



## US LATIN COLLEGE MOTTOS

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When not in English, university mottoes are usually in Latin, reflecting the origin of universities in mediaeval institutions in which Latin was very prominent.

Here are mottoes of various colleges and universities in the USA.

**Amherst College:** Terras irradiant. (Let them illumine the earth.)

**Brooklyn College:** Nil sine magno labore. (Nothing without great effort.)

**Brown University:** In Deo speramus. (In God we trust.)

**Catholic University of America:** Deus lux Mea (God is my light.)

**City College of New York:** Respice, adspice, prospice. (Look back, look to the present, look to the future.)

**Columbia University:** In lumine tuo videbimus lumen. (In thy light, we shall see light.)

**Dartmouth College:** Vox clamantis in deserto. (A voice of one crying in the wilderness.)

**Delaware College:** Scientia sol mentis. (Knowledge, the sun of the mind.)

**Fordham University:** Sapientia et doctrina. (Wisdom and knowledge.)

**George Washington University:** Deus nobis fiducia (God is our trust.)

**Harvard University:** Veritas. (Truth.)

**Hunter College:** Mihi cura futuri. (My anxiety is for the future.)

**Johns Hopkins University:** Veritas vos liberabit. (Truth will free you.)

**Miami University:** Prodessequam conspici. (To be productive, rather than to be ornamental.)

**New York University:** Perstare et praestare. (To preserve and to surpass.)

**Notre Dame University:** Crux spes unica (The cross is the only hope.)

**Princeton University:** Dei sub numine viget (It flourishes under the will of God.)

**Trinity College:** Pro ecclesia et patria. (For church and country.)

**Tulane University:** Non sibi, sed suis. (Not for herself, but for her own.)

**University of Chicago:** Crescat scientia, vita excolatur (Let knowledge increase, let life be perfected.)

**University of Florida:** Civium in moribu rei publicae salus. (In the character of its citizens lies the welfare of the state.)

**University of Michigan:** Artes, scientia, veritas. (The arts, knowledge, truth.)

**University of Mississippi:** Virtute et armis. (By valour and arms.)

**University of Missouri:** Salus populi. (The welfare of the people.)

**University of New Mexico:** Lux hominum vita. (Light of the life of men.)

**University of Texas:** Disciplina praesidium civitatis (Instruction is the safeguard of the state.)

**University of Washington:** Lux sit. (Let there be light.)

**Yale University:** Lux et veritas. (Light and truth.)