



GREETINGS FROM ADMISSIONS AT UNION

As I enter my 11th year leading the admissions and financial aid efforts at Union, I want to thank you for all your support over the past decade.

The 2018-19 academic year promises to be one of our most exciting, starting with the inauguration of our new president. Dr. David R. Harris is a man of many talents and accomplishments. To share a few with you, he is a sociologist with a track record as a forward-thinking teacher, scholar and academic administrator. Before joining our campus community, he spent six years as provost and senior vice president at Tufts University, and he also served in multiple roles at Cornell University. In 2010, he served as deputy assistant secretary in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Raised outside of Philadelphia, Dr. Harris was a first-generation college student. At Northwestern University, he earned a B.S. in human development and social policy in 1991 and a Ph.D. in sociology in 1997. He credits financial aid as well as academic staff and faculty with opening doors to a range of opportunities that changed his life. He will be the first person of color to serve as president of Union College.

During his inaugural address, Dr. Harris spoke about Union's quest to be the nation's preeminent residential liberal arts college, building upon the College's reputation for innovative approaches to teaching and learning across all academic disciplines. He is ardently dedicated to preparing young people to handle the technological, cultural and political changes they will confront in the coming decades of their lives. At Union, students will be challenged to participate in constructive and informed engagement as they learn to contribute to, and benefit from, their various communities. Simultaneously, they will be encouraged to try new things and have fun along the way.

Dr. Harris joins us at a time of great momentum for Union. Ainlay Hall, the first phase of our \$100 million Integrated Science and Engineering Complex, just opened. We're thrilled to see its labs, classrooms and corridors come to life this fall. The second and final phase of the complex is on schedule for next fall.

Undoubtedly, great things await your students when they come to Union.

Cordially,

Matt Malatesta '91

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMISSIONS, FINANCIAL AID AND ENROLLMENT

UPDATING U

BIOMEDICAL IMMERSION PROGRAM

A unique new partnership with Albany Medical College gives biomedical engineering majors the opportunity to explore challenges facing health care providers and to work on innovative solutions. Students in the Biomedical Engineering Summer Clinical Immersion Program rotate through numerous clinical areas, where they learn about the equipment and devices used in patient treatment and care. This hands-on training forms the basis of their senior capstone design course.

NEW CLASS DEANS

Our advising system has added class deans to support students academically and personally in their sophomore through senior years. They join our Dean of First-Year Students, who has long provided resources for students and families, and our faculty advisers, who work individually with students to map out courses, activities and future plans.

TEDx CONFERENCE

Faculty, staff, students, alumni and guest speakers led lectures in front of a full audience during the first TEDx Union College event this past spring. The brainchild of Abdelrahman Mohamed '21, an engineering and economics double major, the event brought together different viewpoints and perspectives through its theme of "Imagination to Innovation."

URBAN CO-WORKS

Union is an academic partner at Urban Co-Works in Schenectady, a downtown open-space environment for start-ups, non-profits and small companies. The space is conducive to networking with entrepreneurs and fostering collaborations. Students in Professor Christine Henseler's "Millennials and Social Change" class met there weekly to self-publish a book on their generation's call for social change.

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AT A GLANCE: CLASS OF 2022

ADMISSIONS STATISTICS

Applied	6,718
Accepted	2,600
Enrolled	580

GEOGRAPHIC STATISTICS

New England	42%
New York	28%
Mid-Atlantic	8%
Rest of U.S.	10%
Outside U.S.	12%

RACE/ETHNICITY

Asian	6%
Black/African-American	3%
Hispanic/Latino	8%
Multi-Racial	3%
White or Unknown	70%
International	10%

TESTING

Union is test optional.

In a typical enrolled class at Union, 35-40% of students do not submit testing.

Middle 50% SAT range is 1290-1410.

Middle 50% ACT range is 28-32.

DIVERSITY VISIT PROGRAM

We host an overnight program for high-achieving students from diverse backgrounds who might not otherwise be able to visit Union. This year's Getting to Know Union event is set for Oct. 21-22. Learn more at union.edu/gtku.

AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Union offers more than \$46 million annually in scholarships to more than 60% of students.

The average need-based financial aid package is \$43,600.

The average merit award is \$11,500.

IMMEDIATE IMPACT + LIFELONG VALUE

\$63K: Typical early career salary (College Scorecard)

98%: Students who are employed, in graduate school or pursuing a fellowship/travel/volunteer experience within six months of graduating from Union

#5: Top STEM Schools for Women (*USA Today College Guide*)

#12: Best Career Services (*The Princeton Review*)

#15: Best Value Liberal Arts Colleges (PayScale.com)

#20: Most Accessible Professors (*The Princeton Review*)

TOP 20: Liberal Arts Colleges Where Grads Earn the Most (*Money Magazine*)

TOP 30: National Undergraduate Engineering Programs accredited by ABET (*U.S. News & World Report*)

TOP 40: Best National Liberal Arts Colleges (*U.S. News & World Report*)

