

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to Barnard!

I can imagine no better place to be than Barnard College. Here, you will be able to immerse yourself in an education that prompts you to explore the world from a variety of different perspectives and through the lenses of multiple disciplines. From this foundation, you can begin to shape your own educational journey# – one that I promise will last a lifetime. I have no doubt that your years at Barnard will give you the tools necessary to pursue your passions with knowledge, confidence, and humanity.

In the pages that follow, you will discover what makes this College such a singular institution – with excellence across the arts and sciences, our world-class faculty of scholars dedicated to teaching, and the vast resources of Columbia University and New York City to draw from. You will find courses in literature and the arts, in anthropology and politics, in languages and mathematics, in psychology, neuroscience, and physics. You will find lectures taught by world-renowned professors as well as intimate seminars where faculty share their latest research and ideas. You will find classes in subjects that you have been wanting to study for years, and others that may never have crossed your mind.

There are hundreds of options waiting for you – now you simply need to choose. It can be hard to know where to start, and how best to plot a course that will satisfy your intellect and your imagination. So don't rush. Take time to discover the possibilities. And feel free to take a risk. Choose a course that may lead somewhere new. Take at least one class in a subject that unnerves you, and others that seem tailor-made. Because Barnard truly is the best of all worlds for students and faculty who care about the fundamental disciplines that enhance our abilities as thinkers and doers.

Revel in the options before you, and please enjoy the process.

Sian Leah Beilock
President