



Merrimack College Factbook

December 2025



MERRIMACK COLLEGE

**Our mission is to
enlighten minds,
engage hearts and
empower lives.**



INSPIRED BY THE CATHOLIC FAITH AND THE AUGUSTINIAN TRADITION OF SEEKING TRUTH THROUGH INQUIRY AND DIALOGUE, OUR VISION IS TO:

- Prepare students to adapt creatively to tomorrow's realities through excellence in the liberal arts, sciences and the professions.
- Build a community of scholars welcoming and respecting a diversity of backgrounds, experiences, beliefs and perspectives.
- Cultivate the intellectual, moral, spiritual, physical and personal awareness needed to make wise choices for life, career and service.
- Encourage and support scholarly work that contributes to the wisdom on which society bases its decisions.
- Engage other educational institutions, industry and agencies of social change in collaborative efforts fostering a just, peaceful and sustainable world.

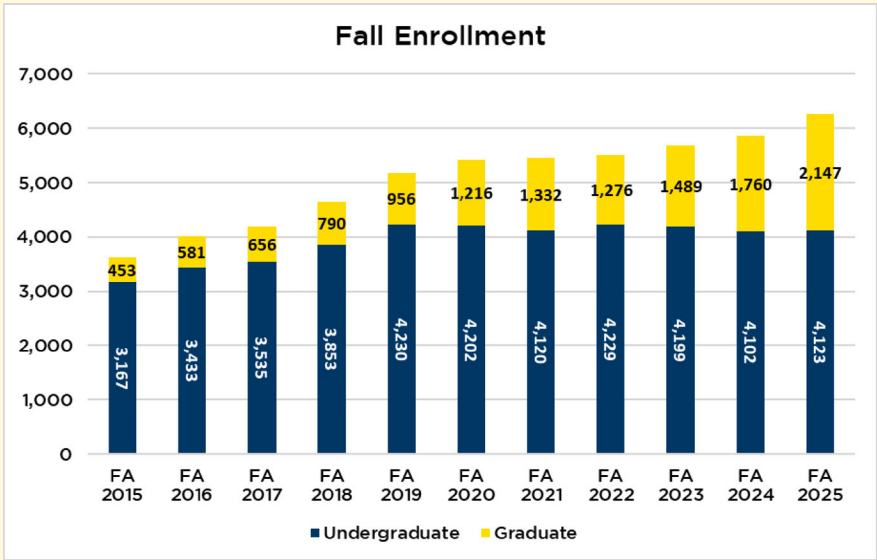


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FALL ENROLLMENT

The Fall Enrollment component of IPEDS collects data on all students enrolled for credit in courses/programs that could lead to credentials ranging from postsecondary certificates up through doctoral degrees. Fall enrollment data collects a number of fields; this breakdown is by student level.

	FA 2015	FA 2016	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024	FA 2025
Undergraduate	3,167	3,433	3,535	3,853	4,230	4,202	4,120	4,229	4,199	4,102	4,123
Graduate	453	581	656	790	956	1,216	1,332	1,276	1,489	1,760	2,147
Total	3,620	4,014	4,191	4,643	5,186	5,418	5,452	5,505	5,688	5,862	6,270

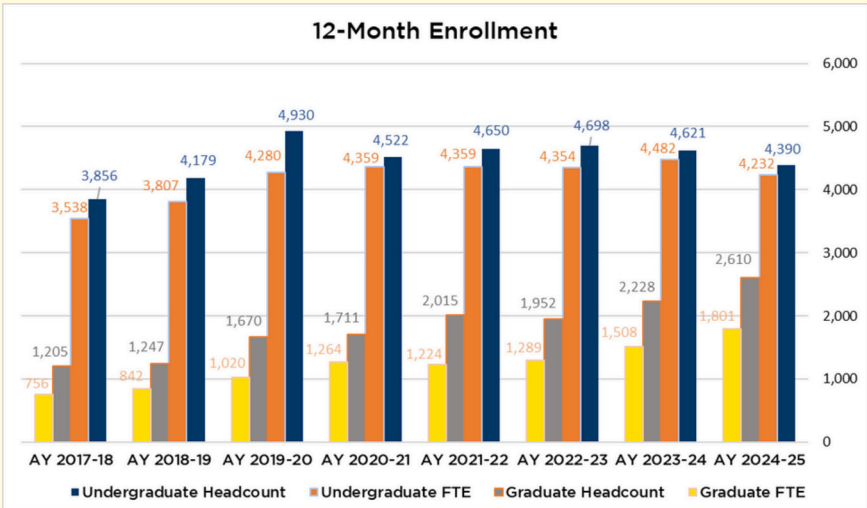


Source: IPEDS

12 - MONTH ENROLLMENT

This component of IPEDS collects a unique headcount of all students enrolled for credit and instructional activity data for an entire 12-month period. Some of the sub-categories of data collected about the students are: sex, attendance status (full-time, part-time), race/ethnicity, degree-seeking statuses, and progression statuses (e.g. first-time entering, transfer-in, returning).A full-time equivalent (FTE) student enrollment at the undergraduate and graduate levels is estimated using the instructional activity data reported.

	AY 2014-15	AY 2015-16	AY 2016-17	AY 2017-18	AY 2018-19	AY 2019-20	AY 2020-21	AY 2021-22	AY 2022-23	AY 2023-24	AY 2024-25
Undergraduate											
Headcount	3,302	3,522	3,786	3,856	4,179	4,930	4,522	4,650	4,698	4,621	4,390
FTE	3,116	3,211	3,488	3,538	3,807	4,280	4,359	4,359	4,354	4,482	4,232
Graduate											
Headcount	640	728	897	1,205	1,247	1,670	1,711	2,015	1,952	2,228	2,610
FTE	337	522	625	756	842	1,020	1,264	1,224	1,289	1,508	1,801
Total											
Headcount	3,942	4,250	4,683	5,061	5,426	6,600	6,233	6,665	6,650	6,849	7,000
FTE	3,453	3,733	4,113	4,294	4,649	5,300	5,623	5,583	5,643	5,990	6,033

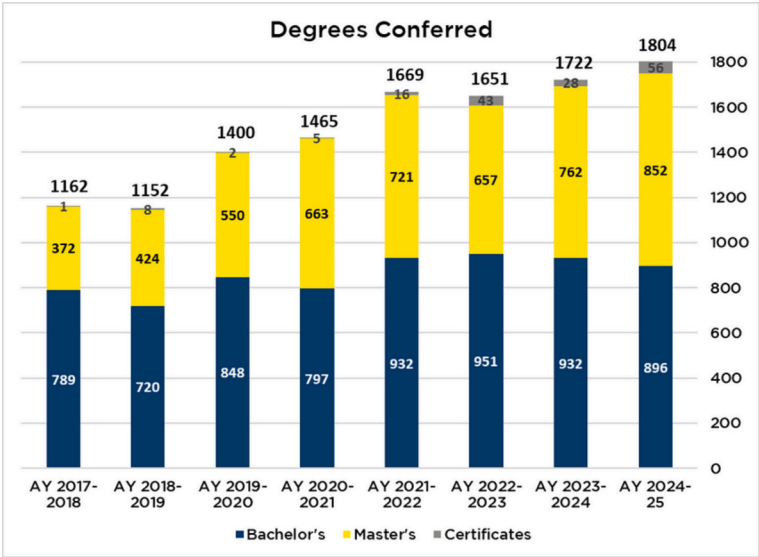


DEGREES CONFERRED

This data is from the Completions component of IPEDS, which collects data on the number of awards conferred by an institution during the 12-month time period beginning July 1 of the previous calendar year and ending June 30 of the current calendar year. The awards reported range from undergraduate certificates up through doctoral. Data are collected for both first and second major fields of study.

	AY 2016-17	AY 2017-18	AY 2018-19	AY 2019-20	AY 2020-21	AY 2021-22	AY 2022-23	AY 2023-24	AY 2024-25
Bachelor's	754	789	720	848	797	932	951	932	896
Master's	338	372	424	550	663	721	657	762	852
Certificates	0	1	8	2	5	16	43	28	56
Total	1092	1162	1152	1400	1465	1669	1651	1722	1804

Note: Certificates include post-bachelor and post-master's level awards

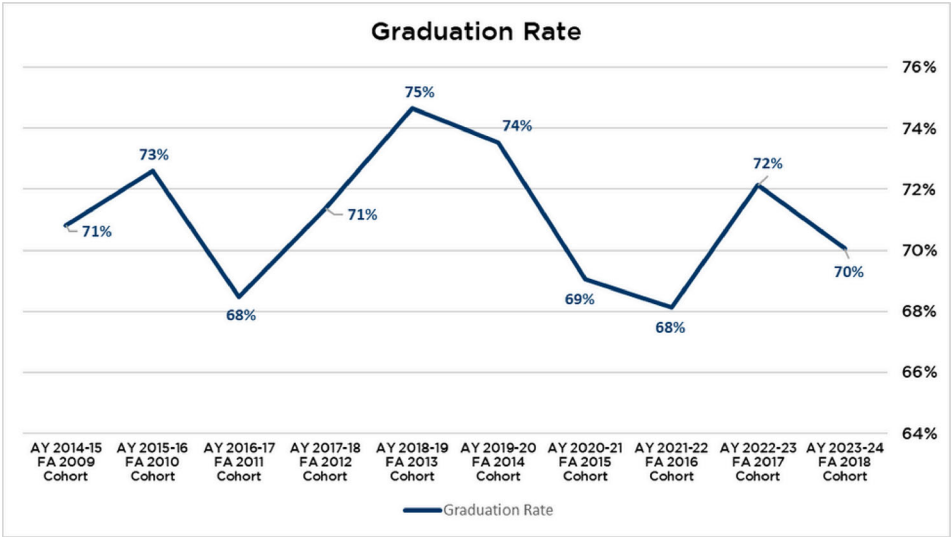


Source: IPEDS

6-YEAR GRADUATION RATE

This component of IPEDS helps institutions satisfy the requirements of the Student Right-to-Know legislation. Data are collected on the number of students entering the institution as full-time, first-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students in a particular year (cohort), by race/ethnicity and sex; the number completing their program within 150 percent of normal time to completion; and the number that transfer to other institutions if transfer is part of the institution's mission.

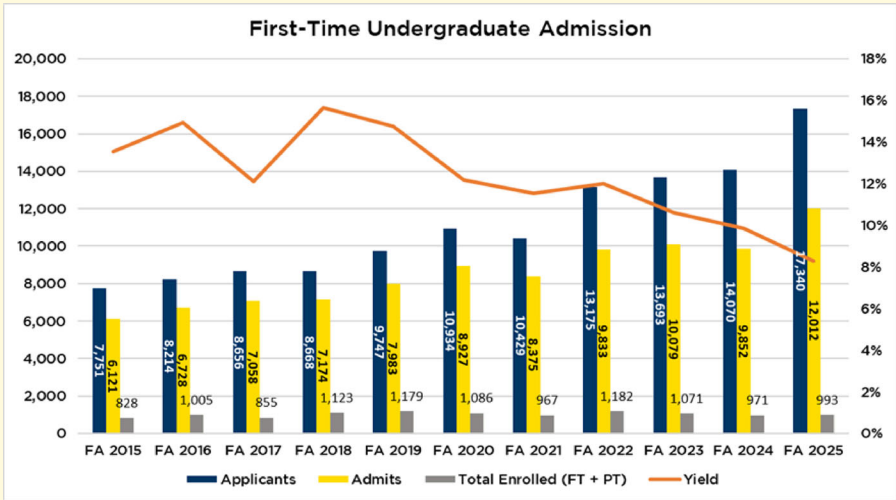
	AY 2014-15	AY 2015-16	AY 2016-17	AY 2017-18	AY 2018-19	AY 2019-20	AY 2020-21	AY 2021-22	AY 2022-23	AY 2023-24
	FA 2009 Cohort	FA 2010 Cohort	FA 2011 Cohort	FA 2012 Cohort	FA 2013 Cohort	FA 2014 Cohort	FA 2015 Cohort	FA 2016 Cohort	FA 2017 Cohort	FA 2018 Cohort
# in Adjusted Cohort	545	489	609	695	793	858	827	1004	854	1122
# Completers	386	355	417	496	592	631	571	684	616	786
Graduation Rate	71%	73%	68%	71%	75%	74%	69%	68%	72%	70%



ADMISSION (FIRST-TIME, UNDERGRADUATE)

Official admission data is of the undergraduate population of entering first-time, degree/certificate-seeking students in the fall term.

	FA 2015	FA 2016	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024	FA 2025
Applicants	7,751	8,214	8,656	8,668	9,747	10,934	10,429	13,175	13,693	14,070	17,340
Admits	6,121	6,728	7,058	7,174	7,983	8,927	8,375	9,833	10,079	9,852	12,012
Total Enrolled*	828	1,005	855	1,123	1,179	1,086	967	1,182	1,071	971	993
Yield	14%	15%	12%	16%	15%	12%	12%	12%	11%	10%	8%

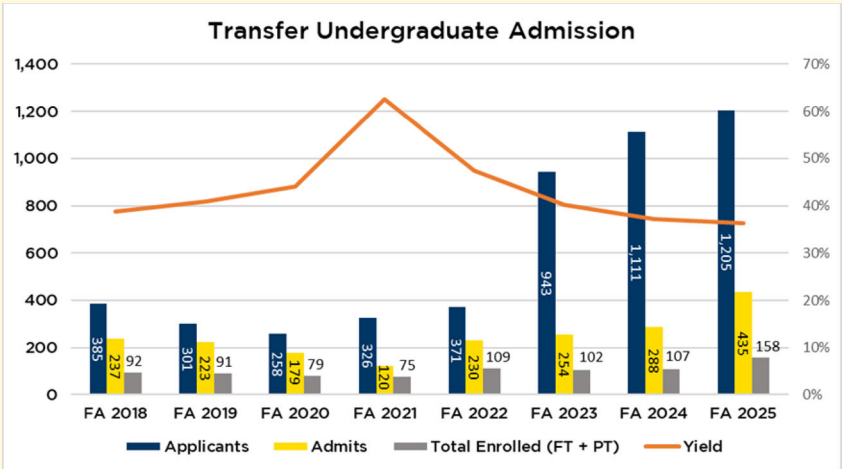


ADMISSION (TRANSFER, UNDERGRADUATE)

Official admission data for degree-seeking undergraduate students entering Merrimack College for the first time, but known to have previously enrolled at a different postsecondary institution.

FA 2025					
	Men	Women	Another Gender	Gender Unknown	Total
Applicants	472	726	0	7	1205
Admits	182	252	0	1	435
Enrolled FT	71	85	0	0	156
Enrolled PT	0	2	0	0	2
Total Enrolled	71	87	0	0	158

	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024	FA 2025
Applicants	385	301	258	326	371	943	1,111	1,205
Admits	237	223	179	120	230	254	288	435
Total Enrolled (FT + PT)	92	91	79	75	109	102	107	158
Yield	39%	41%	44%	63%	47%	40%	37%	36%

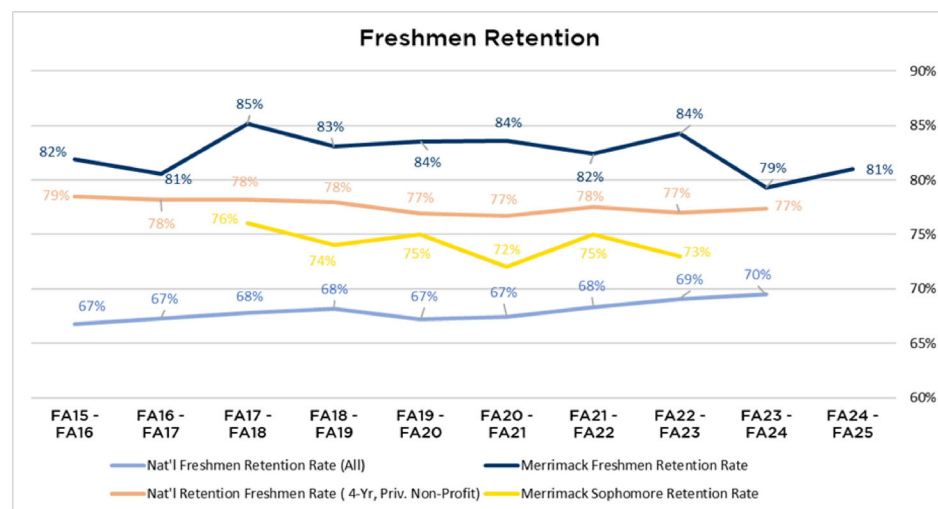


Source: IPEDS, National Student Clearinghouse, and official institutional census

RETENTION

Retention is a measure of the rate at which students persist in their educational program at an institution, expressed as a percentage. For four-year institutions, this is the percentage of first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduates from the previous fall who are again enrolled in the subsequent fall.

	FA 2015 - FA 2016	FA 2016 - FA 2017	FA 2017 - FA 2018	FA 2018 - FA 2019	FA 2019 - FA 2020	FA 2020 - FA 2021	FA 2021 - FA 2022	FA 2022 - FA 2023	FA 2023 - FA 2024	FA 2024 - FA 2025
Cohort	828	1,004	854	1,122	1,178	1,087	965	1,182	1,071	971
Exclusions	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
# Retained	677	808	727	932	984	909	795	996	849	782
Retention Rate	82%	81%	85%	83%	84%	84%	82%	84%	79%	81%



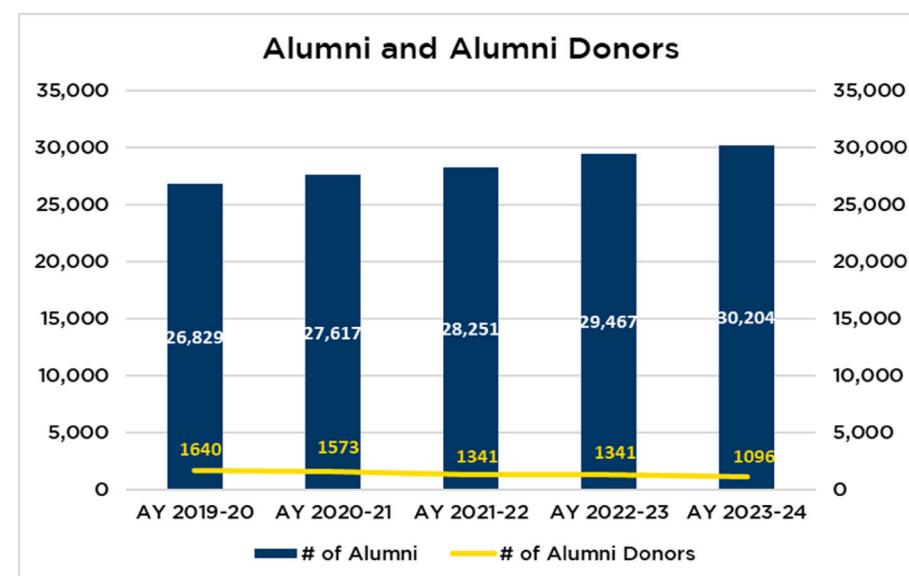
Source: IPEDS, National Student Clearinghouse, US News and official institutional census

ALUMNI

	AY 2019-20	AY 2020-21	AY 2021-22	AY 2022-23	AY 2023-24
# of Alumni	26,829	27,617	28,251	29,467	30,204
# of Alumni Donors	1640	1573	1341	1341	1096

Alumni are considered 'contactable' undergraduate alumni and the 'donor' number includes both hard- and soft-credit donors. A hard-credit donor is an individual or entity that provides the actual funds for a donation, while a soft-credit donor is a non-monetary recognition given to someone who influenced or facilitated the gift, such as a peer-to-peer fundraiser or a matching gift company.

Total Alumni
39,644



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

	FY 2016-2017	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019	FY 2019-2020	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022	FY 2022-2023	FY 2023-2024
Endowment	\$ 54,359,205	\$ 58,487,986	\$ 58,940,409	\$ 55,666,092	\$ 74,119,235	\$ 65,709,445	\$ 76,251,129	\$ 86,879,373
Total Expenses	\$ 112,171,523	\$ 121,411,550	\$ 132,231,096	\$ 138,537,866	\$ 145,972,645	\$ 160,145,424	\$ 166,993,759	\$ 182,015,554
Instruction	\$ 35,638,872	\$ 38,344,560	\$ 41,326,959	\$ 46,719,462	\$ 47,104,524	\$ 46,881,956	\$ 51,772,977	\$ 52,767,883
Research	\$ 661,721	\$ 663,215	\$ 930,201	\$ 430,773	\$ 371,190	\$ 940,317	\$ 1,502,368	\$ 1,602,544
Instruction Expenses per FTE	\$ 8,665	\$ 8,930	\$ 8,889	\$ 8,815	\$ 8,377	\$ 8,397	\$ 9,175	\$ 8,809
Total Expenses per FTE	\$ 27,272	\$ 28,275	\$ 28,443	\$ 26,139	\$ 25,960	\$ 28,684	\$ 29,593	\$ 30,387
Tuition and Fee Revenue (Gross)	\$ 136,913,565	\$ 145,417,462	\$ 164,551,130	\$ 187,996,342	\$ 201,890,674	\$ 205,164,508	\$ 218,755,493	\$ 235,019,565
Scholarship & Aid to Students	\$ 58,925,873	\$ 63,008,644	\$ 74,002,739	\$ 83,897,610	\$ 94,463,117	\$ 102,183,190	\$ 111,425,791	\$ 119,501,639
Tuition and Fee Revenue (Net)	\$ 77,987,692	\$ 82,408,818	\$ 90,548,391	\$ 104,098,732	\$ 107,427,557	\$ 102,981,318	\$ 107,329,702	\$ 115,517,926

The Higher Education Research and Development (HERD) Survey collects information from U.S. colleges and universities that have spent at least \$150,000 for R&D that has been separately accounted for in the past fiscal year. It is conducted by the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) within the U.S. National Science Foundation (NSF).



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**Merrimack College total
expenditures for research
and development**

FY24*	\$ 2,853,000.00
FY23	\$ 1,560,000.00
FY22	\$ 1,010,000.00
FY21	\$ 407,000.00
FY20	\$ 503,000.00
	* Preliminary

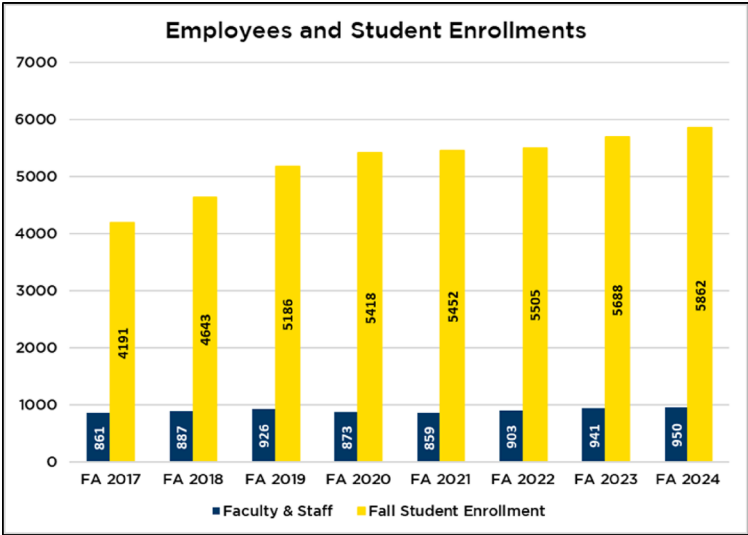
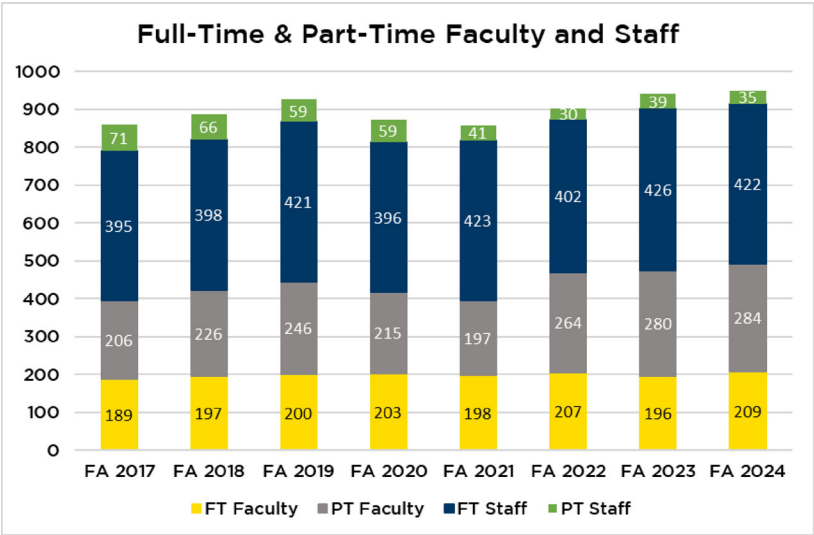
Source: IPEDS and Audited Financial Statements

FACULTY AND STAFF

	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024
Faculty	395	423	446	418	395	471	476	493
FT Faculty	189	197	200	203	198	207	196	209
PT Faculty	206	226	246	215	197	264	280	284
Staff	466	464	480	455	464	432	465	457
FT Staff	395	398	421	396	423	402	426	422
PT Staff	71	66	59	59	41	30	39	35
Total	861	887	926	873	859	903	941	950
FT	584	595	621	599	621	609	622	631
PT	277	292	305	274	238	294	319	319

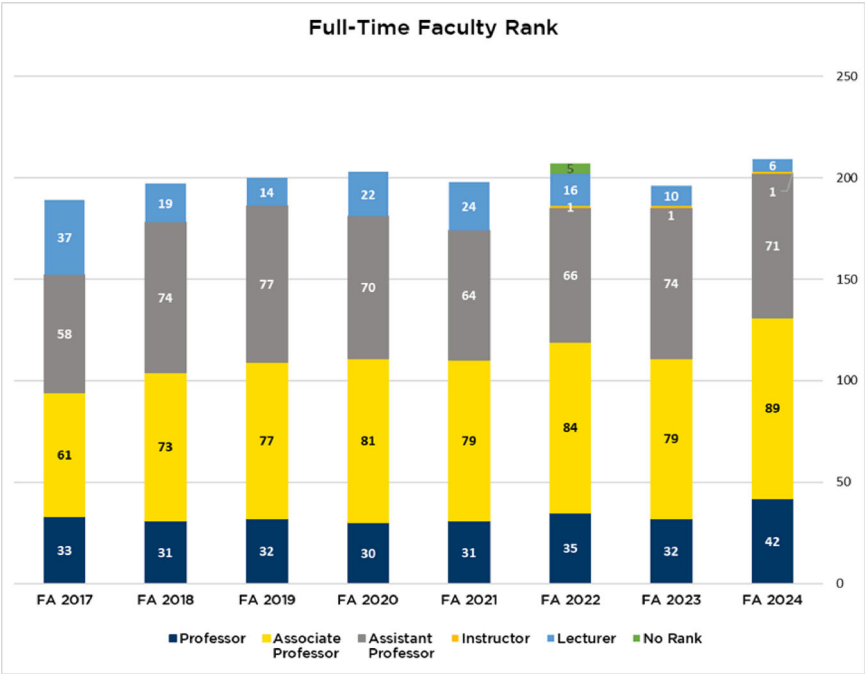
FT = Full-Time
PT = Part-Time

	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024
FT + PT Faculty	395	423	446	418	395	471	476	493
FT + PT Staff	466	464	480	455	464	432	465	457
Total	861	887	926	873	859	903	941	950
Fall Student Enrollment	4191	4643	5186	5418	5452	5505	5688	5862

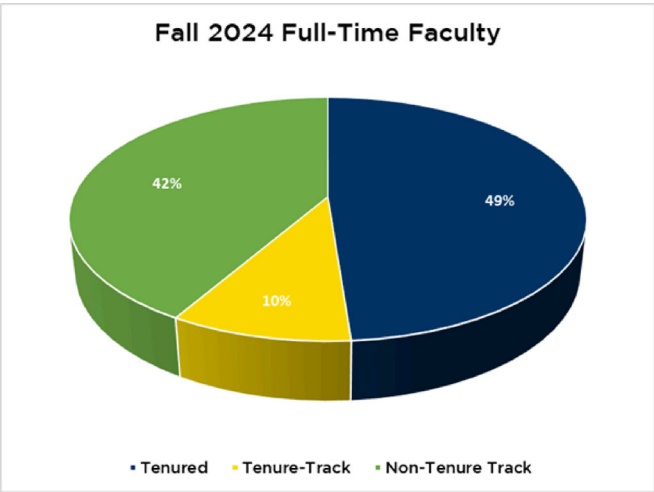


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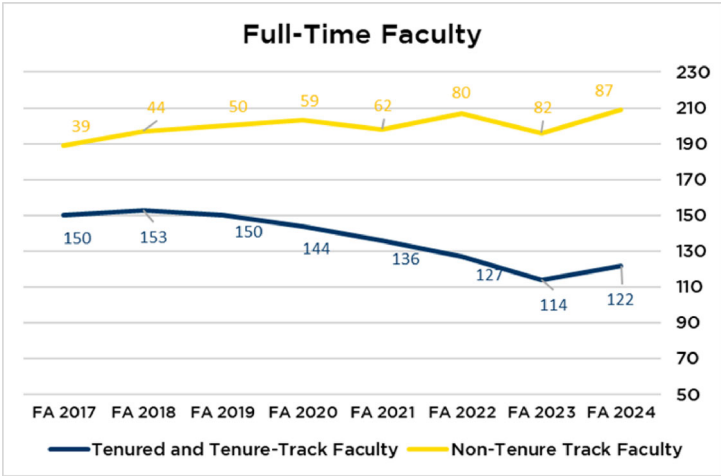
	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024
Professor	33	31	32	30	31	35	32	42
Associate Professor	61	73	77	81	79	84	79	89
Assistant Professor	58	74	77	70	64	66	74	71
Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Lecturer	37	19	14	22	24	16	10	6
No Rank	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0
Total	189	197	200	203	198	207	196	209



Fall 2024		
Tenured	Professor	31
	Associate Professor	71
	Total Tenured	102
Tenure-Track	Associate Professor	2
	Assistant Professor	18
	Total Tenure-Track	20
Non-Tenure Track	Professor	11
	Associate Professor	16
	Assistant Professor	53
	Instructor	1
	Lecturer	6
	Total Non-Tenure Track	87
TOTAL		209

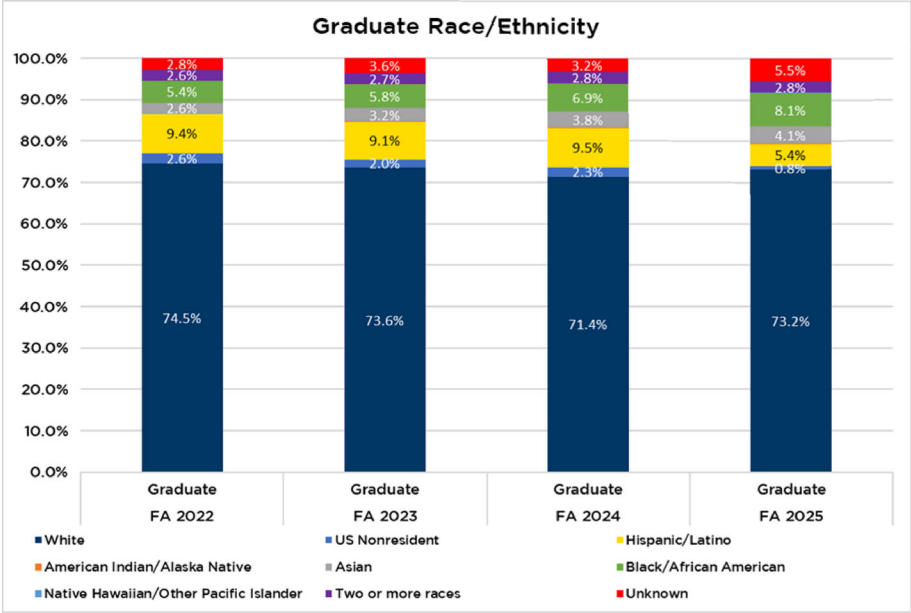
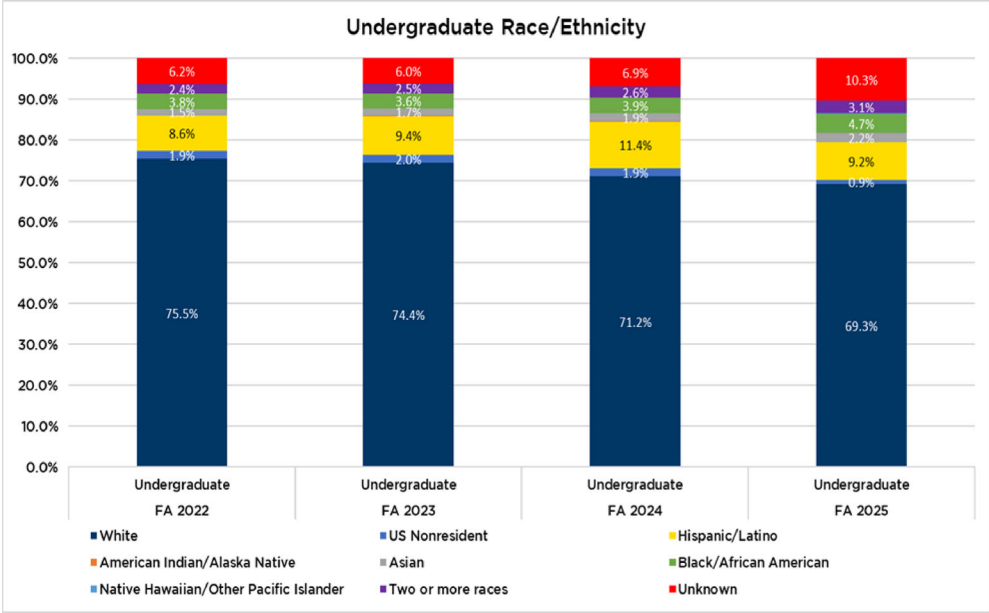


	FA 2017	FA 2018	FA 2019	FA 2020	FA 2021	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024
Tenured and Tenure-Track Faculty	150	153	150	144	136	127	114	122
Non-Tenure Track Faculty	39	44	50	59	62	80	82	87



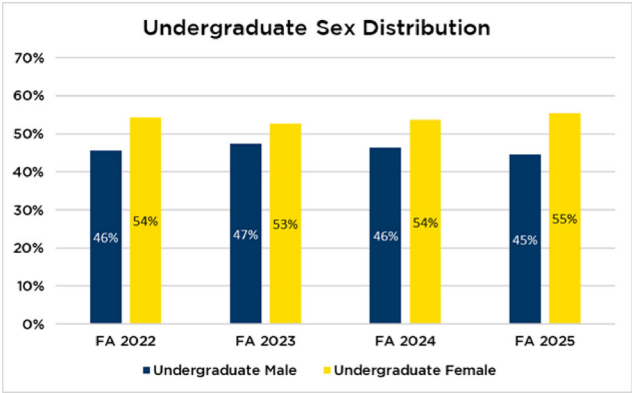
CURRENT STUDENT INFORMATION

	FA 2022		FA 2023		FA 2024		FA 2025	
	Undergraduate	Graduate	Undergraduate	Graduate	Undergraduate	Graduate	Undergraduate	Graduate
US Nonresident	1.9%	2.6%	2.0%	2.0%	1.9%	2.3%	0.9%	0.8%
Hispanic/Latino	8.6%	9.4%	9.4%	9.1%	11.4%	9.5%	9.2%	5.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Asian	1.5%	2.6%	1.7%	3.2%	1.9%	3.8%	2.2%	4.1%
Black/African American	3.8%	5.4%	3.6%	5.8%	3.9%	6.9%	4.7%	8.1%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
White	75.5%	74.5%	74.4%	73.6%	71.2%	71.4%	69.3%	73.2%
Two or more races	2.4%	2.6%	2.5%	2.7%	2.6%	2.8%	3.1%	2.8%
Unknown	6.2%	2.8%	6.0%	3.6%	6.9%	3.2%	10.3%	5.5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

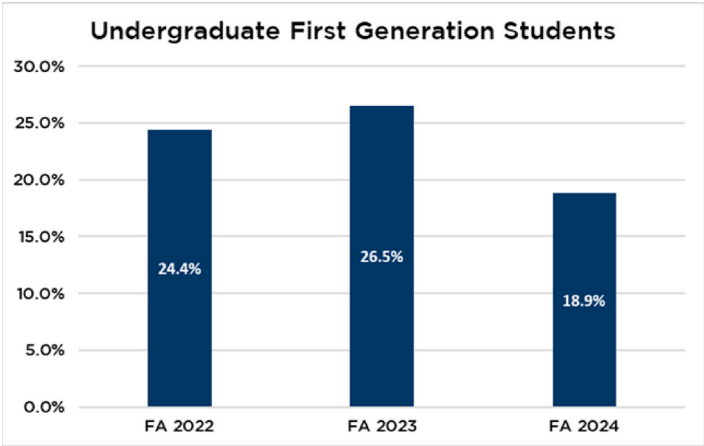
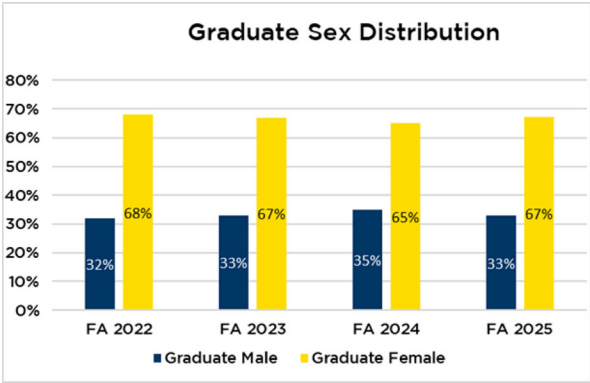


CURRENT STUDENT INFORMATION

	Undergraduate								Graduate							
	FA 2022		FA 2023		FA 2024		FA 2025		FA 2022		FA 2023		FA 2024		FA 2025	
Male	1931	45.7%	1988	47.3%	1900	46.3%	1838	44.6%	413	32.4%	494	33.2%	608	34.5%	706	32.9%
Female	2298	54.3%	2211	52.7%	2202	53.7%	2285	55.4%	863	67.6%	995	66.8%	1152	65.5%	1441	67.1%
Total	4229	100%	4199	100%	4102	100%	4123	100%	1276	100%	1489	100%	1760	100%	2147	100%



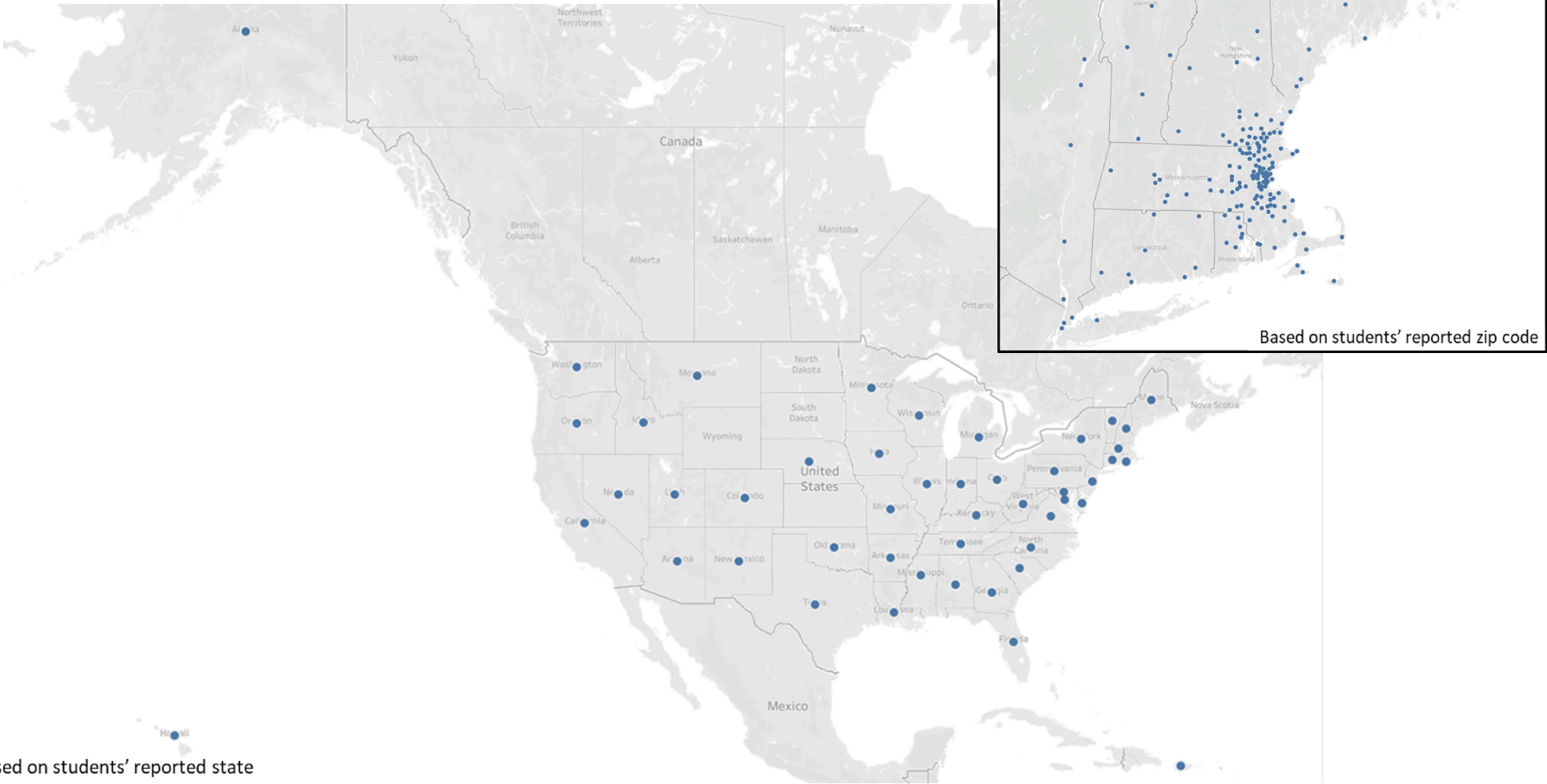
Student 'sex' has been required to be reported as either male or female; students self-report their sex during the admission process. Students expressed 'gender' is collected as well, but is not part of official college reporting.



	FA 2022	FA 2023	FA 2024
First Generation	24.4%	26.5%	18.9%
Not First Generation	75.6%	73.5%	81.1%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Source: Institutional fall census

STATES MERRIMACK COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE FROM



COUNTRIES MERRIMACK COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE FROM

Based on students' reported citizenship

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M: Parent of a Merrimack student master's graduate

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS

2025	Carol Curtin, Ph.D.	Professor Emerita, University of Massachusetts
2025	Carolyn Kirk	CEO, Massachusetts Technology Collaborative
2025	Joseph Preston '84, P'17	President and CEO, New Balance Athletics, Inc.
2025	Kelley Tuthill, Ed.D.	President and CEO, Catholic Charities
2025	Sunita Williams	NASA Astronaut and US Navy Captain, Retired
2024	Erika Giampietro	Founding Executive Director, Massachusetts Alliance for Early College
2024	William (Bill) and Nancy Marsden '66	Owners, DeMoulin Brothers and Company
2024	John Petillo, Ph.D.	President, Sacred Heart University
2024	James and Christine Zampell '75	Director of Corporate Giving and Chairman of the Board, Zampell
2023	John (Jack) T. Boyce '81	Chair, Board of Trustees; Retired Head of Distribution, Insight Investment
2023	Nicholas Sannella, J.D., M.D.	Pastor, Immaculate Conception Church
2022	James T. Brett	CEO, New England Council
2022	Stacey Ciprich	Principal, Abbott Lawrence Academy
2022	Joyce and William Cummings	Co-founders, Cummings Foundation
2022	M. Lee Pelton, Ph.D.	President and CEO, Boston Foundation
2021	Alfred J. Arcidi, Jr. '84	Chair, Board of Trustees; Senior Vice President, Whittier Health Network
2021	William P. Leahy, S.J., Ph.D.	President, Boston College
2021	Dan Rivera	President and CEO, MassDevelopment, Former Mayor of Lawrence
2021	Bread and Roses	Nonprofit organization that provides support for marginalized communities
2021	Groundwork Lawrence, Inc.	Nonprofit organization to fight food insecurity
2019	Deborah C. Jackson	Lead Director and Board of Directors, Eastern Bank Corporation
2021	Vivien Morris	Founder and Chair, Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition
2019	Lawrence J. Palmisano '57	Chairman, Construction Planning and Management, Inc.
2019	Jeffrey J. Selingo	Founder, Academic Intelligence

Please note that the position or role of the Honorary Degree Recipients listed is as of the time of the awarding degree