

Make it count.



World Changers Shaped Here



SMU®

69%
133 million
TOP 3%
4,400+
200
3 out of 4
54,493
75%
#4
63,000
4,586
TOP 1%
94%
#1

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.



SMU

makes your investment count

Each year more than 1,000 Dallas-area businesses offer SMU students more than 4,400 internships and experiential learning opportunities.

Dallas is the No. 1 big city for jobs, according to *Forbes* 2018.

First-year students engage in research as early as their first semester.

Build leadership skills through opportunities in nearly 200 campus organizations.

In academic year 2017–18, students pursued Engaged Learning research projects worldwide – in about 27 countries, across Europe, the Americas, Africa and Asia.

Best bang for the tuition buck

– *Forbes*' 2018 Best Value Colleges ranking
SMU is part of an elite group of only 300 schools nationwide that are worth the investment, based on net price, net debt, school quality, alumni earnings, timely graduation and population of Pell Grant recipients.

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.

\$133 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

94% of May 2017 Cox grads were off the job market within three months of graduation at a starting salary of \$63K per year

\$63K

From 2013–17, SMU students' medical school admission rate was more than 10% higher than the national acceptance rate

TOP 3%

The Center for World University Rankings 2018 placed SMU among the top 3% of 1,000 universities ranked worldwide for alumni employment

Three-fourths of Lyle Engineering students receive academic scholarships

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

Student Loan Hero ranks Texas No. 4 among the top 20 states whose colleges provide the highest ROI over five years. The ranking is based on federal data on college costs, wages and educational attainment

Count the ways **SMU** helps you afford a world-class education

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.

2018–19 Estimated Costs

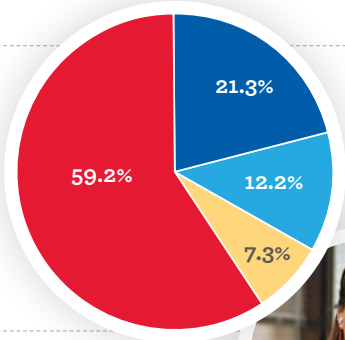
Tuition and Fees	\$54,492
Average Housing and Dining	\$16,950
Total	\$71,442

3^{out}
of 4

undergraduate
students receive
scholarships
and/or financial aid

2017–18 Financial Aid Package

More than \$30,000	59.2%
\$20,001 – \$30,000	21.3%
\$10,001 – \$20,000	12.2%
Less than \$10,001	7.3%



2017–18 First-year Financial Aid Packages

Type of Aid	Package Ranges	% of Students
Scholarships and Grants	\$236 – \$80,067	74%
Student Need-based Loans	\$786 – \$9,000	21%
Student Employment	\$117 – \$6,000	13%

2017–18 Gift Assistance Awarded to First-year Undergraduates

SMU Scholarships and Grants	\$	34,203,996
Federal and State Grants	\$	1,265,942
Gift Assistance from Other Sources	\$	750,670
Total Amount	\$	36,220,608



Tuition Payment Plans

SMU offers several monthly payment plans.

Annual payment plans

Choose 12- or 10-month payment plans per year.

Term payment plans

Choose 6- or 5-month payment plans for fall and/or spring terms or 2-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	Academic school and departmental scholarships
Nancy Ann and Ray L. Hunt Leadership Scholars (<i>separate essay and YouTube video statement required</i>)	National Merit Scholarships
Academic achievement scholarships	International Baccalaureate Scholars
Learn more at smu.edu/academicscholarships	SMU Discovery Scholarships

74%

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	Opportunities to interact personally with world leaders through the Tate Lecture Series
20–25 President's Scholars and 20–25 Hunt Scholars each year	Annual retreats at SMU-in-Taos
	Funding for study-abroad experiences

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, 2018. 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 003613.

- Take advantage of the IRS 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 cssprofile.collegeboard.org. Use SMU school code 6660.

69%

graduate without debt

an undergraduate's average
need-based loan amount

\$4,586 Annually



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.

2018–19 SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID PACKAGES (Family assets may affect demonstrated need.)



ANGELA a marketing major from Texas:
1220 SAT, 3.07 GPA, 20.5 units[†]

FAMILY OF 5 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	\$84,385
EFC*	\$13,913

AWARDS

TEXAS TUITION EQUALIZATION GRANT	\$3,364
SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP	\$33,121
FEDERAL LOANS	\$5,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY	\$4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE	\$45,985



VALERIE a communication major from California: 29 ACT, 3.77 GPA, 21.5 units[†]

FAMILY OF 4 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	\$79,500
EFC*	\$10,422

AWARDS

SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP	\$24,985
SMU SECOND CENTURY SCHOLAR	\$20,000
FEDERAL LOANS	\$5,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY	\$4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE	\$54,485



ROBERT an engineering major from Missouri: 31 ACT, 3.8 GPA, 20 units[†]

FAMILY OF 2 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	\$25,988
EFC*	\$7

AWARDS

FEDERAL PELL GRANT	\$6,045
FEDERAL SEOG	\$2,000
SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP	\$3,758
SMU DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR	\$25,000
SMU DISCOVERY SCHOLARSHIP	\$9,000
SMU LYLE ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIPS	\$7,500
FEDERAL LOANS	\$9,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY	\$4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE	\$66,803



HOLLY a biology major from Texas:
1400 SAT, 3.53 GPA, 22 units[†]

FAMILY OF 4 WITH 1 IN COLLEGE

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME	\$90,763
EFC*	\$22,154

AWARDS

SMU OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP	\$7,797
SMU SECOND CENTURY SCHOLAR	\$20,000
SMU DISCOVERY SCHOLARSHIP	\$9,000
FEDERAL LOANS	\$5,500
FEDERAL WORK STUDY	\$4,000
TOTAL PACKAGE	\$46,297



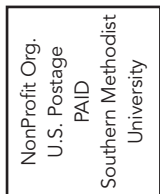
“All three of our sons had excellent options for going to college at selective schools, and they chose SMU. They benefited from small classes, direct access to faculty, great opportunities for campus involvement and leadership, and internships in banking, finance and real estate. SMU is big enough to 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.”

Diny and Jim Landen

SMU Parents, Classes of 2010, 2012 and 2016

*According to the office of Federal Student Aid, the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is not the amount of money your family will have to pay for college or the amount of federal student aid you will receive. It is a number used by your school to calculate the amount of federal student aid you are eligible to receive.

[†]Units refer to the number of successfully completed high school courses in the core areas of English, math, social sciences, science and foreign language.



SMU®

Undergraduate Admission
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smu.edu/apply

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE AT AN SMU EDUCATION

- All applicants are automatically considered for academic scholarships
- 74% of SMU first-year students receive scholarships and grants
- 69% of students graduate without debt

APPLY NOW TO SMU

- **November 1*** Early Decision I, Early Action and priority scholarship and financial aid consideration
- **January 15*** 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** cssprofile.collegeboard.org for institutional aid

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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, 6425 Boaz Lane, Dallas, TX 75205, 214-768-3601, accessequity@smu.edu. 190195.918

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