

Points of Pride

- Tufts founded the nation's first community health clinic, working with Sen. Ted Kennedy.
- One of the nation's first radio stations was created by a Tufts graduate and based on the Medford/Somerville campus.
- Tufts has the only mascot (Jumbo) listed in Webster's dictionary... and may be home to the world's largest collection of elephant statues.
- Tufts was the first university to adopt a new set of strenuous climate change goals drafted by international leaders from the U.S. and Canada. Tufts was also the first university to join the Chicago Climate Exchange.
- Tufts graduate Roderick MacKinnon earned a Nobel Prize for his groundbreaking research on the inner workings of cells.
- Tufts professor Alan Cormack earned a Nobel Prize for his research that ultimately resulted in the development of the CAT-scan.
- Tufts is among the top 10 research universities for the percentage of undergraduates who study abroad.
- For the last several years, Tufts has ranked as one of the top Peace Corps suppliers among universities its size.
- Tufts professor Krishna Kumar was named one of the world's 100 Top Young Innovators by Technology Review, for his cutting-edge research on proteins that may have many medical uses.
- The Reach toothbrush was invented by Tufts researchers.
- The first phone call was made by a Tufts professor (Amos Dolbear) from Ballou Hall.
- Every year, Tufts graduates help secure between 30 and 50 Emmy nominations for TV shows, including "Will and Grace," the "Simpsons," "West Wing" and "The Late Show with David Letterman."
- A Tufts graduate was the first Red Sox pitcher to ever win a Cy Young award (Jim Lonborg, a dental school graduate)

- The football "huddle" was invented at Tufts at one of the first American college football games.
- Three Tufts graduates were named to Worth Magazine's list of the nation's "Top 25 Most Generous Young Americans."
- Two Tufts graduates were named to Hollywood Reporter's list of the entertainment industry's most powerful women.
- Tufts was ranked by Boston Magazine as one of the best places to work in Boston.
- Tufts' Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy is the oldest continuous international relations graduate program in the country.
- Tufts is home to New England's only Veterinary School.
- Tufts' Veterinary School was the first to establish a Center for Animals and Public Policy, and the first to develop a veterinary ethics textbook.
- Tufts' Gerald J. and Dorothy R. Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy is the only independent graduate school of nutrition in North America.
- Tufts' Jean Mayer Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging is the world's largest institute studying nutrition and aging. It is one of only six USDA research centers in the country, and leads the world in research in nutrition and genomics (how nutrition, health and genes interact.)
- While most medical schools began as "men-only" institutions, women were admitted to the very first class of Tufts School of Medicine.
- Tufts School of Dental Medicine faculty and students provide dental care to more than 10,000 people in the Boston area per year. Many of these patients represent underserved segments of our population, including the disabled, those without dental insurance and others.
- Tufts' Dental School is home to the nation's largest craniofacial pain center.
- The Sackler School Dean Emeritus, Dr. Lou Lasagna M.D., wrote a modern version of the Hippocratic Oath for medical students which is now used at dozens of medical school commencements every year. He also is considered the "Father of Modern Pharmacology."