

## Simmons College

### Institutional Overview

Located in Boston's historic Fenway area along the Emerald Necklace (designed by Frederick Law Olmsted), Simmons College is a private academic institution, which has educated students for enriching careers and useful, independent lives for over 100 years. Simmons has a four-year, undergraduate women's college and five coeducational graduate schools. Decades before women in America gained the right to vote, Boston businessman John Simmons had a revolutionary idea—that, with improved education, women could earn independent livelihoods—and Simmons College was the result.

A four-year, private non-sectarian undergraduate women's college with a comprehensive liberal arts and professional curriculum, Simmons offers an education for undergraduate women that integrates liberal arts with professional work experience, interdisciplinary study, and a global perspective. Students receive a broad-based, liberal arts education strengthened by direct experience in their area of concentration through internships, independent study, research, fieldwork, or theses. Simmons offers more than 40 undergraduate majors and programs, with minors in all departments. Simmons offers coeducational online and face-to-face graduate programs in the health sciences, education, liberal arts, communications, social work, and library and information science along with the first MBA program designed specifically for women.

Simmons core purpose is “transformative learning that links passion with lifelong purpose.” Four core values undergird everything we do:

- We are at our best when students are first.
- We cross boundaries to create opportunities.
- We prepare students for life's work.
- We make a collective investment in community.

### Quick Facts

### Character

- Four-year, private, non-sectarian undergraduate women's college with a comprehensive liberal arts and professional curriculum
- One of New England's most successful undergraduate programs for adult women: the Dorothea Dix Scholars Program
- Four graduate professional schools offering programs for women and men in health studies, library and information science, management, and social work, plus nine leading graduate programs in education and liberal arts
- #1 ranked MBA program for women (Princeton Review)
- Recipient of numerous [awards and accolades](#)

## Student Body

- Approximately 1,700 undergraduate women students, 15% Dix Scholars (adult learners)
- More than 4,000 graduate students (women and men)
- Approximately 24% self-reported African American, Latina, Asian, Native American, and multi-racial students; 3% international students
- 36 states and 53 countries represented
- Graduate students achieve some of the highest pass rates on professional licensure exams.

## Faculty

- 215 full-time faculty members, 70% of whom are women
- Student-to-faculty ratio of 10:1
- Average class size: 18