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The pandemic created a challenging year. But you persevered. Now it's time to look forward to exciting times ahead. Now, more than ever, it's important to think big. We're here to support you so that you can do you, boldly, with hard work and tenacity. We welcome you to our vibrant community, where relationships matter – with faculty who will inspire your best effort, advisors who will help you navigate your academics and alumni who will help you get a foot in the door. College? Yes! **You've got this.**

*where you go to college matters*



SMU is among the  
**TOP 20%**  
of national universities ranked  
by U.S. News & World Report 2021



Dallas is America's  
**4<sup>th</sup> MOST DIVERSE CITY**  
according to WalletHub 2021



**\$159 MILLION**  
in scholarships and/or grants awarded last year



Average gift aid for **first-year students** is  
**\$35,219**  
– money they don't have to pay back

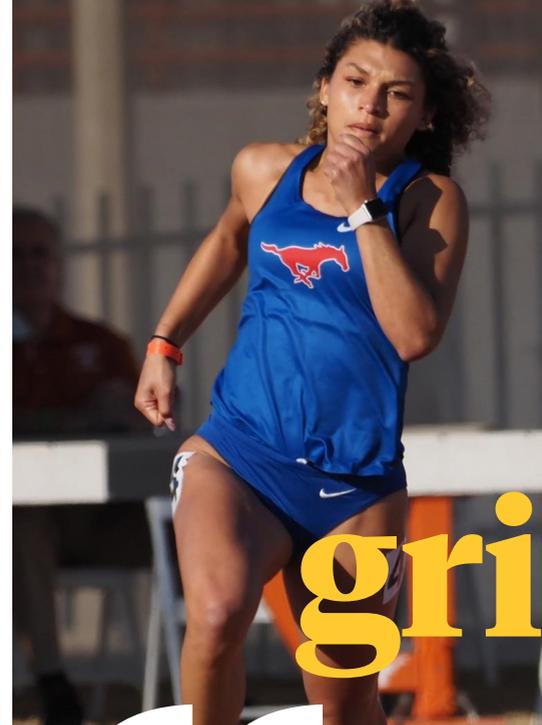
## WHAT EXCITES YOU?

Whether you care deeply about making an impact in your community or love scoring wins for your team, you do you, boldly. With Dallas as your classroom, you'll find your place in a welcoming community that embraces a world of ideas, backgrounds and interests.

do your thing

# Meet Ashton

**Ashton Woods '21** broke records as a hurdler and sparked change as the co-founder and vice president of the SMU Black Student-Athlete Committee. The President's Scholar, who majored in mechanical engineering with a minor in law and legal reasoning, **flexed her passion for community building in multiple leadership roles** and reinforced her academic arc with a law firm internship. In the fall, the recipient of SMU's "M" Award – the highest recognition the University bestows upon students, faculty, staff and administrators – will attend Stanford Law School to **study intellectual property law.**



grit

“*Start your own organization, add a major or minor – wherever your interests lie, go for it, because SMU gives you the support and flexibility you need.*”

## Meet Brecken

**Brecken Schaefer '21** raced through her degree in just three years while competing with SMU's championship equestrian team. While Brecken – who majored in finance with a minor in English – will miss all the spontaneous moments that made student life so fun, she's eager to start on her Master of Science in finance at the University of Colorado Boulder while **working as an investment associate with NAI Affinity** in her hometown of Fort Collins, Colorado.



drive

“*Finding joy in the little things when the world shut down, and overcoming difficulties in new ways, came from my unique time at SMU.*”

take a look at our future world changers



**31%** Students of color\*  
(undergraduate and graduate students)

**48%** Identify as female

**52%** Identify as male  
(undergraduate and graduate students)



Total enrollment\*  
**12,373**  
(6,827 undergrads)

\*Fall 2020



## EASY WORLDWIDE ACCESS TO AND FROM THE NATION'S 4TH-LARGEST METRO AREA

DFW is easily accessible through **two major airports**. Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport (airport codes DFW/KDFW)\* is within a four-hour flight of most major destinations in the U.S. Dallas Love Field (airport codes DAL/KDAL)\* is **about 4 miles from campus**.

\*DFW and DAL are International Air Transport Association (IATA) airport codes. KDFW and KDAL are International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) airport codes.



leverage your alumni  
connections to launch your  
career in Dallas and beyond



every year 1,000+ Dallas-area  
businesses offer SMU students

**4,400+ INTERNSHIPS**



**65,000+**

SMU alumni in DFW



**143,000+**

SMU alumni worldwide

## EXPERIENCE SMU

The optimistic outlook of Dallas is at the heart of SMU. Our enterprising spirit has long been part of our DNA. Your experiences on campus and beyond will shape you into the person you want to become.



## LAUNCH YOUR CAREER.

- Multiple career services centers for help pursuing internships or landing a job
- Access to top employers through our career centers



## FEEL AT HOME IN A VIBRANT COMMUNITY THAT CARES FOR YOU.

- Build lifelong friendships in any of our 11 Residential Commons – an instant community on campus with leadership opportunities and Faculty in Residence
- Easy-to-access safety, tutoring, career services, wellness and mental health resources
- Whether you have a cold you want to get checked out or need to talk to someone about something on your mind, we have professionals at the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center to care for you.



## CREATE YOUR OWN SMU EXPERIENCE.

- 200+ student organizations, 100+ years of spirit and traditions
- 18 intramural sports, 15 club sports and 17 Division I sports



## EXPAND YOUR EDUCATION.

- Funding opportunities to start a company to solve a real-world problem through our Big iDeas program
- The Incubator@SMU, a dedicated space on campus where enterprising students and faculty meet and work on projects
- Research opportunities as early as your first semester
- Engaged Learning projects, cultural immersions through SMU Abroad programs and global opportunities through virtual internships abroad
- Credit courses at SMU-in-Taos, our secondary campus in New Mexico



## WHAT ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT?

Are you looking for ways to channel multiple interests into a high-impact career? The flexibility of the SMU curriculum maximizes your learning potential and your future opportunities by helping you direct your interests with access to a raft of resources.

bridge  
your  
passion &  
purpose

# Meet Mohammed

**Mohammed Njie '21** came to the Hilltop with a **bold idea to bring reliable energy to Gambia**, his country. The electrical engineering major, who also completed a minor in computer science, tapped into resources through SMU's Hunt Institute for Engineering and Humanity – which tackles local and global challenges – and SMU's Big iDeas – which helps undergraduate entrepreneurs launch startups – for a pilot program that **blossomed into a partnership with the Gambian government.**

# ambition



**“** Access to reliable electricity opens up so many possibilities for entire communities to thrive and persevere. What we're doing now will impact lives for generations.”

## Meet Lexi

**Lexie Watson '21** shaped multiple majors and minors into the perfect academic fit for her. She double majored in international studies and political science, with minors in Chinese, ethics, and public policy and international affairs. As part of SMU's Tower Scholars Program, she **combined her interests with experience in the real world of public policy.** Her studies in China and Japan brought to life theories she learned in the classroom – and opened her eyes to what a foreign service career could look like. In the fall, she'll pursue a master's degree in international affairs at Texas A&M University.

**“** The opportunity for close mentorship with professors in many different specializations makes SMU special. They're a huge reason why I've decided to go to grad school.”



# confidence

## COMMON CURRICULUM

Our innovative, **flexible curriculum** encourages students to build a solid liberal arts foundation with the confidence to make intellectual leaps at the intersection of **different disciplines.**

- Prepare for jobs that don't yet exist.
- Graduate with multiple competencies.
- Work toward your major, experiment with a **double or even triple major** and activate new skills.
- **Understand different cultures** – you can't be a world changer if you don't understand the world.

Learn more at [smu.edu/curriculum](https://smu.edu/curriculum)

## NEW AREAS OF STUDY

We prepare Mustangs for the demands of a rapidly changing world, paying close attention and responding to what employers want. New areas of study include data science, which gives all our students opportunities to develop data fluency and innovative thinking, regardless of their major.

## NEW RESOURCES

### 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.

### Moody School of Graduate and Advanced Studies

Backed by a \$100 million gift, the largest in SMU's history, the new school represents our commitment to elevate SMU's vibrant research community.



**Big iDeas** Business Plan Competition gives **undergraduate entrepreneurs a chance to win up to \$5,000 in seed funding for their startups**



**100+ MAJORS AND 85+ MINORS**



About 2 in 5 SMU undergraduates pursue **2 OR MORE MAJORS**

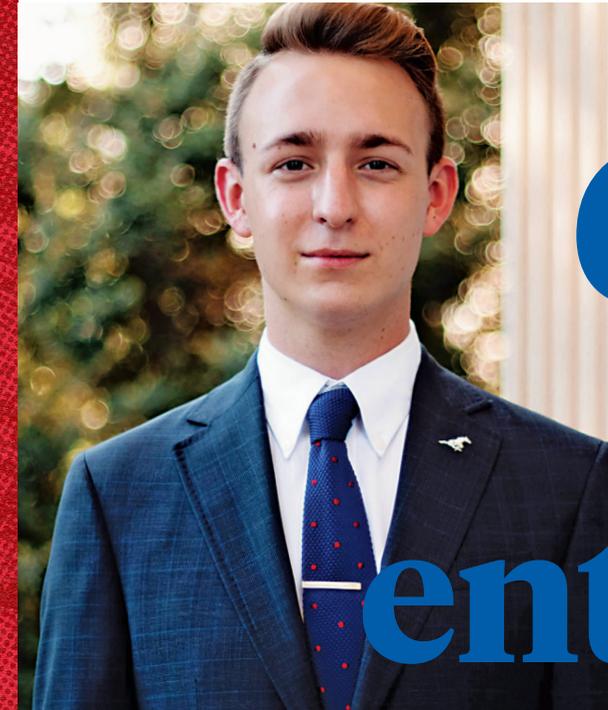
## WHAT PROBLEM DO YOU WANT TO SOLVE?

In a vibrant community that tackles grand challenges, the sky's the limit for the bold, curious and creative.

we've got you covered

## Meet Peter

**Peter Wetherbee '21** seized every chance to **build bridges across the campus community**. The Dedman College Scholar served as a student representative on the SMU Board of Trustees and **in leadership roles** with Program Council, Human Rights Council and a host of other groups. He recently received an "M" Award, SMU's most prestigious honor. The international studies and human rights double major (with minors in history and arts management) plans to pursue a master's degree in international affairs at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, Switzerland.



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*I hope we're leaving behind a healthier climate on campus by encouraging more open dialogue and cultivating a culture where we can have difficult conversations that are respectful.*

enterprise

## Meet Jared

**Jared Burleson '21** chatted up Nobel physicist J. Michael Kosterlitz during a chance meeting while taking advantage of a **study abroad opportunity in China as a President's Scholar**, SMU's most prestigious academic award. Jared, who double majored in physics and mathematics with a minor in Chinese, will pursue a master's in global affairs with an emphasis in STEM public policy as a Schwarzman Scholar at Tsinghua University in Beijing.



**“Whether you know what you want to study or simply have no clue, SMU encourages students to explore different disciplines and become a more informed person.”**

# motivation

## five undergraduate schools for you to think big

SMU's faculty and students join forces as co-creators of knowledge that spans the arts, the sciences, engineering, business and the humanities. Our innovation culture empowers bold thinkers to transform their big ideas into world-changing solutions.



**LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING**  
Engineering solutions for a rapidly changing world.

**84%** of engineering students land internships;  
**82% EMPLOYED AT GRADUATION.**



**SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT**  
Training movers and shakers who push for the best in human potential.

**90%** of applied physiology and sport management  
**GRADS ENTER JOBS OR GRAD SCHOOL.**



**COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**  
Preparing you for the business of changing the world.\*

**91% job placement** for Cox BBA Class of 2020 around time of graduation, with an average starting salary of **\$67,000 per year.**



**MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**  
Developing artists and entrepreneurs in a unique mix of the arts.\*

SMU alumni among the  
**TOP 5% OF HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES** in fine and studio arts, communication and media studies.  
*College Factual 2021*



**DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES**  
Preparing world changers in the academic heart of SMU.

SMU alumni among the  
**TOP 5% OF HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES** in English and social sciences.  
*College Factual 2021*

\*Incoming first-year students who want to pursue a major in SMU's Cox School of Business must indicate their interest in a Cox major on their application to SMU. These students will automatically be evaluated for direct admission to Cox to gain opportunities for early access to important coursework in their fields. Incoming first-year students who want to pursue a major in music, theatre, dance, studio art or film are considered "Dual Admit" students.

# we've got your back

Hundreds of **SMU** undergraduates pursue two or more majors. We have you covered with more than 100 undergraduate majors and 85 minors across five nationally recognized undergraduate schools.

## DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES & SCIENCES

**Anthropology**  
**Biochemistry**  
**Biological Sciences**  
**Biophysical Sciences**  
**Chemistry**  
**Data Science**  
**Earth Sciences**  
Environmental Studies Specialization  
Environmental and Resource Sciences Specialization  
Geology (B.A.) Specialization  
Geology (B.S.) Specialization  
Geophysics Specialization  
**Economics**  
Management Information Applications Concentration  
**Economics with Finance Applications**  
**English**  
**English with Creative Writing Specialization**  
**Ethnic Studies**  
African/African-American Studies  
Mexican-American Studies  
**Health and Society**  
**History**  
**Human Rights**  
**Individualized Studies in the Liberal Arts**  
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**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**  
World Languages: Chinese  
World Languages: French  
World Languages: German  
World Languages: Italian  
World Languages: Spanish  
French  
French Studies  
Spanish

## COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

**Accounting**  
**Business Analytics and Supply**

**Chain Management**  
**Energy Management**  
**Entrepreneurship**  
**Finance**  
**Finance with Alternative Asset Management**  
**General Business**  
**Management**  
**Marketing**  
**Real Estate**  
**Risk Management and Insurance**

## LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

**Civil Engineering**  
**Computer Engineering**  
Hardware Track  
Software Track  
Networking Track  
Security Track  
**Computer Science**  
Premedical Track  
Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Track  
Cyber Security Track  
Data Engineering Track  
Software Track  
**Electrical Engineering**  
Biomedical Track  
Computer Engineering Track  
Engineering Leadership Track  
Smart Wireless and Embedded Systems Track

**Environmental Engineering**  
Premedical Track  
**Management Science**  
**Mechanical Engineering**  
Engineering Management and Entrepreneurship Track  
Premedical/Biomedical Track

## 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 & 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

## ADMISSION FACTORS

**SMU is test-optional, really. We want to know about everything that makes you great, including:**



- rigor of high school curriculum
- GPA
- essay
- resume
- recommendation letters
- standardized test scores\*

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

**Submit electronically by these dates.**



**November 1**

- Early Decision I
- Early Action



**January 15**

- Early Decision II
- Regular Decision

\*SMU is extending the temporary test-optional policy to ease student stress during the COVID-19 pandemic. Fall 2022 and spring 2023 applicants to SMU won't have to submit standardized test scores. If you choose to report your 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).



**Don't lose out.** Just by submitting your SMU application, you'll be automatically considered for a range of academic awards, including the President's Scholarship.



**#31 WORLDWIDE FOR ALUMNI EMPLOYMENT**  
*Center for World University Rankings 2021-22*



SMU alumni among the top 5% of **HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES** across a range of fields  
*College Factual 2021*



**69% of undergraduates GRADUATE WITHOUT DEBT**

**Apply to SMU today.**

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World Changers Shaped Here

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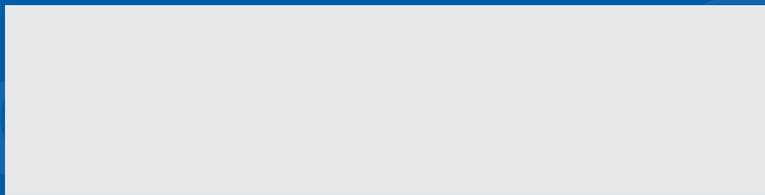
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