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## Quinnipiac University

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**Quinnipiac University** is a private four-year **university** in **Hamden, Connecticut**, located on about 500 acres (2 km²), just north of **New Haven**. The campus is scenically situated at the foot of **Sleeping Giant** State Park.

Quinnipiac has over 63 programs of study in **Communications**, **Health Sciences**, **Business**, **Liberal Arts**, and **Law**, including a very well regarded program in **physical therapy** and **nursing**.

Quinnipiac also owns and operates two radio stations, a professionally run commercial station WQUN, and the student-run FM station **WQAQ** which also streams on the Internet. It has a student-run television station, Q30, which can only be seen on campus, and a student-produced newspaper, The Chronicle, which publishes 2,500 copies on Wednesday.

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### Academics

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- Ed McMahon School of Communications
- Lender School of Business
- Echlin College of Health Sciences
- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Law

### History

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Quinnipiac University is a private, coeducational, nonsectarian institution of higher education. Originally known as the Connecticut College of Commerce, it was founded in 1929 by **Samuel H. Cohen** as a small business college awarding **associate's degrees**. It was renamed Quinnipiac College in 1951, in honor of the **Quinnipiack** Indian tribe who inhabited the **Greater New Haven** area during the 17th-19th centuries. In 1952 Quinnipiac assumed administrative control of Larson College, a private women's college (the Georgian-style building formerly occupied by Larson College is now an **assisted living** facility [2] ). In 1966 Quinnipiac moved to its current location in **Hamden, Connecticut**. In 1995, the **American Bar Association** fully accredited Quinnipiac to award the **Juris Doctor** degree through the **Quinnipiac University School of Law** and the Quinnipiac School of Law Center was dedicated later that year. As of July 2000 the school changed its name again to Quinnipiac University. Also in 2000, Quinnipiac University received national accreditation by **AACSB** (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business). A new campus, **York Hill**, is under development, and will house the health sciences and sports complex. The **York Hill** campus houses the new **TD Banknorth Sports Center**, which opened January 2007. It is the new home of Quinnipiac's basketball and ice hockey teams.

### Background

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Through public service and cultural events, Quinnipiac extends its resources to the professions and communities it serves. Each year the School of Communications presents the Fred Friendly First Amendment Award to honor those who have shown courage and forthrightness in preserving the rights set forward in the First Amendment. The award bears the name of the former CBS News president and champion of freedom of speech.

The **Albert Schweitzer Institute**, founded in 1984, became affiliated with Quinnipiac University in 2002. The institute's programs focus on health, humanitarian and peace efforts and aim to motivate young people to serve the community and the environment. The institute introduces students to volunteer opportunities in the local area and sponsors international trips to assist the needy. The Honorary Board includes Jimmy Carter, Dr. Jane Goodall, Oscar Arias and Jody Williams.



### Admissions

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For the class of 2009, Quinnipiac received 11,396 applications and admitted 51% of them. 1359 (24%) of them enrolled. Most applicants were from **Connecticut**, **New York**, **Massachusetts** and **New Jersey**. The class of 2009 is 62% Female and 38% Male. Seventy percent of students receive financial aid. Ninety-five percent of freshmen live on campus.

### Quinnipiac Polling Institute

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The Polling Institute receives national recognition for its independent surveys of residents in Connecticut, Florida, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and nationwide. The institute conducts timely and accurate public opinion polls on politics and public policy as a public service and for academic research.

### Quinnipiac alumni

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- Paula Meronek- **The Real World: Key West** cast member; graduated in 2003
- Brian Mandelbaum** - Contestant on the hit reality show The Apprentice. He also appeared on the hit talk show Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher while attending Quinnipiac.
- Turk Wendell** - **Major League Baseball** pitcher
- Daniel Petriw** - **ESPN** Associate Director; 2 time Emmy Award winner for best daily show, Sportscenter
- William C. Weldon - Chairman and chief executive officer, Johnson & Johnson. Quinnipiac College, BS, 1971

### External links

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- Quinnipiac University official Web site
- Official Athletics Site
- The Polling Institute
- The Chronicle Student Newspaper

<b>Northeast Conference</b>
Central Connecticut • Fairleigh Dickinson • LIU–Brooklyn • Monmouth • Mount St. Mary's • <b>Quinnipiac</b> • Robert Morris • Sacred Heart • St. Francis(NY) • St. Francis(PA) • Wagner

<b>ECAC Hockey League</b>
Brown • Clarkson • Colgate • Cornell • Dartmouth • Harvard • Princeton • <b>Quinnipiac</b> • Rensselaer • St. Lawrence • Union • Yale

<b>America East Conference</b>
Albany • Binghamton • Boston Univ • Hartford • Maine • New Hampshire • Stony Brook • UMBC • Vermont
<i><b>Affiliate:</b> Quinnipiac (men's lacrosse)</i>

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