



# SMU



## BIG D DELIVERS

Dallas is a vibrant metropolitan center for business and commerce, arts and culture, innovation and enterprise. SMU's location in one of the world's most dynamic cities offers students life-changing experiences.

### #1

Dallas is America's most business-friendly city, according to MarketWatch 2015.

### #1

in the nation for largest urban arts district

### #5

on the *Forbes* 2016 list of the 15 best big cities for jobs

### #3

on the *Forbes* 2016 list of the 20 fastest-growing cities in the country

### #1

The Dallas region is home to the two best cities in the country (Irving is No. 1, Grand Prairie is No. 2) for starting a career, according to *Forbes* 2015.

### 200+

companies from 34 countries have their U.S. headquarters or substantial operations in the Dallas region

### TOP 10%

Dallas is in the top 10% of the *Forbes* 2015 list of the best places for business and careers, beating San Francisco, Austin and Houston.



SMU is a nationally ranked private university located near the heart of Dallas. Offering real-world preparation for career success, SMU's rigorous academic programs in business, engineering, humanities, sciences, communications, performing and visual arts and education and human development reward students' hard work with unparalleled opportunities.

- 11:1 student-to-faculty ratio; average class size is 24
- About 200 student organizations offer a variety of ways to nurture your interests and help develop leadership skills.
- SMU-in-Taos, our campus in northern New Mexico, offers credit courses in the arts, sciences and business.
- SMU is the only private university with a presidential library on its main campus.
- SMU has a "high research activity" Carnegie classification.
- SMU is the highest-ranking university in North Texas, fourth-highest in the state and among the top universities nationwide, according to *Forbes* 2016.
- At the Locomotor Performance Laboratory in Simmons School of Education and Human Development, students engaging in a high-tech investigation of biomechanics develop skills and proficiencies most sought by employers and graduate programs.
- One of the top academic supercomputers in the nation, SMU's ManeFrame powerfully expands the reach of faculty and student research.
- Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences offers interdisciplinary majors, including biochemistry, human rights, public policy and environmental studies.
- Meadows School of the Arts' endowed Temerlin Advertising Institute has been named one of 10 leaders in advertising education by *The New York Times*.
- At the Kitt Investing and Trading Center, Cox School of Business students invest a portfolio valued at \$3 million.
- The Darwin Deason Institute for Cyber Security in Lyle School of Engineering takes an interdisciplinary approach to solving some of the nation's most challenging cyber security problems. In the Deason Innovation Gym, students refine their engineering skills by working on real-world design challenges.

**#6** among the top 25 U.S. schools for internship opportunities in The Princeton Review 2016

**74%** of 2015 grads employed before graduation or pursuing a graduate degree

**93%** of May 2015 Cox graduates were off the job market within three months of graduation at a starting salary of over \$60K per year

**80%** of Lyle engineering students graduate with professional experience from internships

**TOP 1%** SMU ranks among the top 1% of highest-paid music graduates, according to College Factual 2016

**#1** First university in the south, and fifth in the nation, to offer a human rights undergraduate major

**\$109 million+** in SMU scholarships and grants awarded last year

**3 out of 4** students receive scholarships and/or financial aid

**100+ MAJORS** complemented by more than 85 minors

**TOP 15%** The Center for World University Rankings places SMU among the top 15% of 1,000 universities ranked worldwide

## Questions?

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## RESIDENTIAL COMMONS: AN UNCOMMON EXPERIENCE

SMU's Residential Commons bridges academic and social life to support a vibrant University community. Creating an extension of the learning continuum, Faculty in Residence expand students' opportunities for informal interactions, intellectual exchanges and mentoring. This transformative residential experience enables students to transition more smoothly to campus life, benefit from new leadership opportunities and nurture lifelong friendships. [smu.edu/residentialcommons](http://smu.edu/residentialcommons)

## ADMITTED MIDDLE 50% OF THE SMU CLASS OF 2020

GPA **3.41–3.91**  
*Unweighted 4.0 scale*

SAT **1340–1460**  
*\*New SAT scale*

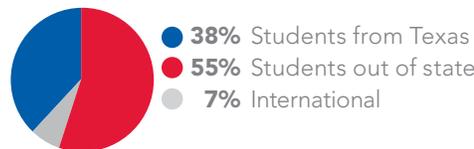
SAT **1280–1410**  
*Old SAT 1600 point scale*

ACT **29–32**  
*36 point scale*

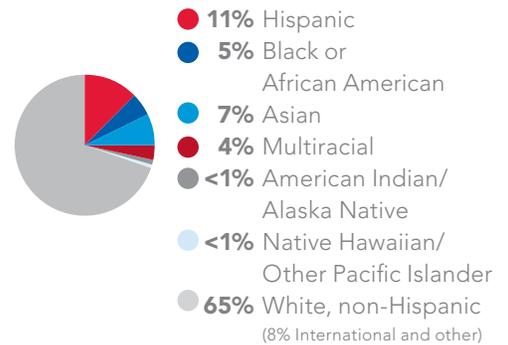
*\*Estimated scores based on revised SAT conversions*

## THE BIG PICTURE

### FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS



### UNDERGRADUATES



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**14,771** Applications  
**13,237** Completed applications  
**6,482** Admitted students  
**1,521** Enrolled students

### UNDERGRADUATES

**6,384** Enrolled students  
**53** States and territories represented (including Texas)  
**67** Countries represented (excluding U.S.A.)

## GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY

### FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

