

# THE CITY AND ITS EDUCATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

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Guilford is located in the northwest quadrant of Greensboro, the third-largest city in North Carolina. The city's population is approximately 280,000, with about 1.6 million people living in the larger metropolitan area.

Seven other colleges and universities where students may take courses are located within 25 miles of Guilford: Bennett College, Elon University, Greensboro College, Guilford Technical Community College, High Point University, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. The Eastern Music Festival, in residence on the Guilford campus each summer since 1961, provides an exceptional summer concert series.

New Garden Friends Meeting, Friendship Friends Meeting and Friends Homes (a retirement community that provides highly skilled volunteers in several areas of College life as well as internships and employment for Guilford students) are all close to Guilford. North Carolina Yearly Meeting offices are nearby and serve the College community in various capacities.

Also in close proximity to the College is New Garden Friends School, which rounds out the multigenerational community surrounding Guilford and provides additional internship and research possibilities.

## The Climate

The local climate is mild and generally pleasant, making it possible to engage in outdoor sports during every month of the year. Winters are sunny, and although there may be some snowfall, extremely cold weather is rare. Spring comes early, with flowering trees and shrubs from early March through June. Autumn is especially congenial.

## Accessibility

Guilford is easily reached from the Piedmont Triad International Airport, five miles west; from Interstate 40, two miles south; or from Interstate 85, eight miles southeast. An Amtrak station downtown affords daily access to major cities throughout the Southeast.

The College is within a half-day's drive of both the coast and the mountains.