DIETRICH COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (DC)

PROGRAMS

**Economics**
- Economics (BA or BS)

**English**
- Creative Writing (BA)
- English (BA)
- Professional Writing (BA)
- Technical Writing and Communication (BS)

**History**
- Global Studies (BA)
- Social and Political History (BA or BS)

**Institute for Politics and Strategy (IPS)**
- International Relations and Politics (BS)

**Interdepartmental Majors**
- Economics and Mathematical Sciences (BS)
- Economics and Statistics (BS)
- Environmental Policy (Additional major only)
- Ethics, History, and Public Policy (BA or BS)
- Information Systems (BS)
- Linguistics (BA)
- Neuroscience (BA; joint with Biological Sciences)
- Psychology and Biological Sciences (BS)
- Student-Defined Major (BA or BS)

**Modern Languages**
- Chinese Studies (BA)
- French and Francophone Studies (BA)
- German Studies (BA)
- Japanese Studies (BA)
- Russian Studies (BA)
- Spanish/Hispanic Studies (BA)

**Philosophy**
- Logic and Computation (BS)
- Philosophy (BA)

**Psychology**
- Cognitive Science (BS)
- Psychology (BA or BS)

**Social and Decision Sciences**
- Decision Science (BS)
- Policy and Management (BS)

**Statistics**
- Statistics and Machine Learning (BS) (joint with SCS)
- Statistics (BS)

**Intercollege**
- Bachelor of Humanities and Arts (BHA)
- Science and Humanities Scholars Program (SHS, joint with MCS)

**Intracollege**
- Humanities Scholars Program (HSP)
- Quantitative Social Science Scholars Program (QSSS)

FRESHMAN STUDENTS

- **Economics** 20%
- **Psychology** 16%
- **Statistics** 13%
- **Social and Decision Sciences** 18%
- **Undecided** 11%

273 FRESHMEN

**Popular Freshman Courses**
- Statistical Reasoning
- Interpretation and Argument
- Global Histories
- Freshman Seminar
- Computing@Carnegie Mellon

We look to complement the classroom experience with client-focused, project-based courses and internships, while also emphasizing the importance of globalization through our curriculum.

**FACULTY**

**Notable Faculty**
- Alex London, a professor of philosophy and an internationally recognized expert in bioethics, was appointed to the U.S. National Academies of Sciences' Engineering and Medicine Committee on Clinical Trials during the 2014-2015 Ebola outbreak. London is also co-editor of Ethical Issues in Modern Medicine, one of the most widely used textbooks in medical ethics.
- In May of 2016, Marlene Behrmann and Larry Wasserman were elected to the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), one of the highest honors that a scientist can receive. Behrmann was recognized as one of the foremost experts in the cognitive neuroscience of visual perception, while Wasserman was recognized for his work at the intersection of statistics and machine learning.

160 FACULTY*

* Pittsburgh undergraduate research and teaching track faculty. In addition, the Economics program has 43 faculty members who are also linked to the university's Tepper School of Business and are formally included in the count of the Tepper School's faculty.

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Dietrich College Admitted Student Statistics

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Rank 7% GPA 3.8

*Middle 50% range
**Federal Minimum Sentencing Laws and Plea Bargain Outcomes**

In this study, a Decision Science major examined federal court data through various analytical models (e.g., econometrics, behavioral decision theory and game theory) to search for evidence of a causal relationship between federal mandatory minimum sentencing laws and plea bargaining outcomes.

**Memoir through Fiction**

An English and Creative Writing major pieced together and completed a largely autobiographic novel written, but left unfinished, by her late grandfather. Her focus was to complete the novel in a way that was true to her grandfather’s voice and reflected the social and cultural contexts of his Appalachian roots. During this project, she also completed a separate text in the form of a personal memoir, reflecting on the process of recreating an already constructed narrative.

**Pay for Play**

In this study, an Ethics, History and Public Policy major (who also captained the men’s soccer team), examined the economics, demographics and ethics behind the “pay for play” debate in NCAA Division I Collegiate Football and Men’s Basketball. It highlighted how university revenue from television contracts has compromised the ethical structure of the NCAA as a governing body, leading to the recent threat of unionization by college athletes and a greater focus on the implications of race and class throughout this debate.

**Top Employers**

- Accenture
- Capital One
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Deloitte

**Student Startups**

- Tanuj Apte, Information Systems, Class of 2014, co-founded Autopods, a micro-taxi service that uses three-wheeled, battery-assisted pedicabs. The lime green, aerodynamic vehicle takes passengers on zero-emission trips of about two miles or less.

**Alumni Accomplishments**

Over the past year, three Dietrich College students received Fulbright Fellowships to teach or study abroad in countries like Japan, Germany and Brazil.

**Javier Grillo-Marxuach** (B.A., Literary and Cultural Studies and Creative Writing, 1991) is an Emmy Award-winning producer of Lost, creator of the comic book and ABC Family television series The Middleman, and co-executive producer on the third season of the hit CW series The 100.

**Kim Smaczniak** (B.S., Technical Writing/Environmental Policy, 2002) was appointed as a member of the U.S. delegation to the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris, France on behalf of the U.S. Department of State.

**Alysa Ambrose** (B.S., Psychology/Social History, 1995) took command of a guided missile destroyer, the USS Gravely, in December 2014. Ambrose is a member of a select and small group of female naval commanders in the U.S. Navy.

**DID YOU KNOW**

1. **Dietrich College undergraduates don’t have to know what their major will be before they arrive as freshman students.** We value and embrace open-mindedness and a desire to explore new fields, discover new interests and passions, and, with proactive advising support, fashion customized and well-informed major decisions.

2. **Carnegie Mellon’s research identity is an educational asset for undergraduates.** Involvement in research and close engagement with faculty are common for DC undergraduates, either as part of faculty research projects or as student research projects with faculty mentorship.

3. **Several settings in Baker Hall, Dietrich College’s primary building, have been featured in Hollywood feature films such as Wonder Boys (2000) and Smart People (2008).**

4. **There’s no university-wide language requirement, and yet for the past three years, 50% of undergraduates have taken language courses before graduating (compared to the national average of only 8.6%).**

5. **NerdScholar recently ranked Dietrich College #1 in the nation’s top 10 highest earning humanities and social science programs, noting unique academic and extracurricular programs at these top-earning schools that help students prepare for the real world.**