

What You Need To Know In Your College Search—Ten Things To Look For

Here are ten tips in selecting a college and ten reasons why our students choose Bay Path...

Tip #1

A Vibrant Community that Values and Supports You Intellectually and Personally.

At Bay Path, you receive individual attention from the admissions process to graduation and beyond. Here, faculty, staff, students, and even the President know your name. You thrive because you are valued for yourself and you are truly guided to reach your full potential. By meeting leaders such as former U.S. Secretary of State Madeline Albright, you are inspired to learn the difference you can make in the world.

Tip #2

Interactive, Energetic, Collaborative: Classes That Speak to You.

Your voice is heard at Bay Path where the average student to faculty ratio is an impressive 14 to 1. Participation, discussion and action are a vital part of your classroom learning, helping you gain valuable knowledge in your field of study.

Tip #3

You Can See Yourself There.

Time and again, students who visit Bay Path say with enthusiasm, “I CAN see myself here!” You’ll find yourself learning and living with a diverse group of students from all across America and around the world. At Bay Path, students make life-long friends who believe and support you in what you do—it’s more than a community, it’s a family.

Tip #4

Choose a College That Will Prepare You for Your Major, Career and Life.

Beginning with the first semester on campus, you take classes in your major of choice. It’s Bay Path’s way of giving you that competitive edge for your career or graduate school. With over 30 majors and minors, including forensic science, biology, business, criminal justice, psychology, occupational therapy, and education, Bay Path also emphasizes internships, co-ops (paid internships), and practicums in all degree programs to build your resume and give you the connections to help you succeed.

Tip #5

College Is Your Time to Explore Your Interests and Ideas.

Your classroom experience is important, but so are the opportunities for you to broaden your perspective, and make you passionate about an interest or an idea. At Bay Path, you can become a member of a NCAA Division III teams (soccer, tennis, volleyball, basketball, cross country and softball), or join one of our over 30 students organizations, academic clubs, and athletic groups such as the Anime Club, Women of Culture, Ice Hockey, Outing Club—or create your own!

Tip #6

The Right Campus Is Important.

Warm and welcoming are the first words people use to describe Bay Path. And green. Large, majestic trees—expansive, green lawns—immaculate grounds in the historic town of Longmeadow, MA are all part of what makes Bay Path so inviting. Our students also take advantage of our central location—near Springfield and Hartford (CT) and an easy drive to New York City or Boston.

Tip #7

Faculty Should Be Your Mentors As Well As Your Teachers.

Faculty at Bay Path are more than professors. They are mentors who take a personal interest in you and your goals, and they are there to help you achieve them. At Bay Path, you're taught by professors—not teaching assistants—who are practitioners in their field and push you to be intellectually curious and daring.

Tip #8

Your College Choice Is An Investment in You.

At Bay Path, we make your college education an affordable and valuable investment. We offer and encourage all our students, including transfer and international, to meet one-on-one with our financial aid counselors to learn more about our generous merit scholarships and need-based financial aid packages.

Tip #9

Learning Should Go Beyond Boundaries.

Now, more than ever, we are living and working in a global community. Bay Path helps you broaden your horizon through study abroad exchanges (to countries such as France, Ireland, Australia, or Japan), the annual week-long Capitals of the World Trip held during spring break, or special seminars and projects, such as the Harvard Model United Nations, that offer ways to study other cultures and international issues. Our world is bigger AND closer...and more exciting than you could imagine.

Tip #10

You Should Expect Great Outcomes.

What happens after college is just as important as your time at college. Graduates from Bay Path can be found all over the globe following their dreams. They teach in our communities, have exciting jobs at Walt Disney World, help to make a difference in lives by working at Amnesty International or the Shriners Hospital for Children, study at the School for Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University, or solve crime at the Mass State Crime Lab. They expect and are DOING great things.