

1. Bennington College aims to create a culture that is more just, more ethical and more beautiful. We believe that a collaborative process of self-directed learning leads to the most rigorous and innovative thinking, and that this process empowers students to expand their creativity, their critical acumen, and their poetic imaginations. We prepare our students to live meaningful lives, to devote themselves to constructive social purposes, and to do important, transformative work in the world.

2. Turning curiosity into knowledge, passion into practice, and urgency into action, we confront uncertainty with fearless creativity, and learn to live in ways that make communities more just, ecologies more vibrant, and built environments more beautiful.