you BELONG HERE
shape

YOUR FUTURE

Bring your ideas, passion and grit to SMU, a nationally ranked global research university with a liberal arts tradition that attracts innovators who break barriers, persist through the seemingly impossible and make things happen.

Admitted student profile of the

SMU CLASS OF 2027*

GPA MID-50%

ACT MID-50%** highest composite

SAT MID-50%** highest sections

Unweighted 4.0 Scale 3.61–3.95

36-Point Scale 30–34

1600-Point Scale 1360–1490

*As of June 2023

**Superscore

ADMISSION FACTORS

SMU continues to be test-optional. We want to know about everything that makes you great, including:

• Rigor of high school curriculum
• GPA
• Essay
• Resume
• Recommendation letters
• Standardized test scores**

**SMU is fully test-optional. If you choose to report your standardized test scores, SMU accepts self-reported scores during the application process. If you submit unofficial scores and enroll at SMU, we will then ask you to send official score reports from testing agencies. (ACT code: 4174; SAT code: 6660).

APPLICATION DEADLINES

NOVEMBER 1
Early Decision I

JANUARY 15
Early Decision II

Early Action
Regular Decision

Submit electronically or postmark by these dates. Learn more at smu.edu/apply

QUESTIONS? WE’RE HERE FOR YOU. LET’S TALK.

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When friends have your back

YOU'RE UNSTOPPABLE
ESTIMATED COSTS: ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

Tuition and fees ................ $64,460
Average housing and dining . . . . . . . . $18,230
Total ................................ $82,690

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More than $30,000 ............... 56.92%
$20,001 – $30,000 .............. 17.32%
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*Fall 2022 first-year students

AVERAGE GIFT AID FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS IS $35,884
– money they don’t have to pay back

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in one of the brightest academic communities in the world
100+ YEARS of spirit and traditions

17 Division I sports
20 Club sports
18 Intramural sports

50% Female
50% Male
Undergraduate and graduate

Lead, serve, grow in any of the
200+ CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

TOTAL ENROLLMENT*
12,053
(7,056 undergrads)
*Fall 2022

33% Students of color
Undergraduate and graduate

11 RESIDENTIAL COMMONS
LEARNING WHERE YOU LIVE

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ON OUR INSPIRATIONAL CAMPUS
Whether finding your niche entails curling up with your laptop under a live oak on the quad, packing the stands with friends during the “Moody Magic” of basketball season or catching both an art exhibit and a concert, SMU engages your interests in a million different ways.

IN VIBRANT DALLAS
SMU is shaped by the enterprising spirit of Dallas, where you can gain experience and connect with leaders and employers in the businesses and professions that interest you.

ACROSS THE GLOBE
Unpack your curiosity during SMU Abroad cultural immersions that shape your worldview. Plug into a worldwide network of Mustangs to launch your career anywhere in the world.

HISTORIC MAIN QUAD
The quad is the home of many beloved traditions, such as our holiday-themed Celebration of Lights and Perunapalooza – a spring festival inspired by our small but mighty mascot.

DEDMAN CENTER FOR LIFETIME SPORTS
Want aquatics, rock climbing, cardio, strength training and more? No sweat; we have them all.

HUGHES-TRIGG STUDENT CENTER
Relax in newly renovated spaces and fuel up for classes with a beverage or snack from Panera Bread, Chick-fil-A or The Market.

GERALD J. FORD STADIUM
When the Mustangs score a touchdown, Peruna – the SMU mascot – bolts across the field to the cheers of jubilant fans.

ARMSTRONG FIELDHOUSE
This anchor space of the Indoor Performance Center is a hub for meetups and a place for student-athletes to practice.

FONDREN LIBRARY
Exams looming? A secret study spot and Starbucks coffee should take the edge off.

GERALD J. FORD HALL FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION
SMU’s new interdisciplinary research hub equips faculty, students and industry partners with the tools and resources to collaborate, solve complex problems and power new enterprises.

SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
98% of Applied Physiology and Sport Management grads enter jobs or graduate schools.

COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
94% of graduates are off the job market within three months of graduation at a starting average salary of $67K/year.

LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING
College Factual ranks it among the top 20 colleges and universities nationwide whose graduates earn the highest salaries.

SMU is the only private university with a presidential library on its main campus.

WASHINGTON, D.C.
SMU students get a federal study abroad experience in the nation’s capital. The institution’s new Center for International Programs is among the most diverse in the world.

DALLAS IS AMONG THE MOST DIVERSE CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES
Center for World University Rankings 2023

NO. 33 WORLDWIDE FOR ALUMNI EMPLOYMENT in the 2023 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges

TOP 20% OF THE “BEST NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES” in the 2023 edition of U.S. News & World Report’s Best Colleges

BEST CITIES FOR JOBS
DFW area ranks among the Best Cities for Jobs (WalletHub 2023)

TOP 10 FOR TECH PROFESSIONALS
Dallas ranks among the best places nationwide for tech professionals in CompTIA State of the Tech Workforce 2023

Top Internships at 20+ Dallas-Area Fortune 500 Companies

GEORGE W. BUSH PRESIDENTIAL CENTER
Explore the legacy of our country’s 43rd president. SMU is the only private university with a presidential library on its main campus.
MCFARLIN AUDITORIUM
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SMU ABROAD
Enhanced academics and degree credit

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38% From Texas

59% Other 49 States

3% Outside U.S.

Fall 2022

136,000+ Alumni worldwide

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SMU ALUMNI AMONG THE HIGHEST PAID GRADUATES IN ADVERTISING, PUBLIC RELATIONS, AND FINE AND Studio ARTS. (COLLEGE FACTUAL 2023)

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**DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES**
- Anthropology
- Biochemistry
- Biological Sciences
- Biophysical Sciences
- Chemistry
- Data Science
- Earth Sciences
  - Environmental and Resource Sciences Specialization
  - Environmental Studies Specialization
  - Geology Specialization
  - Geophysics Specialization
- Economics
- Economics with Finance Applications
- Economics with Management Information
- Applications Concentration
- English
- Creative Writing Specialization
- Ethnic Studies
  - African/African American Studies
  - Mexican American Studies
- Health and Society
- History
- Human Rights
- Individualized Studies in the Liberal Arts
- Individualized Studies in the Liberal Arts (with a focus on Women’s and Gender Studies)
- International Studies
- Markets and Culture
- Mathematics
- Medieval Studies
- Philosophy
- Physics
  - Cosmology and Astrophysics Specialization
- Political Science
- Pre-Health
- Pre-Law
- Psychology
- Public Policy
- Religious Studies
  - Asian Religions Specialization
  - Christian Tradition Specialization
  - Religion and Culture Specialization
- Sociology
- Statistical Science
- World Languages and Literatures
  - French
  - French Studies
  - Spanish
  - World Languages: Chinese
  - World Languages: French
  - World Languages: German
  - World Languages: Italian
  - World Languages: Spanish

**COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**
- Accounting
- Business Analytics and Supply Chain Management
- Finance
- General Business
- Management
- Marketing
- Real Estate
- Specializations:
  - Energy Management
  - Entrepreneurship
  - Finance with Alternative Asset Management
  - Real Estate

**LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**
- Civil Engineering
  - Premedical Track
- Computer Science
  - Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Track
  - Cyber Security Track
  - Data Engineering Track
  - General Track
  - Research Track
  - Software Engineering Track
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
  - Biomedical Specialization
  - Electrical Engineering Specialization
  - Computer Engineering Specialization
- Environmental Engineering
  - Premedical Track
- Management Science
- Mechanical Engineering
  - Distributed Track
  - Dynamics and Controls Specialization
  - Entrepreneurship Track
  - Premedical/Biomedical Specialization
- Solid Mechanics, Materials and Manufacturing Specialization
- Thermofluids Specialization

**MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**
- Advertising
  - Creative Specialization
  - Digital Media Strategy Specialization
  - Strategic Brand Management Specialization
- Art
  - B.A. (Portfolio required)
  - B.F.A. (Portfolio required)
- Art History
- Corporate Communication and Public Affairs
  - Organizational Communication Track
  - Political Communication Track
  - Social Innovation and Nonprofit Engagement Track
- Creative Computing
- Dance
  - B.F.A. (Audition required)
- Fashion Media
- Film and Media Arts
  - B.A. (No portfolio required)
  - B.F.A. (Portfolio required)
- Journalism
- Music
  - B.A. in Music (Audition required)
  - B.M. in Composition (Audition required)
  - B.M. in Music Education (Audition required)
  - B.M. in Music Therapy (Audition required)
  - B.M. in Performance (Audition required)
- Public Relations and Strategic Communication
- Theatre
  - B.F.A. Acting Specialization (Audition required)
  - B.F.A. Theatre Studies Specialization (Audition required)

**SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**
- Applied Physiology and Sport Management
- Applied Physiology and Health Management
- Sport Management
- Sport Performance Leadership
- Educational Studies (Teacher Certification)
  - Early Childhood–Grade 6
  - Grades 4–8
  - Grades 7–12