



**UMass** | Dartmouth



**Imagine yourself here—we did**

**College Now | START**

Alternative Admissions Programs



**Join us.** At UMass Dartmouth you'll find students like yourself who have big dreams for themselves and for a better world. You'll find faculty who encourage you to explore new interests. And you'll find a sense of belonging and community here.

### Is college really possible?

If a college education seems beyond your reach, UMass Dartmouth has solutions that can turn your dream of college into reality. The College Now and START programs help you gain admission to UMass Dartmouth and continue to offer support throughout your college career.

Hundreds of students who once ruled out a college education for academic or financial reasons are now UMass Dartmouth graduates, thanks to College Now and START. College can be in your future, too.

### Our alumni succeed at:

- Massachusetts Department of Children and Families
- Google
- Jacobs Engineering
- The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.
- Massachusetts State Police
- Naval Undersea Warfare Center
- General Electric
- Boston Children's Medical
- Southcoast Hospitals...  
to name just a few.



I'm proud to say that the College Now/START program is the cornerstone of my college education. I learned the fundamentals of mathematics and physics required to endure the first year of engineering.

Abner Barros

It was an unforgettable experience that introduced me to new ideas, concepts, cultures, languages, places, and people that opened a whole new world of exciting memories and adventures.

—Carolina Mendez



## College Now

College Now was created more than 45 years ago by UMass Dartmouth to assist high school students who need a non-traditional way to enroll in college. Our highly individualized selection process allows us to evaluate individual situations and provide the needed support to help motivated students succeed at UMass Dartmouth.

## START (Steps Toward Abstract Reasoning & Thinking)

If you're interested in calculus-based majors, such as Engineering, Computer Science, Math, or Physics, but lack the necessary math or science foundation these majors require, the START program is for you. START "steps" include a comprehensive mathematics course, a laboratory-based science course, an effective reasoning and computer skills course, and counseling and tutoring to help develop good study habits in demanding technical programs.





## Become a College Now or START student

The College Now and START programs welcome students from a variety of backgrounds. We especially encourage students from low-income households or those whose parents have not earned a college degree.

Space is limited in the programs and we cannot accept every applicant. You must reside in Massachusetts, and be either a U.S. citizen or a permanent U.S. resident for at least one year.

START applicants must be interested in calculus-based majors, such as engineering • math • computer science • physics

### Application Process

- Complete the Common Application or UMass Dartmouth's online application.
- On the application, select College Now or START as your intended major.
- Submit the application fee or waiver.
- Submit an official high school transcript.
- Send in your official SAT results (College Board #3786).
- Include your personal essay.
- Submit one letter of recommendation.
- College Now/START will review your application and notify you if you are selected as a candidate for one of these programs. If so, you will be required to complete an interview and College Now Placement Test.

Apply online: [umassd.edu/collegenow](https://umassd.edu/collegenow)



## Academic Program Areas [umassd.edu/programs](http://umassd.edu/programs)

*Offered as a minor only \**

Accounting  
 Aging and Health \*  
 Anthropology  
 Applied and  
     Computational Mathematics  
 Art Education  
 Art History  
 Astronomy/Astrophysics  
 Biochemistry  
 Bioengineering  
 Biology  
 Black Studies\*  
 Business Administration\*  
 Ceramics  
 Chemistry  
 Civil Engineering  
 Clinical Laboratory Science  
 Communication\*  
 Computer Engineering  
 Computer Game Design\*  
 Computer Science  
 Creative Writing\*  
 Crime and Justice Studies  
 Data Science  
 Digital Media  
 Drawing  
 E-Commerce/Digital Business  
 Economics  
 Education (4+1 master's degree)  
 Electrical Engineering  
 English

Film & Media Studies\*  
 Finance  
 Fine Arts\*  
 French  
 Graphic Design  
 Healthcare Services Administration  
 History  
 Illustration  
 Indic Studies\*  
 International Business\*  
 International Politics  
 Jewelry/Metals  
 Leadership & Civic Engagement\*  
 Liberal Arts  
 Literature & Criticism  
 Management Information Systems  
 Management-Leadership  
 Manufacturing  
 Marine Biology  
 Marketing  
 Mathematics  
 Mechanical Engineering  
 Medical Laboratory Science  
 Mobile Applications Development\*  
 Music  
 Music Education  
 Nursing  
 Operations Management  
 Painting  
 Philosophy  
 Photography  
 Physics

Political Science  
 Portuguese  
 Pre-law  
 Printmaking  
 Psychology  
 Religious Studies\*  
 Sculpture  
 Service Operation Management  
 Small Business/  
     Entrepreneurship  
 Sociology  
 Software Engineering  
 Spanish  
 Supply Chain Management  
 Sustainability\*  
 Technology & Management  
 Textile Design/Fiber Arts  
 Urban Studies\*  
 Women's & Gender Studies  
 Writing, Rhetoric &  
     Communication

### **Pre-professional programs**

Pre-health  
 (includes pre-dental, pre-OT  
 pre-pharmacy, pre-PT, and  
 pre-vet)  
 Pre-law  
 Pre-med



### Ideal location

Dartmouth is a vibrant coastal community,  
 20 minutes from the beach,  
 30 minutes from Providence,  
 60 minutes from Boston.



For more information call **508.999.8703** or  
 check us out online: [umassd.edu/collegenow](http://umassd.edu/collegenow)

### A UMass Dartmouth Education

You can choose from more than 82 fields of study in five colleges. You'll study the courses needed for the career you want, and also learn about the humanities, the sciences, and the social sciences. In other words, you'll earn the well-rounded, comprehensive education you'll need to be successful.

### By the numbers

80+	Majors/Minors
7,300	Undergraduate students
4,200	Students live on campus
85%	Students who apply for financial aid receive it
51:49	Male to Female ratio
30%	Undergraduate students of color
392	Full-time faculty
27	Average class size
180	Student organizations

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