- Rain forests
- Beaches
- Palaces
- Temples
- Mosques
- The roots of classical civilization
- Great walls of places
Very few colleges can claim even one Rhodes scholar. Sewanee has produced 27.

Where Honors Are Earned

We have been recognized as one of the colleges and universities that produces the most U.S. Fulbright student scholars with a total of 57 scholars to date.

Phi Beta Kappa is the nation’s oldest and most prestigious undergraduate society. Sewanee’s chapter dates back to 1926.

More than 50 percent of Sewanee graduates earn postgraduate degrees.

Forty top students from the best colleges are selected for Watson Fellowships every year. Since 1985, 53 have come from Sewanee.
BECAUSE SOMETIMES
the coolest
PERSON IN THE
classroom
IS THE PERSON STANDING IN
THE FRONT TEACHING IT.

(Don’t worry, sometimes it’s still you.)

They come from all over and bring it all right here. Sure, they’re here to teach you, but they’re also just as passionate about pushing you to your academic limit, supporting you as you become your best, and working with you to see what you’re capable of.

They live where you live. Faculty are a big part of the community life. You’ll see them hanging out with their kids, walking their dogs, and doing other normal-person things. And if you’re a fan of eating dinner, don’t be surprised if they invite you to join them. Because that happens.

They want your input. Are you the kind of student who loves sitting in the back of the class with your head down, not saying anything? This might not be the place for you. Students here are always a part of the conversation. They’re more likely to contribute to class discussions, make class presentations, and discuss class assignments. Want to know more? Just ask.

And the learning you do here will be up close and personal.

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE: 16

FACULTY/STUDENT RATIO: 10/1

There are 170 full-time professors teaching at Sewanee. And 95% of them have terminal degrees in their fields.
do you want to have your mind blown?

**JUST TALK TO YOUR PROFESSORS.**

- Ask psychology professor Karen Yu about the importance of Cognitive Kindness.
- Ask biology professor Jon Evans about the biodiversity of the domain.
- Ask English professor Kelly Malone about Intrigues of the Restoration Court.
- Ask anthropology professor Celeste Ray about the Holy Wells of Ireland.
- Ask history professor Andrea Mansker about Women’s Suffrage in 19th-Century France.
- Ask math professor Doug Drinen about how his statistics research can help you fill out your March Madness bracket.
- Ask acting Vice-Chancellor Nancy Berner about the Winter Activity of the Eastern Red-Spotted Newt.

And if you share their passions, be sure to connect with them. They just might have a research opportunity for you!
COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS.

Two simple but super-scary-sounding words. But most seniors just respond with two other, not-scary-at-all words:

CHALLENGE ACCEPTED.

It’s just a test that contains material from all the classes you’ve taken in your major, so it’s stuff you know anyway. So you take it, you ace it, and then comes the good part.

The good part:

You’re “comped.” It means you’re all done, so go out and meet your friends, who are celebrating and decorating your car and cheering for you.

FEELS PRETTY GOOD, DOESN’T IT?
WE LOVE CLASSROOMS AS MUCH AS ANYBODY ELSE.

BUT SOME OF THE BEST EXperiences HAPPEN OUTSIDE OF THEM.

Of all the places your Sewanee education will take you, perhaps none are as rewarding as the communities where it could have the greatest impact. Through the Office of Civic Engagement, you’ll connect with local communities through dialogue, and explore the social and ethical issues that these neighbors face. Ask us about our Bonner Leaders program, Canale internships, and summer Civic Engagement opportunities.

That being said, inside you can reach out with some of our Community Engaged Learning courses:

- Anthropology of Education
- Documentary Study & Environment
- Political Economic Sustainable Development
- Methods of Teaching Writing
- Teaching Children’s Literature
- The Many Faces of Sewanee
- Child Development
- Politics of Poverty
Hey, those 13,000 acres of pristine wilderness with a startling array of flora and fauna aren’t going to study and catalog themselves. You’ll get knee-deep in this forested landscape with over 50 miles of hiking trails that lead to old-growth forests, waterfalls, lakes, and ancient Native American rock shelters. This is a region of incredible biodiversity, and it’s all right in our backyard. Go see it for yourself.

SOME HALLS OF LEARNING are MUDDIER THAN OTHERS.

SNOWDEN HALL

Home to the Landscape Analysis Lab (LAL), a geospatial science research facility. Here you will find advanced facilities for instruction, research, and study. Renovated and LEED Gold certified in 2010, Snowden Hall is where you’ll find the Department of Earth and Environmental Systems. You’ll also find students and professors working inside and outside of the classroom, conducting research, collecting data, and examining the natural landscape.
Dive into the Arts
at Sewanee.

The Fellowships in the Arts
Students with exceptional promise in the arts are strong candidates for the Fellowships in the Arts. These fellowships include a stackable scholarship, valued at approximately $2,000 per year, and are renewable for all four years.
Whether you're stealing scenes or working behind them, the Tennessee Williams Center is where you'll make your big entrance. Or bring your big idea to life. This is where you'll learn the language of the theatre and put it into your own words. Find your focus and follow your muse as you pursue acting studies, design and drafting, directing, scriptwriting, or dance.

Upon his death in 1983, Tennessee Williams (yeah, you’ve heard of him) passed the rights to his plays on to Sewanee, in memory of his grandfather, who was an Episcopal priest and a Sewanee alumnus. Today, the center named in his honor is the hub of theatre arts at Sewanee, and it includes a theatre and performance space, dance studio, costume workshop and storage space, a scene shop, and a computer-aided design and drafting (CADD) lab for theatre projects.
Create something beautiful. Or INTERESTING. Or MEANINGFUL. Or SURPRISING.

Just because you have something to say doesn’t mean that you have to use words. Through our art programs, you’ll find everything you need to create everything you feel compelled to create. We offer art history (for exploring amazing art that already exists) and studio art (for amazing art that you’ll bring into existence). Studio art offers classes in digital arts, drawing, painting, photography, and sculpture.

Our Film Studies minor dives into the complexities of film theory and production. Just bring your own inspiration (and if you do forget your inspiration, we’ve got plenty of that here, too).

The University Art Gallery
Every year, the University Art Gallery presents five major exhibitions, bringing a wide range of media, ideas, and artistic practices. It showcases contemporary art, as well as the work of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.
Some of us sing in the shower, but some in Sewanee really make some noise.

Sewanee welcomes musicians of all sorts to share their gifts with the University Jazz Ensemble, Sewanee Praise, Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, the University Choir, student bands, and Live Music Sound Nation. Through composition, performance, theory, and music culture, you'll be exposed to a wide range of tracks and able to choose the paths that best suit your talents.
what it takes to get in

REALIZING THAT YOU WANT TO GO TO SEWANEE IS THE EASY PART. THE SECOND EASIEST PART IS SIMPLY APPLYING.

To start, all you have to do is fill out the Common Application at www.commonapp.org.

And sure, there’s other stuff you’ll probably want to know (and you can read all about it on page 139), but here are a few things you’re going to want to either do or not do.

1. Submit your ACT or SAT scores, or don’t. We don’t require them.

2. Have a strong high school GPA. You probably already know this, but good grades are better.

3. **STAY IN TOUCH.**
   We keep a record of all the times you’ve contacted us, and the more we hear from you, the more we like it.

4. Apply early, if you want. If you’re confident that Sewanee’s right for you, you’ll probably want to apply Early Decision.

5. **BE AWESOME.**
   This really helps us out when making these sorts of decisions.
At Sewanee, students “pledge” their work, signing exams and assignments to say that they’re honor-code worthy. Now, Sewanee’s doing the same, providing incoming students...

- funding for a summer internship or research opportunity.
- access to a semester-long study away program at no additional tuition cost.
- a path to graduate in four years (or the fifth year’s on us).

It’s basically the best pinky promise ever.

Introducing The Sewanee Pledge:
You’ll put in the **TIME**.
You’ll put in the **ENERGY**.
You’ll put in the **WORK**.

Then you’ll put on **SOMETHING THAT PROVES IT**.

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The Order of the Gown is more than a group of students and professors who wear black academic gowns to class (**BUT THEY DO**).

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It’s more than a Sewanee tradition that was established in 1873 (**BUT IT WAS**).

It’s more than a badge of academic distinction for students who have achieved at the highest level (**BUT THEY HAVE**).

It’s more than a group of people responsible for maintaining the spirit, traditions, and ideals of Sewanee (**BUT YES, YES, AND YES**).

And it’s more than just something you’ll read about; it’s something you’ll want to earn yourself (**BUT YOU DID, AND YOU WILL**).

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**ADMIT IT:**
You look good in black.
Real job experience is one of the best ways to get started in your career.

But why get it at some job, when you can start getting job experience right here at Sewanee? With an incredible range of internship opportunities, you'll have a foot in the door before you even step off campus.

Want to break into publishing? Protect the environment? Work in the film, music, or sports industries? Conduct self-directed research into the social sciences abroad? Then go ahead.

Remember when we mentioned the Sewanee Pledge? That works for internships too. We provide funding for a summer internship or research opportunity. Because isn’t it better to get paid for your work?
Where great students become great graduates.

And great graduates become great at whatever it is they’re doing.

Most Sewanee graduates end up doing the same thing: exactly what they wanted to do with their lives.

For some, this means starting a career after earning their bachelor’s degree, at places such as Boston Consulting Group, Goldman Sachs, the National Gallery of Art, the Paris Review, the World Resources Institute, the U.S. Forest Service, the French Ministry of Education, the U.S. House of Representatives, or St. Jude Children’s Hospital.

AND A LITTLE MORE THAN HALF OF OUR GRADUATES GO ON TO EARN A GRADUATE DEGREE AT INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS:

- Duke University
- Yale University
- Stanford University
- The American University in Paris
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Vanderbilt University
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Virginia
- University of Texas at Austin
- Georgetown University
- University of Wisconsin
- Kellogg School of Management
- University of Kentucky
- Harvard University
- The New School
- Mayo Medical School
- University of Oxford

How Sewanee Alumni Fare in their Pursuit of Graduate and Professional School:

- Acceptance to business school: 90–95%
- Acceptance to law school: 90–95%
- Acceptance to medical school: 80–85%

More than double the national average.
For more than 100 years, the Sewanee Honor Code has been one of our most cherished traditions. Each of us is proud to pledge not to lie, cheat, or steal. This spirit defines our character, influences our decisions, and covers everything from coursework to conduct. Every member of the incoming class commits to this pledge by signing our Honor Code. It’s part of what sets us apart from other schools, and sets Sewanee graduates apart from their peers.
Come as you are, but dress appropriately.

When you come to campus, one of the first things you might notice is how great everybody looks. It’s no accident. They’re dressed nicely for class.

It’s called class dress, and it’s different from a dress code because it’s entirely optional. Students here just feel like the clothes they wear should match the respect they owe their school, their professors, and their classmates.

They also feel pretty comfortable in flip-flops, so you’ll see a lot of those, too.
Where
ANGELS
ROAM,
and occasionally
ride shotgun.

They say the Domain is so beautiful, it must be inhabited by angels.
AND THEY’RE RIGHT.

The angels of Sewanee watch over our students and protect them while they’re on campus. And when students leave Sewanee, they take their guardian angels with them. This is why you’ll see people tapping the roofs of their cars as they drive through our gates (picking up their angel), and tapping them again when they return (dropping their angel off, naturally).

Does it work? Of course it does.
What a weird question.
We have some of the oldest chapters in the nation, and what makes Greek life at Sewanee a bit different from other campuses is that most fraternity- and sorority-sponsored events are open to the entire campus. So you don’t have to be a member of Phi Gamma Delta to go to Fiji Island. You don’t have to be PKE to go to their Sorori-Tea. You don’t even have to know what any of those things are.
The Latin words up there mean “behold how good,” and it's from Psalm 133, which continues, “et quam iucundum habitare fratres in unum” (“...and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity,” obviously). It's the University's motto, and we think it's a sound guiding principle for residence life at Sewanee. It basically means you'll live with cool/smart/fun people in cool/smart/fun places. What could be more cool/smart/fun than that?

Whether you're looking for a traditional double or single, or a range of suite setups, you'll find it in one of our 19 residence halls or one of our specialty housing options.
Themed houses are where you can live with other students who are into what you’re into. You could live in a house that stands for community engagement or one that is immersed in Asian studies. Maybe you’ll focus on health and wellness or sustainability. Just submit a proposal; it’s up to you. As long as it contributes to the broader educational and social growth of the community, you can set the tone for your home, and live alongside people who share your ideals, your worldview, and your front porch.

LANGUAGE HOUSES:
French House
Spanish House
German House
Russian House
Italian House

THEME HOUSES:
Interfaith House
The Bairnwick Women’s Center
The Green House
The Queer & Ally House
The Community Engagement House
The Crafting Guild
The International & Global Home
The Gaming House
The best way to learn a foreign language is to live it. And when you reside in one of Sewanee’s five full-immersion foreign language houses, you’ll be eating, sleeping, and wondering whose turn it is to do the dishes, all in French, Spanish, Italian, German, or Russian.

In your down time, you’ll celebrate social and cultural events and learn to converse like a native. Well, not a native of here. A native of the country whose language you’re speaking.
You know that crazy, I'll-never-try-that-in-a-million-years idea you never thought you'd have the guts to do? You'll give that a try RIGHT HERE.
ART, MUSIC, POETRY, AND EVERYTHING ELSE A GREAT COFFEEHOUSE OFFERS.

Welcome to Stirling’s.

Grab a bagel or a cup of tea. Lounge in one of the big comfy couches or on the porch swing. Hang out with friends or a professor or two (because they’re here hanging out, too). Listen to live music, come hear a lecture, and check out the art. Or just sit at one of the picnic tables and study. It’s run by students, and it’s open seven days a week. Just look for the yellow Victorian house on Georgia Avenue.
And we know what you’re thinking. It’s one thing to have a list of food, and it’s another for it to be any good. Well, the food’s great. They told us we weren’t supposed to make any “promises” in this book, but here it is: We promise that you’ll love the food here. We just put our jobs on the line for it.

See? It was on the list. It was pizza, wasn’t it? Pizza’s the best.

QUICK QUESTION:
What’s your favorite food?

Chances are it’s on this list of food offerings at McClurg Hall:

- Asian, wrap, vegan, and pasta stations
- Classic favorites (in the burgers-and-fries category)
- Low-fat, healthy options
- Mexican
- Breakfast food
- Freshly made pizzas
- Omelets
- Deli sandwiches
- Salad bar
- Specialty breads and desserts (from our own bakery)

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It’s not just good tasting, it’s just good.

Chances are it came from a local farm. It might be vegetables grown by a fellow student in our organic garden, or livestock raised right here in Sewanee, free from antibiotics, growth hormones, or anything gross.
Sustainability is a way of life at Sewanee — whether it’s how we serve meals at the dining hall or how we design and insulate our buildings. And if we can’t grow it, raise it, or repurpose it right here, we make sure it takes the shortest possible journey to get here, and that close to none of it makes it into a landfill when we’re done. We’re always looking for smarter ways of doing things, and if that’s not an idea worth sustaining, we don’t know what is.

The University Farm’s high-tunnel greenhouses house an organic garden and aquaponic project, a flock of 50 laying hens, beehives, and a herd of goats, which makes for a healthy working relationship between the land and your dinner plate at McClurg. From farm to table in less than a mile. (It’s a 15-minute walk—or 10 if you’re hungry.)
Our Office of Civic Engagement will connect you with nonprofits and local organizations that need you here and now, and our Community Engaged Learning (cel) program offers credit-based opportunities across the whole curriculum. Basically, if you can think of a way to help, we’ll help you make it happen.

Make a world of difference right here.

Ready to help? Sewanee is too.
Make a world of \textbf{DIFFERENCE}, right everywhere

On a Sewanee outreach trip, you’ll travel with a group of students over spring, fall, or winter break, and make a difference wherever you go, whether it’s closer to home in Miami, New York, or New Orleans, or farther away in Costa Rica, Ecuador, Haiti, or Jamaica. You’ll make a real and lasting impact, and share an experience you’ll never leave behind.
Can’t decide on an organization? Pin the CLUB.

When you go down the list of amazing clubs and organizations at Sewanee, please heed these two words of advice: PACE YOURSELF.

With more than 100 student organizations, 20+ sororities and fraternities, all manner of leadership opportunities, club sports, varsity sports programs, PE courses, and intramurals, you’ll find at least one thing (or 20) you want to do. And if you don’t see one you like, just start your own, then turn around and look at all the people who already joined it. Because we’re like that.

A completely incomplete list of Sewanee Clubs
(We’d print the full thing, but we don’t have a Sewanee List-Compiling Club yet):

**Student Government**
- The Order of the Gown
- Student Government Association
- Tigers Entertainment Board

**Publications**
- *The Mountain Goat Journal*, student-run literary magazine
- *The Sewanee Purple*, student-run newspaper

**Academic, Pre-Professional, and Honor Societies**
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK)
- Green’s View Capital

**Arts, Films, and Music**
- Perpetual Motion
- Art Forum
- *The Sewanee Fog*, campus radio

**Club Sports and Recreation**
- Sewanee Men’s and Women’s Rugby
- Sewanee Crew Club
- Sewanee Fencing Club
- Sewanee Fly Fishing Club

**Special Interest Organizations**
- Sewanee Forestry Club
- Organization for Cross-Cultural Understanding (OCCU)
- Sewanee Flying Tigers

**Emergency Services**
- Sewanee Volunteer Fire Department
- Student Wildland Fire Training
GET on Board

When it’s time to have an amazing time, then it’s time to look at the Board.

The Tigers Entertainment Board is here to provide the answer to “What are you guys doing later?” The Board is who schedules that concert that sounds cool, that competition that seems interesting, and that day trip that looks fun. These guys have a huge issue with people sitting around doing nothing. So stand up. And do something.

DO SOMETHING LIKE THESE THINGS:

Large-Scale Concerts in the Fall and Spring, and during Orientation

OUTDOOR MOVIES AND BINGO NIGHT

Trivia at the Blue Chair Tavern

LIVE MUSIC AT THE PUB

Bottles and Brushes pottery painting classes

Swing dancing classes

COOKING CLASSES

Whitewater rafting trips

SKATING TRIPS (WITH ROLLERS OR BLADES)

Themed 5K races

DERBY DAYS

Trips to dinner theatres and musicals

Trips to sporting events
It’s where people get together and talk it out. Maybe you want to connect with issues in the Latin world, strengthen alliances with the LGBTQ community, or just have an honest political debate. The door is open.

You’ll meet people with diverse interests and backgrounds, and together you’ll have coffee, listen to live jazz, and take a crack at some of the world’s most pressing issues.

You belong at the Ayres Multicultural Center. Everybody else does, too.
(That’s what the “multi” part refers to.)

COMMON GROUND,
DEEPER UNDERSTANDING,
and new friends.
A shared space for students to stay active together.

The Wellness Commons is all about helping Sewanee students flourish. Located in the heart of our campus, the Commons serves as a community hub. And it provides opportunities for students to cultivate the skills, tools, and practices to achieve an active lifestyle here at Sewanee. You can go for a run on the treadmills, seek out counseling services, get a quick check-up, or grab a carabiner for your rock climbing at Morgan’s Steep. Stop by—we’re here to help you get the most out of your Sewanee experience.

What you’ll find here:
• Fitness & recreation equipment
• Sewanee Outing Program (SOP)
• Bookstore Outpost
• University Health Services (UHS)
• Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
• Student Accessibility Services (SAS)
It means that we’re dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, understanding, and wisdom. That we believe in close community and the full freedom of inquiry. That we welcome people of all backgrounds. It’s what helps students here search for truth, seek justice, and serve one another as they serve humanity.

And at Sewanee, that means a lot.
Take the LEAD.

The small(ish) community setting at Sewanee means your voice will be heard. So why not take charge and make a difference?

RUN FOR OFFICE
Our student government represents the student body at large. You’ll engage with other students and work to create the Sewanee that serves them best.

RUN FOR A DIFFERENT OFFICE
Lead your fraternity or sorority, your special interest organization, your athletic team, or academic society.

BECOME AN ARCADIAN
You’ll build relationships with prospective students by hosting tours and conducting interviews, then you’ll work with incoming freshmen during their first days on campus. As an Arcadian, you will help deliver the Sewanee experience.

EARN MEMBERSHIP IN THE ORDER OF THE GOWN
Promote the spirit, tradition, and ideals of Sewanee as part of this group of students recognized for academic distinction.

See?
You haven’t even gotten here yet and you’re already running the place.
A COMMUNITY
where
EVERYONE
HAS A ROLE.

THE SEWANEE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

YES, they’re real firefighters.

YES, they’re real students (a lot of them, anyway).

And YES, this is a thing you can do here.
When you arrive on the Domain, you’ll have something to say. And people will listen to you. Just like they did when these other folks spoke on campus.
The Domain
Stunning views. Acres of forests, lakes, and caves. Miles of hiking and biking trails. Plant and animal wildlife at every turn. These are some of the things that make the Domain perfect for taking pictures of and putting them into books like these.

They're also the things that make the Domain perfect for having real-life experiences in, and for getting out into, after reading about them in books like these.

Our advice? Stop by the Sewanee Outing Program (SOP) in the Wellness Commons before you go. You'll find trips that will take you deeper and farther into our natural environment than you ever imagined, either on the Domain or to other cool outdoor places (they do things like river rafting, marathon running, Alpine mountaineering, and distance cycling in spots all over the United States). Join a group, or lead a trip of your own, and you'll wonder where the beaten path ever was in the first place.

Wait a minute.

You don't have gear of your own? Just borrow some of ours.

- sleeping bags and pads
- tents
- day packs
- backpacks
- maps
- books
- stoves
- cooking accessories
- water filters
- climbing shoes
- climbing harnesses
- caving equipment
- lots of other things you'll need
Some of Our Favorite Rides.

**Roark’s Cove**
Descend off the plateau down twisty Roark’s Cove Road, spin through the valley, and enjoy a climb back up to campus. A 25-mile loop.

**Ride to Alabama**
This 26-mile round-trip ride takes you to the Tennessee-Alabama stateline and back through a pastoral landscape on back-country roads.

**Daus Mountain Century Ride**
Ever wanted to ride 100 miles in one day? This is your chance. You’ll cruise through scenic Sequatchie Valley before climbing back onto the plateau for the ride back to campus.

**MS150 Ride To Jack And Back**
A two-day, 150-mile bike ride to the Jack Daniels distillery in Lynchburg to raise funds for the fight against multiple sclerosis.

To Class
Sometimes, it’s just faster.
There's a real underground scene at Sewanee. With more than 10 caves on campus (or below it, if you think about it), all you need to do is slap on a helmet, grab your headlamp, and explore away (while following all safety precautions, of course. They make us say this part, but it’s true).

**CAVES ON THE DOMAIN**
- Sewanee Blowhole
- Walker Spring’s Cave
- Sub Solomon’s Cave
- Solomon’s Temple
- Bat Cave
- Wriggle Cave
- Buckets of Blood

**CAVES NEARBY**
- Catacombs Cave
- Bible Springs
- (not so) Flat Cave
- Keith’s Cove
- Neversink Cave
- Circle Cave
- White Cricket
You don't have to know the difference between a carabiner and a quickdraw to get into climbing.

But if you do, you'll have plenty of challenging climbs ahead of you and plenty of opportunities to bring your new friends along. There is no shortage of places to climb here. (Remember how we said it was called the Mountain? It’s partially because of all the sandstone cliffs you’ll find everywhere.) The SOP will show you the ropes and get you out there.
OUR 10 FAVORITE HIKES, PLUS ANOTHER ONE.

1. THE CROSS/PERIMETER TRAIL/ TENNESSEE WILLIAMS TRAIL (1.25-MILE LOOP)
   - It starts with the stunning view from the Memorial Cross, then offers an easy and relaxing hike, with a trail that narrows through a split in a huge sandstone block, and an easy stream crossing.

2. MORGAN'S STEEP TO THE CROSS (1 MILE, ONE WAY)
   - Probably the most popular hike at Sewanee, and probably because of the gorgeous overlooks, waterfall sandstone overhangs, and the stone tunnel. It also features two of the views on the Domain: Morgan's Steep and University View (plus a bonus third view if you've got the nerve to climb on top of Proctor's Hall).

3. BRIDAL VEIL FALLS (2 MILES, ROUND TRIP)
   - Alternates between steep slopes and flat benches leading off the plateau to a spectacular waterfall.

4. ELLIOTT POINT/PARALLEL TRAIL LOOP (3.5-MILE LOOP)
   - A beautiful blue path with a nal stretch through the woods. Cross a creek and see an old sandstone quarry.

5. WESTERN SECTION OF THE PERIMETER TRAIL (7.5-MILE LOOP)
   - You'll find a little bit of everything: from the beginning, you'll see lots of views, a rock climbing area, and a picnic spot. Then the trail drops below the blu, where you'll see big sandstone blocks and summer foliage. Back up the plateau, where there's KIng's Farm on quiet and pretty clearing, then the trail leads to Audubon Lake.

6. FORESTRY CABIN / DOTSON POINT LOOP (4.5-MILE LOOP)
   - A great route for mountain biking, with a short detour that gets you to Forestry Cabin for a good view of the valley. Dotson Point offers a nice view but it's not for acrophobes.

7. THUMPING DICK COVE (2 MILES, ROUND TRIP)
   - It begins on an old road that drops into the cove leads to a small, kid-friendly cave. The more popular but more difficult Solomon's Temple Cave is farther down the bend.

8. CALDWELL RIM TRAIL (2.4-MILE LOOP)
   - Follows a blu above the northernmost section of Lost Cove, with beautiful views of the cove blu starts as a single track then connects back to a lane, where you and your hiking partner can walk side by side for the remainder of the loop.

9. SHAKERAG HOLLOW / BECKWITH'S POINT LOOP (3.5-MILE LOOP)
   - One of the oldest trails on the Domain, it descends through a virtually undisturbed cove of hardwood forest that provides the best display of spring wildflowers in the area.

10. PINEY POINT (2 MILES, ROUND TRIP)
    - Relatively flat terrain through dense forest and thick tunnels of mountain laurel. If you time it right in the summer, you can eat wild blueberries of the bushes along the way.

THE WHOLE THING (20-MILE LOOP)
   - The Perimeter Trail loops around almost the entire Domain, and everyone at Sewanee should hike the whole thing at least once. Just hop on at any point, and when you get to that point again, you will have seen it all.
RIGHT HERE is where the natural beauty of the Domain is rivaled only by the grandeur of our Gothic architecture.
Where the Flora meets the Fauna.

A quick guide to what’s out there.

When your stomping grounds (and tread lightly, please) include 13,000 acres of pristine deciduous forest, you’re living at the intersection of university and biodiversity.

Looking for the only place on earth to see the painted snake-coiled forest snail? **You found it.**

And with 150 new plant species cataloged in the last two years by the Sewanee Herbarium (bringing the current total to 1,118), you might even discover one yourself.

**Start here:**

- *Pinus echinata*, shortleaf pine
- *Mitchella repens*, partridgeberry
- *Hepatica nobilis var. acuta*, sharp-lobed hepatica
- *Silphium brachiatum*, Cumberland rosinweed
- *Kalmia latifolia*, mountain laurel
- *Cypripedium acaule*, pink lady’s slipper
**Sciurus carolinensis**, Eastern gray squirrel

**Erythronium americanum**, trout lily

**Procyon lotor**, Northern raccoon

**Tetracion genus**, troglobiotic millipede

**Papilio troilus**, spicebush swallowtail

**Jeffersonia diphylla**, twinleaf

**Anguispira genus**, tigersnail

**Quercus alba**, white oak

**Notophthalmus viridescens**, red-spotted newt

**Nesticus genus**, obligate cave spider

**Clematis morefieldii**, Morefield’s leather flower

**Hylocichla mustelina**, wood thrush

**Odocoileus virginianus**, white-tailed deer

**Plethodon genus**, slimy salamander
Where the thrill of victory meets the joy of winning.

Sometimes, all it takes to feel like a champion is to get out there, do your best, and completely crush your opponent. It’s the kind of thing we’ve been doing for years, even way back when the Sewanee Ironmen of 1899 capped off an undefeated season with five road wins in six days. And today, with hundreds of talented students competing on dozens of NCAA Division III teams, we’re ready to make history again.
Sometime around the 1890s, a football cheer was born at Sewanee. And it was probably written to antagonize Vanderbilt (but nobody knows for sure).

**IT STARTED:**

"Rip 'em up! Tear 'em up!"

(and then there was a part about where to “leave ’em.”)

(and then there was a little bit of name-calling.)

(and then next part was a little self-aggrandizing, sure.)

**BUT THE LAST PART WAS THE BEST PART:**

"Yea, Sewanee’s right!"

And that’s the part we still use, as an alternative motto. And we shout it at the end of our alma mater, and any other time it seems appropriate.

**Why? Well, because it’s true.**
Join one of these intercollegiate, club, and intramural teams, like about 60 percent of students here do. Then get out there and hit the field/road/slopes/puck/guy with the ball/river/three-pointer/shower afterward. Lots of different things to hit here, is the point we're trying to make.
Get course credit for horseback riding? Of course you can—this is Sewanee.

Just about anything is possible. Don’t have a horse? No problem, you can train on one of ours. Do have a horse? Awesome—we’ve got stable space for it.

At the Howell Riding Facility and Boarder Barn, the home of our coed varsity Equestrian Team, you’ll find:

- **32-STALL SCHOOL-HORSE BARN**
- **16-STALL BOARDER-HORSE BARN**
- **100- BY 250-FOOT INDOOR RIDING AREA**
- **2 OUTDOOR RIDING ARENAS**
- **30 ACRES OF PASTURE AND PADDOCKS**

**ENJOY the RIDE.**
RAIN OR SHINE, YOU’LL ALWAYS SHINE.


SO WHAT’S INSIDE?

Nine-lane pool with diving well
Indoor track with field event areas
Multipurpose volleyball and basketball courts
A 1,000-seat performance gym
Racquetball and squash courts

Fitness Center and weight room
Lockers
Dance studio
Indoor tennis courts
A 60-foot-long by 12-foot-high indoor bouldering wall
Sewanee is in the heart of the Southeast, with easy access to Chattanooga (40 miles away), Nashville (93 miles), Atlanta (160 miles), Knoxville (160 miles), and Birmingham (175 miles).

**ENROLLMENT**
as of Fall semester 2022

**UNDERGRADUATE**
1,613

**MEN**
48%

**WOMEN**
52%

**ENROLLED FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS WHO APPLIED EARLY DECISION**
28%

Nearly 100% of Sewanee undergraduates live on campus.

**First-year students**
Class of 2026 as of May 2023

- **Applications**: 5,013
- **Enrollees**: 413
- **Mean high school GPA**: 3.88

**MIDDLE 50% RANGES**

- **ACT COMPOSITE**: 26-31
- **SAT CONVERTED (R/W+M)**: 1190-1358

*Sewanee’s test-optional admission policy allows you to choose to submit your ACT, SAT, or no scores at all.*
Sewanee accepts the Common Application. It is free to apply. For detailed information regarding our admission requirements, visit apply.sewanee.edu.

DEADLINES

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DEMONSTRATED INTEREST

Engage with the Office of Admission by demonstrating your interest in Sewanee through campus visits, college fairs, off-campus appointments, high school visits, phone calls, emails, etc. A review of demonstrated interest and engagement is part of the application review process.

TEST-OPTIONAL ADMISSION

Sewanee's test-optional admission policy allows you to choose whether to submit ACT scores, SAT scores, or no standardized scores.

If you choose not to submit standardized scores, Sewanee may request additional information. Your admission counselor will contact you if additional information is required.

FINANCIAL AID

BILLED COSTS for students entering Fall semester 2023

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*Cost may vary due to geographic location or personal expenditures

At Sewanee, we understand that an investment in private higher education is a substantial one for most families. Support from alumni and the University’s endowment enable us to provide students with scholarships, grants, and other financial aid programs to help keep cost from being the primary factor in your decision-making process.

The average aid for incoming students in 2022 receiving any aid was over $34,000.

SEWANEE PROVIDED MORE THAN $13 MILLION IN INSTITUTIONAL AID TO INCOMING STUDENTS IN 2022.

Sewanee proudly partners with the VA's Yellow Ribbon Program.

Data current as of April 2023

For more information on financial aid visit FINANCIALAID.SEWANEE.EDU
Award Criteria

To guarantee fairness in awarding funds, Sewanee combines three factors when determining how to allocate need-based aid:

• A student must have need-based aid eligibility, computed on the basis of family financial information submitted on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Profile.

• A student’s need-based financial aid deadline is the same as their application deadline.

• A student’s academic performance will be considered in the composition and extent of the aid award.

What is available?

It is important to understand that the responsibility for financing the cost of a college education must be primarily assumed by students and/or their families to the extent of their ability. To this end, aid programs administered by the Office of Financial Aid are awarded first and foremost on the basis of calculated need-based eligibility. Need-based awards are meant to supplement, not replace, the family’s obligation in financing the student’s education.

When to Apply

We want you to have the best information as soon as possible and recommend completing your FAFSA and CSS Profile by your admission deadline. Both are available on Oct. 1.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

ACADEMICS.SEWANEE.EDU

Africana and African American Studies

MINOR

as.sewanee.edu

Africana and African American Studies focuses on the history and culture of the African diaspora, with particular attention to the past and contemporary experiences of the populations of African descent in North America and the Caribbean.

American Studies

MAJOR

as.sewanee.edu

This comprehensive survey of American culture not only explores American history and literature, but also incorporates anthropology, political science, religion, and art. In the Junior Seminar, students gain highly transferable theoretical and methodological skills necessary for understanding American culture and conducting independent research. Majors complete an independent research project, assembled from at least two disciplines of their choosing, during the first semester of their senior year. A minor in Africana and African American studies provides a focused study of the importance of race and of the experiences of people of African descent in the development of American society.

Anthropology

MAJOR, MINOR

anthropology.sewanee.edu

In this program, students learn about human experience in both archaeological and contemporary socio-cultural settings. Field research, study away, and community engagement are all key elements in our teaching that provide students with a broad array of practical analytic skills and help students to see human diversity as a source of both strength and inspiration.

Arabic

ELECTIVE

arabic.sewanee.edu

Arabic is offered for those who wish to acquire both a reading and a basic speaking knowledge of the language. This study can fulfill the language requirement for international and global studies majors, can contribute to business and Middle Eastern area studies, and can lead toward fulfillment of the general education requirement for foreign language study.

Archaeology

MINOR

archaeology.sewanee.edu

Archaeology, the study of the human past, crosses many disciplinary lines. The field of archaeology is expanding in both the humanities and the sciences with the application of innovative instrumentation and techniques that allow interdisciplinary teams to address new questions spanning human physical and cultural evolution, subsistence technology and foodways, ancient migration, and prehistoric ritual. With the economic significance of heritage tourism and the expansion of environmental legislation that relates to bio-cultural resources (both in the United States and abroad), career opportunities for our students in the field of archaeology are growing.

Art

MAJOR, MINOR

art.sewanee.edu

Art students focus on technical, aesthetic, and critical aspects of making and placing art in the public realm. As part of their comprehensive examination, art majors prepare and present a portfolio,
show work in the senior exhibit, write an analytic thesis, defend the thesis, and give a public lecture. The Studio Art program offers classes in six disciplines: Digital Arts, Drawing, Painting, Photography, Sculpture, and Video.

Art History
MAJOR, MINOR
art.sewanee.edu
Art history majors study the major styles and periods of art from both social and aesthetic perspectives. Students receive a broad, chronological overview of Western art history and later choose an area of special interest: ancient/medieval, renaissance/baroque, or modern/American.

Asian Studies
MAJOR, MINOR
asianstudies.sewanee.edu
Focusing on both the traditional and the dynamic, students learn about Asia’s most historically relevant religions, customs, and schools of thought—Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism, Hinduism, family structure, symbolism, and ethics—in conjunction with Asia’s modern culture: economy, music, art, and film. Language study in Chinese or Japanese is an integral part of the major and minor.

All Asian studies majors study away. Most attend institutions in Tokyo, Japan; Beijing, Harbin, Hangzhou, or Nanjing, China; or Hanoi, Vietnam.

Biochemistry
MAJOR, MINOR
biochemistry.sewanee.edu
Students in this interdisciplinary field explore life’s molecular building blocks and the intersections of biology and chemistry. Majors complete six required courses in biology and chemistry, then choose electives from such courses as Cell Biology, Organic Chemistry, Thermodynamics and Kinetics, Genetics, Immunology, Microbiology, Environmental Physiology and Biochemistry of Animals, Inorganic Chemistry, Chemical Analysis, and Advanced Biochemistry.

Science students pursue their work in Spencer Hall, Sewanee’s new, LEED-certified $22 million science facility.

Biology
MAJOR, MINOR
biology.sewanee.edu
Biology students explore life at scales ranging from molecules and cells to populations and ecosystems.

Professors emphasize direct involvement in the scientific method, encouraging students to learn through experience and experiment. The program is classroom and lab-intensive, combining a broad academic foundation in general biology with ample opportunities for research in specific areas of interest.

Because Sewanee focuses on undergraduates, biology majors have unmatched opportunities to collaborate with faculty researchers on projects. Each year, undergraduates present their research at conferences and publish in scientific journals.

Business
MINOR, PRE-PROFESSIONAL
business.sewanee.edu
The Babson Center for Global Commerce houses the William Polk Carey Pre-Business Program. This business minor is based on Sewanee’s belief that a liberal arts education—fostering understanding of human behavior, cultures, and ethics—is an ideal foundation for a business career.

Business minors interested in a graduate business degree will be well prepared. Offerings are drawn from several departments and include an accounting sequence, microeconomic theory, money and banking, financial markets, industrial psychology, and business ethics.

Business minors choose one of three tracks: managerial, international, or finance. The finance track covers topics on the Chartered Financial Analysts exam, making this concentration especially relevant for students who plan to take the exam or pursue graduate studies.

Chemistry
MAJOR, MINOR
chemistry.sewanee.edu
The programs of study in the Chemistry Department offer an excellent foundation for advanced study in chemistry or related fields. Study in this program is excellent preparation for professional programs such as medicine or law.

Through their formal coursework, chemistry students explore the composition, structure, properties, and transformation of matter and come to understand key chemical ideas such as how structure determines function and how energetics determine reaction outcomes. Beyond the formal curriculum, students are actively encouraged to participate in research projects with faculty members as early as their first year. This research, which can occur during the academic year or over the summer, provides students with experience at the cutting edge of science in a variety of areas including nanotechnology, biochemistry, materials chemistry, and drug development. Students involved in research have the opportunity to present their work at numerous regional, national, and international meetings, and have been co-authors on publications in leading scientific journals.

Chinese
ELECTIVE
chinese.sewanee.edu
The University offers four semesters of Chinese, sufficient to satisfy the college’s foreign language requirement. Although a major or minor in Chinese is not currently offered, students may...
participate in study away programs in China to extend their study of the Chinese language and to explore Chinese society. Further study of topics related to Chinese culture and history can be undertaken through coursework offered in the Asian Studies Program.

Civic and Global Leadership

cgl.sewanee.edu
The Civic and Global Leadership Certificate offers two tracks of academic study: Development and Human Capabilities, and Community and Global Health.

The Development and Human Capabilities track suite of courses exposes students to major issues in the study of development and human capabilities, including the intersection of poverty and environmental protection, community mobilization, theories of development, political institutions and policies shaping poverty eradication, and economic models of development. Students learn about international, national, and local actors involved in development processes (e.g., states, the UN, microfinance organizations, NGOs, cultural groups), and they explore issues affecting development and underdevelopment such as climate change, food production, human rights, and disease.

The Community and Global Health track suite of courses exposes students to major issues in the study of health and health care to human life and social development. Students learn about poverty, human rights, and disease.

Computer Science

computerscience.sewanee.edu
The world has come to depend on a rapid rate of technological evolution, and computer science majors are in great demand. This program instills a deep understanding of the science, mathematics, art, and social forces behind computer science, with electives as diverse as Graphics, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, Networking, Functional Programming, and Programming Languages. Majors complete nine core courses and three electives and deliver a final presentation.

Co-curricular opportunities in the department include a National Science Foundation-sponsored initiative for undergraduate research in software development.

Creative Writing

english.sewanee.edu
To help develop the next generation of writers and further Sewanee’s rich literary history, this program marries the study of craft with a focus on creating a broad knowledge of the history of English, American, and Anglophone literature.

Students who major in creative writing will be expected to take more than half of their credits in literature courses. Within the major, the department ofers instruction in the genres of fiction, non-fiction, playwriting, and poetry. For playwriting, the department shares responsibility with the Department of Theatre and Dance, having devised a course of study that will allow playwrights to develop skills specific to the theatre, while the genres of fiction, non-fiction, and poetry will pair workshop-based study with traditional English literature courses.

Dance

theatre.sewanee.edu
Dance courses at Sewanee provide an inclusive learning environment for students of all levels and backgrounds, from experienced dancers seeking to hone their craft to those discovering a new passion for dance as participants or informed audience members. All classes take place in the professionally equipped dance studio in the Tennessee Williams Center. In addition to academic dance courses, master class opportunities are often available to Sewanee students and the community.
Why does the health care market perform poorly? Does the minimum wage help unskilled workers? Does free trade make countries richer or poorer? Why have some countries been slow to develop? Why is income inequality increasing in the United States? Economists attempt to answer these kinds of questions by developing models of human behavior and by analyzing real-world data. Through the study of economics, students will acquire analytical skills, critical thinking skills, and quantitative skills that are highly valued in today's workplace.

Sewanee's challenging pre-engineering curriculum provides students with a solid foundation in math and science, and readies them for graduate work. The program produces students with the background, technical skills, social awareness, and discerning judgment necessary for advanced study in any engineering concentration.

The University collaborates with Columbia University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and Washington University in St. Louis to combine the liberal arts and engineering curricula. In this track (called the 3/2 program), students end up receiving two baccalaureate degrees after studying for three years at Sewanee and for two years in the engineering institution. Incoming students interested in the 3/2 program generally complete two semesters each of physics, chemistry, and mathematics during their freshman year.

With rich and varied literary and writing courses, this program transforms students into close readers, insightful critics, and superior writers. Students analyze classical, medieval, British, American, Irish, African American, and modern literature; may select from a range of courses in major authors, special topics, or the practice of journalism; and try their hands at composing plays, songs, poems, and short stories under the tutelage of regular professors as well as noted visiting writers.

English majors are immersed in the University's historic and esteemed literary tradition. Sewanee is home to both The Sewanee Review, the country's oldest continuously published literary quarterly, and the Sewanee Writers' Conference, a yearly two-week gathering of writers that has included Pulitzer, Bollingen, and Nobel prize winners.

Broadly stated, the goal of the Environment and Sustainability major is to prepare students to analyze and address complex environmental issues from a variety of perspectives. Because all environmental systems are connected, issues such as climate change, land use, sustainable development, pollution, human and ecosystem health, and sustainable energy, food, and water systems cannot be studied in isolation. Facing these challenges requires basic knowledge in a variety of disciplines including the natural sciences, physical sciences, social sciences, and humanities. Through a core of common coursework, students develop a foundation in both science and policy. A focus on place-based study and the integration of knowledge across disciplines allows for creative examination of real-world problems on local, regional, national, and international levels.

An interdisciplinary major that explores humanity's evolving relation to the environment with the benefit of diverse perspectives of ered by history, literature, art, philosophy, and religion.

Sewanee's Environmental Studies Program is expansively interdisciplinary, offering students the chance to select two pathways for study: Environment and Sustainability and Environmental Arts and Humanities. Additional curricular options include a certificate in Watershed Science and a minor in Religion and Environment.

This program offers two tracks: film theory, which encompasses analysis of film history, genre, and national culture, as well as an appreciation for film production; and film production, which centers on film and video preparation, but also covers film theory.

Six courses are completed for the minor, with such electives as Introduction to Three- and Four-Dimensional Media, Introduction to World Cinema, American Animation, and the Films of Alfred Hitchcock.
Finance

**MAJOR**

**finance.sewanee.edu**

Finance majors at Sewanee develop the knowledge and skills necessary to examine how individuals, businesses, and government make financial decisions. The major is rooted in a robust foundation in economics, the discipline from which finance emerged. Students complete core courses in economics, corporate finance, investments, security analysis, and ethics, while also expanding their knowledge in elective courses in real estate finance, international finance, energy economics, game theory, and financial derivatives. Students develop critical-thinking skills and have hands-on opportunities to examine real-world financial data. Students completing this major will be well prepared for the Level I Chartered Financial Analyst exam or for graduate work in finance, economics, public policy, business, and law.

Forestry

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**fg.sewanee.edu**

Forestry addresses the important features, processes, and issues of forested landscapes. Topics include major tree species, forest biology and ecology, tree structure and function, silviculture, forest management, fisheries science, forest products, and U.S. forest policy and laws. The 13,000-acre laboratory of the Domain is a living laboratory for forestry students.

French and French Studies

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**french.sewanee.edu**

French and French Studies at Sewanee provide opportunities to study and experience some of the rich literature and culture of the French-speaking world. Students will obtain an operative level of oral and written proficiency, and are likewise capable of reading important works in French and reacting to them critically. The language classes are designed to help develop basic skills in reading literary and cultural texts, in writing correct French, listening comprehension, and in speaking the language.

For those wishing to go beyond the required sequence in French, the department sponsors a major in French and French Studies as well as a minor. These programs of study offer Sewanee students the opportunity to deepen their understanding of French literature and thought through an approach interweaving period with theme, as well as to develop advanced reading comprehension and in speaking the language.

Geology

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**geology.sewanee.edu**

Field and class studies on top of (and underneath) the 13,000-acre laboratory of the Domain. A study of geological features and processes shaping the earth's surface and subsurface. Courses include physical geology, mineralogy, petrology, structural geology, sedimentology, earth systems, climate change, and paleoecology.

German and German Studies

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**german.sewanee.edu**

Students gain fluency and advanced reading comprehension; study prominent works of German literature in their original language; and examine Germany's history, culture, politics, and contemporary society. Majors complete nine upper-level courses and study away in Germany, Austria, or Switzerland. Course offerings include Advanced Conversation and Problem Solving, Kafka and His Times, The Nazi Period, and Literature and Culture of Fairy Tales.

Students in the department have access to the German House— which offers housing and cultural events—exchange programs, scholarships through the Federation of German-American clubs, and internships in Germany.

The minor in German and German studies provides students an opportunity to increase proficiency in German, while engaging the culture of German-speaking countries. It serves as a complement to a range of academic fields, such as economics, English, geology/forestry, history, politics, religion, and the sciences.

Greek

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**classics.sewanee.edu**

A minor in Greek consists of any six courses in ancient Greek which could include the study of Homer, historians, orators, poets, philosophers, and Greek tragedies and comedies.

History

**MAJOR, MINOR**

**history.sewanee.edu**

This program of study is a wide variety of courses dealing with topics including the history of women and gender, the history of science, medieval Europe, Russia, the Middle East, the colonization of the New World, 19th- and 20th-century pop culture, African Americans in America, and economics and society in the United States during and after Reconstruction. History majors complete at least 10 courses in the department beyond the 100 level, among them a junior tutorial and a senior research and writing seminar. A summer program of special note is “From D-Day to Berlin: World War II Sites in England, France, and Germany.”
In the senior seminar and comprehensive exam, students perceive the value of distinct perspectives. The interdisciplinary approach to the study of cultures—their own and others—in intellectually informed and responsible ways.

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International and Global Studies

MAJOR, MINOR

igos.sewanee.edu

Sewanee's team-taught minor in interdisciplinary humanities introduces students to the cultural products and practices that have informed the development of Western cultures. Along with critical examination of "the West" and consideration of what it has meant—and means today—to be human, students refine their writing and speaking skills and participate actively in humanities seminars. Though students may enroll in individual courses, those who complete the entire complement of three core courses will be able to conduct interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary critical inquiry, evaluate the implications of historical change over time, and approach the study of cultures—their own and others—in intellectually informed and responsible ways.

Latin

MAJOR, MINOR

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A minor in Latin consists of four courses in Latin above 300. These could include the study of the Latin epic, love elegies, Roman satire, the Roman novel, medieval Latin, poetry and prose of the Roman Empire, and Roman philosophy.

Law

PRE-PROFESSIONAL

law.sewanee.edu

With its Writing-Across-the-Curriculum program and broad liberal arts focus, Sewanee produces sought-after law school candidates who can draw on an inclusive education, assemble ideas, prepare persuasive arguments, and express those arguments in writing with creativity and grace.

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Mathematics

MAJOR, MINOR

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Such study also serves as part of a well-rounded education in the appreciation of human endeavor. Like a sculpture or a concerto, a theorem or an algorithm is a creative work, and the department seeks to expose students to the beauty of this variation of artistic creation.

Mathematics majors take the five foundational courses in calculus, linear algebra, and discrete mathematics, and then choose six advanced-level courses from a wide range of offerings. The major is structured to provide depth in at least one area of mathematics as well as breadth by requiring a range of course areas. So a student interested in pure mathematics might take courses in abstract algebra, number theory, topology, and real analysis, while another
concerning the pragmatic and moral challenges faced by individuals and societies.

These courses apply theoretical and empirical approaches to the impact of social structures, culture, and group identities on individual and group attitudes and behavior. Emphasis is placed on physical and mental health issues, medical science and health care provisions, and patient/care provider dynamics. Topics include the social construction and behavioral implications of sex and gender, race and ethnicity, and social class, as well as behavioral, social, and ethical implications of differential access to legal, educational, and health care systems.

Medieval Studies

MAJOR, MINOR

ms.sewanee.edu

This interdisciplinary program covers European civilizations from the fall of Rome in the fifth century to the Early Modern Period in the beginning of the 16th century. Students select an emphasis within this major by focusing on one aspect of medieval studies, such as literature, art, history, or philosophy. Recent research project topics have included the eucharistic theology of the laity in late medieval England and Chaucer’s translation of Boethius’s Consolation Philosophiae.

The University hosts the Sewanee Medieval Colloquium, an annual conference attended by medievalists from all over the country who present papers and lectures on a different theme each year. The theme for the Forty-Sixth Annual Sewanee Medieval Colloquium in 2020 is “Privilege and Position.”

Music

MAJOR, MINOR

music.sewanee.edu

This department facilitates the music major and minor, and the curriculum as a whole supports students for many different professional and postgraduate possibilities, including church music (especially organ performance), internships in the music industry and with nonprofit performing arts organizations, and graduate programs (musicology, theory/composition, etc.). Music majors frequently double major or add a minor from another department so as to better prepare for music business, ethnomusicology, and music education.

Sewanee has a long tradition of outstanding music making, from the nationally renowned University Choir and orchestras of the Sewanee Summer Music Festival to various student bands that have had flourishing careers after Sewanee. The Music Department supports such music making with four faculty-led ensembles: the University Choir—which has performed and toured in England, Canada, and in the United States—the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra, the University Jazz Ensemble, and Sewanee Praise.

Natural Resources and the Environment

MAJOR

environmental.sewanee.edu

An interdisciplinary environmental major that integrates coursework in forest ecosystems and geology with the broad range of potential environmental coursework of other students.

Neuroscience

MAJOR, MINOR

neuroscience.sewanee.edu

This major and minor in neuroscience allow students to examine the brain and how it functions, and the relationship between the brain and behavior, and to explore one of the most compelling scientific frontiers in understanding ourselves and our actions.

The major examines the nervous system and its contribution to our experiences through a truly interdisciplinary approach. Students are required to take courses in both psychology and biology, and are highly encouraged to explore related courses within chemistry, computer science, and philosophy.
The goal of the neuroscience major is to encourage students to critically evaluate how the brain functions from the molecular and cellular level, and how these processes affect behavior. The major will prepare students for graduate study in neuroscience or related fields, and is good preparation for students planning to pursue a career in medicine and related disciplines.

**Philosophy**

**Majors, Minors**

philosophy.sewanee.edu

Students learn both historical and critical approaches to the discipline in this program, which introduces philosophy’s roots—the notions, arguments, and intellectual movements that have influenced thought throughout history—and teaches students to think analytically, support their own ideas, and form defensible positions.

Majors complete at least 10.5 courses in philosophy, junior and senior tutorials, and comprehensive examinations. Majors also write a 20- to 30-page senior essay, where they must make an effective oral presentation and defend their thesis. Among the department’s topical courses are offerings in Environmental Ethics, Business Ethics, Medical Ethics, and the Ethics of Honor. Graduates of the program often go on to law school, to business or medical school, or directly into the job market.

The department’s popular Philosophy Club sponsors events including a screening and discussion of films that raise philosophical and moral questions. Selections have included *Fight Club*, *Sling Blade*, *Pi*, and *American History X*.

**Physics**

**Majors**

physics.sewanee.edu

Physics students engage in a variety of stimulating opportunities to learn about the world around them: from everyday phenomena and modern-day technologies, through the vastness of outer space and minuteness of the nano-realm, to the bizarre quantum-relativistic fabric of physical reality. Fueled by curiosity and dedicated to excellence in teaching and research, Sewanee’s physics and astronomy faculty often involve like-minded students in their diverse scholarly pursuits, which include hunting for asteroids and extrasolar planets; nuclear and accelerator physics; biophysics; materials characterization; simulation, fabrication, and optical studies of functional nanomaterials. Physics majors have access to Sewanee’s Cordell-Lorenz Observatory, a facility for research and academic enrichment activities.

**Psychology**

**Majors, Minors**

psychology.sewanee.edu

This program provides a strong foundation in general psychology and offers opportunities for more in-depth exploration in specific areas, equipping students with the analytical skills, multiple perspectives, and research methods needed to fully understand and pursue a psychology career.
Survey, seminar, and upper-level courses are not predetermined—students choose these courses according to their individual interests, focusing on the type of psychology they find most intriguing. Course offerings include Psychology of Personality, Industrial Psychology, Infancy and Adolescence, Psychology of Human Diversity, Pseudopsychology, Animal Behavior, Cognitive Illusions, and Psychology of Gender, among many others.

Select students have the opportunity to pursue directed research and coursework during the summer, or a semester plus summer, in connection with the Sewanee-at-Yale Directed Research Program.

Religion and Environment Minor
environmental.sewanee.edu
The ways we interact with the natural world reflect the deep-seated values of the society to which we belong and the experiences of nature we have as individuals. Religion and the spiritual experiences of individuals that inform religious thought provide profound insights into how we perceive the world around us and guidance as to how to interact with it. The minor in religion and environment encourages students to integrate religious insights and spiritual experience with the natural and social sciences to better understand how religion and the natural world affect one another. Accordingly, the minor includes coursework in natural and social environmental science along with coursework in religion. Because the minor encourages students to reflect on their own spiritual experience and beliefs as they relate to the environment, it culminates in a capstone experiential course involving environmentally related service or action along with reflection on the meaning of that engagement.

Religious Studies Major, Minor
religion.sewanee.edu
Through coursework, independent research, and extracurricular activities, religious studies majors investigate the central questions surrounding religion; explore history, culture, values, sacred texts, theology, and philosophical thought; and hone their methods of historical analysis, literary criticism, phenomenological description, and cross-cultural comparative study.

Rhetoric Minor
rhetoric.sewanee.edu
The study of rhetoric is excellent preparation not only for civic life but also for vocational callings in law, teaching, ministry, activism, advocacy, conflict resolution, diplomacy, and politics, as well as careers in communication, commerce, the arts, and more. Within the context of Sewanee’s distinctive liberal arts tradition, students who minor in rhetoric learn to research, compose, and critique public discourse from a wide variety of theoretical perspectives and perceptual traditions; develop competence to navigate rhetorical situations and public controversies effectively and ethically; cultivate listening not just as a “skill” but as a core aspect of liberal learning, critical thinking, and engaged citizenship; engage in guided and collaborative research, with opportunities to present and publish original scholarship; and work with peer tutors in Sewanee’s state-of-the-art Center for Speaking & Listening.

Taught by award-winning professors, the expansive rhetoric curriculum includes courses in public speaking, argumentation and debate, rhetoric and public address, speakers’ rights and responsibilities, women’s voices, and protest—along with offerings in directed research and independent study.

Russian Major, Minor
russian.sewanee.edu
Students learn to speak, listen, read, and write in Russian; study Russian music, art, customs, literature, and cuisine; and develop their abilities to think comparatively and internationally. Majors choose from such upper-level offerings as Advanced Russian, Russian Civilization, Russian Literature, Composition and Conversation, Tolstoy in English, and Dostoevsky in English. Cultural functions and conversation hours take place in the Russian House, a stately, historic, stone-faced dwelling where several Russian-language students live with a native Russian speaker.

School of Theology Elective
theology.sewanee.edu/electives
Each semester, the School of Theology offers courses for undergraduate credit. Consult the Schedule of Classes to determine which classes are being offered during a particular semester.

Shakespeare Studies Minor
english.sewanee.edu
The minor in Shakespeare studies is an interdisciplinary approach to Shakespeare in performance. It is based on these convictions: (1) Shakespeare, as an exemplary literary and historical figure, merits intensive study; (2) the literary, historical, and philosophi-
cal study of Shakespeare's text informs and enriches the production of his plays; (3) the discipline and experience of performing his plays illuminates the academic study of his work.

Southern Appalachian and Place-based Studies

**MINOR**

collaborative.sewanee.edu

The Collaborative for Southern Appalachian and Place-Based Studies is an initiative bringing together the efforts of faculty, staff, students, and community partners to build a transformative and replicable model of public scholarship and community action that is fundamentally grounded by a focus on place. Insofar as meaningful understanding of and engagement with a place—whether it be Southern Appalachia or some other place—demands interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary, and applied approaches, place-based inquiry can catalyze innovative approaches and collaborations that transcend traditional disciplinary, institutional, and academy-community boundaries.

Spanish

**MAJOR, MINOR**

spanish.sewanee.edu

Students gain fluency in the language, familiarity with Hispanic literature, and insight into the cultures of Spain and Latin America through in-depth study of essential literary texts and intensive writing and speaking practice.

Spanish majors complete full language courses; upper-level courses in Spanish literature before 1700, after 1700, and Latin-American literature; and one class in Spanish culture and one in Latin American culture.

Majors are encouraged both to study away in a Spanish-speaking country and to study an additional foreign language for a year. Summer and semester programs include distinctive offerings such as on the Road to Santiago and the study of Muslim Spain.

Students in the program can live at Casa de España las Américas, meet for Tertulia once a month, and socialize at the Spanish Table.

Theatre Arts

**MAJOR, MINOR**

theatre.sewanee.edu

The major in theatre arts is designed to offer the student a strong foundation in all areas of the theatre: acting, directing, design, history, literature, and theory. The department expects its majors to augment their knowledge and experience in these disciplines by active participation in the full production program of Theatre Sewanee, the University theatre. The department also encourages its majors to supplement their work in theatre arts with courses offered by other departments—particularly in language, literature, music, art, and art history.

Watershed Science

**CERTIFICATE**

environmental.sewanee.edu

The Watershed Science Certificate is designed for students interested in gaining a better understanding of the interactions among the physical, chemical, and biological factors that affect our watersheds and wetlands. In addition to hydrology, students take at least one half-course in applied watershed science, and choose additional watershed science courses. Each student completes the certificate with the watershed science capstone course, a multidisciplinary, project-oriented course in which students address issues related to two or more of the following topic areas: the interaction of biological processes and watershed function, chemical processes in streams and watersheds, the relationship between forested landscapes and hydrologic systems, or geological processes in terrestrial aquatic systems. Students who obtain the certificate will be better prepared to pursue graduate training in watershed science and other hydrologic disciplines, or to begin careers associated with watershed science and management.

Women's and gender Studies

**MAJOR, MINOR**

wgs.sewanee.edu

Women's and Gender Studies is an interdisciplinary program dedicated to analyzing the ways in which power, privilege, and positionality shape women's diverse social experiences. We adopt the analytical framework of intersectionality to investigate how multiple categories of social difference such as race, class, gender, sexual orientation, and disability interact to produce interlocking systems of oppression that impact the most marginalized groups in society.
Weekday Visits (Daily)
Let us open doors for you all over campus. Weekday visits are all about making the most of your time through highly customized personal itineraries. (Lunch with a current student at the dining hall? Faculty appointment? Student panel and time with an athletic coach? All of the above? No problem.)

Preview Sewanee (Select Saturdays, Fall and Spring)
We’ve dreamed up the perfect visit itinerary; it’s called Preview Sewanee. This event offers the best of the weekday visit options, including a campus tour, a student panel, and a faculty engagement session—all on a Saturday. Vibrant foliage in the fall. Blooming flowers in the spring.

Virtual Visits
Everyone at Sewanee is here for you, virtually! From information sessions, live virtual tours, and student panels, to webinars with the Sewanee Career Center, Sewanee will come to you in the comfort of your living room. Curious about what a Sewanee class is like? Check out a sampling of recorded classes. Feeling lost? Your admission counselor is available to you during every step of the admission process by phone or email.

For more up-to-date information, please go to visit.sewanee.edu
Social media
Use your social media powers to get to know Sewanee on your favorite platform.

UNIVERSITY FACEBOOK
Like us at facebook.com/sewanee for updates. You may even find pictures of the cute goats at the University Farm.

UNIVERSITY INSTAGRAM
Beautiful pictures of the Domain and the wonderful stuff that goes on right here. Follow us at instagram.com/univofthesouth.

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