



## BIG D DELIVERS

Dallas is a vibrant metropolitan center for business and commerce, arts and culture, innovation and enterprise. SMU's location in one of the world's most dynamic cities offers students life-changing experiences.

**#1**

The Dallas area ranked No. 1 among the best cities for jobs by *Forbes* 2017.

**TOP 5**

Dallas is among the top five cities nationwide for the highest starting salaries, according to WalletHub 2016.

**TOP 10**

*Forbes* 2017 ranks Dallas among the top 10 best-paying cities for tech jobs, with an average salary of about \$89K.

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Dallas is home to the largest contiguous urban arts district in the United States.

**#4**

Ranked No. 4 among America's Coolest Cities in *Forbes* 2017, Dallas beats a slew of East Coast and West Coast favorites, including New York and San Francisco.

**4**

The nation's fourth-largest metro area is less than a four-hour flight away from any major U.S. city.



SMU is the nationally ranked global research university in the dynamic city of Dallas. SMU's alumni, faculty and 11,000-plus students in seven degree-granting schools demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit as they lead change in their professions, communities and the world.

- 11:1 student-to-faculty ratio.
- About 200 student organizations offer a variety of ways to nurture your interests and help develop leadership skills.
- SMU-in-Taos, our campus in northern New Mexico, offers credit courses in the arts, sciences and business.
- SMU is the only private university with a presidential library on its main campus.
- SMU has a "high research activity" Carnegie classification.
- SMU is the highest-ranking university in North Texas, fourth-highest in the state and among the top universities nationwide, according to *Forbes* 2016.
- At the Locomotor Performance Laboratory in Simmons School of Education and Human Development, students engaging in a high-tech investigation of biomechanics develop skills and proficiencies most sought by employers and graduate programs.
- One of the top academic supercomputers in the nation, SMU's ManeFrame powerfully expands the reach of faculty and student research.
- Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences offers interdisciplinary majors, including biochemistry, human rights, public policy and environmental studies.
- Meadows School of the Arts' endowed Temerlin Advertising Institute has been named one of 10 leaders in advertising education by *The New York Times*.
- At the Kitt Investing and Trading Center, Cox School of Business students invest a portfolio valued at \$3 million.
- The Darwin Deason Institute for Cyber Security in Lyle School of Engineering takes an interdisciplinary approach to solving some of the nation's most challenging cyber security problems. In the Deason Innovation Gym, students refine their engineering skills by working on real-world design challenges.

**TOP 1%**

SMU ranks among the top 1% of highest-paid psychology, education and music graduates, according to College Factual 2018

**3<sup>out of 4</sup>**

Lyle engineering students receive academic scholarships

**87%**

of 2017 Cox BBA graduates reported one or more internships

**TOP 3%**

for alumni employment, according to the Center for World University Rankings 2016

**TOP 20%**

of best national universities, according to U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges" 2017

**TOP 21%**

for ROI, according to a 2017 PayScale report; median salary: nearly \$80K within five years in a career

**\$125 million+**

in SMU scholarships and grants awarded last year

**3<sup>out of 4</sup>**

undergraduate students receive scholarships and/or financial aid

**#3**

OnStage Blog ranks SMU No. 3 among the top 10 B.F.A. dance programs in the U.S. for 2017-18

## Questions?

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## RESIDENTIAL COMMONS: AN UNCOMMON EXPERIENCE

SMU's Residential Commons bridges academic and social life to support a vibrant University community. Creating an extension of the learning continuum, Faculty in Residence expand students' opportunities for informal interactions, intellectual exchanges and mentoring. This transformative residential experience enables students to transition more smoothly to campus life, benefit from new leadership opportunities and nurture lifelong friendships. [smu.edu/residentialcommons](http://smu.edu/residentialcommons)

## ADMITTED MIDDLE 50% OF THE SMU CLASS OF 2021

GPA **3.40–3.91**

*Unweighted 4.0 scale*

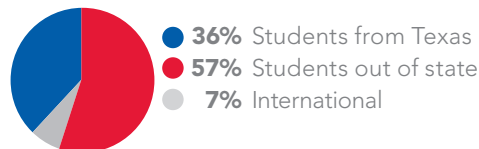
SAT **1330–1430**

ACT **29–33**

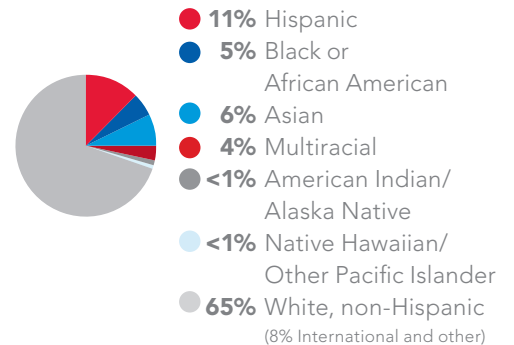
*36 point scale*

## THE BIG PICTURE

### FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS



### UNDERGRADUATES



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**14,507** Applications  
**13,128** Completed applications  
**6,402** Admitted students  
**1,423** Enrolled students

### UNDERGRADUATES

**6,452** Enrolled students  
**54** States and territories represented (including Texas)  
**61** Countries represented (excluding U.S.A.)

## GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY

### FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

