



EducationUSA Canada Spotlights

Green Mountain College

In Poultney, Vermont

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(GMC) believes that a liberal arts education ought to respond to the most pressing problems of the times. The effects of a globalizing economy, rapid population growth, changing land use patterns, and surging technological development are transforming almost every profession and creating complex social, economic, and ecological problems.



[A GMC education](#) develops in students the skills they need to tackle these issues. Students learn how to synthesize ideas, make intellectual connections, and better understand the complex relationships between human and natural systems. At the end of their undergraduate careers, GMC students are able to articulate a positive vision for a just and sustainable society, and they have the skills and knowledge they need to help make that vision a reality at the personal, local, and global levels.

GMC's close-knit community creates ample opportunity for an education that goes beyond the classroom. [Faculty members](#) do more than excel in the classroom; they become mentors and often lifelong friends. They're also in the stands at basketball games and attend potluck picnics and club events. This means they get to know students as individuals, and actively participate in their growth and success.

At GMC, [service learning](#) is a key component of the academic experience. For a sustainability study, a geography class honed their GPS skills mapping the miles GMC faculty, staff, and student commutes. Members of the InterCultural Club hosted diversity assemblies at a local high school. An art class created ceramic bowls to auction for a local food shelf benefit. A GMC education emphasizes hands-on learning: Increasing skills and making connections through giving back to the community. If you are ready to join the GMC community, [click here to apply online.](#)

