AN OVERVIEW OF SUNY NEW PALTZ

Character
SUNY New Paltz is a highly selective, publicly assisted, regional university, offering programs leading to the Bachelor’s degree, the Master’s degree and the Certificate of Advanced Study.

Founded
1828 as the New Paltz Classic Academy, New Paltz is the 99th oldest collegiate institution in the country

Location
New Paltz, New York
Small, historic village in Mid-Hudson Valley, midway between Albany and NYC; exit 18 off the New York State Thruway (I-87)

Campus
216 acres set in the beautiful Hudson River Valley, settled next to the nation’s oldest street with its original houses just blocks from campus; 39 non-residence buildings, 14 residence halls.

Enrollment
Graduate – 911
Undergraduate – 6,717

Academic Structure
The College has five academic schools:
- College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
- School of Business (AACSB accredited)
- School of Education (NCATE accredited)
- School of Fine & Performing Arts
- School of Science & Engineering

Faculty
404 holding a Ph.D. or terminal degree Student-Faculty Ratio – 15:1

Accreditation
The College is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and is approved as a degree-granting institution by the Trustees of the State University of New York and the Regents of New York State. Academic programs with national certification include:
- Teacher certification by the New York State Education Department and accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
- Music programs are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music and the National Association for Music Therapy
- Art programs are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design

- Theatre programs receive accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Theatre
- Chemistry program is accredited by the American Chemical Society
- Electrical Engineering program is accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology
- Communication Disorders is accredited by the American Speech-Language and Hearing Association
- Business programs are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business