

OTHER DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

Other Undergraduate Degree Programs

Dual-Degree Programs

Mount Holyoke offers several dual-degree opportunities. For information about credit received at other institutions, see the Academic Regulations chapter (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/academic-regulations>).

Engineering

Mount Holyoke participates in the following dual-degree engineering programs, allowing students to earn two bachelors degrees in five years. For each of them, it is important to begin planning in the first year.

The Nexus in Engineering program is also offered, preparing science or math majors for future graduate work in engineering or employment in engineering-related fields.

For more information about the dual-degree engineering programs, contact Maria Gomez (chemistry), Martha Hoopes (biological sciences), Audrey Lee St. John (computer science), Alexi Arango (physics), or visit the programs' website (https://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/engineering/dual_degree).

Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College

Students who choose the Dartmouth program spend their junior year at Dartmouth College taking engineering courses. They return to Mount Holyoke for their senior year and earn their A.B. from Mount Holyoke. Following graduation, students spend an additional year at the Thayer School to be eligible to earn a bachelor's of engineering (B.E.). Admission to the program is through both an internal Mount Holyoke application for the dual degree and a direct application to Thayer.

California Institute of Technology (Caltech)

Admission to Caltech is through its admission committee. Accepted students will spend their fourth and fifth years at Caltech and, after successful completion of that program, will receive both a bachelor of science degree from Caltech and the bachelor of arts from Mount Holyoke.

School of Engineering at UMass Amherst

This program allows a Mount Holyoke student to earn a second bachelor's degree, in engineering, to be awarded by the University of Massachusetts, in the year following her graduation from Mount Holyoke. Students may major in chemical, civil and environmental, electrical, industrial, mechanical, or computer systems engineering.

Ordinarily, the student will spend her junior year at UMass, registered in the appropriate engineering courses through Five College cross-registration. After her fourth year at Mount Holyoke, she will attend UMass for her fifth year. The programs in computer and electrical engineering require three years at Mount Holyoke followed by two years at UMass. The program is administered by an advisory committee consisting of one member from each participating MHC science department, including mathematics/statistics, as well as a similar committee at UMass, consisting of one member from each participating engineering department.

A student pursuing the dual-degree program must have an MHC advisor from the committee and a UMass advisor no later than the fall of her sophomore year. In consultation with her advisors, the student maps out

a plan of study for her sophomore, junior, senior, and postsenior years. The plan must satisfy all graduation requirements at both schools and be approved by both advisors.

Latin American Studies Program, Five-Year Cooperative Degree Program, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University

This five-year cooperative degree program offers exceptional undergraduate students at selected institutions the opportunity to complete the requirements of both the bachelor's degree and the master of arts degree in Latin American Studies at Georgetown within a five-year period. Qualified students should declare their interest in the cooperative degree program during their junior year and apply by May 1 of their senior year. Applicants should have demonstrated academic strength in Latin American content. For more information, contact Lowell Gudmundson at 413-538-2378. The contact person at Georgetown University is Julie Walsh, walshje@georgetown.edu.

The Second Bachelor's Degree

Mount Holyoke welcomes students interested in earning a second bachelor's degree. Candidates must submit an official college transcript with conferred degree verification, an autobiographical essay, a proposed plan of study, and two letters of recommendation.

Candidates for a second bachelor's degree are not eligible for financial aid from Mount Holyoke College but may qualify for federal student loans.

Candidates seeking to earn a second bachelor's degree must spend a minimum of four semesters at Mount Holyoke. They must earn a minimum of 64 Mount Holyoke academic credits (beyond their first undergraduate degree), and complete College and distribution requirements, as well as requirements of their declared major.

Applicants should contact the Office of Admission for details about the application process.

Applications are accepted throughout the academic year. Two entrance dates are available: September and late January, with a preferred deadline of March 1 for fall entrance and November 15 for spring.

Graduate Degree Programs

Master of Arts in Teaching

Mount Holyoke, through its Professional and Graduate Education division, offers three different programs issuing a Master of Arts in Teaching degree: the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) program, the Master of Arts in Mathematics Teaching (M.A.M.T) program, and the Master of Arts in Teacher Leadership (M.A.T.L.) program.

The Committee on Graduate Work — consisting of the dean of studies and representatives from each program offering graduate work — approves thesis proposals and theses, adjudicates petitions for exceptions and waivers to the requirements, and reviews graduate requirements and procedures, forms, fees, and stipends. Each program has a graduate advisor, appointed by the department.

Certificate and Licensure Programs

The Postbaccalaureate Pre-Medical Program

See the Professional and Graduate Education chapter (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/PaGE/programs/postbaccalaureate-pre-medical-program>) for information about this program.

Teacher Licensure Programs

The teacher licensure programs at Mount Holyoke enable students to apply for a Massachusetts (and NASDTEC Interstate Contract) “initial” license. Undergraduate students may pursue licensure in the areas listed in Psychology and Education (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/areas-study/psychology-education>). For additional information about undergraduate Mount Holyoke College Teacher Licensure Programs, please see the Teacher Licensure Programs page (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/areas-study/psychology-education/#teacherlicensuretext>) within Psychology and Education.

The Master of Arts in Teaching (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/PaGE/programs/MAT>) (M.A.T.) allows graduate students to pursue initial teacher licensure as part of the program. Graduate students who wish to independently pursue special education licensure can gain preparation through special education (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/PaGE/programs/special-education>) coursework. More information on the M.A.T. and special education are found in the Professional and Graduate Education chapter (<http://catalog.mtholyoke.edu/PaGE>).

International Guest Student Program

International students who wish to study in the United States for a period of one semester or one year may apply to the International Guest Student Program. This program provides an excellent opportunity to explore a particular field of study in depth; to explore a wide range of disciplines; and to become familiar with the United States and its educational system.

International guest students pay a partially discounted rate for tuition and room and board. For more information, contact the Office of Admission at 413-538-2023.

Certificate for International Students

Exchange students and international guest students who are enrolled in nondegree programs may select courses that will enable them to qualify for the Certificate for International Students. The program requires a minimum of one year in residence and a cumulative average of 2.0 for 20 credits of work.

Students may earn a certificate in general studies or in a particular field, such as international relations or English. Students may choose a field from any of the majors or minors offered at the College and may want to consult with their academic advisor or with the dean of international students about their course selections.

Students choosing to earn a certificate in a specific field must complete at least 12 of 20 credits of graded course work in that field with satisfactory academic standing. Students who complete their program of study with a cumulative average of 3.5 or better receive the certificate with distinction. For more information about international student programs, contact the McCulloch Center for Global Initiatives at 413-538-2072.