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Lambda Epsilon Sigma
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• Brigham & Women’s Hospital
• Community Care Services
• HR Knowledge
• Kindercare Learning Centers
• The May Institute
• New England Center for Children
• Various public school systems
• Yawkey House of Possibilities

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CAMPUS RESOURCES
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CAREER OUTCOMES
Places where Stonehill graduates have recently been employed include:
• Applied Market Science
• Bay Cove Health & Human Services
• Boston Children’s Hospital
• Bradley Children’s Hospital
• McLean Hospital
• MEDITECH
• W.B. Mason
• Winter Wyman

GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL STUDIES
Places where Stonehill graduates have recently attended a full- or part-time graduate program include:
• Chicago School of Professional Psychology
• New York Medical College
• Simmons College
• Springfield College
• Tufts University
• University of Alabama at Birmingham
• University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

“‘The faculty in the Psychology Department fosters a learning community that promotes student success. The professors’ doors are always open to answer questions, discuss course material or give guidance.’”

– Georgia Winters ’13
Currently pursuing a Ph.D. in clinical forensic psychology at CUNY’s John Jay College of Criminal Justice

CAREER SERVICES RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS
General
• The Office of Career Services offers extensive assistance to students seeking employment, pursuing advanced studies or participating in postgraduate service opportunities. By completing internships and utilizing mentors, students are empowered to build lifelong career management skills.

Psychology-specific
• Extensive on-campus recruiting program for internships and entry-level positions.
• Annual career fairs.
• Various industry-specific career lunches – human resources and human services.
• Psychology Career Panel and Networking event (with Psychology Society).
• Number of active mentors: 171.

Stonehill at a Glance
Founded by the Congregation of Holy Cross, Stonehill College values integrity, tradition and the rewards that come when you pair rigorous academics with world-class faculty committed to their students’ success. Our nationally recognized experiential learning programs and focus on service shape graduates into compassionate leaders and global thinkers.

• 2,590 full-time students (1,588 women, 1,002 men).
• 93% of students live on campus.
• 167 full-time faculty (100% of classes taught by professors).
• 13:1 student/faculty ratio (average class size: 19 students).
• Tuition: $36,160. Room and board: $13,710.
• 86% retention rate.
• 93% of enrolled students receive financial assistance. Average freshman award, including scholarships, grants, federal student loans and work study, is $25,451.
• $50.5 million: amount of aid Stonehill students received in 2013-2014 academic year.
• 80% of the Class of 2013 completed an internship-related experience while at Stonehill.
• 98% of alumni are in careers, top graduate programs or volunteering within one year of graduation.

• Ranked in the top 10% nationally for opportunities abroad, Stonehill offers internships, study and service travel programs around the globe.
• 91% of students participate in internships, study abroad, research practicum or fieldwork.
• 50% of the class of 2013 had secured a job by graduation, double the national average of 25%.