LEARN IT WELL.

KEEP IT ALWAYS.
At Berry, your **INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT, PRACTICAL LEARNING EXPERIENCES** and **PERSONAL DISCOVERY** will be carefully connected and constantly deepened through mentorship and reflection.

*This gives them context and substance. Which makes them last.*
SEEK CHALLENGE.

FIND SUPPORT.

You are wonderfully unique. Your education should be equally so.

HERE, YOU WILL DEVELOP A FOUR-YEAR PLAN that relates your academic interests and professional goals to relevant practical learning experiences.

YOU WILL BE GUIDED BY TRUSTED MENTORS who understand your goals and dreams, connect you with life-changing opportunities and consider your well-being as important as their own.

(Come see what’s possible when people walking different paths come together with common purpose.)

92% of Berry faculty members hold a Ph.D. or the highest degree in their field.

75+ MAJORS, MINORS AND CONCENTRATIONS as well as pre-professional tracks in pre-dentistry, pre-medicine, pre-pharmacy and pre-veterinary medicine.

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400 Scholarly articles and 40 books published by Berry faculty members over the past five years.

10 TOP 10% Rankings of Berry’s Student/Faculty Interaction (according to the National Survey of Student Engagement).

1,100 presentations of Berry faculty at major professional conferences over the past five years.

65 scholarly articles co-authored by Berry students in the past year.

190 presentations for which Berry students have been co-presenters in the past five years.

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45 Office Hours (at least) per week offered by each Berry professor.

48,600 Office Hours (at least) available to Berry students throughout the school year.

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MAKE THEM EVEN BETTER.

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YOUR UNIQUE CONTRIBUTIONS

YOUR IDEAS IN OPEN CONVERSATION

YOUR VALUES

YOUR QUESTIONS

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YOUR VALUES GUIDE YOUR PATH.

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CONTRIBUTE WITH PURPOSE.

In turn, we ask you to truly engage in life and learning at Berry: TAKE OWNERSHIP BY CONTRIBUTING TO THE DAILY WORK OF MAINTAINING YOUR COLLEGE, choosing among more than 1,000+ possibilities and filling key roles in any of our 180 departments (learn more on page 16).

SHOW UP AND DIG IN, sharing your experience, opinion and energy with the Berry community — in class and everywhere else.

USE WHAT YOU LEARN HERE FOR THE GOOD, putting your education in motion for the benefit of the Berry community and the larger world.

SINCE OUR FOUNDING, BERRY HAS THRIVED ON THE IDEA OF SHARED COMMITMENT: Martha Berry provided a quality education. Her students helped build the school and contribute to its daily operation.

The spirit of reciprocity continues today through The Berry Compact, a distinctive approach to education in which students take uncommon ownership of their college experience while receiving extraordinary mentorship and unmatched opportunities for professional and personal development.

THE RESULT IS AN EDUCATION THAT IS NOT JUST UNIQUE BUT ALSO IMPOSSIBLE TO DUPLICATE.

The essential core of the Berry education is a student-faculty partnership that results in a FOUR-YEAR SEQUENCE OF INTROSPECTION, EXPERIENCE, GROWTH AND REFLECTION. It ensures the things you learn will relate to the things you do and the person you become.

FIRST YEAR

 Intellectual → Connect with your faculty mentor; identify ideas that excite you.

 Practical → Start your first campus job (equivalent of entry-level internship).

 Personal → Make friends, learn to set goals and find your place in the Berry community.

SECOND YEAR

 Intellectual → Choose or affirm your major; take courses that challenge you.

 Practical → Select a job with increased responsibility — one that complements your studies.

 Personal → Build character through leadership; identify mentors and post-graduate goals.

THIRD YEAR

 Intellectual → Deepen your study through a hands-on project or experience.

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 Personal → Evaluate your post-college goals; reflect upon and articulate your values and ambitions.

FOURTH YEAR

 Intellectual → Prepare to discuss your intellectual growth and accomplishments; this will help you in job interviews.

 Practical → Reflect upon your growth in work and leadership; train and mentor younger peers.

 Personal → Create a plan for your next five years; remember that Berry will always be home.

What we provide:

A FOUR-YEAR PLAN that carefully integrates classroom studies, experiential learning, purposeful reflection and personal development, guided by Berry’s Center for Personal and Professional Development.

OUR LANDMARK LIFWORKS PROGRAM, which guarantees eight semesters of paid professional development to every Berry student, with the opportunity for significant leadership and management experience (learn more on page 16).

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Lindsey Taylor has been a great role model and supervisor. She’s given me a ton of responsibility as a leader but always makes herself available.

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EXPLORE THE WORLD.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN.

YOUR LIFE ON THIS CAMPUS
(the world’s largest) will be distinguished by daily opportunities to make positive contributions — while logging invaluable professional experience.

YOUR LIFE IN THIS COMMUNITY
will be a joyful celebration of friendship and new ideas, centered around the people and pursuits you most enjoy.

YOUR LIFE AFTER BERRY
will be built on a solid foundation of knowledge, preparation and lasting connections.

(From the moment you join this community — and for the rest of your life — you’ll be part of something bigger than yourself.)

1,000+ ON-CAMPUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS
9 average HOURS PER WEEK students spend ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
$5 MILLION ANNUAL STUDENT PAYROLL for LifeWorks program
99% of students participate in LifeWorks
27,000 ACRE CAMPUS
13:1 ACRE TO STUDENT RATIO
89% OF STUDENTS LIVE ON CAMPUS
70+ STUDENT-RUN CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
23 NCAA DIVISION III SPORTS TEAMS
82% OF BERRY FRESHMEN RETURN FOR SOPHOMORE YEAR
THINK BIG. ENJOY THE VIEW.

SCALE CAN BE MEASURED IN VARIOUS WAYS.

We’ve got size covered. At 27,000 acres, Berry is more than twice the size of the world’s second-largest campus. But what about scope? (By which we mean opportunities for our students to experience and find what they simply couldn’t anywhere else.)

Opportunities.

We submit the following evidence.

RESEARCH: More than 28 research projects are underway, most early efforts focused on sustainability—from short-term studies to a 20-year (and counting) longleaf pine restoration effort. Join ongoing efforts or launch your own.

BIODIVERSITY: This campus offers unparalleled access to a wide range of natural habitats—elevated in river, smaller streams, large and small ponds, wetlands, oak and pine forests, agricultural lands and an arboretum.

LIFEWORLKS: From museum work to dairy herd management to student teaching in Georgia’s only campus-based lab schools, highly specialized campus facilities mean you’ll have uncommon opportunities for learning on the job.

BERRY ENTERPRISES: Campus is home to an array of unique resources and facilities that fuel Berry College Student Enterprises—from a bike shop to a bed-and-breakfast to a working farm with organic markets—giving entrepreneurial students the chance to run (or even launch) a small business.

OUTDOOR RECREATION: Want to get outside? You’ve come to the right place. Rent a kayak. Book a campsite. Learn orienteering. Take a hike to clear your head (you have 88 miles of trails from which to choose). We’ll provide the gear, maps, guides and acreage.

FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS SPACES: Whether singing, dancing, acting, building sets, playing for the orchestra or giving a standing ovation, Berry students embrace the creative impulse, supported by 7 performance spaces, 14 practice rooms and 8 dances spaces across campus.

ATHLETICS: From our 131,000-square-foot fitness center to our gleaming pool (with observation seating) to a football stadium so majestic we call it Valhalla, the Berry campus is an athlete’s paradise.
GLORY IS BUILT ON DOGGEDNESS.

Distinguishing our culture and education since 1902, Berry’s LifeWorks program gives all students the opportunity to log EIGHT SEMESTERS OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE so they can earn money while learning on the job and developing into dream employees.

HOW IT WORKS
Everyone starts at a Level 1 (entry level) position and works their way up from there, as high as Level 5 (program director). Regardless of the type of work, you’ll gain valuable skills and experience at every step.

The result of four years of intensive, built-in professional development, our graduates are known for being CONFIDENT, SELF-MOTIVATED, RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS with an UNSHAKABLE WORK ETHIC and UNCOMPROMISING CHARACTER.

WORK A JOB.

Level 1: DIG IN
WHAT YOU DO
- Mow the grass. Answer the phones.
- Serve the lunch. In other words: the critical nuts-and-bolts business of making Berry run.

WHAT YOU GAIN
- A solid backbone. Down-to-earth grit.
- Dependability. The humility and steady work ethic that employers look for. And maybe some cooking skills.

WORK POSSIBILITIES
- Grounds Crew Member, Housekeeper, Postal Clerk, Pre-K Assistant, Ceramics Studio Assistant, Outdoor Recreation Assistant, Social Media Assistant

Level 2: STEP UP
WHAT YOU DO
- Take on more challenging aspects of the job, learning a specialty and working with others to accomplish complex tasks.

WHAT YOU GAIN
- Time management.
- Problem-solving. Teamwork.

WORK POSSIBILITIES
- Event Coordinator, Athletics Trainer, Financial Services Assistant, Ropes Course Technician, IT Network Operations Assistant, Science Lab Assistant, Theatre Scene Shop Technician, Prospect Research Assistant, Strength and Conditioning Assistant

Level 3: CONTRIBUTE
WHAT YOU DO
- Work in a research lab. Help edit the campus newspaper. Up your involvement and increase your responsibilities.

WHAT YOU GAIN

WORK POSSIBILITIES
- Accounting and Finance Specialist, Genetics Reproduction Manager, Photo Editor, Social Media Manager, Carbon Neutrality Assistant, Veterinary Assistant, Campus Ministry Coordinator, Personal Fitness Trainer

Level 4: MANAGE
WHAT YOU DO
- Shift from learning the ropes to showing others how to climb them. There’s no better way to cement what you’ve learned than teaching it to someone else.

WHAT YOU GAIN

WORK POSSIBILITIES
- News Producer, Grounds Crew Supervisor, Chemical Inventory Manager, Advanced Peer Educator, Predictive Analytics Specialist, IT Helpdesk Supervisor, Athletic Concessions Manager, Coordinator of Volunteer Services, Dance Company Manager, Fitness Supervisor

Level 5: LEAD
WHAT YOU DO
- Oversee a program. Manage a staff. Conduct reviews. Track budgets. Address challenges. Demonstrate positive results.

WHAT YOU GAIN
- Accountability, Judgment, Fearlessness.

WORK POSSIBILITIES
- Horse Barn Director, Nutrition Specialist, Computer Lab Director, Science Lab Director, Campus Ministry Leader, Chief Building Supervisor, Student Admissions Counselor, Newspaper Editor-in-Chief, Financial Planning Analyst

BUILD A LIFE.

THE KEY TO PERSONAL SUCCESS IS LEARNING HOW TO DEPEND ON OTHERS.

THE BIG PICTURE COMES INTO FOCUS WHEN YOU PAY ATTENTION TO THE IMPORTANT DETAILS.

Every one of Berry’s 180 DEPARTMENTS: 180 DEPARTMENTS EMPLOYS STUDENTS, providing options that build a resume by building practical skills and strengthening the bonds that contribute to success in every profession:

- Academic Support and Research
- Animal Care
- Arts and Theatre
- Athletics/Fitness/Recreation
- Business Consulting
- Business Operations
- Communication and Media Arts
- Community Engagement
- Education (pre-K–8)
- Environmental Sustainability
- Event Planning
- Graphic Design
- Hospitality
- Laboratory Support
- Library Services
- Marketing
- Medical Services
- Philanthropy
- Publications + Writing/Editing
- Public Relations/Communications
- Registrar
- Chaplain’s Office
- Skills and Crafts
- Student Services
- Technology
- Tutoring

THE STAKES ARE HIGHER WHEN THE BUCK STOPS WITH YOU – AS ARE THE REWARDS.
LIFE AT BERRY

ENounter new ideas.

The other half of your Berry education unfolds beyond the classroom walls.

You’ll spend every day for four years living, learning, discussing, debating, discovering, exploring, absorbing, convening, communing and otherwise experiencing life with a concentrated gathering of smart, engaged and fascinating people.

Residential Life
89% of students live on campus, walking or biking from place to place, each residence hall a microcommunity with its own identity, spirit and pride of ownership. Resident advisors suggest resources or help you through a bad day. An absence of Greek life means a social scene that’s open and welcoming to all.

Community Culture
There’s just something about this place. Our students are warm, kind, welcoming and genuinely happy to be here.

Faith
Historically non-denominational, Berry endorses the Christian principles of inclusivity and service. Encourages examination of faith and values and is welcoming and respectful to those from all religious backgrounds. Supported by campus ministers and faculty and staff advisors, a variety of student-run religious life groups provide opportunities for exploration and spiritual growth.

Events
Campus pulses especially on weekends. A well-funded student board plans and organizes more than 200 events each year. Big days and traditions dot the calendar, from Spring Fling to Rags in the Cape to Marshplosion (the celebration honoring our legendary founder).

Athletics
Berry athletes are genuinely kind but fiercely competitive when the whistle blows or the first pitch flies. 23 NCAA Division III varsity teams channel the traditions Berry work ethic into thrilling performance each year. Off the field, coaches, LifeWorks supervisors and professors work together to help students maintain a healthy balance of athletic, academics and life development. Non-athlete students support Berry’s teams by running game-day operations, overseeing concessions and working in athletic trainers.

Outdoor Recreation
Cheap! Rent whatever equipment you need to explore our stunning Campus. Camp, hike, cycle, canoe, fish, hunt or ride homebound on campus. Join off-campus climbing, kayaking and standup paddleboarding adventures.

Fine and Performing Arts
The creative impulse is everywhere at Berry, from our classrooms to our mainstage to the dozens of performances, talks, film screenings, workshops and gallery exhibits by Berry students and visiting artists each year.

Fitness
The Cage Center, a 131,000-square-foot facility, seats nearly 2,000 for varsity athletics, and also contains a natatorium with observation seating, a fitness center, racquetball courts and an indoor track. Classes in yoga, Zumba, Barre, cycling and other classes are offered weekly.

Clubs and Activities
Berry’s 70+ student-run clubs and activities create opportunities for involvement and leadership in performing arts, government, service, media, religious life and celebration of culture.

Test Them Every Day.

Just imagine who you’ll be on the other side.

Spoiler alert: You’ll still be you, but a version that’s way more interesting, compassionate, discerning, diplomatic, responsible, empathetic, generous, insightful, open, reflective, considerate and ... we’ve run out of space for the rest of the adjectives.

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OUTCOMES

YOU'RE HEADED.

THERE IS NO ONE PATH THROUGH BERRY, just a four-year roadmap that helps make sure you’ll get from day one to graduation having had the vital experiences that distinguish this education from any other.

REMEMBER, YOU’LL ALWAYS BELONG.

The thrilling conclusion?

By the time you walk across that graduation stage, you’ll possess a strong sense of inner direction, having discovered a path that springs from your interests and values. You’ll have powerful knowledge. And the skills to put it in motion. You’ll be a practical thinker. And a creative one.

You will be able to understand the needs of others. And you’ll know how to work with them. You’ll march forward with confidence.

YOU WILL BE READY.

NICK O’CONNOR ’18

Just three years out of college, Nick creates his first start to professional experience gaining insight leading the Student Entreprises Support Team through Berry’s LifeWorks program — and to his work with the Berry Investment Group. An accounting and finance major, Nick learned much about business and life from a network of Berry mentors, from his finance professors to fellow student Aaron Chastain ’15, who not only helped Nick hit the ground running in his first year at college but also helped him form the ropes as a fellow analyst at Aon Hewitt.

“Berry gave me a chance to gain relevant professional experience, work ethic and leadership skills, setting myself up for a promising future.”

BRIN ENTERKIN ’12

Recently named to Forbes Magazine’s list of 30 under 30 Social Entrepreneurs, Brin’s work in Uganda began when she taught micro-financing to Ugandan women and provided comfort to patients with AIDS/HIV as part of a Berry-funded summer learning experience. By graduation, she had founded the nonprofit The African SOUP, an organization that works to help Ugandans channel community development into national impact (and which was featured on CNN and Fox News). Brin is now chief strategy officer of the Watson Institute, where she is working to create an “Olympic training ground” for social entrepreneurs.

“Anyone, anywhere is capable of helping somebody. I hope people will see that if I can do something like this, anyone can.”

The Walt Disney Company:

InterNships held by students in recent years:

- Delta Airlines
- Georgia Department of Natural Resources
- USDA
- Turner Studios
- State Farm Insurance
- Nike
- LabCorp
- Kaiser Permanente
- The Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Emory University School of Medicine
- Duke University
- Emory University Center for Global Health
- Auburn University
- Global Health Institute
- The Home Depot
- The Coca-Cola Company
- Chick-fil-A
- Management
- Bureau of Land Management
- Aramark
- Aon
- The Walt Disney Company

Graduate and professional schools where Berry graduates are currently studying include:

- Auburn University
- Cincinnati Conservatory of Music
- Clemson University
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Georgia Institute of Technology
- Mercer School of Medicine
- Stanford University
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Virginia
- University of Wisconsin in Madison
- Vanderbilt University
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute
- Wake Forest University

Companies where recent Berry alumni are currently employed include:

- Amazon.com
- Aon
- Aramark
- Bureau of Land Management
- Check F.I.L.A
- The Coca-Cola Company
- Deloitte
- Duke University
- Global Health Institute
- Emory Healthcare
- Georgia-Pacific
- The Home Depot
- The Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Kaiser Permanente
- L.L. Bean
- LabCorp
- Wells Fargo
- State Farm Insurance
- Turner Studios
- Visa
- The Walt Disney Company

99% of 2019-2020 graduates report that a Berry education equipped them to graduate or professional school.

82% completed significant research or internship experience.

74% felt prepared for the job market, having gain relevant professional experience.

59% felt prepared for a graduate school, having gain relevant professional experience.

96% felt prepared for a job, having gain relevant professional experience.

Among professional schools, the following rates:

- Medicine 88%
- Law 96%
- Veterinary 79%

Student accurate as of 9/9/2020.
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We’re on the same page, you know.

You’re looking for a college that will let you explore your interests, learn and live with interesting and inspiring people and devote yourself to the things you love best — while preparing you for success (and happiness) in life.

We’re looking for smart and motivated students who want to be active participants in their own educations. People who will contribute their ideas and energy to the community. People who crave exposure to new viewpoints and experiences. Who are willing to work hard. Who are eager to dive in.

We’ve told you about Berry. Now it’s your turn. The best applications move quickly past the grades and scores (important but not the full picture) to the essence of you as a person, student, teammate, mentor and friend.

So tell us. Who are you? What would you bring to our classrooms and community?

We can’t wait to find out.

Here’s the link. (Do your thing!)

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Yes, college is a significant investment, and yes, there are many forms of financial help available. But let’s start with the most important point:

The Berry education gives you not only a powerful degree, but also four years of professional experience — while equipping you with a network of lifelong mentors and a set of powerful skills that will distinguish you in your first job and every job thereafter.

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To help lower college costs, we offer a series of scholarships. You’ll be automatically considered when you apply for admission.

We also offer need-based financial assistance to help meet the financial need of families for whom the cost of Berry represents a stretch.

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