

MARIST

Vice President for Advancement

Marist University

Poughkeepsie, New York

THE SEARCH

A unique international leader in higher education, Marist University seeks an innovative, aspirational, and highly experienced vice president for advancement to lead the institution's next era of philanthropic growth and impact. As a close partner and direct report to [President Kevin C. Weinman](#), the next vice president will join Marist at a key inflection point in preparation for its 2029 centennial. In a historic change for the institution, Marist College renamed itself as Marist University in January 2025 following approval from the New York State Board of Regents. In 2023, the university unveiled [Marist 100](#), an ambitious seven-year strategic plan, and the early stages of a comprehensive campaign for which the vice president will be a key driver and strategist.

This is an excellent opportunity for a high-performing leader to join a transformational president and an institution with enormous potential as one of the nation's most innovative and impactful universities prepared to meet the challenges faced by contemporary higher education. Marist is regularly recognized by industry publications for its excellent programs and student outcomes. *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Marist in the top 10 Best Regional Universities in the North. Marist has also recently been included in the *Princeton Review's* lists of "Best 386 Colleges" and "Colleges that Change Futures." Marist ranks #8 in the nation for "happiest students" as reported by the *Princeton Review*, and the Institute of International Education's annual *Open Doors* report ranks Marist first in the nation for study abroad participation. *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* regularly ranks Marist among the "100 Best Buys in Private Colleges," and *Barron's* also named Marist one of the "Best Buys in College Education."

Located in the scenic and historic Hudson River Valley in Poughkeepsie, New York, Marist has transformed since its founding in 1929. What was once a small training ground for Marist Brothers has evolved into a complex educational institution with a global reach. With state-of-the-art facilities, a spectacular campus only a 95-minute train ride from New York City, and a branch campus in Florence, Italy, Marist's approximately 6,400 students have nearly limitless opportunities. The 257 full-time and 325 part-time faculty members work across six academic schools to provide education that uniquely blends the liberal arts and pre-professional studies – something Marist calls "the power of and, not or" – to prepare students for successful and fulfilling lives and careers.

The vice president will have a deep passion for the mission of this outstanding university dedicated to helping students develop the intellect, character, and skills required for enlightened, ethical, and productive lives in the global community of the 21st century. A minimum of 10 to 15 years of leadership experience in fundraising, constituency engagement, and campaign and staff management is required, as is a comprehensive knowledge of strategies employed in the major advancement and alumni engagement functions. The vice president will also carry a track record of significant personal success in donor cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship at principal gift levels. Experience leading all aspects of a complex team, including structuring, managing, retaining, motivating, and evaluating staff, is essential.

Marist University has retained Jack Gorman of the national executive search firm, Isaacson, Miller, to assist in this important recruitment. Confidential inquiries, nominations, and applications should be directed to the search firm as indicated at the end of this document.

ABOUT MARIST UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1929, Marist University is a comprehensive, independent four-year institution whose signature educational approach blends the liberal arts with pre-professional studies and emphasizes experiential learning to enrich classroom instruction. With its main campus in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and branch campus in Florence, Italy, plus over 70 programs offering a variety of international study, Marist is a portal to the world and is devoted to nurturing a welcoming, inclusive community.

Through its six schools offering almost 90 programs of study, Marist cultivates the intellectual growth and well-being of its more than 6,400 undergraduate and graduate students. They are encouraged to create a unique and personalized combination of coursework and experiences in and out of the classroom that provide valuable personal growth and occupational expertise to reflect their individual passions.

Academics

Marist offers 53 undergraduate majors, 13 graduate programs, one doctoral program, and multiple certificate programs through its six schools: the [School of Communication and the Arts](#), the [School of Computer Science and Mathematics](#), the [School of Liberal Arts](#), the [School of Management](#), the [School of Science](#), and the [School of Social and Behavioral Sciences](#). The university also offers a number of unique programs at its [branch campus in Florence, Italy](#), including the only four-year U.S. bachelor's degree program in Florence and a Master of Arts in Museum Studies.

Marist has expanded its graduate offerings in recent years to include a number of allied health programs. Marist's [Physician Assistant \(PA\) Program](#) was established in 2016 and received full accreditation in 2020. [The Doctor of Physical Therapy \(DPT\) Program](#), Marist's first doctoral degree, enrolled its first class in 2018 and was granted full accreditation status in 2020.

Reflecting its historic embrace of technology, Marist offers several academic programs fully online. The [Master of Business Administration](#) (New York State's first AACSB-accredited, 100%-online MBA program),

[Master of Public Administration](#), and [Bachelor of Professional Studies](#) programs are recognized in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2020 list of "[Best Online Education Programs](#)."

Financial Outlook

Marist is well-positioned to succeed, even in a dynamic and unprecedented moment for higher education. Its history of prudent financial management has resulted in a strong fiscal position, as evidenced by bond ratings of AA- from Fitch and A2 from Moody's. The university has produced balanced budgets for more than 40 consecutive years. Marist's annual operating budget for fiscal year 2026 is \$240 million, with about \$153 million generated by net tuition and fees. Auxiliary revenue (residence halls and dining) represents the next largest revenue source at approximately \$64 million.

As of June 30, 2024, the university's long-term investment pool totaled more than \$528 million, of which approximately \$468 million represents endowment. The majority of the endowment (78 percent) consists of unrestricted, board-designated endowment. The university's endowment distribution policy allows for a five percent distribution of the trailing three-year average market value of the portfolio. In practice, however, the effective distribution rate has typically been under one percent as the university takes only a limited draw from the board-designated endowment.

Enrollment Outlook

Marist draws students from across the country and, increasingly, from around the world. The 6,356 students—including 5,551 undergraduate students and 805 graduate students—come to the university from 46 states and 54 countries. Marist has become steadily more selective in recent years as it has improved its facilities and programs, with the acceptance rate currently hovering around 56 percent. Marist is deeply committed to the principles of access and affordability and distributes more than \$100 million annually through need-based grants, merit awards, and other scholarships. Well above the national average, the university's 86.1 percent first-year-retention rate and 84.7 percent six-year graduation rate reflect its strong commitment to student success.

Advancement Results and Campaigns

Marist successfully completed its first comprehensive campaign in 2012, raising nearly \$160 million against a goal of \$150 million. A total of 14,388 donors contributed to the *Campaign for Marist*, including 21 gifts of \$1 million or more. Significant support was secured for major capital initiatives, the faculty, and the establishment of more than 40 new endowed scholarships. More recently, new gifts, pledges, and grants totaled more than \$7 million in Fiscal Year 2024 and are on track to exceed \$11 million in Fiscal Year 2025. Following a feasibility study and counsel from outside consultants, Marist has now entered the second year of a comprehensive campaign with a likely \$200 million goal.

The university's alumni, now more than 52,000 strong, are highly engaged, and more than 50 percent have graduated since the year 2000. They are increasingly successful in their careers and support Marist in growing numbers. In addition to financial support, alumni are a bridge to opportunity for students,

providing mentorship, internships, and more. Additionally, Marist has an impressive record of fundraising success with prominent philanthropists in the surrounding region. The institution also benefits greatly from an expanding cadre of highly capable, supportive parents.

Leadership

Kevin C. Weinman, PhD, MBA **5th President of Marist University**

Kevin C. Weinman joined Marist as its fifth president on October 4th, 2021. Weinman's academic and professional careers combine scholarship in the history of urban planning and public policy with extensive financial and administrative leadership in the private and higher education sectors. A hands-on leader, he has great passion for the powerful blend of liberal arts education, pre-professional and professional training, and graduate research and scholarship that are the hallmarks of a Marist education.

He has prioritized access, equity, and inclusion throughout his career. In December 2021, Weinman and his wife Beth made a personal pledge to support programs to make a Marist education more accessible and equitable for a diverse and talented group of students. Also during his first year as president, he led the recruitment of a diverse and dynamic cohort of 24 new faculty, the largest in the Marist's history. In May 2022, Weinman initiated a new strategic planning process for Marist to build upon its strong foundation while articulating a bold and ambitious vision for the future.

Weinman came to Marist after serving for over eight years as chief financial and administrative officer at Amherst College. There he set strategy and led operations for finance, investments, shared services, and information technology, as well as leading the operational elements of the college's Covid-19 response. The transparent and inclusive financial planning and budgeting processes he instituted helped the college make significant progress in the enrollment of talented students from low-income backgrounds and achieve key priorities in student life and wellbeing; diversity, equity, and inclusion; academic support; new academic and residential facilities; and a comprehensive climate action plan.

Prior to joining Amherst, Weinman led various financial operations at Dartmouth College, first serving as director of financial planning and budget from 2007 to 2010 and then as assistant vice president of finance from 2010 to 2013.

Before deciding to pursue a career in higher education, Weinman held several finance and marketing roles at Hewlett-Packard, Agilent Technologies, Deluxe Corp., and Western Union. He began his career in public accounting, is a former certified public accountant, and has presented at national conferences on the topics of risk management, strategic planning, and financial modeling.

A first-generation college student, Weinman earned a Ph.D. in History from the University of New Hampshire, an M.A. in History from the University of Colorado—Colorado Springs, and an M.B.A. from the

Kenan–Flagler Business School at the University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill. He received a B.B.A. from the University of Notre Dame, majoring in Accounting and History. Weinman has taught courses on modern American history and the rise of the suburbs to both college-aged and nontraditional students.

Board of Trustees

Marist is overseen by a 34-member [board of trustees](#). [Genine McCormick, CPA '88/P'16](#) was elected chair in November 2024. Ms. McCormick previously worked for Arthur Andersen & Co and Morgan Stanley, has served nearly 15 years on Marist's board most recently as vice chair and chair of the Audit Committee, and was unanimously elected to her first three-year term as chair. In addition to her distinguished record of board service, McCormick has been a dedicated volunteer leader for many years, having previously served as national chair of the Marist Fund. She and her husband, Michael '88, also co-chaired the fund's alumni division for two years and have supported a variety of programs at Marist through the McCormick Family Foundation they created, including a recent [multimillion-dollar pledge](#) to expand opportunities for students to engage deeply with history, leadership, and civic life.

For more information on Marist, please visit the addendum of this document or www.marist.edu.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADVANCEMENT

The next vice president will design and shape Marist's advancement enterprise under a passionate, strategic, and highly invested president. Reporting directly to the president, this individual will serve as a member of his senior leadership team and work closely with this group to establish priorities and devise strategies for university-wide objectives within the context of an aspirational comprehensive campaign.

The vice president will provide leadership and strategic vision to all aspects of the university's constituent relationships and fundraising activities, including advancement services, alumni relations, and development, in alignment with the university's strategic plan. This leader will mentor, hire, and train a team, and engage, educate, and support staff, faculty, volunteers, and campus leaders in their fundraising efforts. The vice president will also work closely with the board of trustees, key volunteers, and faculty, using their time and talents efficiently and appropriately to increase engagement and philanthropic support. Success will result in deeper awareness of and commitment to advancement efforts both on and off campus, expansion of major and principal gifts and alumni engagement, and growth in overall philanthropic support for the university.

The vice president will personally and successfully engage select prospects and donors; partner with gift officers to determine appropriate strategies and define mutually acceptable annual and multi-year performance goals; and ensure that the advancement operation effectively engages Marist's more than 52,000 alumni worldwide, in addition to parents, friends, business leaders, and other institutional prospects.

In total, the vice president will oversee a division of 21 FTES and an operating expense budget of approximately \$1 million. In Fiscal Year 2024, Marist raised \$7 million in support from individual and institutional donors.

In addition to the position's formal duties, the vice president must be a contributing member to a cohesive and mutually supportive senior management team, exhibiting integrity, warmth, self-awareness, responsiveness, and an articulated and genuine commitment to the mission and ethos of Marist.

KEY OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

Strategic Vision and Change Management

- Assess the fundraising potential of the university and its schools and units; serve as the architect in strengthening the advancement office to centralize and broaden fundraising outreach and constituent relations activities, in keeping with the strategy and mission of Marist.
- In conjunction with the president and his senior leadership team, develop clear, compelling messages around advancement and alumni engagement that describe the strengths and aspirations of the university and its leadership. Disseminate that information both internally and externally in a way that excites and unites the community about Marist's key philanthropic initiatives and an impending campaign.
- Set clear direction and priorities for the advancement staff. Inspire and motivate the team through active communication and delegation, placing their work within the context of Marist's strategic priorities and mission.
- Lead the continued planning and implementation of Marist's comprehensive campaign.
- Promote excellence through well-defined goals for staff that are established in a collaborative manner to ensure that individuals have a sense of responsibility and ownership for viable outcomes, in partnership with the faculty and administrators they support. Implement appropriate performance and accountability measurements.
- Serve as a resource for fundraisers in developing effective prospect strategies, execution of moves, closing with prospects, and stewardship. The vice president must lead by example, promote teamwork, and inspire others to action.

Donor Engagement and Programmatic Growth

- Deepen existing alumni relationships and proactively seek to engage and strengthen new relationships with a keen eye for increasing philanthropic participation. Trailblaze new and innovative techniques to establish multiple touchpoints to connect with alumni, parents, and friends across generations, including through creative programming.
- Build capacity and volunteer engagement by identifying, tracking, and nurturing Marist's alumni, parents, and friends. Develop meaningful and strategic frameworks to leverage and mobilize volunteers and to raise the sights and involvement of volunteers and donors at all levels.

- Personally manage a select portfolio of prospects and donors, and ensure that timely steps are taken toward solicitation, follow through, and closure of philanthropic gifts.
- Evaluate, strengthen, and enhance the major gift pipeline; develop and implement new programs to identify and acquire prospective donors, increase donor retention, and upgrade and renew existing donors.
- Leverage and enhance existing relationships with regional business leaders and continue to strengthen a new corporate and foundation grants program.
- Assess donor stewardship and ensure that gifts are acknowledged in a comprehensive, timely, and innovative fashion; elevate the importance of stewarding all gifts and programs that strengthen donors' commitment to Marist; and convey to donors the impact their contributions have on the betterment of the institution.

Leveraging Campus Leaders

- Guide and support the president, serving as coach and co-strategist in cultivating and soliciting transformative gifts. Ensure that the president is well-briefed and that his time spent is highly productive and rewarding. Similarly, guide and support the trustees, deans, senior staff, and other key volunteers in advancement activities.
- Cultivate strong working relationships with deans, administrators, faculty, and staff across the university. Ensure that advancement is seen as a productive, transparent, collaborative, and responsive partner able to professionally address both opportunities and concerns.
- Educate, enlist, and incentivize academic deans to participate fully in advancement initiatives, including setting fundraising goals, identifying key programmatic priorities, and building and maintaining key alumni relationships.
- Develop transparent, centralized reporting processes for each school and ensure school-based gift officers are meeting key goals, following best practices, and working effectively and openly with faculty leaders and central development colleagues.
- Collaborate closely with the VP of Communications and Marketing and his team to leverage impactful alumni storytelling to elevate the overall Marist brand and help attract donors to the university who can support institutional priorities outlined in the *Marist 100* strategic plan.

Trustee Development

- Analyze the board's giving patterns and encourage their personal participation in philanthropy. Provide the highest level of personal support to the board and volunteer leadership for their activities on behalf of Marist; ensure that their volunteer experience is meaningful, productive, and enjoyable and that the board's intellectual and emotional connection to the university and each other is strengthened.
- Work with the president to identify and recruit new prospective board members who are positioned to engage philanthropically with Marist and inspire fellow members and alumni to reach new heights in their giving.

Operational Effectiveness

- Explore opportunities for continuous improvement in office systems and structures to maximize coordination and productivity, enhance communication, and promote staff collaboration and professional satisfaction.
- Guide various units in the advancement office to collaborate and communicate, internally and across the university, in order to better integrate advancement efforts throughout the institution.
- Ensure that all systems and processes, from data capture to gift acceptances and processing, maximize available intelligence via reporting and also follow sound budgetary, legal, and accountability practices.
- Proactively manage the budgeting process, anticipating costs and prioritizing needs.

QUALIFICATIONS, CHARACTERISTICS, AND EXPERIENCE

This position requires a strong and proactive leader who possesses exceptional judgment, superb communication skills, a sense of urgency, and the ability to work collaboratively with many internal and external constituencies. The vice president will bring many of the following professional qualities and experiences:

- A deep appreciation for the history, achievements, and aspirations of Marist University and the ability to articulate persuasively its uniqueness to internal and external audiences.
- Exemplary interpersonal and listening skills; impeccable attention to detail; superb follow-through; strong personal integrity, emotional intelligence, and work ethic coupled with a sense of humor and perspective.
- At least 10 years of experience with the full range of best-in-class advancement functions: alumni and parent relations, volunteer and board development, annual giving, development communications, corporate and foundation relations, development research, stewardship, gift planning, information systems, and major and principal gifts; a demonstrated ability to guide a successful program through periods of transition.
- Experience building upon and reinforcing best practices in an existing advancement program, including individual and institutional philanthropy, resulting in a transformative increase in philanthropic revenue for an organization. Success in increasing the effectiveness of an advancement program and its staff through established objectives and performance standards.
- The credibility, maturity, and sound judgment required to effectively engage and leverage Marist's leadership and volunteers in the cultivation, solicitation, and stewardship of key prospects and donors.

- A proven track record of success in personally cultivating, soliciting, and stewarding gifts of seven-figures or more from individuals, foundations, and/or corporations. A high level of comfort and effectiveness working with high net-worth individuals and corporate business leaders.
- Proven management skills in establishing a team- and goal-oriented environment that empowers staff through active communication and delegation and that builds confidence, promotes diversity of thought, and celebrates achievements.
- Superior written and oral communication skills; clarity, crispness, and elegance in writing and speaking. The ability to succinctly communicate his or her vision and process to the president and other key constituents, utilizing data and metrics as appropriate as a foundation for advancement programs.
- The political savvy to navigate a complex academic community; the desire and ability to build bridges and strong collaborative relationships with all members of an operation across all alumni and campus constituents.
- A sharp eye for operational efficiency and the best use of resources, including a demonstrated understanding of budgets and the ability to manage them.
- The personal flexibility to travel and work evenings or weekends as required.
- Bachelor's degree required; advanced degree preferred.

LOCATION

Halfway between New York City and Albany, Marist's main campus is located in the heart of the beautiful and historic Hudson River Valley. The region is home to a highly-skilled and diverse workforce with more than 75,000 employers, including several Fortune 500 firms and two Fortune 50 firms (IBM and PepsiCo). Popular local attractions include the [Culinary Institute of America](#), [Franklin Delano Roosevelt Presidential Library](#), [Storm King Art Center](#), the [Dia Beacon museum](#), the [Vanderbilt Mansion](#), and the [Walkway Over the Hudson](#), among many others.

The university utilizes its location to its strategic advantage. The university's proximity to New York City gives students across all academic disciplines easy access to internships with leading companies and alumni connections in Manhattan. Proximity to New York City has also afforded fashion students the opportunity to participate in New York Fashion Week through the College's ongoing relationships with top designers. The [Albany Summer Internship Program](#) enables students to gain an insider's perspective on political communications, politics, and public policy in New York State's capital city.

APPLICATIONS, INQUIRIES, AND NOMINATIONS

Screening of complete applications will begin immediately and continue until the completion of the search process. Inquiries, nominations, referrals, and resumes should be sent via the Isaacson, Miller [website](#).

Jack Gorman, Partner
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EEO Statement: *Marist College is committed to creating a diverse workforce on our campus by ensuring that barriers to equal employment opportunity and upward mobility do not exist here. To this end, the College will strive to achieve the full and fair participation of minorities, women, people with disabilities, and any other protected groups found to be under-represented.*

Equal opportunity means employment, development, and promotion of individuals without consideration of race, color, disability, religion, age, sex, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, or veteran status unless there is a bona fide occupational requirement which excludes persons in one of these protected groups. The College will review its employment policies and procedures to ensure that barriers which may unnecessarily exclude protected groups are identified and eliminated. The College will also explore alternative approaches if any policy or practice is found to have a negative impact on protected groups.

Marist's policy of non-discrimination includes not only employment practices but also extends to all services and programs provided by the College. It shall be considered a violation of College policy for any member of the community to discriminate against any individual or group with respect to employment or attendance at Marist College on the basis of race, color, disability, religion, age, sex, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, veteran status, or any other condition established by law.

ADDENDUM

History

The Order of the Marist Brothers was founded in France in 1817 as an effort to provide an educational and spiritual respite from the violent revolutions and counter-revolutions afflicting France at the time. The order is particularly oriented towards public service and the formation of young people, so it found a natural traction in higher education. In 1905, the Brothers purchased a home and property along the Hudson River in Poughkeepsie, NY, and named it St. Ann's Hermitage. College-level courses were first offered in 1929, and in 1946, the State of New York granted the institution an official, four-year charter under the leadership of founding president Brother Paul Ambrose Fontaine, FMS. The Brothers set about constructing several buildings on the grounds of what was then called Marian College.

In 1960, the College changed its name to Marist College and expanded its mission. The College continued to fulfill its values of service, community, and educational excellence, admitting laypeople to pursue undergraduate studies, and also adding an evening division to serve adults in the surrounding community. By 1969, women were admitted into all programs, and control, governance, and fiscal responsibility were transferred to a diverse lay board. The university is proud of its heritage and continued evolution, and now an independent, comprehensive institution of higher education and welcomes students of all faiths.

Dr. Dennis Murray joined the Marist community in 1979, serving as president until 2016, then returning as interim president in 2019. One of the longest-serving presidents in the history of American higher education, President Murray's tenure at Marist has been marked by the continued expansion and beautification of the campus, prominence in the use and study of technology, increased enrollment and selectivity in the student body, diversification of programs, and substantial growth in endowment and other assets. Under President Murray's leadership, the College fully transformed itself from a small local college with limited resources to a nationally ranked comprehensive institution with a strong liberal arts core.

Unique Learning Opportunities

Supplementing the academic programs, Marist also offers many unique learning opportunities. The university has nationally recognized [study abroad opportunities](#) that include two unique first-year programs, the [Freshman Florence Experience](#) and the [Freshman Dublin Experience](#). More than half of Marist's students study abroad. The [IBM Joint Study Program](#), in place for more than 30 years, has provided the university with the capacity to acquire and use cutting-edge technology in instruction and research, helping to place Marist among the most technologically advanced liberal arts colleges in the country.

Perhaps the best known of the university's unique initiatives is [The Marist Poll](#), which is housed in the Marist Institute for Public Opinion. Founded in 1978, the Institute was the first college-based research

center to include undergraduates in conducting survey research. Today, The Marist Poll regularly works with media partners to conduct scientific public opinion polls on issues and elections. Partners have included NPR, NBC News, *The Wall Street Journal*, Telemundo, McClatchy, the PBS NewsHour, and Yahoo News. The Marist Poll also collaborates with local and regional news organizations to measure elections and key issues facing residents. The academic mission of The Marist Poll remains central to its endeavors, with nearly 300 students from all majors working for the Poll each semester.

Several additional Centers for research and engagement further enhance the academic experience, including the [Center for Civic Engagement and Leadership \(CCEL\)](#), the [Hudson River Valley Institute](#), the [Center for Sports Communication](#), and the [Institute for Data Center Professionals](#). The College also hosts the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library's [digital archives](#), making it one of only six colleges and universities in the nation that are affiliated with a presidential library.

Students and Campus Life

The on-campus student experience is characterized by a deep sense of community. With more than [100 student clubs and organizations](#), Marist is a place where students stay involved and active in campus life and the surrounding community. In addition to volunteer activities through CCEL, the College's Tarver Internship Program funds student work at regional nonprofits, providing meaningful professional experiences for students and assistance to deserving organizations. 700 student-athletes participate in Marist's [23 NCAA Division I athletic teams](#). Many club sports opportunities are also available on campus, including equestrian, ski, golf, fencing, dance team, and many others. The university's eSports team was named [Esports Program of the Year](#) by the MAAC in 2020.

The Marist experience serves its students and graduates well. Marist students have been awarded some of the most prestigious national scholarships and fellowships available, including the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship, Benjamin Gilman International Scholarship, Freeman Asia Scholarship, Math for America Fellowship, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, and the Boren Scholarship. Numerous graduating seniors in recent years have been awarded the Fulbright U.S. Student Program grant and, in 2020, a student received the James Madison Memorial Fellowship. Eighty-six percent of students participate in at least one credit-bearing internship and 94% of graduates in the past five years have been employed or in graduate school within six months of completing their degrees.

Facilities

Marist's main campus—which consists of 75 buildings across 242 acres along the eastern and western shores of the Hudson River—is a physical manifestation of the University's character. Elegant buildings, constructed with the distinctive grey stone and red brick of the Hudson River Gothic palette, are equipped with modern facilities and situated on an immaculate campus alongside the Hudson River. While the buildings originally constructed by the original Marist Brothers are still in use, this beautiful campus is more a sign of Marist's future than a monument to its past. Alumni will point out green, rolling fields that

were once parking lots and expansive river vistas that once looked out onto industrial plants. The artistically conceived and flawlessly executed campus master plan (originally designed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and recently updated by Robert A. M. Stern Architects) has, over several decades, reoriented the campus towards the river, suggesting an opening to the world while embracing its geography. Marist's campus extends across the Hudson River to a 60-acre riverfront estate in Esopus, NY. The estate includes the historic Col. Oliver Hazard Payne Mansion, home to the [Raymond A. Rich Institute for Leadership Development](#).