



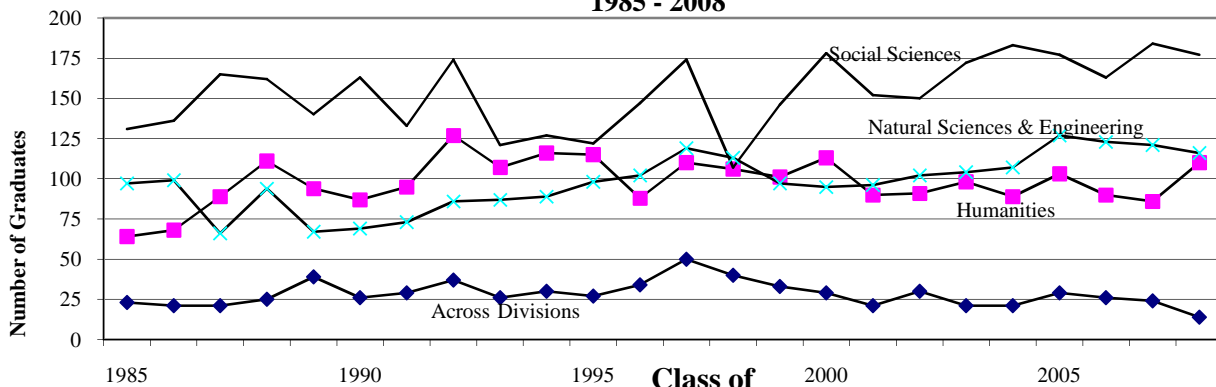
**Graduating Class of 2008**

On June 1, Swarthmore College awarded 374 degrees to 364 graduates. Ten students earned both the BA and the BS, twice the number of last year.

	<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Total</u>
African American	21	9	30
Asian American	31	30	61
Latino/a American	23	11	34
Native American	1	2	3
White American	66	81	147
Non-Resident Alien	15	6	21
Other, Mixed, Unknown	<u>33</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>68</u>
Total	190	174	364

Consistent with recent years, 52% of the graduates were women. The proportion of graduates who were members of minority groups was 35%, up slightly from last year (31%). Six percent were non-resident aliens. Just under half (49%) of the students had at least one major in the Social Sciences, 30% were in the Humanities, and 32% were in the Natural Sciences and Engineering. Another 4 percent of the majors were interdisciplinary. (Totals sum to more than 100% because students may have majors in more than one division.)

**Swarthmore College**  
**Divisions of Graduates\***  
**1985 - 2008**



Two hundred fifteen graduates earned 243 minors, 95 in Honors, and 148 in Course. The proportion of students earning some form of honors this year dropped to 29%. Of the 106 students earning honors, 29 earned Honors, 66 earned High Honors, and 11 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 2008, 40% of the students had studied abroad, slightly below the proportion in the Class of 2007 (41%).

**SWARTHMORE COLLEGE**  
**Majors of Class of 2008, by Gender**  
(1st and 2nd Majors represented)

	Women	Men	Total
Art	8	1	9
Art History	10	0	10
Asian Studies	2	1	3
Astronomy	0	0	0
Biology	26	20	46
Chemistry	2	2	4
Classics-Ancient History	0	0	0
Comparative Literature	2	2	4
Computer Science	3	13	16
Dance	1	0	1
Economics	20	25	45
Engineering	6	12	18
English Literature	15	13	28
Greek	1	0	1
History	18	11	29
Latin	0	4	4
Linguistics	7	4	11
Mathematics	11	13	24
Medieval Studies	0	0	0
Modern Languages - Chinese	2	1	3
Modern Languages - French	4	0	4
Modern Languages - German	0	1	1
Modern Languages - Russian	1	0	1
Modern Languages - Spanish	1	0	1
Music	3	1	4
Philosophy	6	14	20
Physics	0	10	10
Political Science	21	17	38
Psychology	12	11	23
Religion	13	5	18
Sociology & Anthropology	20	15	35
Theatre Studies	4	2	6
(Special Majors)			
Sp: Biochemistry	1	7	8
Sp: Dance & Theater	1	0	1
Sp: Educ / Soc / Anthr	3	0	3
Sp: Educ / Spanish Lit	1	0	1
Sp: Education & English	0	1	1
Sp: Education & Math	0	1	1
Sp: Education & Political Sci	3	0	3
Sp: Education/Psychology	2	1	3
Sp: Environmental Science	0	1	1

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**SWARTHMORE COLLEGE**  
**Majors of Class of 2008, by Gender**  
 (1st and 2nd Majors represented)

	Women	Men	Total
(Continued)			
Sp: Film Studies	1	1	2
Sp: Linguistics/Languages	2	0	2
Sp: Neuroscience	0	1	1
Sp: Psychobiology	2	2	4
Sp: Theory-Art,ApplicTherapy	1	0	1

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

SOURCE: OIR CLSyyy files.

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**Swarthmore College  
Minors of Class of 2008**

	<b>Course</b>	<b>Honors</b>	<b>Total</b>
Art History	3	1	4
Art*		3	3
Asian Studies	1	0	1
Astronomy	0	0	0
Astrophysics	0	0	0
Biology	2	1	3
Black Studies	6	0	6
Chemistry	3	2	5
Classics-Ancient History	0	2	2
Cognitive Science	0	0	0
Comparative Literature*		0	0
Computer Science	1	4	5
Dance	5	0	5
Economics*		4	4
Education	9	0	9
Engineering	3	0	3
English Literature	17	8	25
Environmental Studies	2	1	3
Film & Media Studies	1	1	2
Francophone Studies	0	0	0
German Studies	0	0	0
Greek	0	1	1
History	6	11	17
Interpretation Theory	2	1	3
Latin	2	0	2
Latin American Studies	7	1	8
Linguistics	3	6	9
Mathematics	9	6	15
Medieval Studies	0	0	0
Modern Languages - Chinese	4	1	5
Modern Languages - French	4	1	5
Modern Languages - German	0	0	0
Modern Languages - Japanese	0	0	0
Modern Languages - Russian	1	2	3
Modern Languages - Spanish	6	0	6
Music	3	3	6
Peace & Conflict Studies	5	0	5
Philosophy	7	3	10
Physics	0	2	2
Political Science*		9	9
Psychology	18	3	21
Public Policy	1	5	6
Religion	7	4	11
Sociology & Anthropology*		7	7
Statistics	5	0	5
Theatre Studies	0	0	0
<u>Women's Studies</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>
Total Minors Earned	148	95	243

*Number of Graduates earning minors*

*215*

\*No course minor offered.

SOURCE: OIR CLASSyyyy file.

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## Swarthmore College Graduation Statistics

	1991	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total Degrees Granted	<u>314</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>337</u>	<u>345</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>364</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>374</u>
BA		316	326	359	314	323	346	349	367	330	339	356
BS		21	20	21	23	22	22	15	28	22	14	18
(Students receiving both BA & BS	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u> )
Total Persons Receiving Degrees	308	331	340	377	332	336	360	359	380	346	348	364
Total Honors	<u>64</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>99</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>119</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>114</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>106</u>
Honors	30	34	38	37	42	42	47	54	49	40	45	29
High Honors	34	49	49	52	54	67	60	67	64	64	59	66
Highest Honors	0	8	6	10	13	9	12	6	12	10	11	11
Honors as a % of Degrees Granted	20.4%	27.0%	26.9%	26.1%	32.3%	34.2%	32.3%	34.9%	31.6%	32.4%	32.6%	28.3%
Honors as a % of Students Graduating	20.8%	27.5%	27.4%	26.3%	32.8%	35.1%	33.1%	35.4%	32.9%	32.9%	33.0%	29.1%
Distinction in Course	66											
As a % of Degrees Granted	21.0%											
As a % of Students in Course	27.0%											
Total Honors and Distinction	130	91	93	99	109	118	119	127	125	114	115	106
As a % of Degrees Granted	41.4%	27.0%	26.9%	26.1%	32.3%	34.2%	32.3%	34.9%	31.6%	32.4%	32.6%	28.3%
As a % of Students Graduating	42.2%	27.5%	27.4%	26.3%	32.8%	35.1%	33.1%	35.4%	32.9%	32.9%	33.0%	29.1%

SOURCE: OIR CLSyyy files and Office of the Registrar - Graduating Class Statistics.  
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