

# Welcome to Westminster Choir College of Rider University!

Westminster Choir College – a division of Westminster College of the Arts of Rider University – is one of the world’s premier schools of music. Situated on a 23-acre campus in historic Princeton, NJ, the College is just 55 miles south of New York City and 45 miles north of Philadelphia. Our strategic location gives our students easy access to some of the nation’s most exciting and renowned musical organizations and performance venues.

Westminster prepares graduates for music leadership in schools, churches, communities, and on stage through its career-oriented programs with a unique choral emphasis. Students at Westminster are part of a challenging and nurturing community that encourages continual personal, professional and musical growth.

We are an integral part of Rider University in nearby Lawrenceville, NJ. The University is ranked by Princeton Review among the top 15 percent of colleges and universities nationwide.



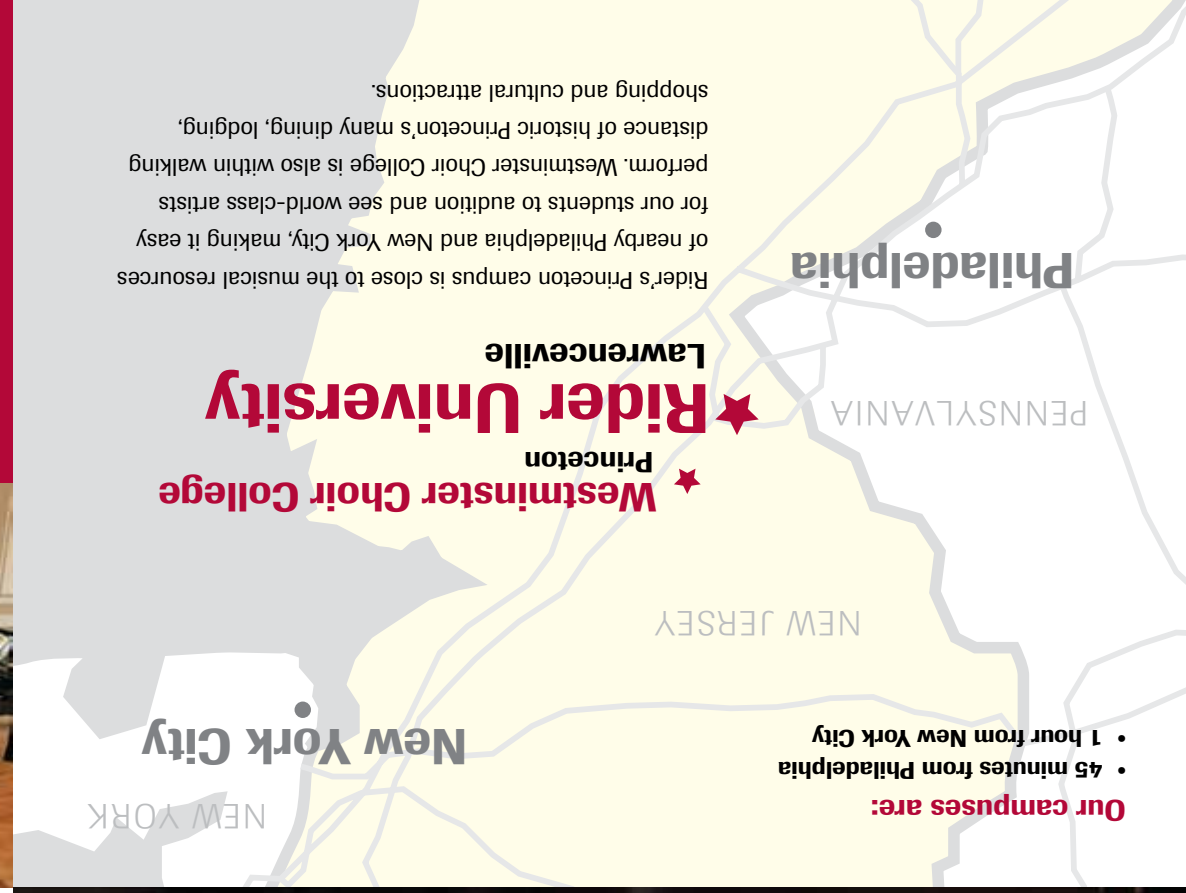
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# VISITOR'S GUIDE AND MAP



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**Our campuses are:**

- 45 minutes from Philadelphia
- 1 hour from New York City

Rider's Princeton campus is close to the musical resources of nearby Philadelphia and New York City, making it easy for our students to audition and see world-class artists perform. Westminster Choir College is also within walking distance of historic Princeton's many dining, lodging, shopping and cultural attractions.

**Westminster Choir College Key Campus Phone Numbers**

Dial 609-921-7100 and the extension provided, except as noted.

Admission	Ext. 8210
Bookstore	609-921-1656
American & Public Musicology	Ext. 8217
Choral Conducting	Ext. 8260
Conservatory	Ext. 8228
Continuing Education	Ext. 8228
Financial Aid	609-896-5360
Health Services	Ext. 8222
Office of Information Technologies	Ext. 3000
Public Safety	Ext. 8315
Residence Life	Ext. 8262
Registrar	Ext. 8207
Student Life	Ext. 8263

Toll Free: 800-962-4647  
Website: [rider.edu/wcc](http://rider.edu/wcc)  
Email: [wccadmission@rider.edu](mailto:wccadmission@rider.edu)

**Academic Programs at Westminster Choir College**

NOTE: For a complete listing of all majors offered by Rider's Westminster College of the Arts, visit [rider.edu/westminster](http://rider.edu/westminster).

**Undergraduate Education**

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Music
- Music Education\*
- Music Education/Vocal Performance
- (Double Major)
- Organ Performance
- Piano
- Sacred Music\*
- Theory & Composition\*
- Voice Performance

**Graduate Education**

- Master of Music
- American & Public Musicology
- Choral Conducting
- Composition
- Music Education
- Organ Performance
- Piano Accompanying & Coaching
- Piano Performance
- Sacred Music
- Voice Pedagogy & Performance

**Master of Music Education\*\***

**Master of Voice Pedagogy\*\***

*\*\*These academic programs can be completed through summer study.*

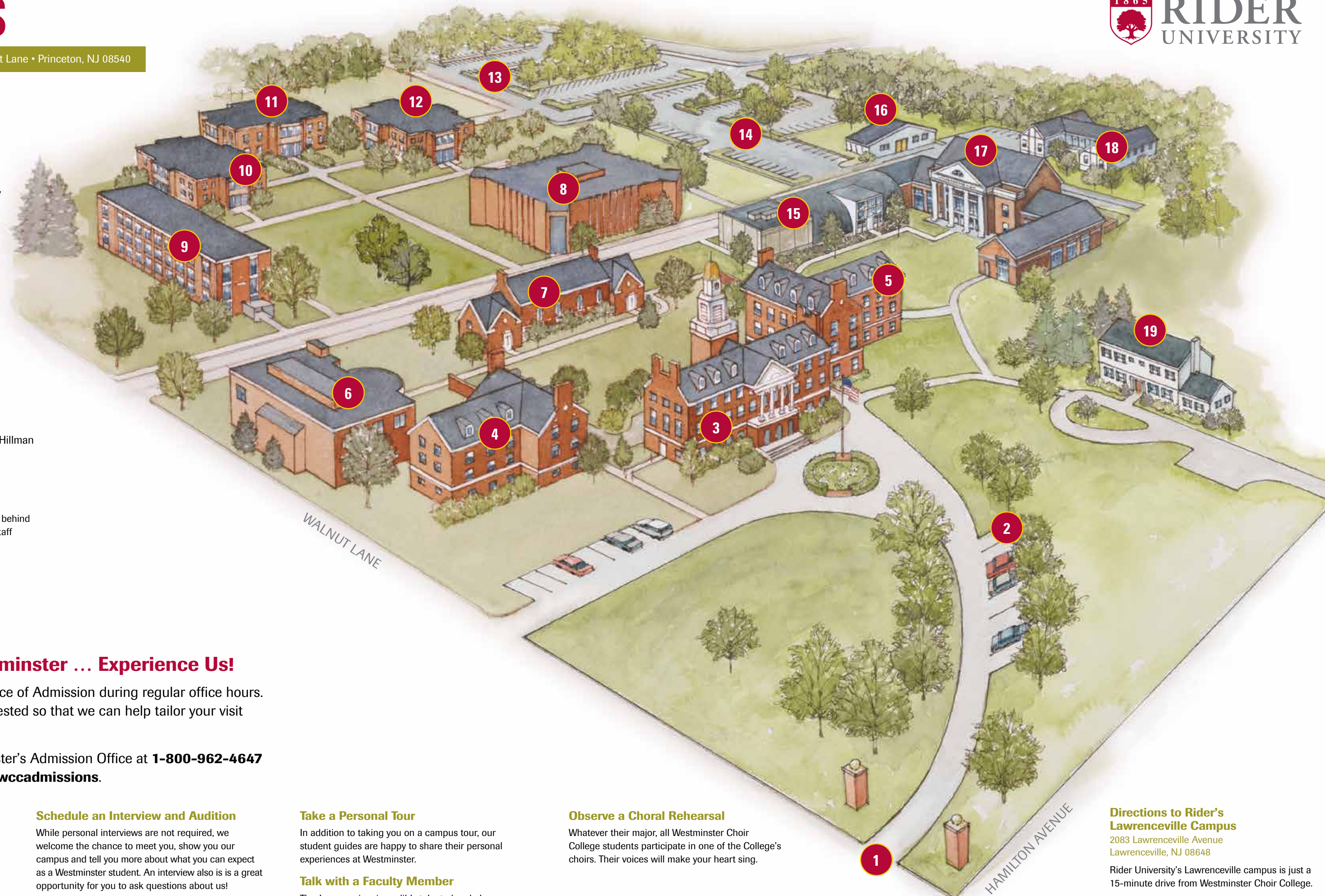
*\*Primary instrument of Organ, Piano or Voice*

# WESTMINSTER CAMPUS

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- 1 – Main Entrance
- 2 – Visitor Parking\*
- 3 – Williamson Hall
- 4 – Erdman Hall/Presser Music Center
- 5 – Taylor Hall
- 6 – William H. Scheide Student Center/  
Dining Commons
- 7 – Bristol Hall/Bristol Chapel
- 8 – Talbot Library/Learning Center
- 9 – Seabrook Hall
- 10 – Dayton Hall
- 11 – Ithaca Hall
- 12 – Princeton Hall/  
Westminster Conservatory
- 13 – Student/Conservatory Parking
- 14 – Faculty/Staff Parking
- 15 – Robert L. Annis Playhouse
- 16 – Relocatable Classrooms
- 17 – Marion Buckelew Cullen Center & Hillman  
Performance Hall
- 18 – Cottage
- 19 – Hamilton House

\* Additional visitor parking is available behind  
Bristol Hall (#7) and in the Faculty/Staff  
Parking area (#14)



## WHY WESTMINSTER

### Students are drawn to Westminster because of:

- Our rich and powerful music history. At Westminster, we focus on developing musicians who never stop listening to, observing and thinking about their art.
- Our accomplished instructors, including many of the best-known names in music, who are dedicated to teaching you their art.
- Our safe and friendly campus.
- Our unique guarantee that you will perform with some of the greatest orchestras and conductors of our time.
- Our easy access to New York City, Philadelphia and Princeton.

### Westminster Performance Venues

**Hillman Performance Hall** – a 3,000-square-foot performance and rehearsal hall, which is part of the **Marion Buckelew Cullen Center**.

**Bristol Chapel** – a 350-seat recital facility for student, faculty and guest performers. Includes two 9-foot grand pianos.

**Williamson Hall** – located in Westminster's original Georgian quadrangle, this 100-seat facility provides an intimate setting for recitals and chamber ensembles.

**Robert L. Annis Playhouse** – a recently refurbished and expanded 300-seat theater and rehearsal space equipped with a stage and two Steinway grand pianos.

**Bart Luedeke Center Theater** – a 350-seat teaching and production theater located in the Performing Arts Center on Rider's Lawrenceville campus.

**The Yvonne Theater** – a 450-seat, state-of-the-art theater located on Rider's Lawrenceville campus.

**The Spitz** – a 100-seat studio theater on Rider's Lawrenceville campus.

**Princeton High School Performing Arts Center** – located across the street from Westminster's campus, the Center features an 800-seat auditorium with an orchestra pit and a black box theater.

### Westminster's Learning Resources

**The Talbot Library/Learning Center** houses 65,000 books, scores, periodicals and microforms. Other features include:

- The Music Computing Center – a state-of-the-art music computer laboratory
- An extensive Media Collection containing more than 25,000 sound recordings, DVDs and videos, with facilities for playback

### Additional campus learning resources include:

- Practice Rooms (in all three residence halls)
- Piano Lab
- Voice Resource Center for Vocal Pedagogy

### Campus Facilities

Three residence halls, 1 dining hall, 61 practice rooms, 110 pianos, 21 pipe organs, and full access to the resources of Rider University's Lawrenceville campus

## Don't Just Visit Westminster ... Experience Us!

You can visit Westminster's Office of Admission during regular office hours. Advance reservations are suggested so that we can help tailor your visit around your interests.

To plan your visit, call Westminster's Admission Office at **1-800-962-4647** or register online at [rider.edu/wccadmissions](http://rider.edu/wccadmissions).

### Westminster Fast Facts

**Students:** 300 undergraduates and 100 graduate students

**Student/Faculty Ratio:** 6:1

**History:** Founded in 1926; Merged with Rider University in Lawrenceville, NJ, in 1992

**Alumni:** 5,000 in 49 states and 31 countries

### Schedule an Interview and Audition

While personal interviews are not required, we welcome the chance to meet you, show you our campus and tell you more about what you can expect as a Westminster student. An interview also is a great opportunity for you to ask questions about us!

All applicants to Westminster are required to schedule an audition or upload a video audition.

Information about our auditions is available at [rider.edu/wccauditions](http://rider.edu/wccauditions).

### Take a Personal Tour

In addition to taking you on a campus tour, our student guides are happy to share their personal experiences at Westminster.

### Talk with a Faculty Member

They're engaging, incredibly talented and always eager to talk about their musical passions. Contact the Office of Admission to schedule a faculty visit. Pre-registration is required.

### Observe a Choral Rehearsal

Whatever their major, all Westminster Choir College students participate in one of the College's choirs. Their voices will make your heart sing.

### Directions to Rider's Lawrenceville Campus

2083 Lawrenceville Avenue  
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Rider University's Lawrenceville campus is just a 15-minute drive from Westminster Choir College.

Exit campus turning left on Walnut Lane (toward Hamilton Avenue). Walnut Lane becomes Chestnut Street. Turn right onto Nassau Street/Route 27. Turn left onto Route 206 South, following it for approximately 6 miles. The Lawrenceville campus is located on the right.