WE KNOW FOR A FACT OUR GRADUATES STACK UP WELL AGAINST THE COMPETITION. HOW? BECAUSE RECRUITERS TELL US SO.

And it’s not just that Saint Mary’s students are intellectually impressive (although they are), it’s that they are engaged. They’ve seen a lot. And don’t look like other students. And they’re prepared to be not only committed, creative employees, but also genuinely enlightened citizens. And they’re prepared to be not only committed, creative employees, but also genuinely enlightened citizens.

No wonder the average starting salary for a Saint Mary’s grad is above the national average. Eight out of 10 of our graduates who apply to medical school are accepted. Three out of four who apply to law school are accepted. And nearly 10 percent of every graduating class joins a major service organization (including the Peace Corps, the Lasallian volunteers, the Jesuit volunteers and Teach for America).

Career development

When it’s time to start your job search or choose a grad school, the staff at our Career Development Center will be there to help. The Center hosts job fairs and workshops throughout the year, and the trained staff can help you build your resume, perfect your and interview questions and line up interviews. On average, more than 100 potential employers come to Saint Mary’s campus every year.

Companies who recruit on campus:

- AIA Northern California, Nevada & Utah
- ABF Freight System, Inc.
- Accenture
- Arizona McKenna LLP
- AXA Advisors
- Bay Alarm Co.
- Bay Area News Group
- Bio-Rad
- Bloomberg
- Burr Pilger Mayer, Inc.
- Comcast Spotlight
- ConferenceDirect
- Consolided Electrical Distributors Corporation
- Copart, Inc.
- DeltaLife LLP
- Digital Artist Management, Inc.
- Enterprise Holdings
- Ernst & Young LLP
- Farmers Insurance Group
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Fidelity Investments
- First Investors Corporation
- Fleetway, Inc.
- Gaile Sales Company
- Grassroots Campaigns, Inc.
- Heartwelt Adoption, Inc.
- Hultman Group
- Hood & Strong LLP
- Insight Global
- Johnstone, Grossman & Ross, LLP
- Jones Hanta Schonrock
- Kendall-Jackson Wine Estates
- Kiewit Infrastructure West Co.
- KPMG LLP
- Lab Support
- Lincoln Financial Advisors
- Megas Inc & O’Connell LLP
- MassMutual Financial Group
- Matthews Insurance and Financial Solutions
- Mazer & Associates
- Morrison & Foerster
- News America Marketing
- Northwestern Mutual Financial Network
- Noyes & Co. LLP
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company
- PepsiCorp
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Rabbit Office Automation
- Reaction Search International, Inc.
- Rich Business Solutions
- Rob Half International
- Royal Wholesale Electric
- Sherritt International Corporation
- Shulman-Ozick
- Southern Wind and Spirits
- Staples, Inc.
- Steinway
- Taggart
- The Carson Company
- The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America
- The Hartford Corporation
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- Boston College
- Boston University
- Cambridge University
- Claremont Graduate School
- Cornell University
- Duke University
- Georgetown University
- Harvard University
- Indiana University
- Johns Hopkins University
- MIT
- Princeton University
- Purdue University
- Stanford University
- UC Berkeley
- UC Davis
- UCLA
- UC Santa Cruz
- University of Michigan
- University of Notre Dame
- University of Oregon
- University of Washington
- University of Wisconsin
- Vanderbilt University
- Washington University in St. Louis
- Yale University

Internship opportunities:

- American Junior Golf Association
- Amnesty International USA
- Association of Catholic Student Councils
- Bank of the West
- Bar Association of San Francisco
- California Shakespeare Theater
- California State Assembly
- California State Auditor
- Children’s Hospital Oakland
- Cisco Systems
- Cumulus: KFOG, KKSJ & KGBR
- EarthTown Environmental Network
- FORD
- First Republic Bank
- Golden State Warriors
- INTRAQOS
- Kaiser Permanente
- KTVU Sports
- LucasFilm
- Morgan Stanley Smith Barney
- Muscular Dystrophy Association, Inc.
- National Interscholastic Cycling Association
- National Kidney Foundation
- National Labor Relations Board
- Oracle
- Peace Corps
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Professional Link Inc.
- Publicis
- Quicken Loans
- Real Link Fitted
- San Francisco Giants
- SanDisk Corporation
- Scottsboro, Inc.
- Silicon Valley Sports & Entertainment
- Skype
- The Ella Baker Center for Human Rights
- The Hershey Company
- The Celebrity Cafe
- Walmart
- Warner Music Group
- Zeitgeist Art Management

Saint Mary’s graduates are going on to careers as:

- actors
- administrators
- attorneys
- bacteriologists
- biochemists
- bioethicists
- bioinformatics
- computer scientists
- dancers
- educators
- entrepreneurs
- geneticists
- journalists
- legislators
- marketers
- neuroscientists
- policy experts
- psychologists
- psychiatrists
- physicians
- professors
- programmers
- psychologists
- psychiatric
- pharmaceutical
- physicians
- theologians
- translators
- and more...

Some notable SMC alumni:

- Brian Atzio ’72, senior vice president, San Francisco Giants
- Kimberley Bradock ’93, co-owner and vice president, Cox & Company
- K.C. Estes ’76, senior vice president and general manager, CNN.com
- Laura Garcia-Canosa ’79, chairman, NBC Universal
- Shirley Griffis ’73, executive vice president, Wells Fargo Bank
- James Guyette ’67, president and CEO, Risks Peace of North America, Inc.
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It’s an attitude.
J. Geoff Allen, M.D., Saint Mary’s class of 2001

Training to be a cardiothoracic surgeon is probably one of the longest medical training programs you can undertake. In my case it meant four years at Saint Mary’s, then medical school at Johns Hopkins, and now I’m in the middle of my general surgery residency. I’ll also be doing two years of research – heart and lung surgery – and then a three-year fellowship. I’ll be 35 when I finish. Fortunately, I left Saint Mary’s with a great work ethic, so I think I can handle it.

I remember being in high school and getting the Saint Mary’s brochure in the mail, and my dad said, “You need to go take a look at this place.” And I’m glad I did. I graduated fourth in my class at Hopkins, and to a large extent that was because Saint Mary’s had prepared me so well. Plus, Saint Mary’s does a great job of getting people into medical school. Even though they don’t have that many people applying each year, they have a high rate of acceptance. My professors took the time to really help me with my application, writing letters and giving advice, and I know that made a difference.

I was a science double major when I was an undergrad, and I think the School of Science at Saint Mary’s is just… tremendous. I can’t say enough good things about it. At larger universities, a general chemistry class might have 300 or 400 students, and the professor is just this little dot down in front of the podium. In my class, there were 20 of us. You know the professors. You get more exposure to them and you develop real relationships. Also, the fact that Ph.D.s teach the labs instead of teaching assistants is a huge advantage.

I should also say that I met my wife at Saint Mary’s, so that’s another good thing. I ended up inviting a few of my professors to the wedding. It just felt right to have them there, since in college they were such a big part of my life.

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