Plattsburgh and the North Country

SUNY Plattsburgh is situated in one of the most beautiful regions in the Empire State. Greater Plattsburgh is a community of 40,000 people located in the northeast corner of the state, on the western shore of Lake Champlain, near the Adirondack Mountains and about 20 miles from the U.S. – Canada border.

You will find the City of Plattsburgh readily accessible from any point in New York state. Interstate 87, the scenic Adirondack Northway, exits about one mile from campus. Air service to and from the new Plattsburgh International Airport (PBG) is available through Boston several times a day. Direct flights to and from Fort Lauderdale and Orlando, Fla., are also available several times each week.

Nearby Burlington International Airport (BTV) and the Montréal Pierre Elliott Trudeau International Airport (YUL) (formerly Dorval Airport), which are only an hour away, provide scheduled flights through major airlines on a daily basis. Amtrak and Greyhound Bus Lines also serve the community. At planned breaks in the academic calendar, the Student Association charters buses for students to travel to other points in the state from a central location on campus.

Plattsburgh is within an hour’s drive or less from Whiteface Mountain, the premier ski center in the eastern United States, and from Lake Placid, America’s Olympic Village. Burlington, Vt., is less than an hour away by car, and cosmopolitan Montréal, Canada’s largest city, and that nation’s cultural and commercial capital, is also a one-hour drive from campus. You can travel by car or express bus to the New York City and Long Island areas in about six hours. Albany is two and one-half hours from Plattsburgh, and Syracuse is about five hours away.

Students appreciate the City of Plattsburgh for its clean, tree-lined streets, its easygoing style and pace of living, and its friendly, hospitable people. Our community’s downtown area is only a few blocks from campus. A student government-sponsored van service provides transportation several times daily to shopping and entertainment centers in both the city and its outlying districts.

The North Country of New York, of which Plattsburgh is the hub, is rich in history. Benedict Arnold conducted a very successful campaign in 1776 at nearby Valcour Island on Lake Champlain that stalled the British invasion of New York. The War of 1812 ended just off Plattsburgh’s shores on Lake Champlain in what was the last naval battle between the U.S. and Great Britain. Our library holds a treasury of manuscript material for not only local history but also the history of New York state and Canada. The North Country offers myriad opportunities for outdoor recreation: skiing, snowshoeing, mountain climbing, camping, fishing, boating, tennis, and golf.

Our own indoor and outdoor facilities for sports and recreation are first-rate. If you are attracted to spectator sports, Montréal is big league in virtually every respect. You will discover that the North Country is not much colder than other regions of the state. You will quickly realize that you can adapt easily to an environment in which the average temperature in January (the coldest month) is 18 degrees Fahrenheit and to one in which snowfall annually, while heavy in the nearby Adirondacks, is light by comparison to Albany, Buffalo, Syracuse, Binghamton, and other communities throughout New York. The compact nature of our campus also contributes to students’ comfort during the winter season. Just about every destination is no more than a few minutes walk from any point.

Campus Overview

SUNY Plattsburgh is a special academic community that maintains high academic standards and expectations in a caring, supportive environment. We offer diversity and quality in educational programs at reasonable cost; a first-rate faculty that will challenge you and help you achieve your intellectual potential and career objectives; a modern campus with excellent facilities in a comfortable setting; and a friendly atmosphere for learning and for growing intellectually, socially, and emotionally.

Our college offers a choice of more than 60 baccalaureate degrees, complemented by a wide variety of minors and study options, and is known for the caliber of its academic programs. Our major programs are divided among academic units grouped in arts and science, business and economics, and education, health, and human services. In addition, we offer graduate programs in education, counselor education, liberal studies, natural science, school psychology, and speech-language pathology. Research based on applicants’ perceptions of our college before their enrollment indicates clearly that the range of programs available and their reputation for excellence are the primary reasons students choose our college.

We have an outstanding faculty and staff. Most teaching faculty hold a doctoral degree and view themselves as teacher/scholars and teacher/artists. A number are recognized nationally and internationally on the merits of their scholarship, the importance of their published works, and the honors they have received. Many involve students in their own research. This has led to a growing number of projects in which students are listed jointly with faculty on publications, as participants in exhibitions and performances, or as lecturers/presenters at professional conferences.

We promote active learning through internships, cooperative education placements and field studies that are available in virtually every area of study. While a few graduate students direct some undergraduate laboratory sections under faculty supervision, all courses are taught by faculty. About 100 highly qualified professionals are available to work with you on academic and personal matters and on educational and career decisions.
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You will be amazed by the extraordinary number and variety of activities that take place on campus. From concerts, theater productions, and art exhibitions to lectures and debates featuring well-known experts in a wide assortment of fields — from clubs, organizations, and student government to intercollegiate and intramural sports — you will discover that SUNY Plattsburgh offers something that appeals to every interest.

Our campus complex consists of 35 buildings spread across 300 acres, and it provides an impressive setting for both academic and extracurricular pursuits. Our grounds are clean and our buildings are free of litter. Our students, faculty, and staff alike take pride in and good care of their campus and its facilities. Our campus is bordered on three sides by a pleasant residential neighborhood; its eastern-most boundary is the Saranac River.

**Students**

Students who live on and off campus while attending classes at SUNY Plattsburgh are welcomed and appreciated for what they contribute educationally, culturally, economically, and socially to the community. In fall 2008, just over 6,350 students enrolled at SUNY Plattsburgh. While nearly 93 percent of the 5,736 undergraduate students were attending full-time, just over 45 percent of the 622 graduate students were taking classes on a part-time basis. Women outnumbered men 58 percent to 42 percent, and just over 10 percent of all students identified themselves of Black, Hispanic, Asian or Native American/Alaskan ethnicity.

The greatest number of Plattsburgh students come from three major New York regions — the Metropolitan area (Long Island, Westchester, and Rockland counties), the North Country, and the Capital District. While 4 percent of the students come from other states such as Vermont, New Jersey, California, Texas, Connecticut, and New Hampshire, over 6 percent come to SUNY Plattsburgh from such countries as Japan, Canada, China, India, Nepal, Tanzania, Thailand, and Vietnam.

**Accreditation**

SUNY Plattsburgh is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools located at 3624 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104-2680 (Telephone: 215-662-5606) and the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York. Academic programs that hold subject-specific accreditations or certifications include:

- Business by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International)
- Chemistry by the American Chemical Society (ACS)
- Counselor education by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Education Programs (CACREP)
- Hotel, restaurant and tourism management by the Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration (ACPHA)
- Nutrition by the American Dietetic Association Commission on Accreditation/Approval for Dietetics Education (ADA)
- Medical technology by the American Association for Clinical Pathologists (ASCP)
- Nursing by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNEC)
- School psychology by the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)
- Social work by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- Speech-language pathology by the Council on Academic Accreditation (CAA) of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)
- Theater by the National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST)
- Teacher education programs registered by the New York State Education Department and candidacy status by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC)

**Academic and Administrative Facilities**

Our academic and administrative facilities consist of a number of buildings primarily in the center of campus. The majority of our administrative offices are located in the Kehoe Administration Building. Our academic buildings house our classrooms, labs, and faculty offices.

**Beaumont Hall**

Beaumont Hall is the center for the study of psychology and biological sciences. Faculty offices, classrooms and laboratories are located throughout the three-story complex along with a major suite for behavioral psychology, seminar rooms and a computer instruction laboratory. The college’s Auditory Research Laboratory and the North Country Traumatic Brain Injury Center are also housed in this facility.

**Canada House**

Canada House, located next to Redcay Hall, serves as the home for the Center for the Study of Canada, which supports the most comprehensive undergraduate Canadian studies program in the U.S., and the Institute on Quebec Studies. Canada House also serves as a teacher resource center and hosts a number of visiting Canadian scholars, politicians and notable guests every year. A growing collection of Canadian art is always on display.

**Champlain Valley Hall**

At one time, Champlain Valley Hall served as a residence for nursing students training at the local hospital. Today, Champlain Valley Hall houses many of the traditional humanities programs including English, foreign languages and literature, history and philosophy. Students can be found scattered throughout the
building attending classes or meeting with faculty in their offices. Champlain Valley Hall also houses CV Commons, a lounge area where students will often be found studying before or after classes or attending one of the guest lectures offered by the departments in the building. Featuring a fireplace, artwork and a number of comfortable chairs and tables, CV Commons is a popular hangout amongst students and faculty alike.

**Feinberg Library**

The Benjamin F. Feinberg Library provides students, faculty, researchers and guests with comprehensive information services in a comfortable and welcoming environment. On-site collections and services are complemented by a large array of online offerings that provide patrons with worldwide access to the best information available. Patrons find Feinberg Library to be exceptionally conducive to research and study, and appreciate the outstanding professional staff available to assist with all of their information needs.

In addition to being available both in person and online to assist users, librarians teach one-credit general education courses on information and technology literacy. These critical courses focus on the access, retrieval, evaluation, and management of information. They include a basic introduction to research databases and strategies, computer use, technology issues and common academic software.

Feinberg Library is a selective depository for U.S. government documents and a designated New York State Document Research Depository Library. Feinberg is also a selective depository of Canadian government documents.

Our Special Collections unit serves the interests of SUNY Plattsburgh students and faculty and is also open to professional scholars and other researchers. This unique collection houses materials on New York state with an emphasis on the northern counties of Clinton, Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Hamilton, Herkimer, and Warren. Special Collections contains the college Archives and is home to manuscripts, photographs, books, and journals that document the history of the North Country.

Feinberg Library houses more than 367,000 volumes and provides access to more than 28,000 periodicals, both in print and online. Patrons find access to a full range of digital and print information resources and applications in the library’s Reference and Electronic Search Services Center. Feinberg Library is also home to the Rockwell Kent Gallery, a special collection of the famed artist’s works.

Academic advisors and tutors help students achieve academic and personal success in the Office of Academic Advising and the Claude J. Clarke Learning Center, both located on the first floor of the library. Students find further help in the library’s Writing Skills Computer Lab and the Late-Night Study Area.

Feinberg Library is dedicated to the memory of the prominent Plattsburgh native and New York state senator who sponsored the 1948 legislation creating the State University of New York.

**Hawkins Hall**

Hawkins Hall is the college’s “Old Main” building and is named in memory of George K. Hawkins, who served as principal of the Plattsburgh Normal School for 35 years. Opened in 1932, Hawkins Hall replaced the original Normal School that had burned to the ground three years earlier. Today, Hawkins is a campus landmark with its beautifully landscaped grounds and pond.

Hawkins Hall is home to the stately E. Glenn Giltz Auditorium, the main auditorium on campus. Some of the many functions held in the Giltz Auditorium include academic convocations, presidents’ guest lecture series, concerts, and major theater productions. The adjacent Hyman and Frances Krinovitz Recital Hall is one of the foremost spots on campus for guest lectures and small scale shows and concerts.

Hawkins Hall is also home to the widely acclaimed Redcay Honors Center and Program, the Institute for Ethics in Public Life, the Damianos Nursing Skills Laboratory, Upward Bound, and offices for several key disciplines including mathematics, nursing and nutrition, geography, political science, and women’s studies. A number of other administrative offices are also located within, including the Office of the President, Affirmative Action, and Institutional Advancement (Alumni Affairs, Development, Public Relations and Marketing).

**Hudson Hall**

Hudson Hall is named in memory of Professor Emeritus George Henry Hudson. The laboratories and classrooms are the perfect place to study the in-depth complexities of modern physics, chemistry, environmental science, geography, and geology. The facility also hosts the offices of the dean of arts and science, the Center for Earth and Environmental Sciences, the Lake Champlain Research Institute, New York Sea Grant, and the physics and chemistry departments.

The North Country Planetarium, located at the north end of the building, gives public presentations for faculty, staff, students and the community-at-large. The planetarium features a one-of-a-kind, German-made Zeiss projection unit capable of projecting more than 7,000 stars. Construction of a new, two-story addition to Hudson Hall, scheduled to begin in summer 2009, will create new classrooms and laboratories for our students and faculty.

**Kehoe Administration Building**

The Kehoe Administration Building is the central place on campus where you can pay your bills, check in with financial aid, or find internship and employment opportunities.

The 10-story building houses administrative offices including Academic Affairs, Administrative Accounting, Admissions, Business Affairs, Career Development Center, Center for Diversity, Pluralism, and Inclusion, Computer Systems Center, Financial Aid, Graduate Admissions, Human Resources, Institutional Research, International Student Services, Payroll, Purchasing,
Regnier, Registrar, Sponsored Research and Programs, Student Affairs, and Student Accounts (formerly Bursar’s Office).

Myers Fine Arts Building
The Myers Fine Arts Building is the creative center of SUNY Plattsburgh and is home to the art, music, and theater Departments and the Plattsburgh State Art Museum.

The Myers Fine Arts Building is filled with a variety of artwork by students as well as professional pieces in the various galleries. The Myers Lobby is a wonderful venue to show off the talent of SUNY Plattsburgh’s art students as well as music student and faculty events. The artwork culminates in the Nina Winkel Sculpture Gallery, the world’s largest collection of Winkel’s work.

The Slatkin Room offers decorative glass collections and educational materials donated by Regina Slatkin, as well as historical objects including tribal art, antiquities, and Eastern and Western material. The Burke Gallery (named after a former college president and his wife, Dr. Joseph C. and Joan T. Burke) features a number of changing exhibits each year.

The Myers Fine Arts Building provides complete state-of-the-art laboratories (Music Technology/Piano Lab, Digital Photo Lab, and Graphic Design Lab), rehearsal and practice rooms for students and faculty, and studio and classroom facilities for study in these disciplines.

The Hartman Theatre is in many ways the most prominent, though not the largest, auditorium on campus. The 400-seat theater is the main site for student and visiting theater productions. Recent student promotions have included City of Angels, Chicago, The Cherry Orchard, Six Characters in Search of an Author, Bus Stop, Arsenic and Old Lace, Incorruptible, An Inspector Calls, and The Foreigner.

102 Broad Street
Located at the intersection of Beekman and Broad Streets, 102 Broad St. currently provides office space for the Adirondack Experience (ADX) Program, which coordinates a major and a minor in expeditionary studies and several co-curricular and extra-curricular programs, including an equipment rental program, the Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour, the Lake Champlain Sea Kayak Institute, and “The Adventure Lecture Series.” The second floor of 102 Broad St. is home to the Global Education Office, Study Abroad Programs, and the National Student Exchange Program.

Redcay Hall
Redcay Hall, named in memory of Dr. Edward “Doc” Redcay, houses the School of Business and Economics (SBE), and the sociology and criminal justice, computer science, and anthropology departments. Also located in Redcay Hall is the Harry Mowry Conference Room, four small classrooms, the Joseph L. Peterson Accounting Lab, a commons area, and several lecture rooms. The building has wireless networking, and a number of the classrooms are equipped with smartboards, allowing SBE and other faculty to interact with student laptops.

Saranac Hall
Books, SUNY Plattsburgh T-shirts, and computer parts are just a few of the items available for purchase at the College Store, which is operated by College Auxiliary Services and located on the upper level of Saranac Hall. Textbooks for every course are available, in addition to supplies, computers, and personal items such as apparel, dorm supplies, and greeting cards. The College Store is the official provider of all SUNY Plattsburgh insignia merchandise. The Book Nook, inside the College Store, offers books from The New York Times’ best-seller list, local interest books, and books written by our very own distinguished professors. See www.mypsubookstore.com for items available for purchase online.

Sibley Hall
For those students interested in professional programs such as education, Sibley Hall is their home away from home. Sibley Hall houses the teacher education programs; literacy clinic; communication disorders and sciences department and Clinic; military studies department (Army ROTC program); hotel, restaurant, and tourism management department; Alzheimer’s Disease Assistance Center and Third Age Adult Daycare Center; and North Country Teacher Resource Center. The SUNY Plattsburgh Child Care Center, also located in Sibley Hall, is a not-for-profit corporation licensed by the New York State Department of Social Services that provides care and education for 72 children, most of whom are children of faculty and students.

Sibley Hall also houses classroom facilities featuring the latest educational technology. Videoconferencing courses use interactive audio-visual telecommunications to connect simultaneous classes taught in Sibley Hall and at the Branch Campus at Adirondack Community College. More information is available online at plattsburgh.edu/technology/cmx/videoconferencing.

The Hospitality Center features a restaurant and cooking demonstration classroom for the hotel, restaurant, and tourism management department. The office of the dean of education, health, and human services is also located in Sibley Hall.

Ward Hall
Ward Hall was named in honor of Dr. Charles C. Ward, the fourth principal of the Plattsburgh Normal School. Home to spacious, attractive and well-equipped classrooms and service areas in support of programs in human development and family relations, nutrition, counselor education, and social work, Ward Hall also houses several laboratories, including the Historical Archaeology Lab and the Human Osteology and Paleopathology Lab.

Ward Hall Commons, a large room where students relax in-between classes, is located on the first floor of the building near the offices of Empire State College. On the second floor is the Louise Norton Classic Design Collection and Faculty Emeriti Room, a wonderful collection of quality furnishings previously used by the former Department of Home Economics.
Yokum Hall
The George E. Yokum Communication/Lecture Hall was named in memory of a former music professor at SUNY Plattsburgh. The complex is home to the Center for Communication and Journalism, which is located on the lower level of Yokum Hall. Students in the communication and journalism programs gain intensive experience in the full-service broadcast/telecast facilities, which include the Albert R. Montanaro Television Studio, an audio lab, and a multi-media facility. The student-run television station (PSTV) and radio station (WARP) are also located in Yokum Hall. On the upper-level of Yokum Hall, there are nine lecture halls.

Athletic Facilities
Athletic facilities at SUNY Plattsburgh are centered in two buildings: Memorial Hall, located in the heart of the campus, and the Field House, which is near the college campus and Plattsburgh High School.

Field House
The Field House is located on upper Rugar St. just west of the main campus. It houses the 1,600-seat Ronald B. Stafford Ice Arena, home to the men’s and women’s intercollegiate ice hockey teams. The men’s team has won the 1992 and 2001 NCAA Division III Championships, while the Lady Cardinals have also won the national trophy with a 27-0-2 record in 2007 and again clinched the national title in 2008. This facility, which also is used extensively for local high school hockey as well as figure/recreational skating by groups from the college and the community, reopened in fall 2008 with new comfortable stadium seating for fans.

A separate gymnasium area houses an indoor track and basketball court and is used for indoor soccer. It also hosts numerous events, including commencement exercises, concerts, craft fairs and large-scale dinners.

Adjacent to the Field House are several outdoor facilities. The “Chip” Cummings Field is home to the men’s baseball team, while a new soccer and lacrosse field, complete with state-of-the-art artificial turf, was installed in fall 2005. A softball field, practice fields, an outdoor track and six regulation tennis courts are next to the Field House. A cross-country course through Rugar Woods also starts and ends at the Field House.

Memorial Hall
Upon entering the main lobby of Memorial Hall, students, faculty, staff and visitors find themselves immersed in the history of sports at SUNY Plattsburgh. The portraits of more than 50 former student-athletes, coaches, administrators and supporters are featured in the Cardinal Sports Hall of Fame, which was established in 1984 to recognize those individuals who have made significant contributions to the athletic programs and whose achievements exemplify the ideals of a good citizenship.

Memorial Hall is home to the Department of Sport and Wellness, administrative, faculty, and coaches offices, classrooms and a number of athletic facilities.

The gymnasium hosts our intercollegiate men’s and women’s basketball and women’s volleyball programs, as well as recreational and intramural events. Students, faculty and staff also use the six-lane swimming pool and three racquetball courts.

A new state-of-the-art climbing wall opened in fall 2007 to the excitement of students, faculty and staff. The 20-foot high wall is open at specified times throughout the week at no additional charge to members of the college’s Fitness Center. The adjacent 5,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art Fitness Center, houses cardiovascular equipment, resistive weight equipment, and a free weight area. The Fitness Center is open to SUNY Plattsburgh students, faculty, staff, alumni, and their spouses or domestic partners on a membership basis. A separate 1,800 square-foot facility is dedicated to aerobics and yoga class offerings, and a 2,700 square-foot activity room is home to group cycling and cardio kickboxing classes.

Other Services and Facilities
SUNY Plattsburgh offers students, faculty, staff and alumni, as well as the residents of the community myriad services and cultural activities throughout the academic year.

Angell College Center
The Angell College Center, named in memory of the sixth college president, Dr. George Angell, is the focal point of the campus for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Every day during the academic year, students stop in to grab a bite, socialize, catch a movie, or attend one of the many lectures or other special events.

The hub of the Angell College Center is the Information desk. Services available at the information desk include campus event information and tickets, video rentals and magazines, postage stamps, newspapers and ride cards.

The Campus Express convenience store includes a UPS shipping center, check cashing, and color and black and white duplicating services. It also houses Griddles, which offers a breakfast menu all day long.

When the really big celebrations occur on campus, many of them are held in the Charles and Nancy Warren Ballrooms (named after the eighth college president and his wife). This large room, which can seat more than 300 individuals, can host formal dinners, lectures, and many other social events or smaller affairs when divided into two rooms with the movable center wall. Meetings can also be held in other adjacent rooms on the second floor of the Angell College Center.

The Willard C. Flynt Commons is the ideal spot to study, work on a group project, or just relax around the large fireplace. Situated on the second floor of the Angell College Center, Flynt Commons is one of the most popular spots on campus amongst students. Tim Hortons, a popular franchise specializing in coffee and other beverages, baked goods, and a wide variety of breakfast and lunch options, is located adjacent to Flynt Commons.
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WQKE, (93.9 FM) the Quake radio station, operates from its studios next to the Subway shop on the main level of Angell College Center. Operating for more than 40 years, the student-run FM broadcast station continues to entertain its audience with new groundbreaking music, comprehensive news and sports broadcasts.

The offices of the Center for Student Involvement, Student Support Services, Educational Opportunity Program, the Center for Organization Development, and the Center for Fraternity and Sorority Life are located in Angell, as is the Multicultural Suite. The Student Association, Cardinal Points student newspaper and several other student organizations also have offices in the Angell College Center.

Food and beverages are also available in the Angell College Center at the Sundowner Food Court. For more details, see Campus Dining Services in the Student Life and Student Services section of this catalog.

**Branch Campus at Adirondack Community College (ACC)**

SUNY Plattsburgh’s Branch Campus at ACC serves some 350 full and part-time students from Saratoga, Warren, and Washington counties seeking bachelor’s or master’s degrees or certificates of advanced studies.

The faculty and staff at the Branch Campus provide courses for students completing master’s degrees in education and liberal studies and Certificates of Advanced Study in educational leadership. Students who hold an associate’s degree in liberal arts or have junior status (57 credits) by the time they begin classes at the Branch Campus can work on bachelor’s degree completion programs in childhood education, criminal justice, management, and psychology. Registered nurses who hold an associate’s degree or a hospital diploma and want to earn a bachelor’s degree can do so via an online program.

All courses are held on the ACC campus in Queensbury, N.Y., and are taught by SUNY Plattsburgh faculty in the classroom, online, or via videoconferencing from the main campus in Plattsburgh. Students in most of these programs can complete their education in Queensbury without having to take any courses on the main campus in Plattsburgh.

In cooperation with Adirondack Community College, SUNY Plattsburgh offers students a variety of services at ACC, including library facilities, computer and Internet access, textbooks and supplies easily available through the bookstore and food services.

Prospective students may obtain information on programs, admission and registration procedures, and schedules of courses as well as academic advisement at the SUNY Plattsburgh Branch Campus Office located at 640 Bay Road, on the ACC campus. The Branch Campus staff offers assistance in handling all areas of academics, from purchasing textbooks and securing student identification cards to registering for comprehensive examinations and graduate admissions tests. For more information about the SUNY Plattsburgh Branch Campus or for an appointment, call 518-792-5425 or visit the Web site at www.plattsburgh.edu/branchcampus/acc.

**Computing Services and Facilities**

SUNY Plattsburgh provides state-of-the-art computing facilities and broad-based computing and information services for all students on campus. The college has an extensive fiber-optic campus network that links all campus buildings, including the residence halls. Access to the Internet is available from numerous computer kiosks throughout the campus, computer labs, residence hall rooms and specialized computer facilities.

Wireless network access is also available in a host of key campus buildings, including Feinberg Library and the Angell College Center. The college provides a network connection for each student in every residence hall room. A well-staffed Helpdesk is ready to support the computer needs of all students.

Our main, open-access lab in Feinberg Library is equipped with a variety of PC-compatible systems, including color printers and peripherals such as scanners and large-format printers. A new Student Technology Resource Center provides access to Macintosh computers, a group workroom and a student presentation room. Several computer facilities provide access to a wide range of desktop application software (word processing, spreadsheets, etc.), course-specific software, printing services, the campus network and the Internet. Discipline-specific computer labs are found throughout the campus, including those for graphic arts, journalism, biology, chemistry, computer science, geographical information systems (GIS), physics, photography, and psychology, among others.

SUNY Plattsburgh makes available a large variety of online resources and services, including student course registration, student records, Web-based electronic mail, the college catalog, course descriptions, the course master schedule, online databases, full-text journals, electronic reserves and reference service.

**College Auxiliary Services Inc.**

College Auxiliary Services provides high-quality, affordable, convenient support services for the benefit of the SUNY Plattsburgh college community. CAS oversees the subcontract for on-campus dining and manages the College Store, Campus Express, and the on-campus cable television system. CAS also administers all conference services for SUNY Plattsburgh including Twin Valleys Outdoors Education Center and Valcour Education Conference Center on Lake Champlain. (For more information on these facilities, see below.)

In accordance with the purposes of the not-for-profit corporation, all surplus revenues from CAS are used for the benefit of SUNY Plattsburgh in furtherance of the college’s mission. CAS provides financial support for many programs, workshops, and scholarships on campus including the Alternative Break Programs, admission and enrollment initiatives, academic travel for students, and scholarship support through the Plattsburgh College Foundation.

**Lake Champlain Research Institute**

The primary objective of the Lake Champlain Research Institute is to promote student research and education in the Lake Champlain Basin. Current affiliate
activities include interdisciplinary studies in many areas of biology, chemistry, geology, environmental science, history and education.

The institute, housed in Hudson Hall, is actively involved in research that results in a better understanding of regional natural resources and provides reliable scientific information to environmental decision makers. LCRI maintains on-campus laboratory research facilities and field equipment including a 32-foot research vessel, the Monitor.

The institute cooperates with academic departments and other institutions to provide field/laboratory research and educational experiences for undergraduate and graduate students. LCRI also sponsors workshops and courses to provide educational opportunities for K-12 educators, students and other interested parties in the region.

William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute

The William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute in Chazy hosts the Applied Environmental Science Program, which is an intensive laboratory, field and research experience for upper-division students who learn analytical techniques and gain experience in solving environmental problems.

Students live and study at the institute during the fall semester and, with the resident faculty, may undertake research projects directed toward actual environmental problems and ecological issues in the Adirondack and Lake Champlain Basin regions. The institute contains classrooms, laboratories, a library, and residential and dining facilities for 50 students and staff.

Plattsburgh Alumni Association

The Plattsburgh Alumni Association is the official organization of the college’s alumni. The managing board of directors (18 alumni and two student representatives) includes members from a variety of academic majors, careers, geographic locations and class years. The Plattsburgh Alumni Association proudly represents more than 54,600 alumni.

The roots of the Plattsburgh Alumni Association run deep, and, although the association did not exist in its present form until the 1960s, an alumni presence was felt on campus in the early part of the 20th Century. The forbearers of today’s alumni association were a small group of alumni on faculty at the college in the 1930s who coordinated an annual dinner for local alumni and wrote articles highlighting former classmates for inclusion in the campus newspaper Northern Lights.

Today’s Alumni Association involves working with and supports students and alumni in many ways. In January 2007, the Plattsburgh Alumni Association partnered with the Career Development Center to establish a Student/Alumni Center for Professional Development. This center utilizes Cardinal Connections (a volunteer group of alumni and friends) in providing opportunities for students and alumni to network.

The outreach and relationship-building efforts of the Alumni Association nurture the charitable giving of our alumni, on behalf of students that attend SUNY Plattsburgh. This support, through the Plattsburgh College Foundation, provides additional resources for financial aid, student scholarships, academic enrichment and enhancement to student life programs. The Alumni Association also sponsors the Distinguished Visiting Alumni Program, Steve Shemet Alumni Speakers’ Series, Homecoming Weekend, Alumni/Admissions Program, Student Ambassador Program and a variety of events for students during the academic year.

For more information concerning the Plattsburgh Alumni Association, call 800-964-1889 or check online at www.plattsburgh.edu/alumni.

The Plattsburgh College Foundation Inc.

The Plattsburgh College Foundation Inc. was created by the College Council in 1963 as a not-for-profit organization to serve as the main fundraising organization of the State University of New York College at Plattsburgh for the receipt and management of all its private gifts. Its purpose is to make grants of financial assistance to the college, to faculty and to students, including, but not limited to, scholarship grants to students, the endowment of professorships, research and study grants to faculty and students, improvement of educational facilities and furnishing of special equipment. Currently, the foundation’s focus is to secure gifts which support three priorities: the endowment, the Plattsburgh Fund (the college’s annual giving program for current unrestricted and restricted gifts) and gifts to enhance the campus.

Foundation funds are used primarily for student aid and academic enrichment. During the 2007-08 fiscal year, the foundation provided $1.45 million in financial assistance for student scholarships, academic and institutional programs, and athletics.

Today, membership in the corporation stands at more than 150 alumni, faculty, students and friends. The foundation’s affairs are managed by a board of directors comprised of alumni, community members, faculty, staff and students.

The president of the foundation chairs the board of directors, and its day-to-day operations are conducted under the jurisdiction of an executive director — a member of the administrative staff (usually the vice president for institutional advancement) appointed each year on the recommendation of the president of the college.

Plattsburgh State Art Museum

With a collection of more than 10,000 works of art and artifacts, the Plattsburgh State Art Museum offers a professional visual art experience to the college and to the community. The facilities and programs of the museum, including the Burke Gallery located in the Myers Fine Arts Building, offer a complete schedule of historical and contemporary exhibitions in all media. The Rockwell Kent Gallery, located in Feinberg Library, houses an extensive collection of paintings, drawings, prints, books and ephemera of the late American artist Rockwell Kent and much of the college’s permanent art collection. Its alcove rooms hold 19th century Asian prints, sculptures and paintings.

The Winkel Sculpture Court is an enclosed atrium in the Myers Building which contains more than 50 works
by Nina Winkel. The Regina Slatkin Art Collections Study Room, located on the second floor of the Myers Fine Arts Building, houses a collection of glass gifted to the college by Regina Shoolman Slatkin. The room also serves as a study room for other pieces of the college’s art collection, including antiquities, tribal arts, and Asian works, as well as early modernist works by Rodin, Bonnard and Cazanne. The Myers Lobby Gallery showcases the artwork of many of our students, faculty and alumni.

“A Museum Without Walls” program, including a sculpture park, brings the visual arts into the fabric of the college. Fine prints, paintings, and sculptures are found in many of the college halls, lobbies, and offices. Monumental works by William King, Don Osborn, David Stromeyer, L. Brower Hatcher, and Jon Isherwood are spaced throughout the campus and constitute, with other works, the Sculpture Park.

Student Health Center/Office of University Police

Health and safety are two of the most important aspects of any college. With an easily accessible location near the center of campus, the Student Health Center and Office of University Police contribute to the well-being of students and the safety of students, faculty, staff and visitors.

Staffed by professional health care providers, the Center for Student Health and Psychological Services provides acute and routine health care, counseling, diagnostic tests, procedures, immunizations and various medications. Services include allergy injections, women’s health care including contraceptives, men’s clinic and nutritional advice. The Center for Student Health also provides an array of health education programs.

University Police works with the campus community to help ensure the safety of all students, faculty, staff and visitors to SUNY Plattsburgh. The officers of University Police are certified police officers meeting or exceeding the standards required by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice and are qualified to deal with any situation that may occur. University Police provides 24-hour coverage, 365 days a year. On-campus escort service; Operation I.D. for the registration of student bicycles, computers, stereos, and other valuable items; vehicle lockouts; and educational programming on such topics as rape aggression defense, alcohol and drug awareness, and personal safety awareness are available.

Twin Valleys Outdoor Education Center

The Twin Valleys Outdoor Education Center is a 660-acre wilderness tract of Adirondack woodlands, meadows, and streams near Westport, N.Y., 38 miles from campus. Rustic facilities include a main lodge equipped with a kitchen, bathrooms, and dormitories, as well as 12 cabins surrounding a two-acre pond.

A mature, white pine forest, wetlands, and ledge overlooks can be explored via the 10 miles of color-coded, maintained trails. Students and faculty use Twin Valleys throughout the year for recreational activities and outdoor-education programs. For more information concerning Twin Valleys, see www.plattsburghcas.com.

Valcour Educational Conference Center

The Valcour Educational Conference Center is an elegant, nine-acre estate on the western shore of Lake Champlain approximately nine miles south of Plattsburgh on State Route 9. Built at the turn of the 20th century, the center is administered by College Auxiliary Services.

Valcour consists of the main house with nine guest bedrooms and the boathouse. These facilities offer a unique, comfortable, and professional venue for conferences, meetings, banquets, weddings, family reunions, and overnight stays. Guests of the conference center are awestruck by the breathtaking views of the Green Mountains of Vermont, Lake Champlain, and Valcour Island, the site of one of the most significant battles of the Revolutionary War.

The Valcour Educational Conference Center is available to individuals and groups affiliated with SUNY Plattsburgh and other groups desiring a location for educational workshops and conferences. More information concerning Valcour Educational Conference Center is available online at www.plattsburghcas.com.

Residence Facilities

SUNY Plattsburgh has on-campus housing for approximately 2,800 students in its 12 non-smoking residence halls.

Building styles accommodate a variety of student preferences. Our first-year program is housed in Whiteface and Wilson residence halls. This program provides extensive academic and personal support and is recommended for our new students. Low-rise corridor, high-rise corridor, and suite-style residence halls are also available. Students select housing for themselves after their first year.

Residence hall bedrooms are equipped with voice, cable, and data connections in addition to an extra-long twin bed and one desk and dresser per occupant. Closets, also one per occupant, are built in. Ninety-four cable channels are available, and phone service includes 400 minutes per month of domestic long distance as well as voicemail. Most rooms are double occupancy, but there are a limited number of singles that are available to students with a medical need to be alone.

All residence halls have amenities including recreation lounges with a television and pool table, study lounges, laundry facilities (not coin-op), a kitchenette, vending machines, and a centrally located mailroom. Four halls have computer labs, and there are plans to create an additional lab in each other hall. Resident students must contract for a full meal plan. There are a variety of options with different choices in meal times, locations, and food selection. (For more information see On-Campus Residence Living in the Student Life and Student Services section of this catalog or contact Housing & Residence Life.)