you’ve got this
Exciting times are ahead, and it’s important to think big. 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.

SMU is among the TOP 20% of national universities ranked by U.S. News & World Report 2022.

Dallas is the United States’ 4th MOST DIVERSE CITY according to WalletHub 2021.

NO. 31 WORLDWIDE FOR ALUMNI EMPLOYMENT Center for World University Rankings 2022–23

SMU alumni among the top 5% of HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES across a range of fields College Factual 2022
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 graduated with a Bachelor of Science 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. Ashton received SMU’s “M” Award – the highest recognition the University bestows upon students, faculty, staff and administrators. Currently, she attends Stanford Law School to study intellectual property law.

Meet Lexie

Lexie Watson ’21 shaped multiple majors and minors into the perfect academic fit to earn bachelor’s degrees 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. Currently, Lexie is pursuing a master’s degree in international affairs.

do your thing

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.

“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.”

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.”

grit

confidence

take a look at our future world changers

33% Students of color
(undergraduate and graduate students)

49% Female

51% Male
(undergraduate and graduate students)

Total enrollment* 12,385
(6,908 undergrads)

*Fall 2021
leverage your alumni connections to launch your career in Dallas and beyond

134,500+ SMU alumni worldwide

65,500+ SMU alumni in DFW

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 – the second busiest in the world, according to the Airports Council International – is within a four-hour flight of most major destinations in the U.S. Dallas Love Field* 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.

INTERNSHIPS at 20+ DFW-area Fortune 500 companies

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CREATE YOUR OWN SMU EXPERIENCE.

• 200+ student organizations, 100+ years of spirit and traditions.
• 18 intramural sports, 19 club sports and 17 Division I sports.

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.

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.

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.
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. 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 Brecken

Brecken Schaefer ’21 raced through her degree in just three years while competing with SMU’s championship equestrian team. She graduated with a BBA degree in finance, with a minor in English, and now works as a real estate analyst/assistant project manager with NAI Affinity in her hometown of Fort Collins, Colorado. Finding joy in the little things when the world shut down, and overcoming difficulties in new ways, came from my unique time at SMU.”
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.

LEADING-EDGE ACADEMIC RESOURCES
Gerald J. Ford Hall for Research and Innovation
SMU’s 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
The new Moody School of Graduate and Advanced Studies elevates SMU’s vibrant research community and energizes our research-intensive doctoral programs. Moody Hall, our new facility dedicated to graduate excellence, opens in 2023.

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.

Big DSen 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 1 in 4 SMU undergraduates pursue 2 OR MORE MAJORS

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 received an “M” Award, SMU’s most prestigious honor, and graduated with bachelor’s degrees in international studies and human rights (with minors in history and arts management). Now, Peter is a graduate student researcher at Switzerland for United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva.

“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.”

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DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

Anthropology
Biochemistry
Biological Sciences
Biophysical Sciences
Chemistry
Data Science
Earth Sciences
Environmental Sciences and Resources
Environmental Studies Specialization
Geology Specialization
Geochemistry Specialization
Economics
Economics with Finance Applications
Economics with Management Information Applications
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)

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

Risk Management and Insurance

LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Civil Engineering
Premedical Track

Computer Science
Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning Specialization
Cyber Security Specialization
Data Engineering Specialization
Premedical Track

Electrical and Computer Engineering
Biomedical Specialization

Environmental Engineering
Premedical Track

Mechanical Engineering
Biomedical Specialization

Dynamics and Controls
Entrepreneurship Track
Solid Mechanics, Materials and Manufacturing Specialization
Thermodynamics 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

SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Applied Physiology and Sport Management

EDUCATIONAL STUDIES (Teacher Certification)

Early Childhood–Grade 6
Grades 4–8
Grades 7–12

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

APPLYING TO SMU
Submit electronically by these dates.

APPLICATION DEADLINES
November 1
• Early Decision I
• Early Action
January 15
• Early Decision II
• Regular Decision

Early Action

• Early Action 1

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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.

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