SMU

Make it count.

World Changers Shaped Here
You know what you need to make your education count – rigorous academics, intellectual growth and a campus experience that will transform you, challenge you and connect you to incredible classroom-to-career experiences. SMU is committed to helping you become who you want to be because we seek the best and brightest students, regardless of their financial need, and prepare them to achieve their dreams. We are passionate about making sure you have access to outstanding financial resources to pursue your educational goals on the Hilltop.

$125+ million in SMU scholarships and grants awarded last year

TOP 21%
A 2017 PayScale report ranks SMU among the top 21% of universities by return on investment; median salary: nearly $80K within five years in a career

$60K
95% of May 2016 Cox grads were off the job market within three months of graduation at a starting salary of over $60K per year

Student Loan Hero ranks Texas No. 4 among the top 22 states whose colleges provide the highest Return over Five years. The ranking is based on federal data on college costs, wages and educational attainment.
Best bang for the tuition buck
- Forbes’ 2017 Best Value Colleges ranking
SMU is in the top 40% of an elite group of only 300 schools nationwide that are worth the investment, based on tuition costs, school quality, postgraduate earnings, student debt and graduation.

Results launch successful futures
Prepare for a demanding profession with internships and co-ops that create invaluable workplace experiences.

Big things begin in Dallas
Immerse yourself in our culture of innovation and groundbreaking ideas as we connect you to the businesses and careers that interest you.

Relationships with faculty expand learning
Become a co-creator of knowledge with the potential to change the world as you collaborate with faculty members who are research-active scholars and great teachers.

Campus connections support career goals
We’re serious about helping you connect with top employers and polish your interviewing skills through the Hegi Family Career Development Center.

Research opportunities test big ideas
Work directly with full-time faculty and participate in research, including grant-funded investigations. Through our distinctive Engaged Learning program, you can connect with faculty mentors and test ideas with real impact on communities locally and globally.

In academic year 2016–17, students pursued Engaged Learning research projects worldwide - in about 25 countries, across Europe, the Americas, Africa and Asia.

From 2012–16, SMU students’ medical school admission rate was more than 10% higher than the national acceptance rate.

Three-fourths of Lyke Engineering students receive academic scholarships.

SMU ranks among the top 1% of highest-paid music, education and psychology graduates, according to College Factual 2017.
1. WE INVEST IN STUDENTS’ EDUCATIONAL GOALS

We reward academic achievement and consider each family’s financial situation. Our financial packages combine academic scholarships and need-based financial aid.

2017–18 Estimated Costs

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3 out of 4 undergraduate students receive scholarships and/or financial aid.

2016–17 Financial Aid Package

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<td>More than $30,000</td>
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<td>Less than $10,000</td>
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2016–17 First-year Financial Aid Packages

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<th>Type of Aid</th>
<th>Package Range</th>
<th>% of Students</th>
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<td>Scholarships and Grants</td>
<td>$250 – $1,782</td>
<td>77%</td>
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<td>Student Need-based Loans</td>
<td>$180 – $9,000</td>
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<td>Student Employment</td>
<td>$55 – $4,000</td>
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2016–17 Gift Assistance Awarded to First-year Undergraduates

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<td>SMU Scholarships and Grants</td>
<td>$37,152,503</td>
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<td>Federal and State Grants</td>
<td>$1,949,641</td>
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<td>Gift Assistance from Other Sources</td>
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<td><strong>Total Amount</strong></td>
<td><strong>$39,438,784</strong></td>
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Tuition Payment Plans

SMU offers several monthly payment plans.

- **Annual payment plans**
  Choose 12-, 10- or 8-month payment plans per year.

- **Term payment plans**
  Choose 6-, 5- or 4-month payment plans for fall and/or spring terms or 3-month payment plan for summer term.

Payment plans are not available for January, May and August terms.

For more information, visit smu.edu/paymentplans.

“Lauren wanted the education, the Greek life and the competitive sports – she got all three at SMU. We saw her feel comfortable reaching out for mentorships. She also had a paid internship at Ericsson and multiple job offers before she graduated. Emily has had a marvelous experience. Access to faculty was great – the ability to email, meet and gain additional insights. She felt she was in the right place.”

Heather and Larry Fann
SMU Parents, Classes of 2014 and 2017

Lauren (pictured above)
2. WE’RE SERIOUS ABOUT REWARDING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
We offer a range of academic scholarships, many of which can be combined. Students are automatically considered for SMU scholarships when they apply by their chosen application deadline: November 1 for Early Decision I and Early Action or January 15 for Early Decision II and Regular Decision.

SMU’S MOST DISTINGUISHED AWARDS

President’s Scholars
Nancy Ann and Ray L. Hunt Leadership Scholars (separate essay and YouTube video statement required)
Academic achievement scholarships
Learn more at smu.edu/academicscholarships

Academic school and departmental scholarships
National Merit Scholarships
International Baccalaureate Scholars
SMU Discovery Scholarships

77% SMU first-year students awarded scholarships and grants

The President’s Scholars Program and the Nancy Ann and Ray L. Hunt Leadership Scholars Program

Our highest academic and leadership awards
20-25 President’s Scholars and 20-25 Hunt Scholars each year

Opportunities to interact personally with world leaders through the Tate Lecture Series
Annual retreats at SMU-in-Taos
Funding for study-abroad experiences

2017-18 SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID PACKAGES (Family assets may affect disbursement)

RYAN a business major from Texas: 31 ACT, 3.37 GPA, 18.5 units

FAMILY OF 4 WITH 2 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
$117,344
EFC*
$15,072

AWARDS
SMU SECOND CENTURY SCHOLARSHIP
$20,000
SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP
$29,294
TEXAS TUITION EQUALIZATION GRANT
$3,864
FEDERAL LOANS
$5,500
TOTAL PACKAGE
$55,158

SAM a computer engineering major from Georgia: 27 ACT, 3.07 GPA, 21 units

FAMILY OF 4 WITH 2 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
$56,000
EFC*
$19,239

AWARDS
SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP
$31,922
FEDERAL LOANS
$5,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY
$4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE
$41,422

*According to the Office of Federal Student Aid, the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is the amount of money your family will have to pay in college (after all other financial assistance is taken into account) to provide the costs of your college education. The EFC is based on your family’s financial resources and on your financial need.

1Unit status is based on the number of successfully completed (grade of C- or above) courses. It includes a variety of Undergraduate courses, Honors, Honors College courses, General Education courses, and transfer courses.
3. WE WORK HARD TO MEET YOUR NEEDS
We provide need-based aid for your unique financial circumstances and partner with you to explore a combination of federal, state and SMU-funded awards, including grants, loans and work-study options.

APPLY NOW
Submit two forms by your chosen application deadline: November 1 for Early Decision I and Early Action or January 15 for Early Decision II and Regular Decision. These are the priority deadlines. Both forms will be available October 1, 2017. The FAFSA is required to determine your eligibility for federal and state need-based aid. The CSS/PROFILE is required to qualify for SMU-funded need-based aid. However, SMU requires neither for awarding academic scholarships.

1. Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for federal and state aid
For U.S. and dual citizens and permanent residents to be eligible for federal and state sources of aid, submit the FAFSA each year.
- Visit fafsa.ed.gov to submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Use SMU school code 002613.
- Take advantage of the IBS Data Retrieval Tool for an easier way to provide accurate tax information on your FAFSA.
- Visit fsaid.ed.gov if you do not have a Federal Student Aid ID and would like to create one. Your FSA ID will be your electronic signature.
To learn more about federal student aid programs, visit fsaid.ed.gov.

2. CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE®
CSS/PROFILE for institutional aid
For SMU opportunity scholarships, shown in the sample aid packages below, you must submit a CSS/PROFILE financial aid application each year. This will give our financial aid advisors more information to further assess your financial need. File your CSS/PROFILE at student.collegeboard.org/profile. Use SMU school code 6666.

65% graduate without debt
an undergraduate’s average need-based loan amount
$4,499 Annually

DAPHNE a chemical engineering major from Texas:
FAMILY OF 3 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE
ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME $74,893
EFC* $28,166
AWARDS
SMU SECOND CENTURY SCHOLARSHIP $20,000
SMU DISCOVERY SCHOLARSHIP $9,000
SMU EMBRY SCHOLARSHIP $3,000
SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP $1,997
FEDERAL LOANS $5,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY $4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE $43,497

LILAH a chemistry major from Texas:
FAMILY OF 5 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE
ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME $173,727
EFC* $53,321
AWARDS
SMU DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP $25,000
SMU DISCOVERY SCHOLARSHIP $9,000
SMU EMBRY SCHOLARSHIP $7,500
SMU NATIONAL MERIT AWARD $5,000
FEDERAL LOANS $5,500
TOTAL PACKAGE $52,000
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I apply for academic scholarships?
You are automatically considered for SMU’s scholarships when you submit your application
for admission by November 1 for Early Decision I and Early Action or January 15 for
Early Decision II and Regular Decision. To be considered for the Hunt Leadership Scholarship,
you also must submit an additional essay and a YouTube video statement as outlined at
smu.edu/hunt.

What kind of financial aid is available?
SMU offers academic scholarships, grants, loans and work-study awards.

Who is eligible for academic scholarships and financial aid?
All applicants are considered for academic scholarships. U.S. and dual citizens and permanent
residents who submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and CSS/PROFILE
are considered for need-based financial aid.

Will I have a financial aid advisor at SMU?
SMU assigns a financial aid advisor to all students.

When do I apply for financial aid?
The priority deadline to apply for financial aid
 corresponds with your chosen application deadline: November 1 for Early Decision I and Early
Action or January 15 for Early Decision II and Regular Decision. You must file the FAFSA
(for federal need-based aid consideration) and the CSS/PROFILE (to be considered for SMU
opportunity scholarships) by these priority deadlines.

How does SMU determine the amount of financial assistance?
FAFSA and CSS/PROFILE information is sent to SMU, which compares the cost of attending
SMU with the Expected Family Contribution (EFC)* for the student’s college education.

For more information about the academic scholarship and financial aid process, call
us at 214-768-2058 or 1-800-323-0672
or visit us at smu.edu/value.

“All three of our sons had excellent
options for going to college at
selective schools, and they chose
SMU. They benefited from small
classes, direct access to faculty,
great opportunities for campus
involvement and leadership, and
internships in banking, finance
and real estate. SMU is big enough
to have all the opportunities you
could gain at a large university
and small enough to really know
your professors. SMU has been an
incredible investment for our boys.”

Dirty and Jim Landen
SMU Parents, Classes of 2010, 2012
and 2016
DON’T MISS YOUR CHANCE AT AN SMU EDUCATION

• All applicants are automatically considered for academic scholarships
• 77% of SMU first-year students receive scholarships and grants
• 65% of students graduate without debt

APPLY NOW TO SMU

• November 1st Early Decision I, Early Action and priority scholarship and financial aid consideration
• January 15th Early Decision II, Regular Decision and priority scholarship and financial aid consideration

*Electronic submission or postmark deadline

U.S. and dual citizens as well as permanent residents who want to be considered for need-based financial aid must submit:

• FAFSA fafsa.ed.gov for federal and state aid
• CSS/PROFILE student.collegeboard.org/profile for institutional aid

Make your investment count. smu.edu/apply

SMU will not discriminate in any program or activity on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and expression. The Executive Director for Access and Equity/Title IX Coordinator is designated to handle inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies and may be reached at the Perkins Administration Building, Room 204, 6423 Boak Lane, Dallas, TX 75205; 214-768-3561, accessibility@smu.edu; 190610.10.07

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