

S.E.R.V.E

Green Mountain College Mission Statement

Green Mountain College prepares students for productive, caring, and fulfilling lives by taking the environment as the unifying theme underlying its academic and co-curricular programs. This innovative interdisciplinary approach to liberal arts education is grounded in the institution's strong tradition of effective teaching and mentoring, and is complemented by a diversity of community-oriented campus life opportunities.

Through a wide range of liberal arts and career-focused majors, the college fosters the ideals of environmental responsibility, public service, global understanding, and lifelong intellectual, physical, and spiritual development.

Socially and Environmentally Responsible Volunteer Experience

The SERVE program immerses students into the community around Green Mountain College to connect students with Poultney, and beyond. The program emphasizes community service and stewardship, while incorporating values held dear by the Green Mountain Community. Student can expect to work with the Green Mountain National Forest Service and help other volunteers with trail work and maintenance. After their experience in the Green Mountains, students will travel to Poultney's Lake St. Catherine to plant rain gardens. These rain gardens protect the ecological community in the lake from runoff. Finally the experience introduces students to Boardman Hill Farm where they will help with harvesting and washing produce for the local Farmers Market. The program draws to a close and provides students with an insight into the community with places to hike, swim, and even buy local groceries.



**GREEN MOUNTAIN STUDENTS BUILDING TRAILS AT PINE
HILL PARK**

