Why study Engineering at Maryville College?

At Maryville College, students who pursue the dual degree program in engineering get the best of both worlds: a liberal arts education combined with the technical education offered by an engineering program. Students spend the first three years of their college career at Maryville, laying a strong foundation in the math, chemistry, physics and computer science they will need in order to transfer to an engineering school. At the same time, they are developing the hallmarks of a liberal arts education: written and oral communication skills, interpersonal skills and an ability to view problems in a wider context. Maryville College maintains transfer agreements with four engineering schools. Upon completing the requirements of the program, students receive a B.A. degree from Maryville College and a B.S. degree from their engineering school. Students may also elect to attend the engineering school of their choice.

Andrew Pugh ’22
Hometown: Maryville, Tenn.
Andrew was excited about the opportunity to be able to experience college at a small, close-knit campus and then transfer to a large university to finish out his engineering degree. (Maryville College maintains transfer agreements with four engineering schools: Auburn University, Tennessee Technological University, the University of Tennessee-Knoxville and Vanderbilt University.) His career goal is to become a mechanical engineer.

“After graduation, I intend to use my mechanical engineering degree to pursue a sales job at Bertelkamp Automation in Knoxville – I’ve worked there previously – or use my degree to become an engineer on a privately owned yacht,” he said.

John Nesbit ’19
Currently: Final year at University of Tennessee-Knoxville (UTK) for Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering
John, a west Tennessee native, was introduced to Maryville College through soccer. During the college search, he was drawn to MC’s location and its well-established 3-2 engineering dual-degree program with a few large universities. He’s happy he selected Maryville.

“While at MC, I truly got the sense that the professors cared about me and wanted me to learn the material in order to succeed after college. My faculty advisor, Dr. Maria Siopis, was very helpful in class and through the transition to UTK.”
After earning his B.S., John hopes to find a job in the manufacturing field.

“Having the degree from Maryville College and UTK shows companies that I have a strong base in math and science that will help me in my career.”