We're looking for the bold, curious and creative to bring their 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. We have nearly 12,000 students in eight schools. Prepared for success by the SMU experience, Mustangs think big, do good and lead change across the world.

• Data fluency is core to our discipline-flexible curriculum. Pursue multiple interests and prepare for marketplace demands – from your first job to jobs that don’t yet exist.

• As the home of the George W. Bush Presidential Center, we’re the only private University that has a presidential library on the main campus.

• Students know their professors in a setting where the average class size is about 22 students.

• With 17 Division I sports, 15 club sports and 18 intramural sports, students can show off their competitive sides.

• Backed by a $100 million gift, the largest in SMU’s history, the new Moody School of Graduate and Advanced Studies represents our commitment to elevate our vibrant research community.

• Mustangs solve problems on a large scale using ManeFrame II, one of the most powerful supercomputers in North American higher education.

• Any student can walk into one of our multiple career service centers to learn how to craft effective resumes, network effectively, connect with top employers, ace interviews and land an internship or job.

• The Deason Innovation Gym provides 24-hour access to 3D printers, laser cutters and more.

• Students take credit courses at SMU-in-Taos, our scenic campus in the mountains of New Mexico.

• Courtesy tutoring services are provided at the Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center.

• Our 11 Residential Commons provide an instant community on campus with leadership opportunities and faculty mentors.
Application Deadlines

NOVEMBER 1
Early Decision I, Early Action

JANUARY 15
Early Decision II, Regular Decision

Students must submit electronically or postmark by these dates. SMU is adopting a one-year test-optional policy to ease student stress during the COVID-19 pandemic. Spring and fall 2021 applicants have the option to submit standardized test scores. If applicants choose to report their scores, SMU accepts self-reported scores during the application process. If applicants submitted unofficial scores and enroll at SMU, we will then ask them to send official score reports from testing agencies (ACT code: 4174; SAT code: 6660).

Admitted Student Profile of the Class of 2024*

GPA MID-50%  
Unweighted 4.0 Scale 3.44–3.93

SAT MID-50%** highest sections  
1600 Point Scale 1300–1460

ACT MID-50%** highest composite  
36 Point Scale 29–33

As of July 30, 2020
**Superscore

The Big Picture

FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

40% From Texas  
56% From other states  
4% International

14,010 Applications  
7,378 Admitted students  
1,531 Enrolled students

FIRST-YEAR STUDENT Geographic Diversity

41% Southwest  
18% West  
17% South  
12% Northeast  
8% Midwest  
4% International

UNDERGRADUATE Diversity

13% Hispanic  
6% International/Other  
8% Asian  
5% Black/African American  
4% Multiracial  
64% White, non-Hispanic

6,793 Enrolled students  
50 States/territories represented (including Texas)  
59 Countries represented (excluding U.S.A.)

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MEET YOUR COUNSELOR  •  SMU.EDU/COUNSELOR

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3 out of 4 first-year students receive an average of $34,402 in gift aid – money they don’t have to pay back.

#11 in merit aid in Money’s “2019 Best Colleges.”

Top .2% for employment worldwide for alumni according to Center for World University Rankings 2019–2020.

Top 5% in pay for graduates across a range of fields, according to College Factual.

98% placement for Applied Physiology and Sport Management grads in jobs or grad school.

Top 20 for salaries in engineering. College Factual ranks Lyle School of Engineering alumni among the nation’s highest-earning engineering grads.

80%+ double major or minor from Meadows School of the Arts.

94% placement for Cox School of Business graduates within three months of graduation at a starting average salary of nearly $66K/year.

72% without debt at the time of graduation.