Who are we?

The Gettysburg College Cheerleaders can be seen chanting, dancing, and stunting, cheering on the Bullets Football team during the fall season, as well as during other campus functions throughout the year. Through the rain, shine, wind, cold and heat, we pump up the crowd with “pom letters”, tumbling, dance routines, and a regular favorite, touchdown pushups! Our Fall 2013 team consisted of 21 girls, each with diverse talents, but we are always looking to expand and improve. During the spring season, the team reviews cheers, learns new stunts, and prepares for the next upcoming season.

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What is the time commitment for cheerleading?

As a squad, we hold mandatory practice everyday Monday-Friday, typically 2 hours long. As the season comes to an end when most of the material is learned, practices tend to be shorter. Saturdays, however, are game days, which require the full day – but definitely worth it!

Am I allowed to participate in other clubs and sports during season?

Because of our practice times, participating in other fall sports usually does not work out. Almost every member of our squad, though, is involved in multiple clubs and activities such as track team, sororities, student government, student leadership positions, and so many more.

Is tumbling mandatory to make the squad?

While tumbling is not a required skill, it is a crowd favorite that adds a great deal of talent to the team and is highly encouraged.

What do I need to know about tryouts?

Tryouts take place after an intensive multiple day preseason, starting August 24, 2014, where new material is learned and skills are drilled. Prospective and returning team members arrive and move in about a week before classes being in order to participate. Tryouts require 2 jumps, one being a toe-touch, a dance taught by the captains, performing 1 taught cheer, and stunting. Results are posted later that evening.

I've never cheered before. Can I still tryout?

Yes! We have had multiple members without experience make the squad!