In 1772, the founders of Salem College realized this: with the right inspiration, young women can accomplish amazing things. That insight lives on—refined to fit the demands of today’s world. As they embark on the adventure of a liberal arts education, our students find themselves growing in intellect, in independence, in creativity, and—as they experience our Salem Signature program—in leadership. The ambition that drives our graduates confirms the power of their education, as do the rewards that await them in their careers. And the spirit of the Salem community remains a part of their lives. Here is a glimpse of that inspiration, that adventure, that ambition, and that spirit. For details, including descriptions of our academic programs and requirements, see our Web site at www.salem.edu.

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"I think everyone here has a certain energy about them. They all have this one little spark." —Kelly Sallone ’06, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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"If beautiful surroundings inspire you, you’ll be inspired a lot here."

Kick your shoes off, let your hair down. This is home.

Visualize . . . then realize. This is the place you can do it all.

Connect to the world through Salem’s high-speed network.
A learning community for women has tremendous potential: for raising expectations, for allowing every voice to be heard, for increasing each student’s opportunity to lead. Salem’s unique academic program, the Salem Signature, is designed to make the most of this ideal environment for leadership and growth. In conjunction with a course of study in the liberal arts, each student passes through a series of special learning experiences over her four years at Salem.

In the first year, students examine themselves and society from diverse perspectives. As they grow in self-discovery and understanding, so they grow in confidence.

**Inspiration**

You deserve more than an ordinary education. At Salem, our academic program is extraordinary, featuring rigorous courses in the arts and sciences, plus the Salem Signature, a unique four-year leadership-building sequence.

**A.** Acclaimed writers drawn to Salem’s Center for Women Writers include Sonia Sanchez, Lee Smith, Karpe Gibbons, Doris Betts, and Joyce Carol Oates. Through workshops, the center fosters creativity, hones technique, and shapes ambition. Here, English professor Dr. Janet Zehr leads a spirited conversation.

**B.** The Women in Science and Math Program provides internships with faculty such as biologist Dr. Suzanne Dorsey. At an annual conference, alumnae and students present research.

**C.** Inspiration also springs from the botanical and architectural beauty of campus, grown out of Moravian traditions of thoughtful planning.

**Experience the Salem Signature.**

**FIRST YEAR**

Explore issues of personal growth, multiculturalism, environmental responsibility, and leadership.

**SOPHOMORE YEAR**

Learn the importance of civic engagement through community service and reflection.

**JUNIOR YEAR**

Career-related internship experience will enrich you.

**SENIOR YEAR**

Integrate all you have learned and done at Salem as you examine who you are and prepare for the future.

**Hear your own voice.** As part of your first year in the Salem Signature, you will begin two things that will continue throughout your years here: a journal and a portfolio. The journal will be a place to explore complex ideas, assess your evolving opinions, and think in new ways about yourself and the world. In your portfolio, you’ll be encouraged to keep your best work—articles, objects, words, ideas—so you can reflect on your growth.

*When women compete, they compete to better each other.* —Sara Al-Jazra ’04, Pensacola, Florida
The second year places students in the community. Through public service and group reflection, each student recognizes the interdependence she shares with others. Third-year internships expose students to the world of work, presenting further opportunities to develop leadership skills. The fourth year emphasizes values—especially as they apply to women’s leadership and career advancement. By graduation, each student is prepared to take her place in the world.

Find a mentor. In the course of your time at Salem, you’ll be guided by a series of experts in the art of making choices. Starting in freshman year, you’ll be assigned a faculty advisor. Later, you’ll have an advisor from the department of your chosen major. As a sophomore or junior, you may be matched with a mentor for a year of directed career exploration. Your mentor—a professional woman in your field of interest—will offer insight and help you prepare for your first job.
With widening experience comes a wider sense of self—and a greater awareness of possibilities. Salem makes sure students encounter the larger world in a variety of ways. With opportunities to team with professors in research on and off campus, a student may find herself using advanced equipment to investigate a newly synthesized chemical.

On an internship, she may help catalogue an exhibit at the Museum of Modern Art in New York—or help inoculate children in a rural health clinic in Honduras. She may delve into literary history during her summer study at St. Peter’s College, University of Oxford, England—or provide emergency services for victims of domestic violence.

Try a career.

A few Jan Term internships:
• National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, DC
• Forsyth Veterinary Emergency Clinic
• Lincoln Center, New York
• International Women’s House, Atlanta
• Global banking and business, Paris, France
• Arts and literature, Florence, Italy
• Missionary education, Kenya, Africa
• Pedagogical studies, Bangkok, Thailand

“Through my adventures in the ‘real world,’ my eyes have been opened.” —Mimi Aledo ’01, Tampa, Florida
Prepare for success.
The Career Connection—a national network of Salem alumnae and friends—offers assistance with career exploration, internships, and the job search. For individual counseling, assistance with writing resumes, interviewing, and networking—as well as graduate school preparation—Career Services helps students focus. Workshops and videotaped practice interviews prepare students further, and job fairs connect them with a wide range of employers.

In four years at Salem, a student may do all these things.

In the midst of it all, swept up in each experience, she will be acquiring a deeper center, sorting out opinions, questioning assumptions, finding her voice. What emerges from the process is priceless: a woman unafraid to confront reality, able to see the big picture; firm in her values while respectful of differences; capable of motivating others, accomplishing goals, and getting results. What emerges from the Salem adventure, in short, is a person of self-assurance, honor, determination, and vitality: A leader.

A. Piano major Alisa Burket ’02, completed her internship in Bangkok, Thailand, where she observed musical instruction and used her language skills to assist an Australian violin teacher. She also learned to play the lanad, an alto xylophone.

B. Every three years, education professor Christopher Baker (center) and his students trek—sometimes atop camels—through Australia’s outback.

C. Anabella Torres ’00, a pre-med student majoring in German and mathematics, assisted with a C-section at a German hospital during January Term. The experience confirmed her longstanding career interest in obstetrics/gynecology. She is going on to the University of Florida’s medical school.

D. Salem students don’t have to leave campus to get a taste of the influential roles that await them in the world. Guest speakers (clockwise)—such as Oprah Winfrey, Travel Channel host Justine Shapiro (pictured with Anu Chettri ’03, Kathmandu, Nepal), former Zambian President Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, and former cabinet member Elizabeth Dole—come to Salem with words of inspiration for young women. Dole called on Salem students to “make a difference, a positive difference, in the lives of others.” Other interesting women who have come to Salem include historian Doris Kearns Goodwin, Academy Award-winning documentary filmmaker Barbara Kopple, and Nobel laureate Betty Williams (the first mother to win the peace prize).
Salem alumnae excel in every area of human endeavor. From the capable attitude they assume in their first year at Salem to the leadership experience they gain through the Salem Signature, these women walk a path of career preparation leading steadily upward. Even outside of academics, as they take positions of responsibility with the Student Government Association, serve on student-faculty committees, and organize campus-wide events, Salem students cultivate their leadership abilities. The resulting trajectory of success carries them forward into futures of reward and influence.

A. A communication major and creative writing minor at Salem, Ellen Kitchen ’00 now works in New York City as assistant to the executive producer of the CBS News show 48 Hours.

B. Lossie Freeman ’97 landed a position on Wall Street as a global consultant for J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.

C. Salem graduate Christal West ’98 made it all the way to the White House, where she currently uses her history and international relations degrees as executive assistant in the Office of Legislative Affairs.

D. Mary Beth Johnson ’01 majored in music and arts management at Salem. She now holds the position of group sales and audience development assistant at Meyerhoff Symphony Hall in Baltimore.

E. After completing research in Barbados, recent graduate Sarah Sheckels ’01 is off to veterinary school. Graduates of women’s colleges are more than twice as likely as graduates of coeducational colleges to receive doctorate degrees and twice as likely to enter medical school and receive doctorates in the natural sciences.

Ambition
Salem women can do anything. (Just ask them.) Becoming one of them means that, at graduation, you’ll have not only the knowledge, but also the confidence and the vision to put your knowledge to work.
With seemingly boundless energy, the thousand students who make up the Salem community enjoy their sisterhood here to its fullest. Whether rushing through campus before dawn to rouse freshmen with songs and pranks, gathering for a picnic with a group of friends, putting in an afternoon workout at the Student Life and Fitness Center, or dressing up for an evening at one of the dance clubs in town, Salem women know how to play. They know how to relax, too. Walking among the historic buildings of Old Salem, on paths that wind among dogwoods and azaleas, they appreciate the beauty of their world.

Play to win.
If you like competition, Salem’s eight intercollegiate sports—volleyball, tennis, swimming, softball, soccer, field hockey, equestrian, and cross country—will keep your adrenaline flowing all year. Athletics here are competitive, but you don’t have to be a pro: Salem’s no-cut policy ensures that anyone who wants to participate is welcome. And for those who don’t mind forgetting the score, the student-run Recreation Association offers intramural action in everything from track to table tennis.

A. Salem senior Melanie Carlson and sophomores Jenna Coogle and Joyell Nevins relax on the new patio outside the student grill. Students often gather here for an informal concert or other events, or just to sip a cool “smoothie” or hot cup of coffee. B. Laila Muhammad ’03 and Hunter Brady ’02 met in their residence hall—and have been close friends ever since. With only 30 to 140 women in each of Salem’s seven residence halls, students get to know nearly everyone they live with. C. Salem women are three times more likely to participate in sports than students at other colleges and universities. D. Residence hall rooms are a perfect gathering place—but also roomy enough so you can do your own thing. Each room is wired to the campus-wide network for e-mail, Internet access, telephone, and cable television.

Spirit
You know it when you feel it, and it’s everywhere at Salem: the friendships, the shared traditions, the parts of campus that stay with you always—all combine to create that Salem spirit.

Afton Jennings ’04, Murphy, North Carolina

Spirit
campus between classes, in times of reflection. Then, of course, it's off again—to a theatre dress rehearsal, to marching band practice, to a Big 3+3 meeting to plan a dance party or mixer, to a midnight poetry reading at a local coffee house. Through it all, deep friendships develop. Traditions emerge. Residence halls take on distinctive identities. Social networks grow, extending well beyond campus.

After four years at Salem, the College is no longer just a place—it’s a vital part of each Salem student.

Learn a city.
A vibrant city of 185,000, Winston-Salem is one of the most culturally active in the nation. Highlights:
• Winston-Salem Symphony
• Piedmont Opera Theatre
• National Black Theatre Fest
• ACC and CAA sports
• Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art
• Gallery hops
• Pop Festival
• Piedmont Crafts Fair
• International festivals
• Fourth Street Jazz
• Concerts at Ziggy’s and Lawrence Joel Coliseum

The city’s dynamic business climate also makes it a source of internships. In addition to being a center of banking, Winston-Salem is home to a number of corporate headquarters.

Make old friends.
As a freshman at Salem you’ll meet your “big sister,” a junior who will share her college experience—and the wisdom it has earned her—with you. Often, this bond of sisterhood endures long after the college years. Chances are good that some of the friends you make during your first year will remain a part of your life for decades. Others you’ll catch up with at Reunion Weekends, a long-standing Salem tradition.
A. Salem’s admissions staff may be looking for you. Each year, they visit high schools and college fairs in their search for Salem’s students.

B. Each year, Salem hosts a three-day event to welcome freshmen and transfer students.

C. Salem’s campus, surrounded by historic Old Salem, is full of exciting attributes: shade-arcaded brick walkways, antique lamp posts, fountains, benches, winding brick walkways—even colonial tour guides.

D. Salem is more diverse than 15 peer North Carolina institutions in percent of those enrolled are students of color.

E. Salem has a summer study program with St. Peter’s College, Florida State University, California State University, and the University of Florida. Many students pursue study-abroad programs offered through Salem’s summer term. Students may also study for a bachelor of arts degree in planning for the future.
Meetings, offices, the student grill, and a dance studio. The Salem Commons (built in 1990) has a 25-meter indoor pool with a one-meter diving board; three playing courts, including tennis, and free weights; 12 Schwinn Air-Dyne bikes, Nordic track, stair climbers, and treadmills, and access to e-mail, Internet, and a fiber optics network. Salem students govern themselves. Committees include the Student Government Association, Legislative Board, Interdorm Council, Honor Council, and on-line library catalogs.

Contact: Salem College; 222 W. King Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27108; Telephone: 1-800-32-SALEM (1-800-327-2536); e-mail: admissions@salem.edu; www.salem.edu

Scholarships: Honor scholarships, including academic, service, and music scholarships, are awarded through a competitive application and interview process.

Fees: Tuition: $14,280; Room and Board: $8,870 Total: $23,050

Financial Aid: need-based aid includes work-study, grants, and loans. Approximately 75 percent of students receive some form of financial assistance.

Applicants are welcome at any time. Please call to arrange a tour and an interview. October 28–30, 2001 Senior weekend November 12, 2001 Saturday for seniors December 7, 2001 Holiday visit February 17–20, 2002 Scholarship Weekend (by invitation) March 17–18, 2002 Reunion weekend April 6, 2002 Spring visit day

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