

Endicott's Undergraduate College is comprised of eight schools offering a variety of baccalaureate degree programs. Please refer to the *Endicott College Catalog* for complete information on the College's programs and the curriculum requirements of each major.

School of Arts and Sciences

- Bachelor of Science in Biology/Biotechnology
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice
- Bachelor of Arts in English
- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science
- Bachelor of Arts in History
- Bachelor of Science in Human Services
- Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies
- Bachelor of Science in Psychology

School of Business

- Bachelor of Science in Accounting
- Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

School of Communication

- Bachelor of Science in Communication

School of Education

- Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies Teacher Licensure:
 - Early Childhood Education Concentration
- Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies Teacher Licensure:
 - Elementary Education Concentration

School of Hospitality Management

- Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management

School of Nursing

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing

School of Sport Science and Fitness Studies

- Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training
- Bachelor of Science in Physical Education Teacher Licensure
- Bachelor of Science in Sport Management

School of Visual and Performing Arts

- Bachelor of Fine Arts
- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Communications
- Bachelor of Science in Interior Design

Founded in 1939, Endicott College has an educational philosophy that combines a core curriculum in liberal arts with outstanding opportunities for professional study. The hallmark of an Endicott education is the internship experience that allows students to apply theoretical study in a hands-on work environment. The College offers Master of Business Administration, Master of Arts, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Education, Master of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, Associate in Science, and Associate in Arts degree programs.

Located 20 miles north of Boston on the historic North Shore, our beautiful, oceanfront campus in Beverly, Massachusetts, has been described as one of the most scenic in the country. Comprised of woods, lawns, lakes, and shoreline, our 231 acres boast 48 buildings with architectural styles ranging from colonial houses to Victorian mansions to state-of-the-art residence halls, academic buildings, and sports facilities.

The College enrolls more than 2,400 undergraduate men and women from throughout the United States and around the world at our campus in Beverly and on our campuses in Madrid, Spain, and Mexico City, Mexico. More than 600 students are enrolled in Master's degree programs, and nearly 5,000 non-degree students are enrolled in Endicott's Van Loan School of Graduate and Professional Studies.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE KEYS TO DEGREES PROGRAM

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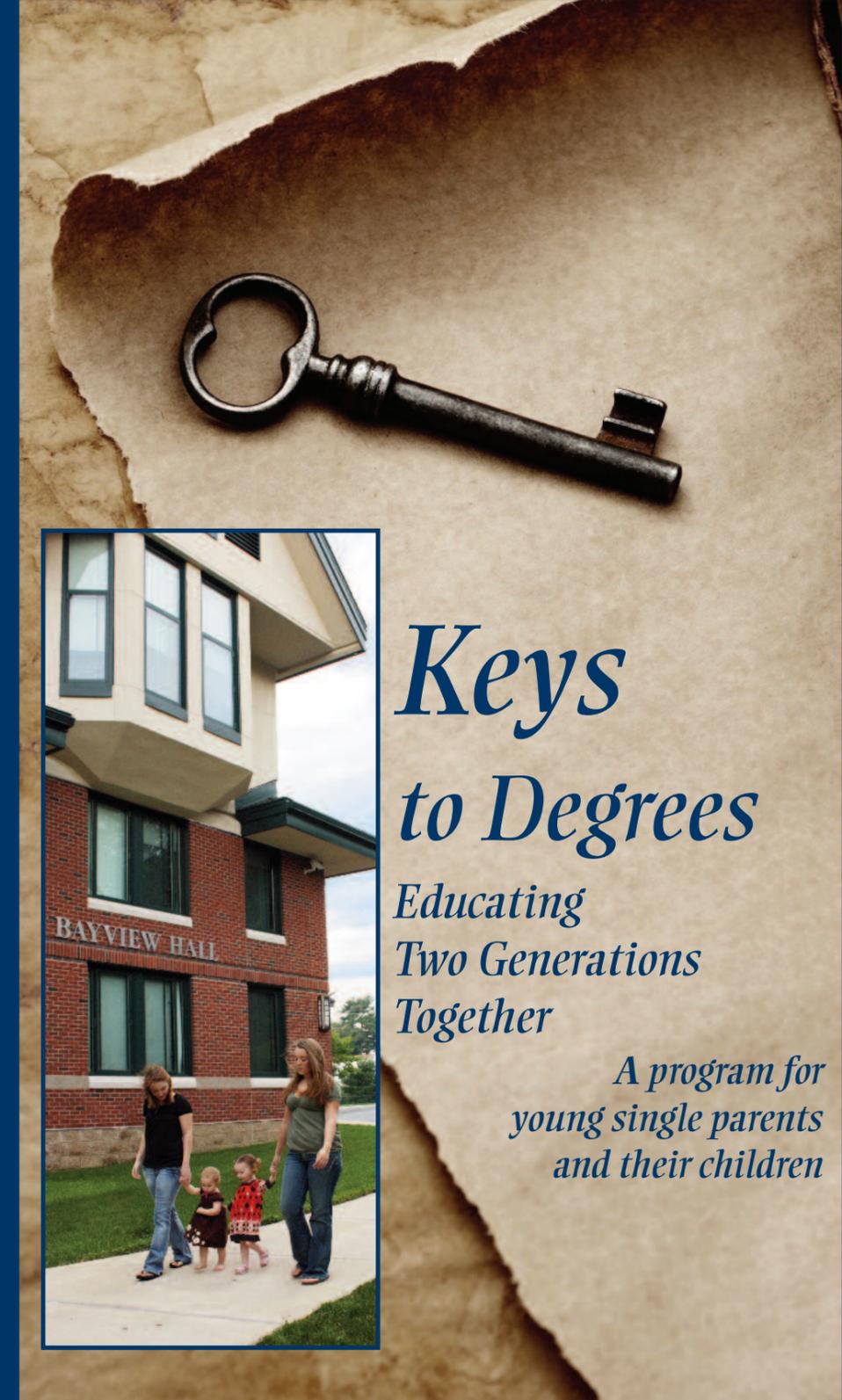
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Keys to Degrees: Educating Two Generations Together

They're motivated, they're academic achievers, and they're parents. Finding the right balance between a demanding degree program and a full range of real-life responsibilities is never easy, especially when those real-life responsibilities include raising a child.

Endicott College is deeply concerned about young men and women who become single parents before they have an opportunity to attend college and complete their education. In an effort to make a difference in the lives of these young men and women, Endicott has developed ***Keys to Degrees: Educating Two Generations Together***, a program that puts a baccalaureate degree within reach for young single parents who seek a better life for themselves and for their children. This comprehensive program brings educational opportunity to a largely under-served population.

WHY A PROGRAM FOR SINGLE PARENTS?

The increasing number of children living with a single parent has greatly affected family structure and the economic security of children in the United States over the past 20 years. Statistics show that in 2004, 32% of all children ages 0–17 in the United States lived with a single parent, up from 23% in 1977. The lack of career opportunities and the financial means to support themselves and their families often places the single, under-educated parent in a continuous negative cycle.

Studies have found that children of unmarried mothers are more likely to live in poverty than children of married parents. In 2003, 42% of children living in female-headed families (with no father present) were living below the 100% poverty threshold (approximately \$18,000 for a family of four). The problem is not unique to single mothers: the proportion of all children living with a single father increased from 2 percent in 1980 to 5 percent in 2004. Many of these single parent families are likely to live in poverty with few opportunities.

Studies have shown that U.S. taxpayers subsidize single parents to the tune of \$22 billion a year, or roughly \$80 per taxpayer. The greatest portion of this subsidy goes to single parents who do not have a college education.

We have the ability to break the cycle of low-paying jobs or welfare dependence and to transform these parents into productive members of society. Strong programmatic intervention makes an incredible difference. Endicott College believes in the power of education to transform lives.

THE KEYS TO DEGREES PROGRAM AT ENDICOTT

Keys to Degrees: Educating Two Generations Together is designed for academically qualified single men and women, between ages 18 and 24 at the time of their enrollment, who are the parents of a young child. Choosing from among the College's outstanding programs of study, these young parents enjoy the opportunity to complete an undergraduate degree in an environment that supports their special needs and the needs of their children. Program benefits include campus housing and the full array of support services offered by the College.

Goals of the Program

The primary goals of ***Keys to Degrees: Educating Two Generations Together*** are to empower each parent to be:

- A baccalaureate graduate of Endicott College;
- Well adjusted in school, with peers, and with each other;
- Economically self-sufficient in their area of specialization;

- Enlightened and committed parents;
- Responsible and contributing members of society;
- An education model for Endicott students about single parenthood, including the difficulties involved and the successes that are achievable with support from the College and the community.

Learning Outcomes

Through participation in the program, parents will:

- Learn to live and interact with other parents and their children;
- Acquire knowledge, skills, and information about opportunities for further education and employment;
- Develop increased confidence and self-esteem to balance work, families, and education;
- Contribute to the community by mentoring other single parents and their families.

CAMPUS LIVING

Once accepted into the program, students live on campus with their children twelve months a year. Sharing living quarters with other single parent families, students find that friendships flourish and a support network grows.

Highlights of living on campus include:

- Year-round, apartment-style accommodations on Endicott's beautiful, oceanfront campus;
- Shared cooking and laundry facilities for students and their children;
- An additional meal plan that allows students five meals a week in College dining facilities where children eat free.

CHILD CARE

Students in the program are required to apply for state and local vouchers that are accepted as payment for child care services by providers in the local area. Students who do not qualify for vouchers are responsible for a portion of child care costs. Working with the director of the program, students find placements that are both educationally enriching for the children and adaptable to the schedules of the students.



SUPPORT SERVICES

Students work closely with the director of the ***Key to Degrees*** program, who serves as counselor, ombudsman, and advisor. The director also coordinates workshops on parenting skills, counseling sessions on a variety of topics, and a mentoring program where single parents share their experiences and successes.

In addition, students in the program benefit from all the services the College has to offer including academic support, career counseling, internship advice, pastoral and personal counseling, and a wide variety of student activities and cultural events.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Internship has always been the hallmark of an Endicott education. Applying the knowledge gained in the classroom to the world of work, students are able to explore career choices and fine tune their personal and professional goals. During their course of study, students typically complete at least two short-term internships and one semester-long internship. By the time they complete their degrees, our students have a resume as well as a diploma, giving them a competitive edge in the marketplace.

THE KEYS RETREAT

Each summer, Endicott College sponsors the ***Keys Retreat***, a special weekend for young single parents who might benefit from the ***Keys*** program. These young parents and their children enjoy a weekend on our oceanfront campus, learning about the educational options and opportunities open to them.

FINANCIAL AID

Endicott strives to make the cost of a college education affordable for participants in the program. Eligible students receive aid in the form of outright scholarship assistance and a variety of federal, state, and local grants and loans.

The director of the program and the staff of the Financial Aid office are here to assist students in applying for financial aid. In addition, a payment plan is available to make students' financial contribution to the cost of their education more convenient.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students interested in the ***Keys to Degrees*** program should contact the program director to voice their intent to apply to the program. The director can act as liaison between the prospective student and the Admission Office.

First, the student must apply for admission to Endicott College, adhering to all of the requirements of the admission process as outlined on the *College Application for Admission* form and as explained in detail in the *Endicott College Catalog* and on our web site.

Once accepted by the College, the student makes application to the ***Keys to Degrees*** program.

Note: Spaces in the ***Keys to Degrees*** program are limited, and admission to the College **DOES NOT** ensure acceptance into the program.