



EducationUSA Canada spotlights

SUNY Potsdam

in Potsdam, New York

The State University of New York at Potsdam is located in St. Lawrence County in Northern New York, along the U.S.-Canadian border, just a 90-minute drive south of Ottawa. As the oldest college in the SUNY system, SUNY Potsdam has offered rigorous academic programs and unique student experiences since 1816.



Criminal Justice Studies

The criminal justice studies program is quickly becoming one of the most popular majors at SUNY Potsdam, and recent alumni have taken positions with Ontario Provincial Police and other Canadian agencies. The College recently launched a new Law Enforcement Training Institute, which provides students with the unique opportunity to complete rigorous pre-employment police academy training as part of their undergraduate curriculum. The program prepares students not only for careers as police officers, but also for occupations in the areas of parole, probation, corrections, border patrol, customs, immigration, 911 dispatching and mental health. [Learn more.](#)



Arts Campus

SUNY Potsdam's arts curriculum offers the full palette: music, theatre, dance, fine arts, creative writing and interdisciplinary programs—all adding up to the No. 1 arts environment in the SUNY system. Each spring, the campus explodes with energy during the annual LoKo Festival of the Arts. Inspired by a culture of creativity, the College has a popular new program in graphic design and new media. For more than 130 years, The Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam has embraced a commitment to excellence. Outstanding faculty scholars and artists prepare students for successful careers in performance, education and music business. [Explore the arts!](#)

Graduate Programs

One of the unique aspects of becoming a part of the SUNY Potsdam graduate community is the emphasis on experience, not just on your intended master's degree. With small class sizes and highly accessibility faculty, Potsdam is ready to prepare you for your chosen career. The Master of Science in Teaching degree programs in Childhood Education and Adolescent Education are particularly popular among Canadian students.

M.S.T. Childhood Education & M.S.T. Adolescent Education Highlights

- Designed to provide all requirements in compliance with the new Ontario College of Teachers standards
- Can be completed in as little as 12 months
- Dedicated academic coordinator for Canadian education students
- More than 15% of Potsdam's education alumni come from Canada, and many are active teachers in districts across Ontario
- Student teaching placements available in Canada, with experienced supervisors in the Ontario schools

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