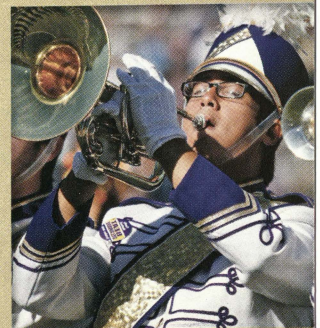
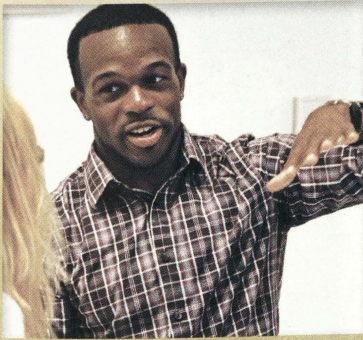




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The Madison Experience



What makes

The Madison Experience

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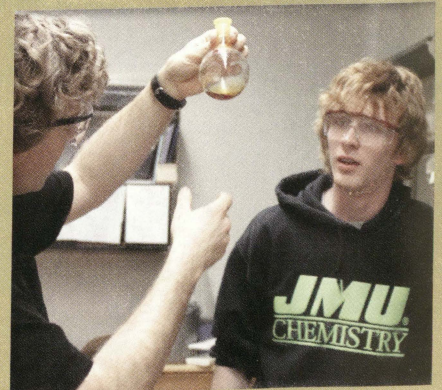
- ▶ Award-winning academics
- ▶ Dramatic social conscience
- ▶ Friendly, engaging professors
- ▶ Gorgeous surroundings

No. 1

JMU professors value teaching as their No. 1 priority, a rarity at schools our size.

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www.jmu.edu/admissions/apply

What to know. When to do it.

Undergraduate Admission

JMU's admission process is competitive. We receive more qualified applications than we can accommodate. For the 2012 admissions process, 58 percent of the applicants were admitted; however, 87 percent of the applicants were competitive. We do not have a prescribed formula for gaining admission. JMU works to select the strongest candidates from a high-quality pool. We consider the following factors in evaluating applicants: program of study; academic achievement; standardized test scores; secondary school report form and recommendation; extracurricular activities; and personal statement (optional). Each applicant is rated in the following four areas, listed in order of importance:

Academic Program

Competitive applicants should minimally have the following:

- **four years of math** (one full year beyond algebra II);
- **three years of laboratory science** (preferably including biology, chemistry and physics; general science or earth science usually does not count as a lab science);
- **three to four years of the same foreign language or two years of two different foreign languages;**
- **four years of English;** and
- **four years of social studies.**

Students who challenge themselves with the upper-level courses offered in their high school (i.e. Honors-level courses, Advanced Placement classes, International Baccalaureate, dual enrollment, etc.) increase their competitiveness.

Because strong students come from many different types of schools, we examine each applicant within the context of his or her high school.

Although schools provide different opportunities, you should pursue the most demanding college preparatory programs available.

Academic Achievement

To evaluate your achievement in high school, we evaluate your grades in core subject areas: mathematics, English, foreign language, social studies and lab sciences. A competitive candidate is an A/B student in core courses. We look at your performance throughout your entire high-school career.

Standardized Tests

Performance on the SAT I or ACT helps us discern your past academic achievements and your potential for future academic success. JMU's application review process will only consider the mathematics and critical reading sections of the SAT. For the ACT, we use your single highest composite score. SAT IIs are not required nor considered in the admissions process. JMU requires that your official test results be sent to us electronically direct from the testing agency and arrive by the application deadline.

Extracurricular Activities

We are looking for quality rather than quantity. For instance, we like to see what you have done in clubs, organizations and athletics beyond just being a member. We also consider community service and part-time jobs. We look at the variety and depth of your involvement. You must be academically competitive before your extracurricular activities are reviewed.

JMU's Honors Program

A stimulating, challenging and rewarding world of ideas awaits you in JMU's Honors Program. Learn more at www.jmu.edu/honorsprog/.

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One-on-one faculty-student interaction is the norm at JMU. This includes unparalleled undergraduate research choices.

Advanced Standing

Students can earn college credit for course work taken in high school. JMU awards credit for AP, IB, Dual Enrollment and Cambridge courses. For more information, see www.jmu.edu/admissions/info/scores.shtml.

Early Action (nonbinding): Nov. 1

Early Action is more competitive than the Regular Decision process. To be admitted through Early Action, a student needs to be superior in curriculum, grades, test scores and extracurricular activities. For the last two years, 35 to 42 percent of the students deferred from Early Action to Regular Decision were eventually admitted. Students who apply through the Early Action process do not have an advantage over students who apply Regular Decision. Applicants will get notification of JMU's decision by mid-January.

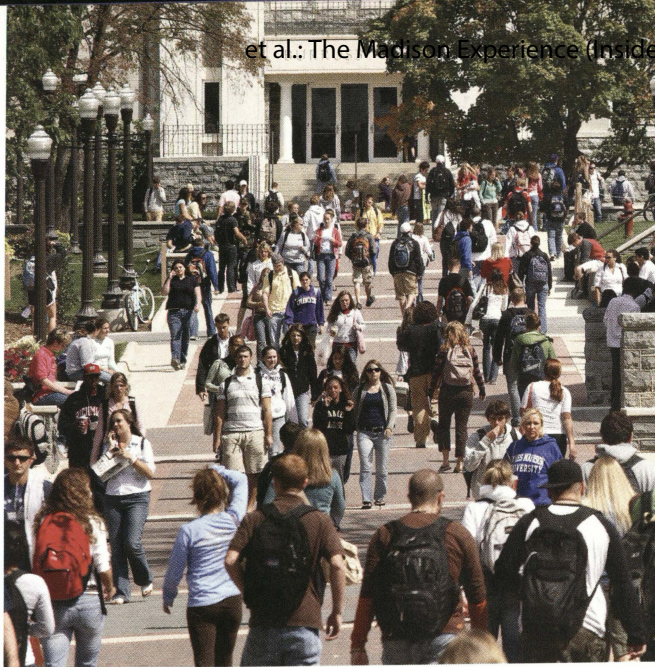
Regular Decision: Jan. 15

Students who apply through Regular Decision are not at a disadvantage. Applicants will get notification of JMU's decision by April 1. Students deferred from Early Action will be reviewed a second time among the entire applicant pool.

2012-2013

Tuition and Fees for Full-Time Students

In-state tuition/fees:	\$8,808	Out-of-state tuition/fees:	\$22,736
Room and board:	\$8,288	Room and board:	\$8,288
In-state total:	\$17,096	Out-of-state total:	\$31,024



Rankings

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Bloomberg Businessweek ranks JMU No. 12 on its 2012 list of the top public undergraduate college business programs.

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JMU ranks No. 2 among master's-level schools for the total number of students who study abroad in semester-long programs as reported in November 2009 in *Open Doors*, an annual report published by the Institute of International Education.

Transfer Admission

To be eligible to apply for transfer admission, a student must have completed or be in the process of completing at least 24 credit hours post high-school graduation. Priority consideration is given to associate degree completers or those with at least 48 college credits earned. JMU considers transfer applicants' college program and grade-point average, high-school program and grades, and SAT 1 or ACT scores. The more credit hours you have earned in college, the less emphasis is placed on your high-school record. Competitive transfer applicants should have a minimum 3.0 cumulative college GPA and successfully complete college course work in all core subject areas: English, mathematics, social science and lab science. Transfer applicants are admit-

ted for spring, summer and fall semesters. Spring semester is the most competitive and limited to approximately 200 students. Learn more: www.jmu.edu/admissions/transfer/

Financial Aid Information

Your college education is one of the most significant investments you will ever make. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships will help simplify and guide you through the financial aid process as you seek avenues to fund the cost of your college education. No matter your family income, you have the potential to afford the high-quality education JMU offers.

Our goal is to help meet these costs with funding available from federal, state and university sources. As a state-supported school, the majority of our grant assistance is allocated to Virginia residents. Resources for non-Virginia residents are primarily limited to student and parent loans. Scholarship opportunities are very competitive due to the caliber of students accepted by JMU. Acknowledging that our aid options are limited, the university has made a commitment to keep its costs reasonable, while providing a high-quality education.

To determine your eligibility for assistance, please complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. FAFSA forms received

by the Department of Education before our priority filing date of March 1, 2013, will receive first consideration. Our federal school code is 003721. JMU does not base admission decisions on financial aid. Learn more at www.jmu.edu/scholarships/ www.jmu.edu/stuemploy/

Scholarships

JMU awards more than 300 one- to four-year scholarships each year to incoming students. For more information on JMU scholarships, visit www.jmu.edu/admissions/scholarships/

Sports and recreation

JMU is a member of the NCAA Division I and fields 18 intercollegiate teams, six for men and 12 for women. For more information visit www.JMUSports.com.

JMU also offers an abundance of club sports, a vibrant intramural program, an amazing on-campus recreation center and breathtakingly picturesque outdoor recreation opportunities within an hour's drive of campus. For more information visit www.jmu.edu/recreation and www.jmu.edu/osai.

Fine Arts Audition Dates

School of Music

Students who want to major in music must submit both a JMU Admission Application and a JMU School of Music Audition Application. www.jmu.edu/music/admissions/application.html

Audition Dates

Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013
Monday, Feb. 18, 2013

Dance

Call (540) 568-6342 for a specific appointment.

Theater and Musical Theater

Call (540) 568-6342 for more information.

Art Portfolio Dates

Call (540) 568-6216 for more information.

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The average undergraduate class at JMU has 29 students.

JMU Application Deadlines

Early Action Admission (nonbinding): **Nov. 1**

Regular Decision Admission: **Jan. 15**

Transfer Admission:

Spring Oct. 15; Summer Feb. 1; Fall March 1

Undergraduate Program

	MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION		MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION		MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION		MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION
Accounting	■			Communications (See Media Arts and Design)				Gerontology		■		Latin American and Caribbean Studies	■		
Public Administration				Computer Information Systems	■	■		Graphic Design	■			Management	■		
Africana Studies		■		Cooperative Education				Health Sciences	■			General Management			
American Studies		■		Management Science		■		Health Assessment and Promotion				Human Resource Management			
Anthropology	■	■		Computer Science	■	■		Health Studies				Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship			
Archaeology				Business Analytics				Occupational Studies				Marketing	■		
Biological Anthropology				Creative Writing		■		Public Health Education				European Marketing		■	
Cultural Anthropology				Criminal Justice		■		Health Services Administration		■		Materials Science	■	■	
Art, Studio	■	■	4	Dietetics	■			History	■	■	5	Chemistry, Geology and Environmental Studies, Integrated Science and Technology, Mathematics, Physics			
Art Education			4	Early Childhood Education, Inclusive			4	Historical Archaeology		■		Mathematics	■	■	5
General Fine Arts				Earth Science	■	■	5	Hospitality Management	■			Computational Sciences			
Industrial Design				Economics	■	■		Human Resource Development		■		Statistics	■	■	
Studio Art	■	■		Environmental and Natural Resource Economics				Human Science		■		Medieval and Renaissance Studies	■		
Art History	■	■		Financial Economics				Humanitarian Affairs		■		Media Arts and Design	■		
Asian Studies		■		International Economics				Individualized Studies	■			Corporate Communication			
Athletic Training	■			Socioeconomics				Social Science				Digital Video and Cinema			
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology		■		Education (See Specific Level or Subject)				Intelligence Analysis	■			Converged Media			
Biology	■	■	5	Educational Media		■		Competitive Intelligence				Journalism			
Ecology and Environmental Biology				Elementary Education			5	Integrated Science and Technology	■	■		Middle Eastern Communities & Migrations	■		
Forestry Dual Degree				Engineering	■			Biosystems				Middle Education			5
Biophysical Chemistry	■			English	■	■	5	Energy				Military Leadership		■	
Biotechnology	■			American Literature				Engineering and Manufacturing				Modern European Studies	■		
British Communication and Media		■		British Literature				Environment				Modern Foreign Languages	■	■	5
Business (See Specific Business Areas)				Creative Writing				Information and Knowledge Management				Arabic		■	
Business Analytics Chemistry	■	■	5	World Literature				Telecommunications				Business French		■	
ACS Accredited Programs (Biochemistry, Chemical Education, Chemistry, Chemistry and Materials Science, Materials Chemistry)				English as a Second Language		■	4	Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies	■		*	Business German		■	
Chemistry/Business				Environmental Information Systems		■		Interdisciplinary Social Science		■		Business Italian		■	
General Chemistry				Environmental Management		■		Interior Design	■			Business Spanish		■	
Chinese Business Studies	■			Environmental Science		■		International Affairs	■			Chinese		■	
Chronic Illness		■		Environmental Studies		■		Comparative Study				French		■	5
Classical Studies		■		Family Studies		■		International Relations				German		■	5
Communication Sciences and Disorders	■	■		Film Studies		■		International Business	■			Italian		■	5
Communication Studies	■	■		Finance	■			Finance				Law Enforcement Spanish		■	
Advocacy Studies				Financial Analysis				Marketing				Legal Spanish		■	
Conflict Analysis and Intervention		■		Risk Management				Journalism (See Media Arts and Design)				Medical Spanish		■	
Cultural Communication		■		Geographic Science	■	■		Justice Studies	■			Russian		■	
Health Communication Studies		■		Applied Geographic Information Science				Kinesiology	■	■		Spanish		■	
Interpersonal Communication Studies		■		Environmental Conservation, Sustainability and Development				Coaching Education		■		Spanish-English Translation and Interpretation		■	
Organizational Communication Studies				Geology	■	■		Exercise Science							
Political Communication		■		Environmental and Engineering Geology				Physical and Health Education			5				
Public Relations Studies				General Geology				Teacher Education							
								Sport Communication		■					

* This is the required major for elementary education, inclusive early childhood education, middle education and special education.

Programs of Study

2012-2013

	MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION		MAJOR	MINOR	TEACHER EDUCATION
Music	■	■	4	Quantitative Finance	■	■	
Composition				Risk Management			
Jazz Studies		■		Russian Studies		■	
Music Education (Instrumental, Vocal)			4	Science, Technology and Society		■	
Music Industry		■		Secondary Education			5
Musical Theatre				Social Work	■	■	
Performance (Accompanying/Coaching, Instrumental, Piano, Vocal)				Sociology	■	■	
Nonprofit Studies		■		Community Action and Evaluation			
Nursing	■	■		Environment, Technologies and Innovations			
Philosophy and Religion	■	■		Markets and Cultures			
Interdisciplinary Philosophy				Political and Global Analysis			
Interdisciplinary Religion				Social Inequities and Public Policy			
Global Religions and Global Issues		■		Special Education		■	5
Philosophy		■		Special Education Non-Teaching		■	
Religion		■		Sport and Recreation Management	■	■	
Physics	■	■	5	Statistics	■	■	
Applied Physics				Substance Abuse Intervention		■	
Astronomy		■		Telecommunications		■	
Fundamental Studies				Theatre and Dance	■	■	4
Individual Option				Dance		■	
Multidisciplinary				Dance Education			4
Physics/Engineering Combined Program				Musical Theatre			
Political Communication	■	■		Theatre		■	
Political Science	■	■	5	Theatre Education			4
Pre-professional Programs				Urban and Regional Studies		■	
Dentistry, Forensic Studies, Law, Medicine, Occupational Therapy, Optometry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Physician Assistant, Theology, Veterinary Medicine				Women's and Gender Studies		■	
Psychology	■	■		World Literature		■	
Behavioral Analysis				Writing, Rhetoric and Technical Communication		■	
Public Policy and Administration	■	■		Technical and Scientific Communication	■	■	
Public Management				Writing and Rhetoric Studies	■	■	
Public Policy							
KEY							
Majors	■						
Minors		■					
Five-year Master's Degree Program in Teaching			5				
Bachelor's Program in Teaching			4				

Concentrations are listed below their respective programs.

Medicine (pre-professional programs): Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Optometry, Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Physical Therapy, Pre-Veterinary. The choice of major for students interested in these fields is the student's discretion. See www.iihs.jmu.edu/preprofessional/index.html for more information.

Law is a field that does not exclude any major. Law schools are primarily concerned with GPA and scores on the LSAT, the law school entrance exam.

For complete information on all academic programs go to www.jmu.edu/catalog

Fast Facts

Admitted Freshmen

- ▶ Mostly A's and B's in core academic areas (English, math, lab science, social science, foreign language)
- ▶ Ranked in top third of their high-school class: **87 percent** of reported ranks
- ▶ Applications: **23,413**
- ▶ Applicants accepted: **58 percent**
- ▶ Applicants enrolled: **4,200**
- ▶ SAT mid-50 percent range (on a 1600 point scale): **1110-1270**
- ▶ ACT mid-50 percent range: **24-28**

2012 Transfer Students

- ▶ Applications: **3,093**
- ▶ Applicants accepted (spring, summer, fall): **45 percent**
- ▶ Applicants enrolled: **880**

Undergraduate Student Body

- ▶ In-state/out-of-state ratio: **73/27**
- ▶ Male: **40 percent**
- ▶ Female: **60 percent**
- ▶ Total minority: **13 percent**
- ▶ International: **1.3 percent**
- ▶ Total enrollment: **17,700**

Faculty

- ▶ Full time: **925**
- ▶ Part time: **450**
- ▶ Doctoral degree or appropriate terminal degree: **78 percent**
- ▶ Student/professor ratio: **16/1**
- ▶ Average class size: **29 students**

Financial Aid

- ▶ Students receiving financial aid: **51 percent**
- ▶ Average amount of assistance: **\$13,060**

Madison By the Numbers



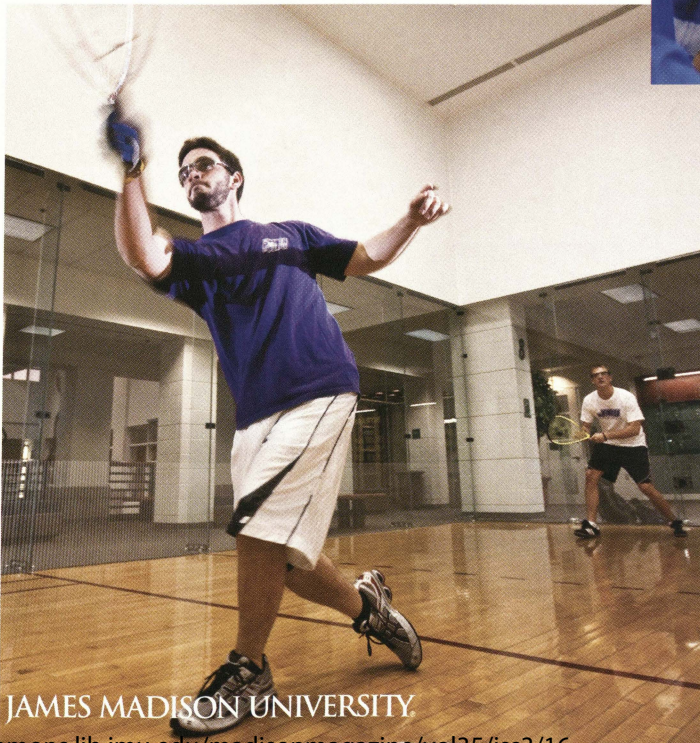
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80 percent of JMU undergrads do research, a practicum, an internship or student teach. Many do more than one of these.

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JMU is ranked No. 3 among public universities for best return on investment

— *Businessweek's Best Undergraduate Business Schools (2009)*



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JMU offers 42 club sports, and more than

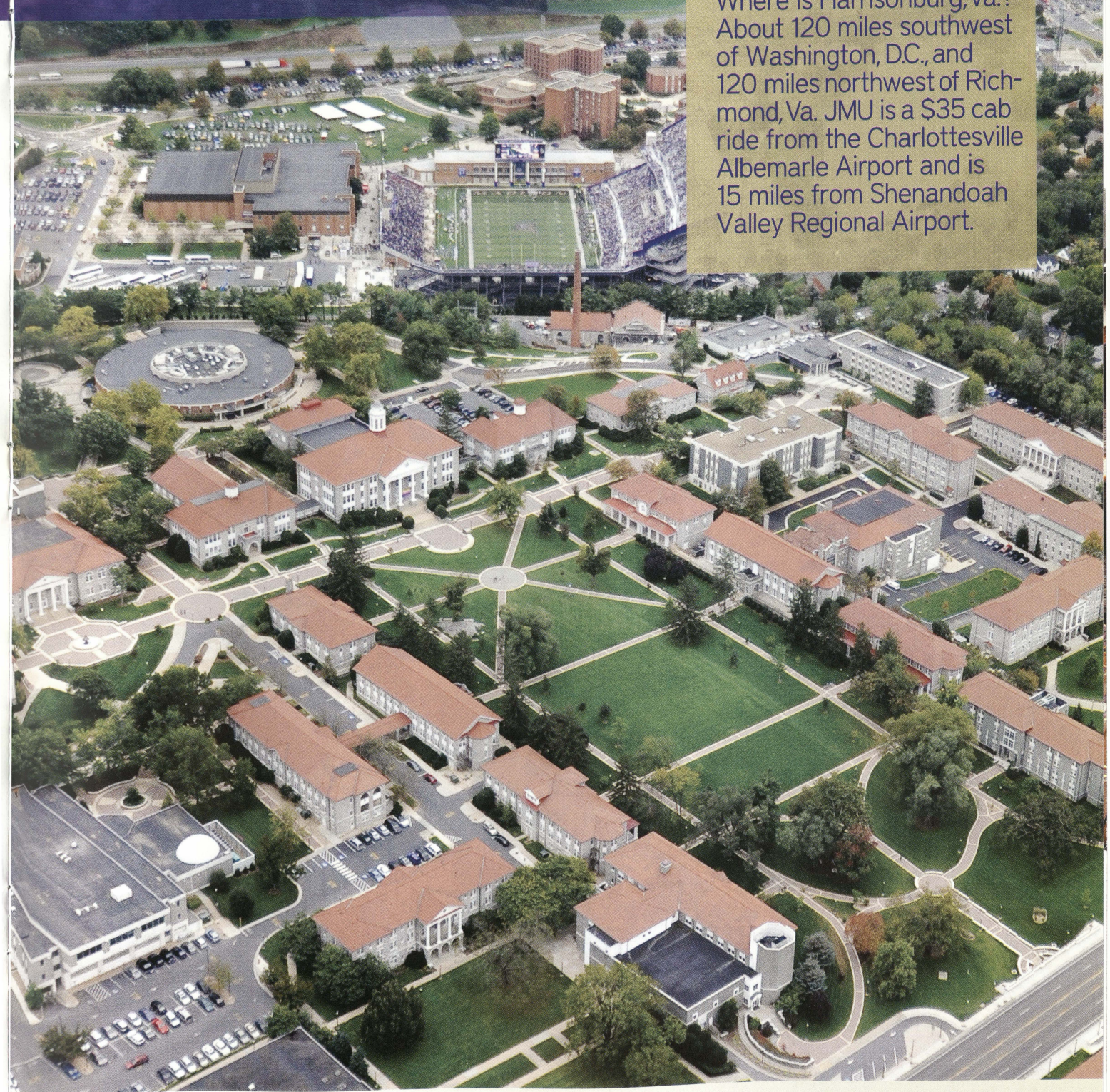
1,500 students compete at the state, region and national levels. What a great choice if you crave the fun and competitive nature of sports, but not the time commitment that a varsity sport requires. Club Field Hockey won the 2010 Club National Championship.

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Where is Harrisonburg, Va.? About 120 miles southwest of Washington, D.C., and 120 miles northwest of Richmond, Va. JMU is a \$35 cab ride from the Charlottesville Albemarle Airport and is 15 miles from Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport.



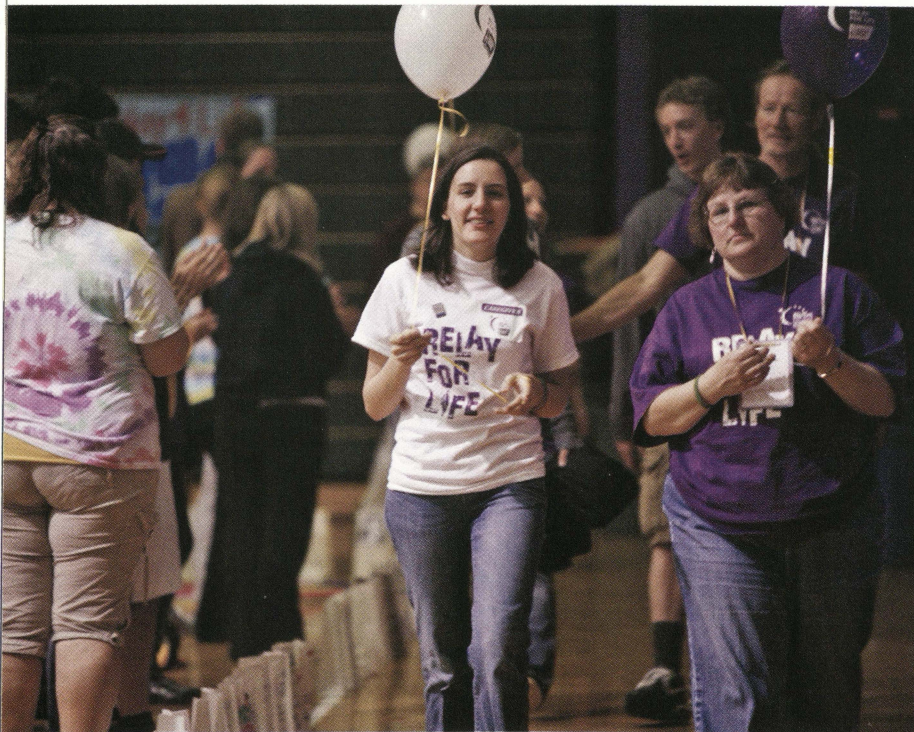
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Madison

By the Numbers

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It's only a 10-minute walk from campus to downtown, which includes incredible restaurants, live entertainment and historic venues.



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In 2010, JMU's Relay for Life organization won the American Cancer Society's Nationwide Number One Youth Per Capita Award, ranking first in the nation for fundraising per student. JMU's 2011 Relay for Life theme was "Combat Cancer," and 220 student teams participated in the April 16, 2011, all-night relay.

1st

JMU's East Campus Dining Hall – E-Hall – is the first JMU building to earn the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification. Environmentally friendly features, great food, bus stops, bike racks, 700 seats, burgers made to order, fresh baked bread, salad bars and chocolate cherry pizza make E-Hall very popular. Daily menus at [Twitter.com/JMUDining](https://twitter.com/JMUDining).



174,524

Student performers, dancers, musicians and artists shine in the Forbes Center for the Performing Arts. The 174,524-square-foot complex is home to both the School of Theatre and Dance and the School of Music. The Forbes Center offers a recital hall, a concert hall, a proscenium theater for traditional shows and a black box theatre for experimental shows. Tickets and news at www.jmu.edu/JMUarts.

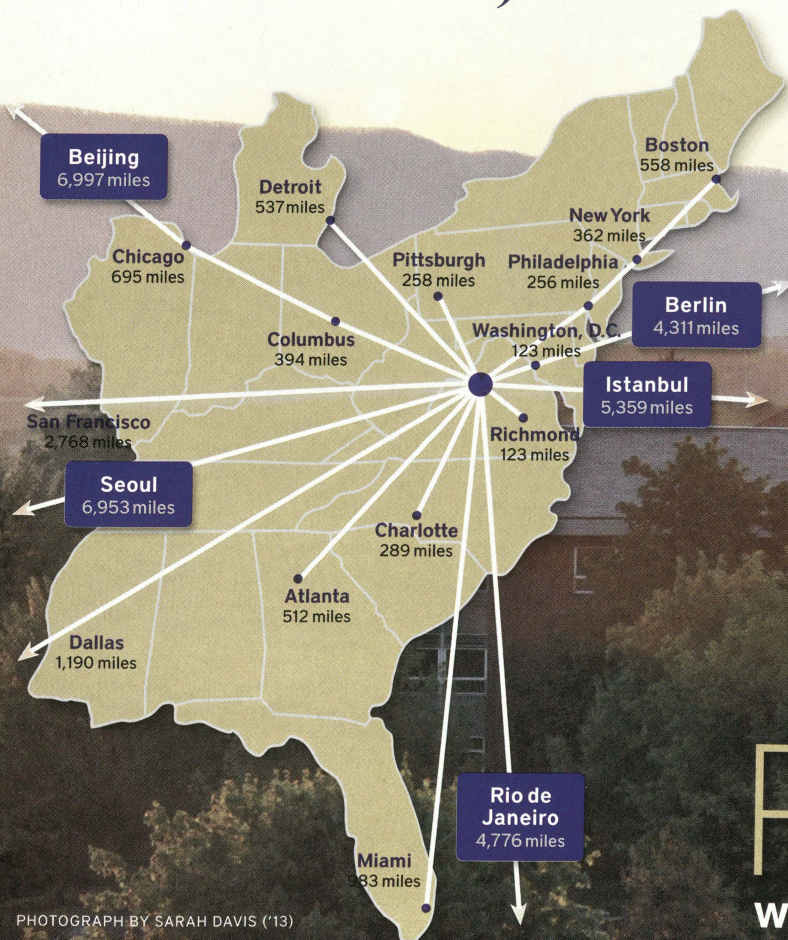
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