SMU



Imagine what's possible

TRANSFER TO SMU





Dallas is where you want to be.

In a city of big ideas and big opportunities, your hard work is about to pay off by pursuing an exceptional education at SMU.

Tap into an incredible support system – faculty, staff, alumni and friends – that has your back as a Mustang.

Visit SMU!

- We host visit experiences specifically for transfer students every Friday. ***smu.edu/transferfriday***
- Attend a Transfer Preview event, offered each term. ***smu.edu/transferpreview***

HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES
across a range of fields (College Factual 2026)

NEARLY 90% OF UNDERGRADUATES
were employed, enrolled in additional education or volunteering within six months of graduation.

NO. 1 U.S. METRO FOR JOB GROWTH
(2025 Dallas-Fort Worth Higher Education Review)

Dallas-Fort Worth is home to
20+ FORTUNE 500 HEADQUARTERS

SEIZE NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Our culture of innovation empowers bold thinkers to transform their ideas into new products, inventive technology and world-changing solutions.

DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

70% acceptance rate into medical school— *well above the national average.*



COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

93% of Cox B.B.A. students achieved desired career outcomes within three years of graduation



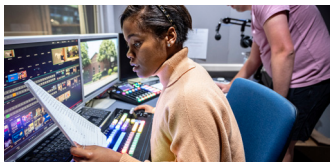
LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

91% of Lyle students are employed within six months of graduation, with a mean starting salary of $81,000.



MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Among the highest paid graduates in advertising, public relations, and fine and studio arts (College Factual 2026).



SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Ranked 7th Best College for Sports Management in America by Niche.com.



Live in a vibrant community

While some transfer students choose to pursue off-campus housing in the surrounding area, students are also welcome to apply for housing in one of our 11 Residential Commons, including our Honors Residential Community. Students benefit from our Faculty in Residence who live among them as mentors.*

Transportation

The Mustang Express shuttle services the neighborhood surrounding SMU. Students also walk, bike and drive to campus or take advantage of DART, Dallas' public transportation system.

Expand your education

- **Research opportunities** as early as your first term.
- **Credit courses** through intersessions at **SMU Taos** or **150 SMU Abroad** programs.

Create your own SMU experience

- **200+ student organizations**
- **17 Division I** sports and **19 club sport and 10+ intramural sports**
- Multiple **career service centers** that help students craft resumes, meet employers, ace interviews and land internships or jobs

SMU alumni among the
HIGHEST-PAID GRADUATES
across a range of fields (College Factual 2026)

39% Students of color*
**Undergraduate and graduate students*

140,000+
SMU alumni worldwide

62,000+
SMU alumni in DFW

SEE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP POTENTIAL

If you're seeking your first undergraduate degree and have at least **24 transferable credit hours post-high school graduation with a minimum 3.3 GPA,** you are **automatically considered for most of SMU's generous transfer scholarships** when you apply. Credits earned by exams, such as AP, IB or CLEP exams, are not factored into GPA or transferable credit for scholarship consideration.
Some scholarships can be combined. Apply today. ***smu.edu/transferscholarships***

50 CREDIT REQUIREMENT

Scholarship	*Annual value*	*Duration*	*Credit requirement*	*GPA requirement*
North Texas Community College Scholarship*	**Full tuition & fees**	Up to 5 terms	50 Credits	3.7 GPA
Transfer Honor Scholarship	**Half tuition**	Up to 5 terms	50 Credits	3.7 GPA
Phi Theta Kappa Supplemental Scholarship**	**$2,000**	Up to 5 terms	50 Credits	3.5 GPA

24 CREDIT REQUIREMENT

Scholarship	*Annual value*	*Duration*	*Credit requirement*	*GPA requirement*
SMU Distinguished Scholarship	**$25,000**	Up to 6 terms	24 Credits	3.7 GPA
SMU Second Century Scholarship	**$20,000**	Up to 6 terms	24 Credits	3.5 GPA
SMU Founders Scholarship	**$15,000**	Up to 6 terms	24 Credits	3.3 GPA

**The North Texas Community College Scholarship is fall-only, requires a separate application by April 1, and is limited to students transferring from the following schools: Collin College, Dallas College, Grayson College, Navarro College, North Central Texas College, Tarrant County College and Trinity Valley Community College. Students who excel academically, show leadership initiative, give back to their communities and have experience or perspective that sets them apart are encouraged to apply.*

***Must be an active Phi Theta Kappa member to apply for this supplemental scholarship.*

How to transfer your coursework

Our **Transfer Pathway Guides** will provide information on which courses to take at your current school for your intended major at SMU. Our interactive **Equivalency Course Tool** will help you build a report that will show you how your credits will transfer to SMU.

smu.edu/transferpathway

2026–27 ESTIMATED COSTS

Tuition and fees $71,816
Average housing and dining $20,950
Total $92,766

$16 MILLION +
in scholarships and/or grants awarded last year to transfer students

70%
of undergraduates graduate without debt

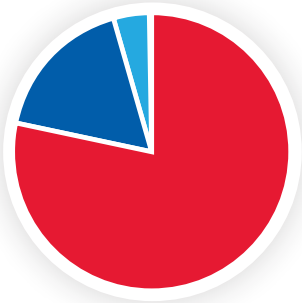
12,500+
Total enrollment* (7,677 undergrads)
**Fall 2026*

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FINANCIAL AID

We encourage transfer students to complete both their **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA*)** and the **CSS Profile™**** to be considered for need-based aid.

2025 TRANSFER STUDENTS

- More than $30,000 . . . . . .78.5%
- $15,000–$30,000. . . . . 17.1%
- Less than $15,000 . . . . . 4.4%



2025–26 NEW TRANSFER STUDENT FINANCIAL PACKAGES

Type of aid	Average package	Package ranges	% of students
Scholarships and grants	$48,254	$390–101,518	89%
Student need-based loans	$4,416	$500–5,500	28%
Student employment	$3,989	$2,490–7,000	24%

***FAFSA** – Free Application for Federal Student Aid; required to determine eligibility for federal and state need-based aid.

****CSS Profile** – Online form required each year to qualify for SMU-funded institutional awards; helps financial aid advisors assess your need.

89% of new transfer students receive an average package of $48,254 in scholarships and grants.

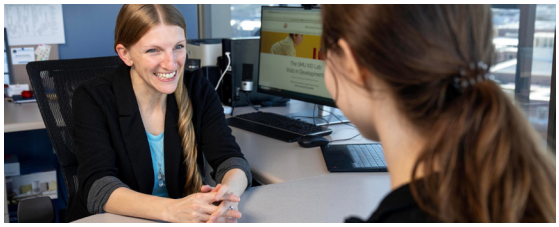
Scan here to learn more about financial aid.

SUPPORTING OUR COUNTRY'S ARMED FORCES VETERANS

SMU is proud to participate in the federal Yellow Ribbon Program, helping our veterans and their dependents pay for college. ***smu.edu/veterans***



Courtesy of the George W. Bush Presidential Center



MEET YOUR ADMISSION COUNSELOR

All prospective and admitted SMU students are matched with an assigned admission counselor. Find yours at ***smu.edu/transfercounselor.***

MEMBER OF THE ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE (ACC)

CARNEGIE R1

Carnegie Research One ranking among top U.S. research universities

Where our students transfer from*

43% from community colleges

55% from four-year universities

2% from international schools

**Fall 2026*

LEARN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS



Admission deadlines

FALL

November 1 – Applications open
April 1 – Scholarship deadline; Meadows Dual Admission deadline
June 1 – Cox School of Business application deadline
August 1 –Final deadline

SPRING

August 1 – Applications open
November 1 – Application deadline; Meadows Dual Admission deadline

SUMMER

November 1 – Applications open
June 1 – Application deadline

Application requirements

- Completion of a full term after high school graduation
- Completion of 24 transferable credit hours* (2.7 minimum GPA)

**Admission committee will consider the academic rigor of high school courses taken by students with fewer than 24 transferable credit hours.*

TRANSFER APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ☐ **Apply for admission** via SMU's Online Application, the Common Application, ApplyTexas or Apply Coalition with SCOIR.
- ☐ Submit official **transcripts from all colleges and universities** attended (include dual/concurrent coursework completed in high school).
  All international transcripts will require a professional evaluation.
- ☐ Submit final **high school transcripts (with graduation date listed) or GED.**
- ☐ Submit optional **personal essay, extracurricular resume** and **letters of recommendation.**
- ☐ Submit **FAFSA and CSS Profile™** if interested in receiving need-based aid.
- ☑ **We're waiving the application fee** for all first-year and transfer undergraduate students!

SMU is on the rise – in academics, as a premier teaching and research University, and in athletics, as a member of the prestigious ACC.

55%
of SMU transfer students are from Texas*

45%
of SMU transfer students are from out of state*

APPLY TODAY
smu.edu/apply

UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS

DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

AFRICAN/AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

ANTHROPOLOGY

BIOCHEMISTRY

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Bio-Entrepreneurship

BIOPHYSICAL SCIENCES

CHEMISTRY

DATA SCIENCE

EARTH SCIENCES

Environmental and Resource Sciences, Environmental Studies, Geology, Geophysics

ECONOMICS

Finance Applications, Management Information Applications

ENGLISH

Creative Writing

FRENCH

FRENCH STUDIES

HEALTH AND SOCIETY

HISTORY

HUMAN RIGHTS

INDIVIDUALIZED STUDIES IN THE LIBERAL ARTS

Women's and Gender Studies

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

MARKETS AND CULTURE

MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS

MATHEMATICS

MEDIEVAL STUDIES

MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

PHILOSOPHY

PHYSICS

Cosmology and Astrophysics

POLITICAL SCIENCE

PSYCHOLOGY

PUBLIC POLICY

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Asian Religions, Christian Tradition, Religion and Culture

SOCIOLOGY

SPANISH

STATISTICAL SCIENCE

WORLD LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish

COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**

ACCOUNTING

BUSINESS ANALYTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

FINANCE

Alternative Asset Management

GENERAL BUSINESS

MANAGEMENT

MARKETING

REAL ESTATE

COX SPECIALIZATIONS

AI for Business, Energy Management, Entrepreneurship, Management Consulting, Real Estate

LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

CIVIL ENGINEERING

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, Cyber Security, Data Engineering, Research, Software Engineering

ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Biomedical, Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

MANAGEMENT SCIENCE

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Distributed, Dynamics and Controls, Entrepreneurship, Premedical/ Biomedical, Solid Mechanics, Materials and Manufacturing, Thermofluids

MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

ADVERTISING

Creative, Digital Media Strategy, Strategic Brand Management

ART*

(Portfolio required)

ART HISTORY

History of Architecture

Museum Studies

CORPORATE COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Organizational Communication, Political Communication, Social Innovation and Nonprofit Engagement

CREATIVE COMPUTING

DANCE*

(Audition required)

FASHION MEDIA

FILM AND MEDIA ARTS*

(Portfolio optional)

JOURNALISM

Business Journalism, Sports Journalism

MUSIC*

Composition, Music Education, Music Therapy, Performance (Audition required for all)

MUSIC, CULTURE AND SOCIETY

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION

THEATRE* **

Acting, Theatre Studies, Musical Theatre (Audition required for all)

SIMMONS SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

APPLIED PHYSIOLOGY AND SPORT MANAGEMENT

Sport Management, Sport Performance Leadership

EDUCATIONAL STUDIES (TEACHER CERTIFICATION)

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

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS AND ADVISING

PRE-HEALTH

PRE-LAW

There's more!

Dive deeper into SMU areas of studies and their specializations.

*** Requires secondary application**

****Fall admittance only**

SMU Office of Undergraduate Admission

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