



The College Of
WILLIAM & MARY

YOUR SELF-GUIDED TOUR



WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY!

Our names are Adam and Kelly, and we represent both the in-state and out-of-state student body. (Adam is from California and Kelly is from Virginia.) We hope you enjoy the tour that we will be guiding you on today. Let's get started!

Cross the street from the Undergraduate Admission building and proceed through or to the right of the half-circle parking lot. Veer left around the front of Ewell Hall, the home of the Department of Music.

(Our original name was: *The College of William and Mary in Virginia*. Although we are a university, including graduate programs, we have kept most of our original name and are called: *The College of William & Mary*, or “the College” as referenced in this Self-Guided Tour.)

◆ *Old Campus* ◆

Old Campus is arranged with six academic buildings surrounding the Sunken Garden. We are going to start the tour by walking alongside the left side of the Sunken Garden.

◆ *Sunken Garden*

The Sunken Garden is the center of Old Campus and a favorite spot for students; it’s much like our campus quad. Students use this giant lawn for spontaneous ultimate Frisbee games, pick-up football, tanning, sleeping, studying or just chilling and surfing the web (because our entire campus is wireless). We also have a lot of campus-wide events that go on at the Sunken Garden, for example, our spring *King and Queen’s Ball* and *Screen-on-the-Green*, where we get to watch blockbuster movies!

One of our favorite activities at the Sunken Garden is *Campus Golf*. Each year one of our social sororities puts on a philanthropy event open to all of campus. Teams dress up according to a theme of choice (Adam enjoyed being part of the Anchorman news team) and they golf all around campus with golf clubs and tennis balls. The entry fee each team pays is donated to a local battered women’s shelter. It’s a great way to combine service and fun on a Saturday morning.

◆ *Ewell Hall* (1926) Is home to the Department of Music. Many of the a cappella groups, music students and W&M’s choral ensembles practice here, making the perfect background music when studying. The building contains a listening library, practice rooms and departmental offices. Senior music majors have the opportunity to hold a senior recital in the Ewell Recital Hall to showcase their expertise.

◆ *Washington Hall* (1928) The Department of Anthropology and its museum are located on the lower level of Washington Hall. Anthropology students have the opportunity to participate in archaeological digs in Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown. The upper floors of Washington Hall house the Department of Modern Languages. William & Mary has the largest department of Modern Languages of any college in Virginia and had the first School of Modern Languages in the country. Foreign languages offered include Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese, and Russian. Greek, Hebrew and Latin are other languages offered through the Classical Studies department.

◆ *McGlothlin-Street Hall* (1995) Built for W&M's 300th birthday, the final academic building on this side of the Sunken Garden is McGlothlin-Street Hall, which is home to the Departments of Computer Science, Applied Sciences, and Geology. Each year, between fifteen and twenty Computer Science majors are published in national journals and reports alongside faculty members.

Geology students participate in the Geology on Wheels program and Geology Day, exposing elementary school students to the geosciences. The department frequently sponsors field trips to Virginia's Piedmont, Blue Ridge, and Appalachian regions.

Applied Science is a minor and is a great academic opportunity for those considering grad programs in engineering. W&M also has a graduate program in Applied Science.

With 13 miles of fiber optic cable running through the building, thanks to generous gifts from MCI and Sony, McGlothlin-Street Hall is the most wired and technologically advanced building on campus.

Between Washington and McGlothlin-Street Halls, on your left, you will see a **statue of Thomas Jefferson**, a gift from the University of Virginia to celebrate the College's tercentenary anniversary in 1993. Thomas Jefferson enrolled in the College on March 25, 1760 and went on to found his own university (UVA) in 1819. "T.J", as he is affectionately called, is among the many statues around campus and in Colonial Williamsburg that reflect the proud history of our college and town. The statues are also their own form of celebrity on campus, often the subject of many a picture or adorned in modern-day garb, courtesy of students here at the College.

Turn left and walk past the statue and down the stairs on your left. At the bottom of the stairs, walk the brick path straight ahead and up another set of stairs. Follow the path and head towards the residence hall in front of you, Barrett Hall, with the large wrap-around porch.

◆ *Old Campus Residence Halls*

The buildings you see before you are residence halls; from left to right, they are Jefferson, Barrett, Chandler, and Landrum. Residence halls are governed by the philosophy of self-determination, a policy that allows residents to decide on their own the living rules for their dorm. At the beginning of the year, residents collectively establish hall policies concerning quiet hours, bathroom usage, kitchen and laundry etiquette, and much more. Throughout the year, the students work together to uphold their community agreement.

About 75-80% of students live on campus. Freshman are guaranteed housing and required to live on campus. After that time, students can choose to live on or off campus.

Community is a very important aspect of the William & Mary experience, which begins during our **New Student Orientation**. Five days just before classes begin all freshmen complete their Orientation with their freshman hall, granting students the opportunity to get to know their hall mates sans classes, making freshman halls a lot like families. For many, me included, this is where you make your best friends in college.

After freshman year, students enter a lottery system to determine their housing assignment, during which they may choose to live in different types of dorms, including Greek housing, language housing, or in a variety of living arrangements: apartments, suites, cluster housing, singles, etc.

The dorms here are among several clusters of dorms throughout campus. For on-campus housing, Barrett is medium-sized, housing approximately 175 students. All dorms are co-ed, with female and male housing split by floor or hall. Here in Barrett, there is a men's hall to the left of the main lobby, and a women's hall to the right of the lobby. All rooms are equipped with wireless high-speed Internet access, a phone line, and a cable connection. Each residence hall has a laundry facility and at least one kitchen and lounge.

Proceed through the covered walkway between Barrett and Chandler and walk down to the road to the right behind and along the buildings on Landrum Drive. Cross the street by the Jamestown residences and the Integrated Science Centers.

NOTE: THERE MAY BE CONSTRUCTION AND SOME SIGNS MISSING

As you walk along Landrum Drive, on your left are the Jamestown North and South residence halls. These dorms house 320 students and have amenities like music practice rooms, group project conference rooms, and suite-style living, as well as high ceilings and large suite-style bathrooms.

◆ *New Campus* ◆

As you cross the street, the academic building on your right is one of what will be three Integrated Science Centers (ISC I, II, III), now homes to the Departments of Biology, Chemistry, and Psychology. This first building was originally named Rogers Hall. It was named after William Barton Rogers, alumnus and former professor at William & Mary, and founder of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

As you will see the science departments are located on both sides of the Swem Library.

Proceed on the walkway that winds around and along the Jamestown North Residence Hall and Integrated Science Centers.

The area to your left is **Barksdale Field**, named after Martha Barksdale (class of 1922, M.A. 1929), President of the first Women's Student Council. William & Mary was the first institution of higher education in Virginia to become co-educational in 1918. Barksdale field is now used for club and intramural sports as well as pick-up and recreational activities. Ms. Barksdale's donation was made to encourage women's athletics, due to the lack of Women's varsity sports at the time.

Continue on the brick pathway along the Integrated Science Centers and straight ahead.

The **Sundial** is a circular area with benches, and serves as the center of academic New Campus. The walk toward the sundial will take you past Millington Hall on your right.

ISC I is connected to ISC II and is part of a three-building project designed to bring W&M's science facilities into the 21st century. Our students and faculty have always done cutting-edge research, now the facilities match the level and quality of scholarship going on inside of them. The construction you *may* see is the third phase of the project.

◆ ***Millington Hall*** (1968) Home to the Departments of Biology and Psychology, boasts a greenhouse on the roof that serves as a working botanical lab for students and faculty. There are numerous concentration areas offered within Biology, including cellular biology, molecular biology, botany, animal behavior, ecology, ornithology, genetics, and immunology. Psychology professors, with their wide range of expertise, teach numerous topics such as abnormal psychology, organizational social behavior, physiology, health psychology, learning, community, statistics and research methods.

At the sundial, face Barksdale Field/ISC. Clockwise from where you standing you will see all of New Campus.

◆ ***Andrews Hall*** (1967) Is Home to the Department of Art and Art History. In addition to studio art rooms and a ceramics workshop, the Andrews Gallery frequently showcases various student and faculty art exhibits. As part of a permanent President's Collection, visual art students have assisted their professors in creating exhibits housed in art museums in Richmond, Williamsburg, Norfolk, and other areas of Virginia.

◆ ***Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall*** (1957) Forms the back half of Andrews Hall, and is home to the Departments of Theater and Dance. Affectionately called PBK, the theater hosts the Virginia Shakespeare Festival every summer. Every semester, the Theatre Department puts on two main stage shows. During the winter break, students come back early to direct, produce and perform a musical through the Sinfonicron program. You do not have to be a theater major or minor to participate in any of the productions put on in PBK.

PBK Hall is named in honor of Phi Beta Kappa, the first Greek organization established on a college campus and now the most prestigious university-level academic honor society. PBK was originally founded on our campus in 1776.

◆ ***The Muscarelle Museum*** (1983) Was fully accredited by the American Association of Museums in 1988, the first university museum in Virginia to receive such a distinction. The Muscarelle houses approximately 3,600 pieces of art, which include the College's permanent art collection and various visiting exhibits, and has hosted such exhibits as works by Michelangelo and Caravaggio. William & Mary students, faculty and staff receive free admission to the museum.

◆ *Morton Hall* (1974) Houses many of the social sciences (Government, Economics, International Relations, Sociology, Public Policy, Classical Studies, Women's Studies and Africana Studies). For those students interested in government, William & Mary has an office in Washington, DC that is open for many student programs throughout the year. Each summer, the Washington Office hosts events for students interning in the DC area that allow them to network with guest speakers, including politicians, foreign dignitaries, and business leaders.

In addition William & Mary holds a **semester in Washington program** that focuses on a different theme each semester. Open to students of all majors, students take two classes, one being a Friday seminar with field trips and guest speakers. Students also complete a 4-credit internship. Themes have included everything from terrorism and international security to fine arts to broadcast journalism in the nation's capital.

◆ *Jones Hall* (1969) Houses the Department of Mathematics. Undergraduate math research is funded by the National Science Foundation - Research for Undergraduates (NSF-RFU) programs, and senior projects are presented at the Verizon Science Symposium and other national academic conferences.

Jones also houses Information Technology, a tremendous resource to have on campus that handles all computer problems for students and staff. All students are required to have a laptop or tablet on campus. If you buy it through the school, you automatically get a 4-year warranty. If anything happens, it can conveniently be fixed right here on campus. The campus also has its own "Tribe" Computer Store.

◆ *Small Hall* (1964, renovated in 2010) is home to the Department of Physics. The white dome on the roof of Small is the observatory, which is used by the Astronomy classes and is open to the public for special occasions. A new addition to Small Hall houses William & Mary's own ultra high field nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectrometer laboratory, one of few in the nation. The power generated is the same as a one ton tanker truck hitting a brick wall at 40 miles per hour! With this laboratory, William & Mary is able to collaborate with national and international institutions and corporations to conduct research in science and medicine.

◆ *Swem Library* Earl Gregg Swem Library (1966, renovated in 2005) is the main library on campus. Swem completed a \$36 million renovation that added over 100,000 square feet to the library.

Enter Swem.

As you step through the main entrance, you will be entering the Information Commons area of the library. The wing to your right on the first floor houses the special collections department, which includes letters from Thomas Jefferson, papers from former Chief Justice Warren Burger, and other historical documents. Swem holds approximately 1.25 million volumes, 1 million microforms, and 500,000 government documents.

While in the library, students can rent out laptops to take anywhere in the building, all of which has wireless internet access.

The librarians are incredibly helpful here in Swem; they even have a chat function on their website so you can talk with them from the comfort of your dorm room.

An art gallery, interactive media center, and electronic classroom are located in the basement. There is also a 24-hour study lounge and coffee shop located just to the right as you exit the double doors of the library.

Swem also houses the Office of Academic Advising. Through this office, all students are assigned a professor in their area of interest who will advise them about registering for classes in their first two years here at the College. Incoming students are also assigned a peer advisor who assists with summer registration and course selection. Once students arrive on campus for Orientation, they will have their first meeting with their Academic Advisor. When students declare their majors, usually in the spring of their sophomore year, they select an advisor within their major whose interests are most fitting with theirs at that point in time.

As you exit Swem, take a sharp left, follow the path around the library, in between Swem and Millington, and proceed down the stairs. Bear right at the bottom of the stairs onto Landrum Drive and, keeping the tree line on your left, walk towards the corner. Turn left at the corner, past the brick gate on your left, which marks the boundaries of Old and New Campuses, and walk up the road towards the Crim Dell.

◆ *Crim Dell*

On your right is the Crim Dell, which connects Lake Matoaka to the Wildflower Refuge behind you. According to the Crim Dell legend, if you walk across the bridge by yourself, you are destined to be alone, never to fall in love for the rest of your life. If you walk across the bridge with a significant other and share a kiss in the middle of the bridge, you are destined to be together forever. However, if the relationship does not work out, you both must return to the top of this bridge. The unhappy party must throw their partner off the bridge into water to break the spell! Legend also has it that the Crim Dell was rated the second most romantic spot on a college campus. All students walk across the Crim Dell Bridge with their entire graduating class as part of the Commencement walk here at the College.

Continue walking up the road.

You will see several small brick houses on your left. These are **the Lodges** and they are “THE” place to live on campus. Located between New and Old Campuses and right next to the Sadler Center, the seven cottage-style Lodges house seven students each. Each Lodge has three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, living/dining room, fireplace, front porch, and back patio.

The last Lodge you see as you approach the brick terrace was actually converted into a student coffee shop, the **Daily Grind**. It’s a very popular location for students to study, hold group meetings, relax and hang out. They serve homemade scones and muffins everyday, as well as smoothies, frappes, and seasonal flavored coffees.

At the top of the hill you will arrive at the **Sadler Center Terrace**, another one of my favorite spots on campus. The Terrace has been compared to the “front porch of William & Mary,” as

everyone you know always seems to pass by on their way to class or to sit and chat. Students can also get to-go boxes of food from the Sadler Center and eat in the sunlight on the Terrace. During the warm fall and spring months, the Sadler Center Terrace hosts Fridays at Five, a concert series organized by Alma Mater Productions (AMP) held Friday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. AMP, the campus-wide programming body, provides entertainment at low to no cost to students and hosts events such as concerts, comedians, and movie screenings.

◆ *Sadler Center*

Enter the Sadler Center through the Lodge One terrace entrance at the front left corner.

◆ *Lodge One*

The dining area features restaurants that will serve day and late-night eaters. Comedy shows, a cappella performances and Homebrew, a weekly student performing arts showcase, are held on the stage in Lodge One.

Keep walking past the restaurant and through Lodge One.

On your right, you will pass the **Students' Exchange**, our on-campus convenience store where students purchase everything from organic foods to fresh sushi. Students can use Dining dollars—extra meal points on the meal plan, or W&M Express—a debit available on student ID's, to buy items in the store.

Outside of the Students' Exchange is the **Sadler Center Basement lounge area**. You will often find students hanging out on the couches, watching TV or playing in the free game area, where there are pool tables, a video game area, air hockey, and a shuffleboard table.

Student mailboxes are straight ahead. All students receive a mailbox, called a CSU, which they keep for the entire time they are at William & Mary. There is also a **United States Postal Service Office** located around the corner from the student mailboxes, where you can buy stamps, and send and receive packages.

When you reach the student mailboxes, turn right and walk straight forward, keeping the elevators to your left. Turn right again, walk through the doors and proceed up the spiral staircase to the first floor of the Sadler Center.

The two upper levels of the Sadler Center consist of various conference and meeting rooms and the Commonwealth Auditorium. Student organizations can reserve any room in the Sadler Center or on-campus free of charge. Speaking events held here recently have been: alumnus and former Secretary of Defense and former Director of Central Intelligence Robert Gates and alumna actress Glenn Close spoke in the Sadler Center. All of our undergraduate student research symposiums and campus-wide forums with the W&M President and Board of Visitors are held here. It's definitely a hot spot of student activity!

Also located on the first floor of the Sadler Center is **Center Court**, one of three main dining facilities on campus. The two other main dining halls are the **Marketplace**, located in the Campus Center, and the **Commons Dining Hall**, which students affectionately call the Caf. The Sadler Center's Center Court and the Caf are both all-you-can-eat buffet style dining halls. The Marketplace is more of a food court style dining hall and convenience store.

There are two kinds of meal plans. "Blocks" where you have a certain number of meals for the whole semester (or unlimited) or meal plans that include a certain number of meals per week. Freshman are required to have a meal plan. After freshmen year, students may choose from different meal plans in addition to those options or opt out if they wish.

Exit the Sadler Center.

◆ *Cohen Career Center*

The Cohen Career Center is adjacent to the Sadler Center on your left. Career Services is a department helpful for any student, freshmen through seniors, because they help with every step of the job search process from major and career advising all the way up to finding an internship or a job. (Their services are also available to alumni.) They help students perfect their resume, network at many events throughout the year, and even practice interviews. Career Services' professional staff works with employers to connect them to our students and alumni so that the job search process is as straightforward and effective as possible.

◆ *Zable Stadium*

William & Mary has 23 NCAA Division I athletic teams, with football competing at the Division 1-FCS level. William & Mary is a member of the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA). There are 41 club sports where students can play against other college club teams at a slightly less competitive level. Also offered are intramural sports, where students compete against each other in various single-sex or co-ed individual and team sports such as floor hockey, soccer, basketball, tennis and softball.

Proceed down the front of the Sadler Center and across the two crosswalks. Continue up the brick path now in front of you and walk with Blair, Tyler and Tucker Halls on your left, and the Sunken Gardens on your right.

◆ *James Blair Hall* (1935) Home to the Departments of History and Philosophy, was named after the first president of the College, the Reverend James Blair. Officially called the Lyon G. Tyler Department of History, after the College's seventeenth President, history majors can study North and South America, Europe, Africa, East Asia, South Asia and the Middle East. This department offers students many opportunities beyond the College's campus, through the Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, and the Colonial Williamsburg and Jamestown-Yorktown Foundations. The National Institute of American History and Democracy offers a pre-collegiate and collegiate study program.

Feel free to stroll inside the lobby of the building.

If you stand facing James Blair Hall, you will see the **Tyler Family Garden** on the left side of the building. Dedicated to the over thirty members of the Tyler family who have attended the College, the garden has a little-known secret. Try standing in the exact center of the garden (at the center of where the bricks form a cross), with your back facing the statues of three of the Tyler family's most distinguished members. As you stand facing the James Blair Hall, talk to the wall and *see what happens*.

◆ ***Blow Memorial Hall*** Behind Tyler Hall (under construction in 2015) is Blow Hall, originally built as W&M's gym. Blow Hall now houses many administrative offices including Financial Aid, the Registrar and Bursar's Offices, the Counseling Center, the Office of Community Engagement, and the Charles Center.

The Charles Center coordinates the Monroe Scholars Program, honors projects, and interdisciplinary studies. Interdisciplinary programs include Africana Studies, Environmental Studies, Global Studies, Linguistics, Medieval and Renaissance Studies, Neuroscience, and Women's Studies. Students can also design their own interdisciplinary study program! A friend of mine, for example, created a sustainable community development major while another is doing a public health major.

The Office of Community Engagement oversees service and service-learning projects at W&M. The Sharpe Community Scholars Program (which incoming freshmen can apply to) is one such program wherein students live together as freshmen and take one of seven freshmen seminars dedicated to community engagement. These students then create a semester-long service project based on that seminar. Over 80% of W&M students participate in community service through daily, weekly, monthly, or one-time service projects. This office offers the opportunity to get involved in everything from tutoring and mentoring to international service trips.

◆ ***Tucker Hall*** (1908) Currently houses the English Department. The English Department sponsors a **Writing Resources Center** in Swem Library at which students can make appointments to have their papers reviewed and critiqued by fellow students before they are due. In front of Tucker Hall is a newly dedicated statue of President James Monroe, one of four Presidents who attended the College. (Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe, John Tyler, and George Washington)

◆ ***Ancient Campus*** ◆

Follow the diagonal sidewalk past Tucker Hall and the Sunken Gardens. Enter into the Wren Courtyard straight ahead. This is the back entrance of the building. The front entrance faces Colonial Williamsburg.

◆ ***Wren Building***

The heart and soul of the College, the Wren building was built in 1695 and is the oldest academic building on a college campus that is still in use today. You can get a sense for all that

has happened here, just by standing in front of this majestic building. During the colonial era, the Wren building was the entire college; students slept here, ate here and worked here. We've expanded the College *just* a bit since then, which you saw as you made your way around campus today.

Currently, the Wren building houses the Department of Religious Studies, with classrooms on the second floor. A goal most W&M students have is to have a class in the Wren building before graduating, a small way to feel a part of the tremendous history of the building.

Facing the Wren Building, the Great Hall is the wing on your left and the Chapel is the wing on your right. The Great Hall hosts many events, including organizational initiations, musical performances, and thesis defenses. A ceremony was held at the Wren building to honor Queen Elizabeth's 2007 visit to Williamsburg. The Wren Chapel is a popular location for weddings and any alumni, students, faculty, staff, or their children can request to use the facility. Everyone and any religion is welcome to use the chapel.

As you walk up the center stairs onto the Wren porch, look to your right at the white plaque on the wall.

The Thirteen Priorities of William and Mary identify the historical and academic "firsts" of the College. William and Mary has the oldest honor code formally established at any institution of higher learning. Under Thomas Jefferson's leadership, the "gentlemen's code of conduct" was transformed into a written Honor Code by 1779. Today, the Honor Code promotes a community of trust among students. Every entering class gathers in the Great Hall during New Student Orientation and takes the pledge not to lie, cheat or steal in their academic or personal lives.

Many of William and Mary's most beloved traditions revolve around the Wren Building, one of them being an event that occurs within the first week of classes every year, called **Opening Convocation**. All new students gather in the Courtyard and are welcomed to the College by the President and a keynote speaker, usually an accomplished alum of the College. Following the ceremony, all new students walk through the Wren Building. And waiting for them on the other side is a truly moving sight: upper-classmen of the College as well as faculty and staff members are gathered to welcome the new students to the College, decked out in green and gold (our school's colors) and cheering and clapping for almost an hour! You really feel as if you are officially part of the Tribe after Convocation!

Four years later, seniors reverse this tradition and bring it full circle by walking the opposite direction through the Wren building, to begin their "walk across campus" to William and Mary Hall where Commencement exercises are held.

The other major tradition here at the Wren building comes at the end of the first semester each year: the annual **Yule Log Ceremony**. This time, the entire student body gathers in the Wren Courtyard. So many students come that there's usually a big crowd all along the sides of the building as well. Various religious and cultural organizations talk about the seasonal holidays occurring around that time of year. The President of the College speaks again, but this time he is dressed as Santa Claus and reads *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. Then *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* is read but it is transformed into *'Twas the Night Before Finals*, a version of the tale

that has been rewritten every year, making the whole story rhyme and including lots of campus events from the past year.

Then, each student in the crowd receives a sprig of holly and a Yule log is brought through the crowd and into the Great Hall, where it is set ablaze. As the log passes by, students brush their holly against the log. Students then proceed into the Great Hall and toss their holly into the fire, along with all their worries about finals. It is a great morale booster before exams begin! Afterwards, students come to the Front Yard of the Wren for hot cider and cookies with the President.

The Wren Building is open to the public (free of charge)
Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm; Saturday, 9am-5pm; and Sunday 12pm-5pm.

Walk through the Wren Building and exit into the Front Yard. If the building is closed, you can proceed around either side of the building to the front. The statue of Lord Botetourt is standing directly in front of you.

◆ *President's House & Brafferton*

The building on your left is the President's House, where the President, Taylor Reveley, lives with his family. It is the oldest President's House of any university and has housed all but one of William and Mary's presidents. During Orientation, freshmen congregate on his front lawn and serenade the President with the Alma Mater. He also holds multiple luncheons with students during the year. It's great to have him living right on campus, a testament to how involved he is in student life.

Directly across from the President's House is the Brafferton. Originally built to house the College's Indian School, it is now the Offices of the President and Provost. The President holds regular office hours throughout the year for students.

◆ *Colonial Williamsburg*

As you stand with your back to the Wren Building, you are looking down Duke of Gloucester Street, which students commonly refer to as "DoG" Street. Colonial Williamsburg is located directly across from the College campus, and students have free admission to all Colonial Williamsburg events and attractions. Merchant's Square (the first block of DoG Street) is home to various shops and restaurants, including the cozy coffee shop--Aroma's, a popular sandwich shop—The Cheese Shop, and a delicious little French bistro, The Blue Talon. There's also the Kimball Theatre, which features independent movies and performances; and the William & Mary Bookstore by Barnes & Noble.

If you walk farther down DoG Street, you'll run into the jeweler, the locksmith, the apothecary and all of the other exhibits that are part of the historical district of Colonial Williamsburg. The majestic Governor's Palace and Capitol Building are two main features of the town's living museum and host many reenactments throughout the year. One of my favorite activities in Colonial Williamsburg is going to the annual "Grand Illumination". The Williamsburg and College communities come together to see the decorations, colonial music, and fireworks celebration for the holiday season in Colonial Williamsburg.

With your back to the Wren Building, proceed around the building by following the brick path to the right, and walk towards the Sunken Gardens.

If you turn to your right and walk straight ahead with the Sunken Garden on your right, you will see Ewell Hall in front of you. Bear left and you will be back at the Ewell parking circle and will see the Undergraduate Admission Building just across the street.

Thank you for taking the time to visit the College!

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Undergraduate Admission at: 757-221-4223, or email at admission@wm.edu. You can also find more information available on our website, <http://www.wm.edu/admission>.

Other Facts

Student Activities – William & Mary offers more than 400 active student-run organizations with interests that range from cultural to political to musical to service-oriented, and everything in between! A complete list of student organizations is available online at www.wm.edu/studentactivities/clubsandorganizations/index.php.

Greek Life – The College was home to the birth of the first Greek organization Phi Beta Kappa. About 30% of students are involved in a Greek life on campus. For social fraternities and sororities, here is a formal recruitment period in the fall for women, and recruitment periods at the beginning of every semester for men. Many Greek activities are open to the entire student body, including philanthropy events. Greek housing is on-campus housing, so they offer the same costs and benefits as living in a residence hall, and usually house officers and upper classmen. Members of Greek life are not required to live Greek housing. There are also numerous Greek-letter honor, service and music fraternities open to interested students.

Transportation – Only juniors and seniors can have cars on campus. W&M students can ride the bus and trolley system for free, which makes for easy outings to the movies or the shopping outlets! There are three major airports located in the area: Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport, about half an hour away, and Richmond and Norfolk International airports, both an hour away. All three airports offer taxi or shuttle services that will come to campus. An Amtrak/Greyhound station is located two blocks from campus. The Student Assembly sponsors rides to and from the airports at the beginning/end of break periods.

Study Abroad – About 60% of students study abroad for a summer, semester or year. William & Mary sponsors more than 13 programs in various countries, and the Reves Center helps students pick the program that fits them best, whether it's through W&M or another school. Students can travel abroad more than once. Programs are available to students with different amounts of foreign language knowledge and of all majors. Information on study abroad programs can be

found through the Reves Center for International Studies. Adam studied abroad in the Dominican Republic, and Kelly studied abroad in Cambridge, UK.

College Curriculum Description -

Our general education system is called the College Curriculum or “COLL” curriculum. COLL courses will arise out of every academic field and discipline. Ten courses (approximately 30 of the 120 credits needed to graduate) are required in the College Curriculum. The remaining credits are taken as electives and in the major. More information is online through our Office of the University Registrar in the Course Catalog. www.wm.edu/registrar.

Academics – 120 credits to graduate, which averages to 15 credits per semester. We require all students to fulfill proficiencies in a foreign language and writing, on top of the requirements associated with their major area of study.

Average Class Size – The average class size at William & Mary is 25-30 students. Larger lecture classes are rare, and are most likely found in the introductory science courses.

Student-Faculty Ratio – The student-faculty ratio is 12:1, one of the lowest ratios for public universities in the nation.

Freshmen Seminars – These are reading, writing, and discussion-intensive classes that all freshmen must take capped at 15 students. They are offered in every department and range from English (Reading the Romance Novel, Spy Stories, and Baseball) to Biology (Emerging Diseases) to Government (International Political Conflict). It’s a great opportunity to develop a close relationship with a professor right away in your freshman year.

Campus Safety – The College is covered by three police jurisdictions: William & Mary Campus Police, the Williamsburg City Police, and the James City County Police. All residence halls require ID card access. Campus Escort, run by one of our service fraternities, is available to all students to get a ride if they feel uncomfortable walking. Emergency blue lights are located all over campus and you are instantly connected to Campus Police when you hit the red emergency button.

Bookstore – The William & Mary Bookstore, run by Barnes & Noble, is located on Duke of Gloucester Street (DoG Street) in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg. Students can purchase textbooks and school supplies, and the Bookstore also offers a wide selection of William & Mary merchandise. Store hours may vary from season to season but are generally 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Internships – The Cohen Career Center offers a variety of career planning resources, including an alumni networking database, mock interviews, a weekly e-mail listserv with internship and job opportunities, resume critiquing, career workshops, and individual student consultations.

Computers/Technology – All students are required to have a laptop computer on campus. Every dorm room on campus has a high-speed Ethernet connection and all parts of campus have wireless internet access.

James Monroe Scholars Program - The top 10% of each applicant pool, based on demonstrated intellectual curiosity, are admitted as James Monroe Scholars. You can also apply for the program during your freshman year at W&M. Freshmen Monroe Scholars can choose to live in Monroe Hall, a co-ed freshmen residence hall. They receive a \$3000 stipend to complete a research project of their choice most commonly during the summer between their junior and senior years. One example of such research done by a Monroe Scholar involved spending a summer in Washington, DC studying the behind-the-scenes relationship between politics and the media. Another project involved cage diving in the waters off the coast of northern Africa to examine the habits of great white sharks. For more information about the Monroe Scholars program, please visit the Charles Center web site at www.wm.edu/charlescenter.

Beyond the Bricks — The Extended Tour

Miller Hall – Mason School of Business

Directions: From the Admission Office, walk (left) down Jamestown Road about ¾ of a mile. Miller Hall will be the last campus building on your right.

Miller Hall stands as the Western Gate of the College, mirroring the Wren Building in the east. It is the home of our Mason School of Business. Both the undergraduate and graduate business programs are housed here. It is equipped with state-of-the-art technology such as plasma screens in every classroom and a financial markets room which parallels Wall Street. Apart from all the gadgets and gizmos, it also has two massive fireplaces in the common room which make for a great reading area/study-for-your-quiz-next-class area, and it has a delicious café!

Not only is Miller an absolutely beautiful building but it also houses some of the brightest and most innovative minds at William & Mary. The business school was the first to launch the DOT Campaign (Do One Thing for social and environmental sustainability) which soon became a viral hit on campuses across the nation. In fact, the sprinklers at Miller are even self-sustaining through underground rain-water barrels. The building is LEED certified.

Students can apply to the Business School typically at the end of sophomore year, after taking the required pre-requisites and credits.

If you would like more information on the business program itself (the foundation semester or majors/minors), feel free to contact the Undergraduate Business School at 757-221-4100.

Matoaka Amphitheater

Directions: From the Admission Office, walk (left) down Jamestown Road just past Miller Hall and you'll see the path for Matoaka Amphitheater.

The Lake Matoaka Amphitheater is primarily a venue for outdoor concerts and performances. It was originally built in 1947 to serve as a performance space for Paul Green's "The Common Glory," a play about the American Revolution. The Amphitheater is now an entertainment hot spot on the W&M campus. It holds 2400 people. In the past, the student activities board AMP (Alma Mater Productions) has brought in bands like The Ying Yang Twins, K'naan and Wale, The Ting Tings and The Cool Kids to perform at the Amphitheater.

Recreation Center — The Rec

Directions: Located behind William & Mary Hall. I recommend driving from the Admission Office. From our back parking lot, make a left onto Boundary Street. At the second stop sign, turn left onto Jamestown Road and drive past the Admission building. Drive about ¾ of a mile and turn right onto Ukrop Way next to the Business school. Follow Ukrop Way to William & Mary Hall and park in the large lot.

Most students use the Rec to work out free of charge, but it is also home to intramural sports. Many W&M students and faculty form IM sport teams via department, organization, freshman hall, and other groups on campus. Some students play IM sports competitively; others have a more leisurely approach.

The Rec does have other things to offer. My favorite: the rock climbing wall. Any W&M student can rock climb (supervised, of course) for free. Another one of my favorites are the group fitness classes. Whether its body pump, boot camp, yoga, kick boxing, or pilates, there's something about knowing that everyone around you is just as miserable, sweaty, and exhausted as you are that really keeps you going. The Rec also offers personal trainers for both individual and group sessions. Personal trainers and group class instructors are staffed mainly by W&M students and staff. Some other perks of the Rec Center: an Olympic-size swimming pool, sauna, squash and racquetball courts, juice bar, and massage rooms.

William & Mary Hall, our basketball arena, is right in front of the Rec Center. In addition to hosting sporting events, W&M Hall is also where the freshmen are welcomed and Commencement ceremonies occur, as well as many great concerts, such as Gavin Degraw, Ludacris, and Third Eye Blind.

Across from W&M Hall is the College's fraternity complex. The nation's first fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa, was founded at W&M in 1776. Today, W&M has numerous fraternities that provide our male students with social, philanthropic, and leadership opportunities. These are part of the campus housing system.

Law School – Marshall Wythe School of Law

Directions: From the Admission Office, take Jamestown Road towards Colonial Williamsburg and make a right onto Boundary. Take your next left onto Francis Street and then take a right at the light onto South Henry Street. The Law School will be on your left in two blocks. It's a half-mile walk from the Admission Office.

One of the coolest things about being pre-law here at W&M is that it isn't a major, just a track, so you can be any major you want and still be pre-law. Another perk as an undergraduate here at the College is that you can take classes at the law school as an undergrad. Thomas Jefferson founded our law school in 1779 making it the oldest law school in the nation, and W&M the first college to become a university. Jefferson's philosophy was that law students should not be educated to simply be lawyers, but also to be good citizens and leaders of their communities, states, and nations. That is why the Law School is grounded in the philosophy of the citizen lawyer. Current professors support citizen lawyer training and participate as citizen lawyers themselves. The Law School houses the Center for Legal and Court Technology, a part of the Courtroom 21 Project of 1993. Why bother mentioning it? The CLCT is known for the Law School's McGlothlin Courtroom, which is the world's most technologically advanced trial and appellate courtroom. Our nation's fourth chief justice John Marshall graduated from the W&M Law School along with many other successful alumni who are automatic members of the W&M Law School Association, an alumni network. Law students are just as active as our undergraduate students with 34 organizations, four student edited law journals and newspapers, service groups and more. Another opportunity law students accepted into the J.D. program have

is receiving a joint degree from the School of Business, the Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy and the American Studies Program.

School of Education

Directions: We recommend driving from the Admission Office. From our back parking lot, make a left out of the lot onto Boundary Street. Stay in the right lane. At the second stop sign, follow the left-bending curve around onto Richmond Road. At the second light, make a left onto Monticello Avenue. The School of Education complex is on your left after the first light.

The SOE, a more recent addition to our campus, continues the College's trend of becoming one of the most state-of-the-art campuses. In the fall of 2010 both graduate and undergraduate students were welcomed through the massive archway that stands as the opening to the SOE. This new building is a perfect place for the mélange of the SOE's various research projects, academic programs and outreach centers. One of the most exciting opportunities that the SOE offers to undergraduate students is the 5-year program which combines the senior year of your undergraduate career with a 5th year and results in a Masters degree. You apply during your junior year and don't have to take any classes until your senior year (3 classes).

You also have the option to attach Education as a second major and complete the coursework in as little as 3 semesters for a concentration in primary or secondary education. In the end, regardless of which one you choose, you will most definitely be moved by the enthusiasm of the distinguished faculty and will be inspired by the charisma and passion of your fellow students. There is a walking trail from the Rec Center to the new SOE facility and the campus bus system runs there.

If you have more specific questions you can contact the School of Education at 757-221-2317.

