



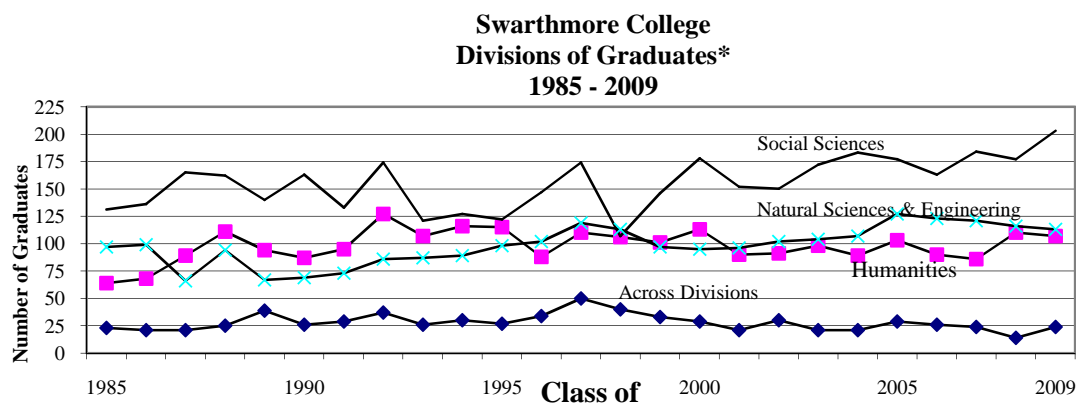
Graduating Class of 2009

This report presents a brief summary of the demographic and academic characteristics of the Class of 2009. On May 31, Swarthmore College awarded 394 degrees to 384 graduates. A total of 30 BS degrees were awarded, the highest number in over ten years. Ten students earned both the BA and the BS, the same number as last year.

| | <u>Women</u> | <u>Men</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| African American | 13 | 10 | 23 |
| Asian American | 33 | 31 | 64 |
| Latino/a American | 24 | 21 | 45 |
| Native American | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| White American | 92 | 80 | 172 |
| Non-Resident Alien | 10 | 16 | 26 |
| Other, Mixed, Unknowr | <u>23</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>51</u> |
| Total | 196 | 188 | 384 |

Consistent with recent years, 51% of the graduates were women. The proportion of graduates who were members of minority groups was 35%, as it was last year. Seven percent were international students.

Nearly a quarter of students (24%) had double majors. Just over half (53%) of the students had at least one major in the Social Sciences, 28% had major(s) in the Humanities, and 29% in the Natural Sciences and Engineering. Another 6% of the majors were interdisciplinary. (Totals sum to more than 100% because students may have majors in more than one division.)



Two hundred forty-nine graduates earned 289 minors, 103 in Honors, and 186 in Course. The proportion of students earning some form of honors this year remained at 29%. Of the 112 students earning honors, 36 earned Honors, 62 earned High Honors, and 14 earned Highest Honors. (See historical data presented on the last page of this summary.)

The proportion of graduating seniors who have studied abroad continues to be between a third and a half. In the Class of 2009, 37% of the students had studied abroad, below the proportion in the Class of 2008 (40%).

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE
Majors of Class of 2009, by Gender
(1st and 2nd Majors represented)

| | Women | Men | Total |
|-------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|
| Art | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| Art History | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Asian Studies | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Astronomy | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Biology | 21 | 19 | 40 |
| Chemistry | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Classics-Ancient History | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Classics-Greek | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Classics-Latin | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Comparative Literature | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Computer Science | 3 | 9 | 12 |
| Dance | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Economics | 20 | 44 | 64 |
| Engineering | 10 | 20 | 30 |
| English Literature | 18 | 9 | 27 |
| History | 19 | 17 | 36 |
| Linguistics | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| Mathematics | 4 | 14 | 18 |
| Medieval Studies | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Modern Languages - Chinese | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Modern Languages - French | 4 | 2 | 6 |
| Modern Languages - German | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Modern Languages - Russian | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Modern Languages - Spanish | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Music | 0 | 10 | 10 |
| Philosophy | 3 | 11 | 14 |
| Physics | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| Political Science | 15 | 23 | 38 |
| Psychology | 21 | 16 | 37 |
| Religion | 10 | 6 | 16 |
| Sociology & Anthropology | 11 | 4 | 15 |
| Theatre Studies | 8 | 3 | 11 |
| (Special Majors) | | | |
| Sp: African Amer Studies | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Astrophysics | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Biochemistry | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Sp: Chemical Physics | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Dance & Theater | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Educ / Soc / Anthr | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Education & English | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Sp: Education & History | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Education & Political Sci | 2 | 2 | 4 |

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Majors of Class of 2009, by Gender
 (1st and 2nd Majors represented)

| | Women | Men | Total |
|------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|
| (Continued) | | | |
| Sp: Education/Psychology | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Sp: Environmental Science | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Film + Media Studies | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Sp: Francophone Studies | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: German Studies | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Japanese | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Latin American Studies | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Latin Amer Std /Spanish | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Linguistics/Languages | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Music and Theater | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Psychobiology | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Sp: Public Policy | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sp: Social Movements | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: TheoryOf Health Behavior | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: World Literatures | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Sp: Lat Amer Studies & Educ | 1 | 0 | 1 |

(Total not presented since students with double majors are duplicated.)

SOURCE: OIR CLSyyyy files.

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**Swarthmore College
Minors of Class of 2009**

| | Course | Honors | Total |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Arabic Studies | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Art History | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Art* | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Asian Studies | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| Astronomy | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Astrophysics | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Biology | 17 | 4 | 21 |
| Black Studies | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| Chemistry | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Classics-Ancient History | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Classics-Greek | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Classics-Latin | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Cognitive Science | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Comparative Literature* | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Computer Science | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Dance | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Economics* | 0 | 9 | 9 |
| Education | 11 | 7 | 18 |
| Engineering | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| English Literature | 12 | 6 | 18 |
| Environmental Studies | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Film & Media Studies | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| Francophone Studies | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gender & Sexuality Studies | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| German Studies | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| History | 10 | 9 | 19 |
| Interpretation Theory | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Islamic Studies | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Latin American Studies | 11 | 0 | 11 |
| Linguistics | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Mathematics | 13 | 6 | 19 |
| Medieval Studies | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Modern Languages - Chinese | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Modern Languages - French | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Modern Languages - German | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Modern Languages - Japanese | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Modern Languages - Russian | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Modern Languages - Spanish | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| Music | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Peace & Conflict Studies | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Philosophy | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Physics | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Political Science* | 0 | 10 | 10 |
| Psychology | 11 | 5 | 16 |
| Public Policy | 9 | 2 | 11 |
| Religion | 13 | 5 | 18 |
| Russian Literat in Translation | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Sociology & Anthropology* | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| Statistics | 6 | 0 | 6 |
| <u>Theatre Studies</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> |
| Total Minors Earned | 186 | 103 | 289 |

Number of Graduates earning minors

249

*No course minor offered.

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Swarthmore College Graduation Statistics

| | 1991 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Total Degrees Granted | 314 | 346 | 380 | 337 | 345 | 368 | 364 | 395 | 352 | 353 | 374 | 394 |
| BA | | 326 | 359 | 314 | 323 | 346 | 349 | 367 | 330 | 339 | 356 | 364 |
| BS | | 20 | 21 | 23 | 22 | 22 | 15 | 28 | 22 | 14 | 18 | 30 |
| <i>(Students receiving both BA & BS</i> | <i>6</i> | <i>6</i> | <i>3</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>9</i> | <i>8</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>15</i> | <i>6</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>10</i> | <i>10</i>) |
| Total Persons Receiving Degrees | 308 | 340 | 377 | 332 | 336 | 360 | 359 | 380 | 346 | 348 | 364 | 384 |
| Total Honors | 64 | 93 | 99 | 109 | 118 | 119 | 127 | 125 | 114 | 115 | 106 | 112 |
| Honors | 30 | 38 | 37 | 42 | 42 | 47 | 54 | 49 | 40 | 45 | 29 | 36 |
| High Honors | 34 | 49 | 52 | 54 | 67 | 60 | 67 | 64 | 64 | 59 | 66 | 62 |
| Highest Honors | 0 | 6 | 10 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 14 |
| Honors as a % of Degrees Granted | 20.4% | 26.9% | 26.1% | 32.3% | 34.2% | 32.3% | 34.9% | 31.6% | 32.4% | 32.6% | 28.3% | 28.4% |
| Honors as a % of Students Graduating | 20.8% | 27.4% | 26.3% | 32.8% | 35.1% | 33.1% | 35.4% | 32.9% | 32.9% | 33.0% | 29.1% | 29.2% |
| Distinction in Course | 66 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| As a % of Degrees Granted | 21.0% | | | | | | | | | | | |
| As a % of Students in Course | 27.0% | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Honors and Distinction | 130 | 93 | 99 | 109 | 118 | 119 | 127 | 125 | 114 | 115 | 106 | 112 |
| As a % of Degrees Granted | 41.4% | 26.9% | 26.1% | 32.3% | 34.2% | 32.3% | 34.9% | 31.6% | 32.4% | 32.6% | 28.3% | 28.4% |
| As a % of Students Graduating | 42.2% | 27.4% | 26.3% | 32.8% | 35.1% | 33.1% | 35.4% | 32.9% | 32.9% | 33.0% | 29.1% | 29.2% |

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