Linfield College is an independent, comprehensive institution, dedicated exclusively to undergraduate education. It is nationally recognized for its strong teaching faculty, outstanding academic programs and distinctive international emphasis. Linfield’s challenging and exciting academic program features a broad liberal arts core and an atmosphere in which there is genuine concern for individuals. The school offers 51 majors and enrolls more than 2,280 students through three programs: a residential liberal arts and sciences program in McMinnville; the Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing in Portland; and Online and Continuing Education, which serves a virtual learning community across the globe. For almost 160 years, Linfield has educated students from across the globe and nation. Linfield has been nationally praised for combining affordability and excellence. Chartered in 1858, Linfield is one of the first colleges in the Pacific Northwest.

MCMINNVILLE CAMPUS

The residential campus is located in McMinnville, a community of more than 30,000, an hour from both Portland and the Oregon Coast. The campus consists of 79 buildings on 189 acres of green lawns and groves of trees. It has a unified look deriving from its brick buildings in modified Georgian style.

PORTLAND CAMPUS

The Portland Campus, home of the Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing, was established in 1982 through a partnership agreement with Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center, now part of Legacy Health. The Portland Campus is located in historic Northwest Portland adjacent to the Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center.

ONLINE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

Online and Continuing Education provides online courses leading to bachelor’s degrees and certificates. Students may earn degrees in accounting, business information systems, international business, management, marketing and nursing. Certificates are offered in accounting (post-baccalaureate), coaching, creative writing, cyber security, database administration, global health, health administration, human resource management, marketing, software engineering, web application development, wine management, wine marketing and yoga instruction. A number of enrichment programs are also offered, for personal enjoyment or the working professional.

ENROLLMENT

Fall semester 2016-17 enrollment at Linfield is 2,280 students. This includes 1,632 on the McMinnville Campus, 343 on the Portland Campus and 307 in Online and Continuing Education.

FINANCES (2016-17)

- Operating budget: $63.6 million
- Endowment: $101.6 million
  
  (June 30, 2016)
- Tuition:
  
  (Tuition and fees: $40,070)
  
  $39,700
- Room and board:
  
  (McMinnville only)
  
  $11,770

Ninety-six percent of all McMinnville students receive financial assistance through scholarships, grants, loans or employment. The average financial aid package is $29,062.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

International study is an important part of the Linfield curriculum. More than 40 percent of McMinnville graduates study abroad during their college years. Opportunities for international study are offered through three options: semester long programs at sites in Austria, Australia/New Zealand, China/Hong Kong, Ecuador, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Norway, Senegal, South Korea and Spain; academic year abroad for language majors; and January Term, with its popular four-week intensive courses, led by Linfield faculty at several international and domestic locations.

STUDENT PROFILE

Linfield’s students come from 27 states and 20 countries. The 2016 freshman class had an average SAT score of 1046 and an average grade point average of 3.7. Eighteen percent have family members who also attended Linfield, 28 percent are first-generation students, 31 percent are U.S. students of color and 2 percent are international.
ATHLETICS

Thirty-four percent of McMinnville students participate in one or more of the college’s 19 varsity sports, and many more in the 13 club and numerous intramural sports. The college belongs to the NCAA Division III. All intercollegiate teams participate as members of the Northwest Conference. The Wildcat football team has the longest consecutive winning streak in the nation, now at 61 years, and holds four national championships. The softball and baseball teams consistently rank among the top in the country. The softball team won national titles in 2007 and 2011 and the baseball team won the national championship in 2013.

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Technology at Linfield includes all current resources such as video conferencing, wireless networking and internet access. The Jereld R. Nicholson Library in McMinnville and the Portland Campus library share an online catalog and electronic databases. Linfield belongs to the Orbis Cascade Alliance, a library consortium that enriches and sustains access to materials for the Linfield community. Summit, the shared catalog of 37 academic libraries in Idaho, Oregon and Washington, provides access to 28.7 million items.

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING AND RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

Linfield’s student-faculty ratio of 11:1 allows for a rich experiential education that includes collaborative research, creative projects, internships, community service and study abroad. Linfield’s liberal arts and sciences curriculum is supplemented with professional programs. Students perfect talents in the visual and performing arts and hundreds engage in community service. The Linfield Center for the Northwest provides students with opportunities to gain real-world experience on issues important in the Pacific Northwest. Recent collaborative research projects covered subjects in history, education, science, English, theatre, nursing and communication. A number of projects have been built on Linfield’s ties with the wine industry, including collaborative research projects in biology, marketing, history and management. Career exploration classes focusing on wine-related topics have resulted in internships with local wineries. Other students have worked closely with local winery owners collecting and cataloging materials for the Oregon Wine History Archives and the Oregon Wine History Project, housed at Linfield College.

STUDENT LIFE

Linfield students are involved in a wide variety of activities including more than 57 clubs and organizations, 20 national academic honoraries, five media organizations, eight Greek organizations and 14 music groups. They have an opportunity to fill more than 350 leadership positions. The Associated Students of Linfield College provides social, cultural and recreational activities as well as a chance for leadership and development. The many lectures on campus provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas with nationally and internationally known figures.

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