

Stonehill College, Easton MA



Stonehill was founded in 1948 as a Catholic college based on the values of integrity, compassion and academic excellence. The college's holistic approach is guided by the principles of education and faith. They believe that, "Our students grow into global citizens who value knowledge, integrity and compassion as they seek to create a more just society." Ideally located in historic New England, the natural beauty of the area surrounds the peaceful

campus, while big cities like Boston, Providence and New York are a short bus or car ride away. Off-campus cultural events, job prospects and more are easily accessible. Shopping, museums, restaurants, sports, and entertainment abound. Plus, you can enjoy outdoor parks and recreation spots across the region, from coastal Maine to the ski slopes of New Hampshire to the Cape Cod shoreline.

Located between Boston and Providence, Stonehill is a Massachusetts college that provides students with an array of research and internship experiences on campus and nearby metropolitan areas. Stonehill has earned national recognition for its international study and internships abroad. It has consistently been singled out by The Princeton Review as one of the best colleges in the country and was selected for the publication's 2015 edition of *The Best 379 Colleges*. According to *Forbes' America's Top Colleges*, Stonehill ranks and No. 93 in the Northeast according to its 2014 list. In addition, in 2014 *U.S. News & World Report's* "America's Best Colleges" guide ranked Stonehill in the top tier of schools in the National Liberal Arts Colleges.

Their Cornerstone Program of General Education connects knowledge with intellectual engagement, core communication skills, leadership, social justice and a focus on personal growth and discovery. By combining the Cornerstone Program with specific programs of study, Stonehill equips students with the foundational knowledge, diversity of experience and spirit of curiosity that are hallmarks of a well-rounded liberal arts education. Their programs in the arts, sciences and business administration emphasize deep understanding and effective practice. While students focus on requirements within their major or minor, they also have the flexibility to explore academic opportunities unique to their own educational plans, including local internships, semester-long domestic internships, international internships, study abroad, interdisciplinary concentrations, community-based learning, directed study and independent research.

Stonehill's Honors Program emphasizes service learning, community involvement and team building while leading students into lasting habits of reflection and a life of the mind. The program is designed to stimulate independent thought and help students learn critical thinking, oral communication, and writing skills while also experiencing real-world service and research. It also gives students the kind of autonomy needed to take some control

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over their learning as they develop new skills and uncover new interests.

The most recent freshman class admitted has 610 students, with 42% men and 58% women enrolled. Twenty-two percent of the class has entered as liberal arts majors, 19.5% enrolled as business majors and 32% enrolled as science majors. The mid-50% of the freshman class was ranked in the top10%-34% of their high school senior grade. The average ACT composite score for the mid-50% is 23-28 and the average SAT combined score for mid-50% is 1510-1830; however, the college is test optional.

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Stonehill has a total undergraduate enrollment of 2,481, with 59.4 percent of full-time undergraduates receiving need-based financial aid. The student-faculty ratio at Stonehill College is 12:1, and the school has 54.8 percent of its classes with fewer than 20 students. Professors emphasize critical analysis and creative thinking while mentoring students in more than 80 academic programs in the liberal arts, sciences, business and pre-professional fields. The most popular majors at Stonehill College include

Business Management and Marketing; Social Sciences, including Psychology; Biological and Biomedical Sciences; and Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs.

At this school, 90 percent of the students live in campus housing and 10 percent of students live off campus. Comfortable residence halls, an active campus, good food and a welcoming culture encourage incoming students to quickly embrace the close-knit community and make a successful transition to college life. Stonehill College also offers campus safety and security services like 24-hour foot and vehicle patrols, late night transport/escort service, 24-hour emergency telephones, lighted pathways/sidewalks, and controlled dormitory access (key, security card, etc). The Athletic Department fields 20 competitive NCAA Division II intercollegiate varsity sports. The College's combination of academic and athletic success has garnered Stonehill the #4 ranking in the country among NCAA Division II schools in the Collegiate Power Rankings.

Notable Alumni: **Michael Novak '56**, Philosopher, Journalist, and Diplomat. Former United States Ambassador to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights; **Thomas J. May '69**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer NSTAR, Director Bank of America Corporation; **Christy Mihos '72**, Grandson of the founder of Christy's Markets, former member of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority, 2006 and 2010 candidate for Governor of Massachusetts; **Marsha Moses, '75**, Director of the Vascular Biology Program

at Children's Hospital in Boston and professor of Surgery at Harvard Medical School; **Leo J. Meehan, III '75**, CEO of W.B. Mason; **Duke Castiglione '96**, Former ESPN SportsCenter host and current sports journalist for WNYW Fox 5 in New York City.

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