Trinity College

Pride Points & Updates
FY26 and FY27

Admissions

- Enrollment for the Class of 2030 surged. "Yield" was significantly higher than it has been in a long time.
- In September 2026, the College welcomed 572 first year students and 19 transfer students – a 20% increase over last year's incoming class.
- This year's class is more geographically diverse than those of the recent past and includes students from as close as Hartford and as far as Pattani, Thailand.
- The Class of 2030 is also the most academically qualified in recent history.
- Read more here:
    - https://www.trincoll.edu/news/convocation-and-matriculation-welcome-new-students-and-a-new-academic-year/
    - https://www.trincoll.edu/news/trinity-marks-momentum-through-enrollment-growth-philanthropic-progress-and-campus-investments/

News

- U.S. News & World Report ranked Trinity No. 31 among national liberal arts colleges, a six-place improvement.
- LinkedIn's Top Colleges 2026 list, which focuses on long-term career success, ranked Trinity No. 5 among liberal arts colleges nationally and No. 2 among our NESCAC peers. Across all higher education institutions included in that ranking, Trinity placed No. 36.
- Announced in September 2026: Hartford area students applying for the 2027-2028 academic school year will be able to take advantage of new financial aid opportunities.
- Read more here: https://www.trincoll.edu/news/trinity-college-unveils-major-financial-aid-initiatives/

Campus

- The College welcomed new leadership:
    - Daniel G. Lugo, President
    - Benjamin S. Anderson, VP for Advancement
    - Scott Jordan, VP and CFO
    - Rich Majerus, VP for Strategic Planning and Marketing and Communications
    - Gavin Viano, Director of Athletics and Recreation

  View Entire Executive Leadership Team

- The Elizabeth Elting Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship broke ground in April 2026 and is set to open in fall 2027. Giving opportunities remain available. https://www.trincoll.edu/news/a-new-home-for-innovation-and-entrepreneurship-at-trinity-college/
- A new Data Science major was recently launched focusing on probability, statistics, computation, and data analysis, preparing students to navigate an increasingly data-driven world.
- The Scully Center opened in April 2025. Giving opportunities remain available. This beautiful addition to the Ferris Athletic Center blends wellness and fitness facilities with dynamic spaces for varsity, club, and recreational sports, supporting the mind, body, and spirit of every student. Anchoring the new facility is the state-of-the-art Kovash Squash Center.
- The College earned the 2026 Carnegie Elective Classification for Community Engagement, a distinction held by only 277 institutions nationally and a direct reflection of Trinity's deepening partnership with the city of Hartford.
- The board approved upgrades to first-year residence halls; modernization of classroom technology, furniture, and finishes; renovations to the Paul D. Assaiante Tennis Center and the addition of lights to the softball field; and the next phase of our heating and cooling master plan, which involves replacement of underground pipes in the area of Gates Quad.

Financials

- Endowment as of 6/30/25: $893.2M
  (6/30/2026 update will be available in December 2026).
- FY26 Trinity College Fund: $10.5M, a record-breaking high.
- FY26 Percentage of Alumni Participation in Giving: 24%
    - First increase in four years, bucking a national trend of decreased alumni participation.
- The *All in Campaign* ended on June 30, 2025, raising $439M.

Student Outcomes

- 98% of 2025 graduates were employed, accepted to graduate school, participating in a service/volunteer program, or serving in the military within six months of graduation.
- In LinkedIn's recent rankings of the Top 50 Colleges, Trinity was recognized as one of the top four liberal arts colleges in the nation and the #1 NESCAC school in terms of ROI — based on real alumni outcomes like job placement and advancement into senior level roles. Out of nearly 4,000 schools evaluated, Trinity ranked #42 overall.
- According to the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, at 30-40 years post-graduation Trinity alumni are the top earners among their NESCAC peers.

Athletics

- Men's Rowing – 2026 Intercollegiate Rowing Association (IRA) Division III Varsity Eight National Champions
- Men's Squash – 2026 College Squash Association (CSA) National Team Squash Champions
- Joachim Chuah '26 was honored with the CSA's prestigious Skillman Award
- Women's Squash – NESCAC Champions
- Men's Basketball – NESCAC Champions
- Women's Basketball – qualified for NCAA Tournament
- Men's Baseball – qualified for NCAA Tournament
- Women's Lacrosse – qualified for NCAA Tournament and made it to the Elite Eight
- Trinity's annual Athletics Giving Week campaign continues to strengthen the College's athletics program: Trinity Athletics Giving Week Shatters Records; Donors Raise $1.7M | Trinity College
- Read more about athletics at: https://bantamsports.com/

Reunion

- Reunion Records Broken in 2026:
  - 1961 – fundraising
  - 1976 – attendance, fundraising, new leadership donors, and 13 others
  - 1986 – attendance, fundraising, new leadership donors
  - 1991 – fundraising, new leadership donors
  - 2001 – fundraising, new leadership donors
- Total Raised from Reunion Classes:
  - Trinity College Fund: $3.2M, representing 30% of the FY26 TCF total
  - All Giving (Restricted and Unrestricted): $9M
  - Nucleus Funds of New Leadership Gifts: $12.4M
- Noteworthy:
  - Class of 1976 had record-breaking philanthropy among women in the class whose gifts outpaced gifts from men in the class.
  - Three reunion classes (1976, 1986, and 2001) had Nucleus Funds of $1M+

Still have questions?

- Trinity's website is a great resource: www.trincoll.edu
- The Trinity News section, on the homepage, has stories about students, faculty, and all areas of the College. It is updated frequently: www.trincoll.edu/news/