“Northwestern is a place that combines the best attributes size, location, and diversity, we are special—and we are
of American higher education. In terms of academics, only getting better.” —Morton Schapiro, president and professor
At Northwestern you will find a lakefront campus that mixes Gothic spires with modernist glass and steel. You will find labs devoted to life-changing discoveries and seminars exploring the classics. You will find all the advantages of a major research university with a level of individual attention rare in any school. You will discover that the only "attitude" here is one of collaboration, friendliness, altruism, and excellence. You will find a place in a close-knit community that thrives on the excitement and opportunities offered in Evanston and nearby Chicago. You will meet people like those featured in the following pages: students with diverse interests, talents, and backgrounds joining together with internationally renowned faculty to master skills, create knowledge, and improve the world.
Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences
Features a curriculum encompassing the natural sciences and mathematics, the social sciences, the humanities, and the fine arts

McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science
Offers comprehensive engineering education with an emphasis on practical problem solving and design

School of Education and Social Policy
Empowers students to shape and improve the lives of people in schools, businesses, families, and communities
20 School of Communication
Explores the full range of human expression—from theater, dance, and filmmaking to audiology and cognition

24 Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications
Prepares students for a wide range of careers in journalism, digital media, and other communication professions

28 Bienen School of Music
Provides a world-class education for performers, teachers, composers, and scholars

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“My dream has always been to be a practicing physician and writer. I was enticed by Northwestern’s programs in these areas—some of the best in the country.

“The diversity and talent of the student body at Northwestern are unlike those of any other university. My closest friends today will soon be scientists, athletes, mathematicians, musicians, and actors.

“I am from the Northeast, where many are unaware of Northwestern’s reputation as one of the best schools in the country. The University has much more to offer to its students than even its brilliant reputation suggests—largely due to its proximity to the city of Chicago. No other university can offer its undergraduates the suburban and urban opportunities Northwestern can.”
Umang Jain (political science ’13) is from Wellesley, Massachusetts. He is coexecutive of Tufaan Entertainment, a nonprofit student group that sponsors a South Asian dance competition at Northwestern each spring. He is also the Weinberg College liaison on the Wildcat Welcome board of directors.
At the center of Northwestern is the oldest, largest, and most comprehensive of our undergraduate schools, the **Judd A. and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences**. Enrolling more than half of the undergraduates on campus, Weinberg combines the vigor of a leading liberal arts college with the resources of a major research university. Here you may work shoulder to shoulder with prominent scientists in their labs, share in the groundbreaking efforts of scholars in the humanities and the social sciences, engage with speakers from around the world, and deepen your cultural understanding by studying abroad. You will also enjoy an unusual degree of personal attention—in classrooms, around seminar tables, and in conversation.

Wherever your curiosity leads, you will find stimulating courses, internships to help you grow, and mentors to guide you. The mix of curricular choices and in-depth study has been a winning combination for Weinberg students. In a rapidly changing economy, our graduates have the analytical skills to succeed in developing fields such as biotechnology, global markets, and information technology as well as in traditional careers in medicine, law, business, and academia.

Weinberg offers more than **100 majors, minors, areas of study, and special programs** (see a partial list on page 10).

“I love the relationship I have with my professors. They have guided me through my decision to pursue graduate school and have served as invaluable mentors. My professors love to include students in their work. They are humble scholar celebrities who never cease to amaze me, and they are more than happy to offer their knowledge and enthusiasm for their field of study. The academic network here is amazing.”

**Anthony D. Iglesias** (history ’13) is from Los Angeles, California. He is a member of Northwestern’s Council of Latino Admission Volunteers for Education.

“When I started the college search my parents suggested that I come up with the top five attributes I was looking for in a school. My list was a giant oxymoron: I never expected to find a liberal arts education with the opportunities of a research university, a motivated student body with a balanced college lifestyle, and a beautiful campus with access to a city. But I found all of that and more when I came to Northwestern.”

**Lauren Pollack** (psychology ’14) is from Simsbury, Connecticut. She is earning a certificate in integrated marketing communications and has been active in Northwestern’s Greek community.
“Our students have all the research opportunities you get at a world-class research university—yet they also have the liberal arts college benefits of superior advising and small classes in which faculty really teach undergraduates. You do get the best of both worlds.”

—Dean Sarah Mangelsdorf

FRESHMAN SEMINARS
As a Weinberg freshman you will take two seminars that develop critical thinking and communication skills. Their small size allows students to build close working relationships with faculty. More than 100 different seminars are offered each year. In recent years students have chosen from such courses as The Research University and the Biotechnology Industry; Suburbia and the American Dream; Health Care, Education, and Nonprofit Organizations; Plants That Changed History; Understanding Terrorism; The History of Hell; and 18th-Century Fiction: Why Should We Care?

weinberg.northwestern.edu/seminars

“When applying to college, I was completely undecided as to what I wanted to study,” says Kira Hooks (art history ’13) of Atlanta, Georgia. “Because I had interests in so many different subjects, I really wanted to be at a school with a great liberal arts program where I could explore all my interests. Northwestern stood out not only for its excellent academics and opportunities for research but also for its collegiate feel and proximity to a major metropolis.” Hooks is involved in the Northwestern Living Wage Campaign and helped plan the 2011 Living Wage Conference at the University.
**Majors**
African American studies  
African studies  
American studies  
Anthropology  
Art history  
Art theory and practice  
Asian languages and civilizations  
Asian studies  
Biological sciences  
Chemistry  
Classics  
Cognitive science  
Comparative literary studies  
Computer science  
Earth and planetary sciences  
Economics  
English  
English major in creative writing  
Environmental sciences  
French  
Gender and sexuality studies  
Geography  
German  
History  
Integrated science  
International studies  
Italian  
Jewish studies  
Latina and Latino studies  
Legal studies  
Linguistics  
Materials science  
Mathematical methods in the social sciences  
Mathematics  
Middle East languages and civilizations  
Middle East studies  
Philosophy  
Physics  
Political science  
Psychology  
Religious studies  
Science in human culture  
Slavic languages and literatures  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Statistics  
Urban studies

**Minors and certificates**
Asian American studies  
Business institutions  
Catholic studies  
Central and Southeastern European studies  
Chinese language and culture  
Classical studies  
Critical theory  
Environmental policy and culture  
Entrepreneurship  
Global health studies  
Greek  
Hebrew studies  
Humanities  
Japanese language and culture  
Latin  
Latin American and Caribbean studies  
Portuguese language and Lusophone cultures  
Russian  
Slavic studies  
World literature  

For a complete list, see weinberg.northwestern.edu/majors

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**“Supercharged” academic experiences**

Your interests and abilities are nurtured through high-level Weinberg College programs that turn students into scholars—and scholars into intellectual leaders.

The **Kaplan Humanities Scholars Program** offers a “supercharged” humanities curriculum to a select group of first-year students from any field. Interdisciplinary lecture courses taught by top professors are paired with seminars to demonstrate how “the humanities—their way of posing questions and their interpretive methods—can address problems beyond the classroom,” says program director and prize-winning teacher Jules Law, a professor of English. Recent offerings have included the courses Brave New Worlds, Comedy and the Mirror of Custom, and The Human/Animal Divide. [www.kaplanscholars.northwestern.edu](http://www.kaplanscholars.northwestern.edu)

The **Integrated Science Program** combines the study of the natural sciences and their mathematical underpinnings. Students engage in specially designed interdisciplinary courses that often lead to advanced study at the forefront of science. No other US college has a program like it. Forty percent of
“Northwestern is a great university in a great metro area. I appreciate Northwestern’s many schools, which means I have the opportunity to work with not only liberal arts majors but also students who will go on to be journalists and teachers and engineers and musicians and professionals in the communications fields. Northwestern is very friendly. It is the best combination of serious and fun.”

Mary Pattillo is the Harold Washington Professor of Sociology and African American Studies. Her book *Black on the Block: The Politics of Race and Class in the City* examines low-income housing construction and gentrification in a black Chicago neighborhood; it won the 2008 Robert Park Award from the American Sociological Association. Pattillo is a founding board member and active participant in Urban Prep Charter Academy, the first all-boys public charter high school in Chicago.

Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences enables high-ability students to combine study in the social sciences with training in formal analytical methods. This is excellent preparation for graduate study in the social or managerial sciences as well as for other careers that require both quantitative skills and a solid understanding of social issues. It is also an ideal path for students planning to enroll in the Kellogg Undergraduate Certificate Program in their junior or senior years.

ISP students have gone on to earn medical degrees, and other graduates have gone on to top university faculties and careers in patent law and business. A special application is required.

www.isp.northwestern.edu

The Brady Scholars Program in Ethics and Civic Life is a three-year program that focuses on citizenship and how to make changes in our communities. Through course work and practical experience, including study abroad, Brady Scholars engage with the meaning of the “good life,” the nature of justice, the meaning of public service, and core values in the humanities and sciences: integrity, veracity, fidelity, and courage.

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180 faculty • 1,550 undergraduate students (30 percent are women) • 48 credits required for BS: 18 core math, science, and engineering courses, 16 major courses, 9 humanities/social science/communication courses, 5 unrestricted electives www.mccormick.northwestern.edu

“I’ve really enjoyed the family environment I’ve experienced at Northwestern. I appreciate how far beyond their job descriptions faculty and staff go to help students succeed. I also like that you find people from everywhere with different beliefs and backgrounds. Ultimately, Northwestern is special because of the plethora of opportunities available to students—from studying abroad to Big Ten athletics to career services to Chicago. Everyone can find something they are interested in and can delve into here.”
James Montgomery III  
(mechanical engineering ’14) of Los Angeles, California, is a guard on the Wildcats varsity basketball team. He is active in the Northwestern chapter of the National Society of Black Engineers.
Northwestern has reshaped engineering education through a curriculum that focuses on creativity, teamwork, and innovative design. At the Robert R. McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science, you will work in teams to tackle design problems for clients. You will see that truly effective engineers have the skills to work with diverse groups of people, express ideas, and direct complex projects. Complementing this hands-on experience are rigorous courses in computing, mathematics, mechanics, and physics to introduce the essential principles of design and analysis. Your experience at McCormick will provide you with excellent communication and problem-solving skills, giving you the confidence and ability you need to become a leader in business and the world after graduation.

Design is an important aspect of engineering education at McCormick. Design thinking involves learning to understand user experiences, identifying the real problem behind the perceived problem, and developing appropriate solutions. Design activities are based in the classrooms, machine shops, and design studios of the Segal Design Institute, in the Ford Motor Company Engineering Design Center, and in the Technological Institute. “These state-of-the-art facilities inspire creativity, team learning, and collaboration across disciplines,” says Dean Julio M. Ottino.

McCormick offers majors in biomedical, chemical, civil, computer, electrical, environmental, industrial, and mechanical engineering, applied mathematics, computer science, manufacturing and design engineering, and materials science and engineering, as well as three honors programs, six certificate programs, and a co-op program.

“Engineers used to be thought of in terms of what they made, but today engineers should be thought of in terms of how they think. No matter what career path you may pursue, you will be able to apply the education you have acquired at McCormick.” —Dean Julio M. Ottino

“McComick students are engaged, dedicated, smart, savvy, creative, and passionate people. They are enthusiastic about many facets of their lives, from the classroom and the lab to a huge variety of extracurricular activities. They have such potential in how they can impact the world, and I am honored to help them learn and grow.”

Cate Brinson is a professor of mechanical engineering and of materials science and engineering. She studies the nanoscale properties of polymers, bones, and smart metals.
Engineering in Action

McCormick’s Engineering First curriculum brings together creative design experiences and analytical courses to introduce students to the basics of engineering. In the two-quarter Engineering Design and Communication course, first-year students design solutions to problems for actual clients ranging from individuals to major organizations such as Baxter Healthcare and the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. Through this experience students learn that effective communication is key to successful engineering. More than half of McCormick students participate in on-campus research activities, and many are part of teams that publish notable results.

Unique Certificates and Concentrations

McCormick students have the opportunity to pursue a variety of special certificates and programs, such as engineering design and biotechnology. Those interested in business can earn certificates in entrepreneurship or business enterprise from McCormick or one of two certificates from the Kellogg School of Management.

The certificate in architectural engineering and design connects McCormick’s innovative approach to design education with Chicago’s groundbreaking architecture.

Active Student Groups

McCormick students participate in student groups that organize outreach efforts in the community, provide mentoring and support for students, and tackle problems throughout the world. Among McCormick’s most popular groups are the Society of Women Engineers, the National Society of Black Engineers, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Design for America, Engineers for a Sustainable World, and the Northwestern University Solar Car Team (top right on opposite page).

Personal and Career Development

McCormick helps you plan for your career beginning in your first year. Through exploratory classes, one-on-one guidance, and career coaching, you develop the tools you need to make an impact in the world. More than half of our students gain practical experience and insight into engineering through internships and the Walter P. Murphy Cooperative Engineering Education Program, a five-year program that allows students to alternate study at Northwestern with periods of work. These programs allow students to gain experience with top companies and organizations.

“Everyone I meet here seems pretty down to earth,” says Tristan Sokol (mechanical engineering, manufacturing and design engineering ’13) of Huntsville, Arkansas. “It’s only when you learn more about them that you find out that they have incredible backgrounds, talents, and skills you might not have expected.” Sokol is involved with Design for America and operates a limited-partnership hedge fund.
“My research on adolescent stress and health runs on ‘undergraduate power.’ Northwestern undergraduates help me with all phases of my research, including literature reviews, recruiting participants, working with data, and writing up and presenting results. The enthusiasm, time, energy, and ideas of students make my research possible—and more enjoyable, too!”

Emma Adam is a professor of human development and social policy. She studies how everyday factors such as work, school, and family relationships influence stress, health, and well-being in parents and their children. She is exploring how stress contributes to poor health and affects children’s behavioral, academic, and emotional development.
“In SESP I reap the benefits of a small school—like intimate class size and individual attention—while experiencing the excitement of a Big Ten university. Our location in Evanston and proximity to Chicago provide a multitude of incredible opportunities. The students and faculty here make up a strong community of engaged, intelligent, interesting, and diverse individuals, all of whom have something unique to offer.”

Aria Fiat (human development and psychological services ’13) is from Glencoe, Illinois. With another Northwestern student she cofounded Supplies for Dreams, a nonprofit dedicated to improving educational opportunities in the Chicago Public Schools.
The wide-ranging offerings of the **School of Education and Social Policy** are united by the goal of preparing students to play active roles in shaping and improving the lives of individuals and their communities—whether businesses, families, schools, or cities. “Our students have strong ideas about how society should be,” says Dean Penelope L. Peterson. “They are people who want to make a difference—as teachers, counselors, lawyers, businesspeople, and public servants.”

As you might expect of a school dedicated to creating leaders in education and other fields, SESP takes an innovative approach to teaching. “In our courses we aim to practice what we teach by putting the learner at the center of the experience,” says Miriam Sherin, professor and director of undergraduate education. SESP equips students with skills that allow them to learn and grow throughout their lives.

SESP offers four programs of study that explore the causes and effects of change in the most critical areas of our society:

- Students in **human development and psychological services** investigate how family, schools, communities, and the workplace influence human development.
- The **learning and organizational change** program examines how individuals and organizations respond to and create change.
- Students in **secondary teaching** prepare to become leaders in the classroom and in the field of education as a whole.
- The program in **social policy** explores the impact of policy decisions and social institutions on our lives.

**Eva Lam**, associate professor of learning sciences and of Asian American studies, specializes in language learning, literacy, and diversity in education. “There is a desire among our students to go beyond an academic experience and see themselves as initiators of change,” she says. Among Northwestern’s assets she cites “supportive and inspiring colleagues and the interdisciplinary research and collaboration that are emphasized and encouraged. People think outside of the box.”
LEADERS IN INNOVATION

Consider the benefits for School of Education and Social Policy students: a strong background in the liberal arts, thorough grounding in a specialization with gifted professors, and an innovative emphasis on practical experience combined with theory. SESP knows that in fields devoted to education and change, being well prepared is a necessity. www.sesp.northwestern.edu/civic

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Practicum experiences and the Summer Field Studies Program in Chicago, San Francisco, and Washington, DC, allow students to apply their academic training in real-world settings. “These organizations think our students are terrific,” says Dean Peterson. “They give them recommendations—and jobs—all the time.” Recent sites have included Action Now (community organizing) • Art Institute of Chicago • Center for Science in the Public Interest • Chicago Public Schools • Chicago Transit Authority • Children’s Memorial Hospital • Cook County Juvenile Court • Domestic Violence Legal Clinic • Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago • KIPP Foundation • Levy Restaurants • Mission Measurement • Sierra Club • US Department of Education • US Senate. www.sesp.northwestern.edu/fieldstudies

LEARNING TO SERVE

The Civic Engagement Certificate Program allows Northwestern students to translate their interest in community service into academic credit. Students work with community organizations in Evanston and Chicago and gain a deeper understanding of community dynamics. Projects have included establishing a peer jury in Evanston middle schools, improving constituent communications for a US congresswoman, creating a workshop for immigrants on the dangers of smoking, and researching the rental housing market for the city of Evanston. Open to all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors at Northwestern, the program allows students to build a foundation for an ongoing commitment to community engagement. www.sesp.northwestern.edu/civic

“College is hard. The work is rigorous; you push yourself every day; you are in a new environment. It is at this point that you realize how much the little things matter. The people that you run into on campus, the professors and advisers who really care about you, the people who support you, the theater and a cappella shows that always seem to be playing exactly when you need a break, the proximity of Chicago, the charm of Evanston, the snow, the sunshine: all of these things make college worthwhile. I am so happy I am at Northwestern.”

Ummul Kathawalla (human development and psychological services ’13) is pursuing a certificate through the Brady Scholars Program in Ethics and Civic Life and a minor in global health. The Eden Prairie, Minnesota, native is also volunteering in the labs of three faculty members.

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David Harris (learning and organizational change, economics ’14) of Palo Alto, California, is earning a minor in business institutions. He is a founder of Project Cookie, a late-night campus cookie delivery business (www.facebook.com/nuprojectcookie), and vice president of services for Northwestern’s Associated Student Government.

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Katarina Kosmina (radio/television/film ’14) is a native of Belgrade, Serbia. She has worked on a documentary comparing the status of religious minorities in Bosnia, Herzegovina, and Turkey. She is a Davis United World College Scholar.
School of Communication
170 faculty • 1,153 undergraduate students • 45 credits required for BA or BS: 18 distribution requirements, 16–19 major requirements, 8–11 electives www.communication.northwestern.edu

“I enjoy the freedom to make the Northwestern experience truly my own. The opportunities are countless. Which courses you’ll take, which organizations you’ll join, which sports you’ll play, which books you’ll read, which movies you’ll watch, what kind of people you’ll talk to—it’s all up to you. You should not come here with an exact plan of what you’ll do and who you’ll be.

The University will push you to change, to reshape your picture of the world over and over again, and, most important, to grow.”
Students come to the School of Communication to study the arts and sciences of communication, which involve finding better ways to connect human beings with each other. “Whether students are interested in the visual and performing arts or in understanding how communication works,” says Dean Barbara O’Keefe, “our goal is to help students develop their creativity and equip them to be leaders in the creative industries.” Through its six majors, the school deals with every aspect of communication and its role in human interaction and culture:

- **Students majoring in human communication sciences** learn how individuals speak, write, listen, read, learn, and react to the messages they receive. This major provides excellent preparation for medical school and careers in health care as well as in audiology, speech pathology, the treatment of learning disabilities, education, and research.

- **Communication studies** majors learn how communication achieves effects such as creating social influence, informing and educating, entertaining, managing, resolving conflicts, building consensus, and organizing collective action.

- **Radio/television/film** majors explore the history of visual culture, analyze screen-based culture, study screenwriting, and learn how to produce new work using screen-based media.

- **Theater** majors read, study, and perform significant plays from many times and cultures. This provides a foundation for deeper studies of acting, directing, playwriting, and related fields. A certificate program in music theater offers specialized instruction in that area.

- A separate major in **dance** is designed for students interested in performance, choreography, and the history of dance.

- **Performance studies** majors learn about the different kinds of texts that circulate in human cultures and how those texts are performed in different settings. A special strength of the program is adapting literary and cultural texts to create new works for the stage.

“For someone who wants to both study the arts and pursue other academic interests, Northwestern is unparalleled. In the single day I visited the school, I came to understand what theater by smart artists looked like. It was some of the most interesting and original art I have ever seen, and I knew immediately I had to be a part of it. By now I ought not be surprised by those I meet here, and yet daily I am forced to remark at what an incredible group of people it is that populate this campus. Truly, they are some of the most interesting, interested, and wonderfully spirited beings I have ever met.”

**Evelyn Jacoby** (theater ’13) is from Maplewood, New Jersey. She has appeared in productions of Barefoot in the Park, Not Wanted on the Voyage, and Tommy as well as in the Waa-Mu Show, Northwestern’s annual student- and alumni-written show.

“My fellow faculty members at Northwestern are leaders in their fields, and our students are not only incredibly bright but also passionate about their studies. The University has a strong sense of community and connectedness across departments, schools, and even campuses. This can be difficult to foster at institutions with so many strong and diverse programs of study and research. I truly enjoy the day-to-day experience of working with such great students and colleagues. I have my dream job.”

**Molly Losh** is the Jane Steiner Hoffman and Michael A. Hoffman Assistant Professor in communication sciences and disorders. Her research focuses on autism and related neurogenetic disabilities.
“We challenge students to imagine how our interactions with each other could be better and then translate that vision into new performances, interventions, and community processes.” —Dean Barbara O’Keefe

FIND YOUR VOICE
The school offers a richly supportive community in which students can find their voices and develop their own creative contributions. Each department provides opportunities to test ideas in practice. Faculty members embody this ideal, combining intellectual leadership with creativity and craft. They work hard to structure an environment in which student work is valued, nurtured, and recognized.

VALUED COLLABORATORS
The school encourages students to become involved in collaborative research with peers and professors. Research grants and mentoring programs help build relationships and provide resources that allow students to pursue independent scholarly projects. Many students join faculty-led research or creative teams and become valued contributors to cutting-edge projects.

EXCEPTIONAL FOCUS
Special programs—in acting, music theater, and creative writing for the media, for example—take groups of 10 to 20 students through a series of common experiences, including work in and out of class, over a period of one to three years. In these small learning communities, students can develop especially deep and useful relationships with each other and with faculty.

SUCCESSFUL MENTORS
The school’s large and prominent alumni network is very engaged in helping current students. Alumni routinely return to campus to speak with students, volunteer to teach or mentor them, or assist with internship searches.

“Northwestern students are so open-minded and caring,” says Austin James (communication studies ’13) of Stevensville, Maryland. “My courses have been outstanding, and my advisers have been incredibly supportive. Every project I’ve worked on has been one where people are really excited and really care.” James is working on a certificate in music theater and has appeared in campus productions of Ragtime, Parade, and The State(s) of America: The Regina Taylor Project, a festival of new student works curated by playwright, director, and actor Regina Taylor. “Northwestern is the best place to explore what really ignites a fire inside of you,” he says.
**Corinne Chin** (journalism ’13) is from Glenview, Illinois. In 2012 she worked at *The Star*, the second largest daily newspaper in Johannesburg, South Africa, as part of Medill’s Journalism Residency program. She has served as the design editor of the *Daily Northwestern* newspaper and *The Current* and *The Protest* magazines, interned with the American Cancer Society and *Family Circle* magazine, and worked as a mentor with Media Teens Chicago, a collaboration between Medill and the Gary Comer Youth Center in Chicago. She has traveled to the Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Malawi to document the lives and struggles of refugees—work that has appeared at RefugeeLives.org.
Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications

58 faculty • 670 undergraduate students • 45 credits required for BSJ: 14 distribution requirements, 9 courses in arts and sciences concentration, 12–14 major courses, 8–10 electives www.medill.northwestern.edu

“I have been surprised by the number of opportunities that seem to be handed to me on a plate at Northwestern: I’ve performed in the choir loft of Chicago’s famed Orchestra Hall, reported from the skyscrapers of the Loop, visited refugee camps in Malawi, and poured my soul out about that experience on the airwaves of Chicago’s public radio station. All of that through courses—where all you have to do is register!

Just imagine what else you can find with a little digging on campus, in Evanston, and in Chicago: clubs, teams, committees, volunteering, jobs, internships, and, of course, great friends.”
The Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications is a recognized leader in educating journalists and communicators who are passionate about their mission and excited about the creative challenges of a multimedia digital world. Medill grounds students in the fundamentals of writing, reporting, editing, and critical thinking—skills essential for any professional. Students master storytelling for different media—digital, broadcast, and print—and delve into specialty courses on such topics as investigative reporting, interactive technology development, health and science reporting, and video or audio documentary. In preparation for a full-quarter residency, they learn techniques specific to a news and information industry: magazine, news, broadcast, or marketing communications. Students may also earn a certificate in integrated marketing communications that provides practical tools for positions in advertising, public relations, corporate communications, and interactive marketing.

What students learn at Medill is only part of the story. All Medill students take about 75 percent of their courses through the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, and many graduate with an additional major and/or minor. With a well-rounded education buttressed by marketable skills, they go on to rewarding careers in the many and growing forms of journalism, media, and marketing communications.

“What makes me the most proud of Northwestern is its efforts to expand its impact globally. You see diversity on campus, but, most important, you also see the community looking for ways to expand the reach of all the work and research developed at the institution. Ultimately, being able to connect with people from various backgrounds has been really meaningful to me.”

Fabiano Henrique Tresbach Leal (journalism ’13) is from Brasilia, Brazil. In 2012, while studying abroad in Rio de Janeiro, he interned at Bom Dia Brasil, the morning show of Rede Globo, the largest TV network in Latin America. He will do his Journalism Residency at the CNN Documentary Unit in Atlanta. He was vice president of the Northwestern University Luso-Brazilian Association and is cochair of the Medill Undergraduate Student Advisory Council.

“Medill really is the best journalism program in the country. The Innocence Project first caught my interest because I’m hoping to work as an investigative journalist. But that was just one of the opportunities that got me excited. The chance to gain hands-on experience through the Journalism Residency program, course work, and the awesome internships that Medill connects you to was one that I could not miss. Now that I’m here, I realize that there are even more amazing opportunities than I’d imagined.”

Jessica Floum (journalism ’14) is from Mill Valley, California. She writes for the Daily Northwestern and interned at Medill Watchdog (medillwatchdog.org), an initiative to identify and investigate systemic problems in public institutions and to hold officials accountable. In summer 2012 she interned at the Marin Independent Journal.
“Our students know how to make serious watchdog journalism come alive in the digital age.” — Dean John Lavine

REAL NEWS
Medill extends its learn-by-doing philosophy beyond the classroom by offering real-world training and immersion experiences. In a course during sophomore year, for instance, students report from storefront newsrooms in Chicago. In these diverse and vibrant neighborhoods, students discover stories and issues that are important to local residents and report them using text, audio, and video.

www.medill.northwestern.edu/journalism/undergrad

JOURNALISM RESIDENCY
Praised as a model for journalism schools, the Journalism Residency gives students experience and networking opportunities within a media company. In this 11-week academic program in junior or senior year, students work as full-time staffers alongside professional mentors in one of more than 100 newspapers, magazines, broadcast stations, online operations, and PR/marketing firms in the United States and abroad. Among the many sites are Abril, São Paolo, Brazil • Al Jazeera English • Cape Times, Cape Town, South Africa • Condé Nast Traveler • El Nuevo Día, Puerto Rico • Fleishman-Hillard International Communications • Forbes • Miami Herald • Orange County Register • Qatar Today magazine group, Doha, Qatar • St. Louis Post-Dispatch • Self.com and Self magazine • 6News (Lawrence, Kansas) • Time.com • WGN-TV (Chicago).

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PUBLISH AND FLOURISH
Medill students have a chance to hone their skills at a variety of independent campus media, including the award-winning Daily Northwestern newspaper; Northwestern News Network, which provides programming for local cable and Chicago public television; WNUR-FM (89.3); and student publications such as North by Northwestern, BlackBoard, and STITCH magazines.

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www.northbynorthwestern.com
www.stitchfashion.com

“Teaching at Northwestern allows me to work with amazingly energetic and motivated students,” says Jeremy Gilbert, an assistant professor of multimedia journalism. “Combine that with the intellectual and technical resources of a research university, and there is a unique opportunity to explore the future of journalism and technology.” Gilbert has collaborated with faculty from the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science on the course Innovation in Technology and Journalism, which resulted in several new student-created tools to aid in the creation, distribution, and consumption of journalism.
Nick Platoff (trombone ’14) is from Woodbridge, Connecticut. In addition to performing in recitals, composing, and studying conducting at Northwestern, he received an award from the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts’ YoungArts organization in 2011.
Bienen School of Music

120 faculty • 425 undergraduate students • 50–54 credits required for BMus: 8–15 distribution requirements and electives, 15.5–19 core courses, 16–27 major courses • 45 credits required for BAMus: 13 distribution requirements, 6 foreign language courses, 10 core courses, 10 major courses, 6 electives www.music.northwestern.edu

“As a music major, you have a big decision to make: conservatory or university. I applied to both, intending to decide once I had all my options on the table. Northwestern ended up being the obvious choice. In addition to having a renowned music school, it offers the benefits of a truly world-class university.

Some conservatories couldn’t offer me a student body, a football team, or even dining halls. Northwestern can do this and much more.

Getting to be a musician and a university student has proven to be the best way for me to learn and grow.”
One of the oldest degree-granting music institutions in the United States, the **Henry and Leigh Bienen School of Music** fosters an educational experience that offers students conservatory-level training within the setting of a major research university. The school encourages students to explore multiple areas of interest in pursuit of superior musical and academic achievement. This comprehensive approach to education cultivates the outstanding musicianship, intellectual curiosity, and analytical skills that prepare Northwestern students to succeed no matter what career path they choose: performance, teaching, arts administration, or graduate or professional school.

The school is home to 425 undergraduate students and a faculty of 120, many of whom are acclaimed soloists and sought-after conductors, clinicians, and scholars, as well as members of the Chicago Symphony and Lyric Opera of Chicago orchestras. Students select from a variety of majors—from **composition** and **performance (brass, conducting, jazz, percussion, piano, strings, voice, woodwinds)** to **musicology, music education**, and **music theory and cognition**. In addition, the school offers five-year dual bachelor’s degree programs combining music with the arts and sciences, engineering, or journalism.

The hallmark of a Bienen School education is the one-on-one training students receive from accomplished and dedicated artist-scholars. To complement this individualized instruction, the school offers frequent master classes and performances from internationally renowned guest artists such as Renée Fleming, Miriam Fried, Richard Goode, and many others. The school’s educational environment is further enriched by a variety of performance options, including 16 ensembles and numerous chamber groups. Finally, students seeking to extend their education beyond campus need travel only a short distance to explore Chicago and its vibrant cultural landscape.

"Northwestern was the best possible choice for someone like me, who thrived in academics but had made the decision to dedicate her studies to the arts. This school has one of the nation’s top arts programs and maintains the highest possible academic levels at the same time. It has also given me the rare opportunity to enjoy every kind of interdisciplinary and leadership activity under the sun. Not only is every kind of art, science, religion, politics, and humanities group represented on campus, but every group is well organized and gives great opportunities for leadership."

**Anna Cooksey** (clarinet, music education ’13) is from St. Louis, Missouri. She is a member of Northwestern’s student chamber orchestra and the Bienen School’s student advisory board.

"In the time that I’ve been a student at Northwestern, I have gained not only a deeper understanding of music, the English language, philosophy, and history but also a sense of spiritual unity with humankind. As cheesy as that sounds, somewhere between sitting in thought-provoking classes, meeting interesting people, and being in such a beautiful environment, my eyes have been opened in a way that I would have never thought possible prior to arriving on campus. It is humbling to be surrounded by such intelligent peers. And my professors and advisers provide students with opportunities and pathways to success on a daily basis."

**Jivin Misra** (music composition ’14) of Birmingham, Alabama, is writing a string quartet and a woodwind quintet along with orchestral works.
SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES
Bienen students have access to many one-of-a-kind experiences. The school sponsors two international prizes that bring top artists to campus for three to four weeks to interact closely with students. Winners of these prizes have included composers John Adams, Oliver Knussen, Kaija Saariaho, and John Luther Adams and pianists Richard Goode, Stephen Hough, Yefim Bronfman, and Murray Perahia. Additionally, students are chosen each year to perform at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC, and are featured at a spring concert at Chicago’s Millennium Park (middle on opposite page). The school also boasts a thriving Internet broadcast program whereby student performances can be seen worldwide.

“We prepare students to succeed in a rapidly changing cultural and economic climate. They receive outstanding musical training from a renowned faculty and benefit from a broad curriculum that develops a varied skill set.” —Dean Toni-Marie Montgomery

“A PLACE FOR PERFORMANCE
Music regularly echoes across the Northwestern campus. Each year students, faculty, and guest artists present more than 300 performances in the 1,000-seat Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, one of the finest concert halls in the Midwest; Lutkin Hall, an intimate 400-seat performance space; and other venues on campus. The school’s new lakefront building (below) is scheduled to open in summer 2015.

www.pickstaiger.org
bit.ly/bienenbldg

AUDITION REQUIREMENT
Performance auditions are a required part of an application to the Bienen School. For information, call 847-491-3141.

www.music.northwestern.edu/admission/auditions.html

“Northwestern is a very special place,” says Victor L. Goines, professor of music and director of jazz studies. “It provides students with an outstanding education and a nurturing community that allows them to mature into citizens of our community and the world.” A saxophonist, clarinetist, composer, and arranger, Goines is a member of the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and the Wynton Marsalis Septet and has collaborated with dozens of world-class artists.
Amplify your education

Your Northwestern education only begins with the required courses and majors of your home school. Students from all of our undergraduate programs are encouraged to take advantage of these noteworthy and unique opportunities.

Northwestern Undergraduate Premedical Scholars is a binding early MD acceptance program for Northwestern students who have completed two full years of undergraduate study. Five students are accepted into Northwestern’s Feinberg School of Medicine for matriculation after their fourth or senior year. Applicants are not required to take the MCAT.

www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/admissions/nupsp

The Kellogg School of Management Certificate Program for Undergraduates is open to about 100 juniors and seniors each year. Offering four-course tracks in managerial analytics and financial economics, the program develops students’ critical thinking and business applications skills with a foundation in the quantitative analysis that underlies all strategic business decisions.

www.kellogg.northwestern.edu/certificate

Undergraduate Engagement Grants move intensive, project-based activities to the center of a Northwestern education. They allow students to focus on one creative or scholarly project intensively for one quarter or more under the supervision of a faculty adviser. This experience might involve doing research in a faculty lab, studying abroad to explore a topic of interest, taking an internship, writing a novel or a play, or composing a string quartet. The possibilities are limited only by a student’s imagination and interests.

www.northwestern.edu/ulp
Each year Northwestern’s Study Abroad Office helps more than 700 students find their place in the world. An increasing number of students spend a quarter or more in a foreign country—often during their junior year—either as a part of their majors or as a supplement to their main academic goals. International experiences are key aspects of programs across campus, from the anthropology field study to the Global Healthcare Technologies Program.

www.northwestern.edu/studyabroad

The University’s Farley Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation offers a suite of interdisciplinary courses that expose students to the entire innovation and entrepreneurial life cycle. They are Northwestern’s most concerted effort to bring the world of startups to the classroom. Students gain an understanding of how innovations become viable businesses—often through a startup of their own.

www.fcei.northwestern.edu

The minor in global health studies brings an international perspective to the study of human health. The program draws on such fields as anthropology, sociology, economics, and policy studies to promote a deeper understanding of international health issues, international crisis management, and the United States’ diverse population. The program offers students opportunities for study, research, and hands-on experience in Chile, China, South Africa, France, and Uganda.

www.ipd.northwestern.edu/global_health

The Center for Legal Studies offers an adjunct major and a minor that expose students to the theory and philosophy of law; institutions, organizations, and economics of law; global and comparative perspectives on law; and legal argument and communications. www.northwestern.edu/legalstudies

The Harvey Kapnick Business Institutions Program views the business world as not just a means to make a living but also a subject deserving academic study. By investigating the cultural, political, philosophical, and social sources and consequences of business institutions, this minor provides perspective on a significant area of inquiry. Students often augment course work through internships in organizations such as Deloitte • Goldman Sachs • Hughes Aircraft • Motorola • Ogilvy Public Relations • Perpetual Robotics.

bip.northwestern.edu

Combined Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree Programs allow undergraduates to complete both a bachelor’s and a master’s degree in less than the usual period of time required to earn two degrees. Students are admitted to these programs at the invitation of the department and with the approval of the Graduate School. Combined degree programs are available in selected departments in Weinberg, McCormick, Medill, and Bienen.
“I love teaching. I love interacting with students—so many of whom are idealistic, as I still am, and want to change the world, as I still do. And Northwestern’s amazing, accomplished faculty members are deeply committed to their students. They are simply the best.”
Alec Klein is a professor of journalism. Prior to joining the Medill faculty in 2008 he worked as a reporter at the Wall Street Journal, the Baltimore Sun, the Washington Post, and other newspapers for two decades. His investigations have led to significant reforms, federal law, criminal convictions, and more than half a billion dollars in government fines. As the director of the Medill Innocence Project, Klein leads students in investigating cases involving questionable convictions.

A passion for teaching

Northwestern has attained a degree of excellence few schools in the world can claim. That excellence permeates the undergraduate experience, thanks in part to faculty who—for all their MacArthur “genius” grants, Pulitzer Prizes, Tony Awards, and National Medals of Science and Technology—are passionate about teaching. Nearly three-quarters of all undergraduate classes have fewer than 20 students, ensuring meaningful contact with these scholars.
The Center for Civic Engagement is a clearinghouse for the public service efforts at the University and promotes engaged learning and civic participation throughout the entire Northwestern community.

[www.engage.northwestern.edu]

Chicago Field Studies offers city-focused seminars and places students in internships at organizations throughout the Chicago area.

[internships.northwestern.edu]

Design for America was founded at Northwestern as a way for students to apply human-centered design to issues of social significance. The program’s projects have won national design awards and range in focus from reducing water consumption to improving hand hygiene and public transportation.

[www.designforamerica.com]

Started at Northwestern in 2005 by two undergraduates and a faculty member, the Public Interest Program is a one-year fellowship that trains leaders for social change through professional development seminars and paid public interest work.

[www.northwestern.edu/nupip]

The Environmental Field School places students in national park units for work on resource management or research projects.

[epc.northwestern.edu/fieldstudies]

The Global Engagement Studies Institute focuses on community development in a global context. Students learn about international development and global engagement practices by working with community-based organizations in India, Uganda, and other countries to design and implement small-scale community development projects.

[www.mycge.org]

The Asset-Based Community Development Institute helps communities become stronger and more sustainable by drawing on their existing strengths—and trains students to be leaders in this growing movement.

[www.abcdinstitute.org]

The Undergraduate Humanities Internship Program places students in Chicago-area humanities, arts, and cultural institutions.

[www.humanities.northwestern.edu/internships]

The Global Engagement Summit organizes conferences for students committed to global change. Delegates from 40 countries, 80 colleges and universities, and 50 nonprofit organizations have attended summits and have gone on to be involved in a variety of world-changing organizations.

[www.northwesternges.org]

The Office of Fellowships supports student applications for a host of public service fellowships—such as 100 Projects for Peace, the Public Policy and International Affairs Fellowship, and the Harry S. Truman Scholarship—that provide funding for community service, research, and advocacy.

[www.northwestern.edu/fellowships]
Engage Chicago is a summer field study program that combines course work, placements in top organizations, and powerful community experiences. www.engage.northwestern.edu/ec

The Freshman Urban Program is a preorientation program for incoming freshmen that introduces students to neighborhoods within Chicago and Evanston. groups.northwestern.edu/fup

Alternative Student Breaks is a student-run organization that seeks to educate student volunteers about specific social issues. Students spend a week volunteering with local agencies in diverse communities across the country and experience social issues firsthand. groups.northwestern.edu/asb

Campus Kitchens utilizes shared kitchen space, donated food, and the energy of students, faculty, and community members to prepare meals and deliver them to agencies and people in the community. www.campuskitchens.org/schools/northwestern

The activities of the Northwestern Community Development Corps range from community organizing and political advocacy to direct service. The group aims to develop mutually beneficial partnerships with local communities. www.ncdcnorthwestern.org

The Office of Student Community Service provides advising and support for service-oriented student groups on campus. www.nomis.northwestern.edu/csi/community

International and local partners in these and related efforts include the Adler Planetarium • American Red Cross • Amnesty International • www.beextraordinary.org • Center for Neighborhood Technology • Chicago Council on Global Affairs • Chicago Public Schools • El Centro Romero • Environmental Law and Policy Center • Fast Forward Fund • GlobalGiving • Illinois Humanities Council • Interfaith Youth Core • Jumpstart • METROsquash • Midwest Palliative and Hospice Care Center • Steppenwolf Theatre • Teach for America.

Courses featuring a civic engagement focus or component include AFST 390 State, Governance, and Development in Africa • ANTHRO 212 Global Cultures, Global Inequalities • BUS INST 390 Sustainable Innovation • BUS INST 394 Lessons in Nonprofit Management • COMM ST 395 Community Consulting • EARTH 111 Human Dimensions of Global Change • ECON 326 Economics of Developing Countries • GBL HLTH 390 Achieving Global Impact through Local Engagement • POLI SCI 330 The Politics of Local Justice • SESP 202 Introduction to Community Development • SOCIOL 312 Social Basis for Environmental Change • SOC POL 304 Social Policy and the Human Services • TEACH ED 304 Introduction to Schooling in Communities.

“At Northwestern learning is really so much more than going to lectures,” says Mahalia Kahsay (social policy, political science ’14). “There are so many people here who are passionate about service and community engagement.” The Cherry Valley, Illinois, native has worked on projects with Connections for the Homeless through Northwestern’s Civic Engagement Certificate Program, interned at the University’s Center for Forced Migration Studies, and worked on projects in rural schools in India through Northwestern’s Global Engagement Studies Institute. “Traveling to India, I learned so much about development, engagement, and myself. That hands-on community development approach is something that I’ve come to love. The experience has helped shape everything from my academic interests to how I want to spend the rest of my life.”
Maybe it is the down-to-earth Midwestern attitude, but almost without exception students at Northwestern are interesting, accomplished, and friendly. There is a genuine spirit of collaboration and cooperation and an appreciation of diversity that can be seen in everything from community service efforts to intramural sports. The result is the engaged, fun, and caring spirit that defines life on campus.

More than 400 extracurricular groups, including:

- A&O Productions (event programming)
- African American Theatre Ensemble
- Alianza (Hispanic/Latino student alliance)
- Americans for Informed Democracy
- Amnesty International
- Asian American Students Union
- Associated Student Government
- Boomshaka (percussion/dance performance group)
- Canterbury Northwestern (Episcopal)
- Dolphin Show (musical)
- Fiedler Hillel (Jewish)
- Flicker Film Festival

Yellow Angle@8
Black Angle@53
Magenta Angle@83
Cyan Angle@23
DANCING FOR A CAUSE

Dance Marathon is one of the largest collegiate philanthropic events in the country. Featuring 30 hours of dancing by hundreds of students, the annual bash has raised more than $13 million for local and national charities since 1975—including more than $4.7 million in the last four years. vimeo.com/37986836
Big time on campus

Whether you quench your thirst for competition in the stands, on the intramural field, or in a pickup game (or a debate or a robotics competition or ...), you will find fellow students who share your passions. As a charter member of the Big Ten Conference, one of the most competitive athletic conferences in the country, Northwestern boasts 19 varsity athletic programs (8 men’s, 11 women’s). In the past 16 years the Wildcats have had 28 conference championship and 7 national championship teams, and 145 student-athletes have earned first-team All-America honors. nusports.com
“As a prospective student-athlete, I was offered a combination by Northwestern that no other school in the nation could offer. There is no better conference to compete in than the Big Ten; that combined with Northwestern’s superior academics and reputation, a small undergraduate community, and quick access to Chicago—I would have been crazy not to choose Northwestern.”

Levi Mele (social policy ’13) of Vernal, Utah, is a member of the varsity wrestling team. He placed fourth at the 2012 Big Ten championship and has earned Academic All-American and Academic All–Big Ten honors. He is a graduate of the Freshmen Emerging Leaders Program and interned for US Senator Mark Kirk (R-IL) in 2012.
Home away from home
Northwestern’s campus blends the historic and the modern to create a welcoming, comfortable, and productive home base for our 8,300 undergraduates. Just steps away from campus are the charms of Evanston, one of the most attractive communities in the Midwest. This city of 74,000 mixes lakefront parks and quiet residential areas with a thriving business district and, according to Forbes magazine, is one of “America’s Top 25 Towns to Live Well.” Our students are happy to call this community home, and they quickly develop strong feelings about their favorite spots on campus and in Evanston.

Favorite spots in Evanston: amazing coffeehouses like Unicorn Cafe and Kafein: “Bottomless coffee and wi-fi—what more could I want?” Amanda Lapid (communication studies ’13) … the delicious soups and sandwiches at Al’s Deli … Chicago-style pizza everywhere you turn! (Lou Malnati’s, Giordano’s, Carmen’s) … “Dawes Park just south of campus on Lake Michigan. In the summer, it’s a beautiful place to run, relax, read, and swim. In the winter, it has an ice rink. With its view of Chicago, it reminds me of how far I’ve come since starting college.” Corinne Chin (journalism ’13) … great bookstores … Church Street Plaza (an 18-screen movie theater, Urban Outfitters, Buffalo Wild Wings, American Apparel, and more) … the incredible variety of great restaurants (Lulu’s Dim Sum, Bat 17, Pete Miller’s Seafood and Prime Steak, That Little Mexican Café, Davis Street Fishmarket, Koi, Pret A Manger, Flat Top Grill, Celtic Knot, Edzo’s Burger Shop, and more) … “Crossroads, a traded clothing store. I should probably explore more, because downtown Evanston has so much to offer!” Kate Willey (music education ’14)
Favorite spots on campus: “Deering Library and its Harry Potter feel.” Fabiano Henrique Tresbach Leal (journalism ’13) ... “Pick-Staiger Concert Hall. I have countless happy memories of friends, students, recording sessions, and meaningful performances.” Mallory Thompson, professor of music ... Black House (African American Student Affairs) ... “I love Norbucks—the Starbucks in Norris. It’s a great space for catching up with friends (and people watching).” Josephine Lee (learning and organizational change ’14) ... Dearborn Observatory ... “Shakespeare Garden. Encased in flora, it is one of the most serene places on campus.” Aria Fiat (human development and psychological services ’13) ... the Block Museum of Art ... “There is a small garden right next to the University Library that I discovered by accident during my freshman year. When it’s warm, it’s the perfect place to go and read!” Sofia Porter-Castro (anthropology ’14) ... “The lakeside campus [a choice seconded by most students and faculty]. It’s so beautiful and peaceful, which is perfect for doing work if you need some quiet or just a casual stroll to de-stress yourself.” Joshua Hiew (communication studies ’13)

Whatever you call it, Chicago is one of a kind. To say Northwestern students enjoy the advantages, attractions, distractions, and possibilities the city offers is an understatement. Chicago is the hundred-story, glass-and-steel, multilingual backdrop to our students’ time at Northwestern. It is a place for fun, adventure, growth, and new beginnings.

All of these riches are easily accessible via the University’s own free all-day shuttle buses linking Evanston and Chicago as well as via public transit and commuter rail lines near campus.

The CTA rail system is not just a convenient way to get from Evanston to downtown Chicago. The Red and Purple Lines are also a prime way to explore the neighborhoods, cultures, and people that make this metropolis one of the world’s greatest. Some hot stops include:

- Downtown
- Evanston: Northwestern, bookstores, coffeehouses, an 18-screen movie theater, Whole Foods, Lou Malnati’s pizza
- Davis
- Second-Hand Tunes, the Mexican Shop, Blind Faith Café, Union Pizzeria, and SPACE
- Dempster
- Campagnola, Oceanique, and Lucky Platter restaurants, Main Street News, Belgian Chocolatier Piron
- Main
- A collection of Asian shops, bakeries, and restaurants known as Little Saigon
- Argyle
- Lawrence
- Argyle
- Speakeasy-era jazz club the Green Mill; Riviera Theatre, host to such acts as Wilco and Death Cab for Cutie (both have played Northwestern’s A&O Ball at the Riv)
- Belmont
- Vintage shops; the Vic Theatre; Ann Sather’s cinnamon rolls; Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs; Metro rock club

Chicago facts
- 8.3 million people in the metropolitan area
- 3rd largest city in the United States
- 7th largest city in the Western Hemisphere
- 9th greenest city in the United States
  (Popular Science)
- 228 square miles
The Art Institute of Chicago’s Modern Wing

Northwestern students on a field trip for a seminar on the Chicago River

Students visit Anish Kapoor’s Cloud Gate in Millennium Park

Kingston Mines blues club,
Lincoln Park Zoo,
North Avenue Beach
Fullerton
Second City, the Chicago History Museum, Old Town
Sedgwick

The Magnificent Mile, the John Hancock Center, the Water Tower, the Museum of Contemporary Art—and Northwestern’s Chicago campus
Chicago

Navy Pier (gardens, parks, concert stages, a Ferris wheel, and the Chicago Shakespeare Theater);

Millennium Park, the Art Institute of Chicago, Grant Park, Buckingham Fountain, and Symphony Center
Grand

River North (House of Blues, Hard Rock Cafe, galleries)

Field Museum, Adler Planetarium, Shedd Aquarium, Soldier Field, home of the Chicago Bears
Roosevelt

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Historic Bronzeville neighborhood, US Cellular Field, home of the Chicago White Sox
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**A GLOBAL CITY**

In 2012 Chicago was seventh on the Global Cities Index, a study performed by A. T. Kearney and the Chicago Council on Global Affairs ranking the world’s most influential cities based on factors such as business activity and cultural experience. The study concluded that Chicago’s geopolitical importance is increasing more rapidly than the nation’s as a whole.

**AN ECONOMIC CENTER**

The lifeblood of the nation’s economy courses through Chicago. The Chicago Stock Exchange is the fastest-growing stock exchange in the country, while the Chicago Board Options Exchange is the largest options exchange. The merger of the Chicago Board of Trade (the world’s oldest futures and options exchange) with the Chicago Mercantile Exchange has created the world’s largest futures and options market.
“Northwestern’s proximity to Chicago ensured I’d have a number of opportunities where I could apply my skills in the real world,” says Katie Tang (journalism ’12) of East Amherst, New York. “As the job market becomes more selective, I knew that this—along with Northwestern’s role as an academic leader—would give me an edge.” Tang did her Journalism Residency with the Chicago Blackhawks hockey team and has won awards from the Society of Professional Journalists for her work with the campus publication *North by Northwestern*. “It’s great to see the strength of the Northwestern network extend beyond Chicago, too,” she says. “Alumni are leaders in many industries, and they are always willing to share advice about how to succeed beyond Northwestern.”
Sarah Smierciak (history, Middle East languages and civilizations ‘11) of Lemont, Illinois, received a Rhodes Scholarship. She is pursuing an MPhil in development studies at Oxford University to gain the economic and methodological expertise she’ll need to conduct research on development in the Middle East.

Kyle Kremer (physics, trumpet ‘12) of Kettering, Ohio, earned a Churchill Scholarship to study astrophysics at the Institute of Astronomy at the University of Cambridge. In his time at Northwestern he also received a Goldwater Scholarship and a National Research Fellowship.

In the past five years Northwestern undergraduates have won Rhodes (●), Gates Cambridge (●), Marshall (●), and Churchill (●) scholarships and Fulbright grants (●), along with a multitude of other awards (●) that have taken them to every corner of the planet.

Fellowships and scholarships
The phenomenal success of the Office of Fellowships has turned Northwestern into a launching pad for international scholars. The office helps students earn prestigious awards to enhance their intellectual development and advance their careers. Over the past five years, 135 Northwestern Fulbright Scholars have immersed themselves in the cultures of 50 countries, pursuing advanced study and research on topics that range from biomedical engineering to Christianity during the Renaissance. www.northwestern.edu/fellowships
Jonathan Green (American studies, German ’12) of Jacksonville, Florida, earned a Cambridge Overseas Trust Scholarship. He plans to pursue an MPhil at the University of Cambridge in political thought and intellectual history. He also received a Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) Fellowship.

Amber Gibson (broadcast journalism ’13) earned a Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange Scholarship that allowed her to study in Germany for a year. In 2010 she received a Hearst Foundation National Journalism Award. Gibson is a native of Naperville, Illinois.

“Scholarships have facilitated a number of experiences for me,” says Krishni Metivier (political science, religious studies ’14) of Sunrise, Florida. “I was fortunate to receive support from the University and the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program to study in Argentina during my sophomore year. There I codirected a short documentary on a trash-picking community in Buenos Aires—a completely unexpected but rewarding experience. This led me to design and direct a development project for this community centered on sustainable building practices using nonrecyclable trash. I received a $10,000 grant from the folks at the Davis Projects for Peace, which made the entire endeavor possible.”
After Northwestern
Northwestern University is a truly enriching place to live and learn. The full impact of a Northwestern education continues to be felt long after our students receive their diplomas. They learn that the work they did here and the interests they pursued had a purpose: to prepare them for the rapidly changing world that awaits them after Northwestern.

A FOUNDATION FOR CAREERS
University Career Services offers counseling, testing, and advising to help you locate an internship, choose a career path, or plan for graduate school. In recent years more than 300 companies and organizations have visited campus annually and recruited Northwestern graduates for full-time positions. They included Abbott Laboratories • ABN AMRO • Accenture • Booz Allen Hamilton • CIA • IBM • JetBlue • Leo Burnett • L’Oréal • Mercer Management Consulting • Microsoft • Morgan Stanley • Starcom Entertainment • Teach for America • 3M • Unilever.

www.northwestern.edu/careers
POSTGRADUATE SUCCESS

More than 80 percent of our graduates who applied to medical schools were accepted. Graduates who applied to business, dental, or law schools also enjoyed acceptance rates well above the national average. A 2010 survey showed that graduates who took jobs generally earned more than their peers from other schools, and some majors (e.g., economics, English, environmental engineering) earned 15 percent or more above the national average.

A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY

In 2011 the International Herald Tribune published the results of a survey of CEOs from around the world ranking universities where their companies recruited:

1. Harvard
2. Stanford
3. Yale
4. Cambridge
5. Columbia
6. Northwestern
7. MIT
8. Oxford
9. HEC Paris
10. Chicago

When our alumni speak about Northwestern, they describe how it prepared them for achievement in the workplace, graduate school, and their communities. Our graduates go on to become leaders, the people who ask the right questions and then work to find the right answers.

“As a leading research institution that focuses on undergraduate education, Northwestern offered me generous grants to conduct research in China and allowed me to explore issues of nationalism and globalization through the American studies honors program. The summit of my Weinberg College experience was creating and leading a credit-bearing seminar on political thought under the guidance of a Weinberg professor. With the unceasing assistance of the Office of Fellowships, I was able to receive multiple fellowships to pursue the graduate program in political thought and intellectual history at the University of Cambridge.”

Michael Breidenbach (history, American studies ’08) is a former White House intern and visiting scholar at Wolfson College, Cambridge. He is finishing his doctoral research at King’s College, Cambridge, on religious liberty in the American founding.

“The quality of students around me at Northwestern was incredible—not just in their passions, talents, and motivation but in their depth of character. My fellow students constantly floored me with their balance and well-roundedness. The best component of the SESP experience specifically was the emphasis on collaborative learning. We focused on core skills of group dynamics, verbal and nonverbal communication, presentation skills, team building, research, problem solving, and others. These skills were fostered in a collaborative environment and taught me how to find my role in a practical work environment, which is key in management consulting.”

Allister Wenzel (learning and organizational change ’10) works on a range of projects in Accenture’s management consulting practice in London.

“As a McCormick student I was able to be active in sorority life, intramural sports, and academic organizations on campus. The ability to be in a small campus environment while having Chicago at my doorstep was also a big factor in my experience. The best thing about McCormick was the collegial nature of the school. As students we were encouraged to work together to make it through courses, therefore eliminating the sense of extreme competitiveness found at other schools. While I am not a practicing engineer, McCormick taught me how to be an analytical thinker and problem solver. These are skills I use every day.”

Lourdes Solis (civil engineering ’06) is a vice president at Deutsche Bank in New York City. She works with large real estate, gaming, and lodging companies to raise debt from institutional investors.
“I came to Northwestern wanting to become the best trumpet player I could be. The Bienen School faculty taught me how to be the best musician I could be as well. The fact that the faculty consists of world-class musicians is another great asset. Just by going and seeing concerts of the Chicago Symphony and seeing your teachers perform is an invaluable experience. During my time at Northwestern I was fortunate to play with some incredible musicians. We were one big family. We would value each other's opinions and ask for advice from our 'colleagues' at school. I feel extremely lucky to have had such a great family in the Bienen School and am excited for these relationships to continue to blossom.”

**Ethan Bensdorf** (trumpet ’07) is a member of the trumpet section of the New York Philharmonic.

“The best thing about my School of Communication experience was the incredible amount of individual attention I got from outstanding professors and administrators. I felt like they really cared about me on a personal level, and I was able to form relationships with them that have endured past my graduation. They mentored me and encouraged me. Simply put, I wouldn’t have been able to make it through the rigor that is Northwestern without them.”

**Naveen Malik** (human communication sciences ’08) is a White House Liaison Office Defense Fellow for the Defense Department. She serves on the natural resource team of the Defense Department’s Task Force for Business and Stability Operations. In 2008 she was the new-media director for Illinois in the Obama for America presidential campaign.

“Students of journalism are fortunate because they are given license to learn whatever they want. They are trained to extract knowledge from anyone who possesses information, skills, or expertise they find interesting. The qualities embraced in journalism—work ethic, critical thinking, insatiable curiosity, and the ability to distill large, complex issues into concise pieces of understandable, compelling communication—are the skills that will make you a leader in consulting, community organizing, politics, engineering, investing, or any other field.”

**Bradley Akubuiro** (journalism ’11) is a consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton in Washington, DC. He helps provide strategic planning and communications support to state governments and federal agencies in the area of health care. He also works independently as a consultant to the government of Liberia and helped develop and implement its national leadership development program.
Admission and financial aid: the details

Mission
The mission of the Office of Undergraduate Admission is to attract and enroll a student body of high ability, one that reflects a variety of talents, ideas, backgrounds, and experiences, thereby contributing to the diversity of the Northwestern community and the enrichment of the undergraduate experience.

Admission standards
Because we receive applications from many more students than we can admit, the admission committee must make difficult choices. Students admitted to Northwestern must be clearly capable of succeeding in the University’s challenging academic environment. The most reliable predictor of success is strong academic performance at the secondary school level.

Secondary school preparation
The evaluation of your secondary school transcript is an extremely important part of the admission process. We are not simply looking for high grades; the strength of your academic program is also weighed. The admission committee makes note of any accelerated, honors, Advanced Placement, or International Baccalaureate courses taken. Every secondary school is different in its level of competitiveness and in the range of courses offered. These factors are also considered when admission decisions are rendered.

Secondary school curriculum recommendations
The Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Communication, the School of Education and Social Policy, the Bienen School of Music, and the Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications recommend that entering students complete a minimum of 16 courses (most applicants present more) in the following academic areas:

- **English**: 4 full-year courses
- **Foreign language**: a minimum of 2 full-year courses of one foreign language
- **History and social science**: a minimum of 2 full-year courses
- **Laboratory science**: a minimum of 2 full-year courses
- **Mathematics**: a minimum of 3 full-year courses
- **Additional subjects**: 1–3 full-year courses in the academic areas listed above

The McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science encourages strong preparation in mathematics and science. Recommended course work includes

- **English**: 4 full-year courses
- **Laboratory science**: a minimum of 3 full-year courses; chemistry and physics preferred
- **Mathematics**: 3½–4 full-year courses; calculus preferred, if available; the minimum requirement includes 2 full-year courses of algebra, 1 full-year course of plane geometry, and 1 semester of trigonometry
- **Additional subjects**: 5–6 full-year courses; these should include courses in foreign language, history, and social sciences

Standardized testing
Northwestern requires results from either the SAT Reasoning Test or the ACT Plus Writing. In addition, it is recommended, though not required, that applicants take three SAT Subject Tests. Applicants to the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science should take Math Level 1 or 2.

Geographic distribution of undergraduates
- 300+ students
- 200–299
- 100–199
- 1–49
- International students: 472

Class profile 2016
- African American: 8%
- American Indian/Alaska Native: 1%
- Asian: 20%
- Hispanic: 9%
- International students: 7%
- White: 55%
Applicants to special admission programs are required to take SAT Subject Tests in addition to the SAT Reasoning Test or ACT Plus Writing. Honors Program in Medical Education applicants must submit the results of the Chemistry and Math Level 2 tests. Applicants to the Integrated Science Program must take SAT Subject Tests in Chemistry or Physics, Math Level 2, and a second science.

Applicants must demonstrate a certain level of English proficiency to ensure that they will be able to complete their degree requirements at Northwestern. Students whose first language is not English or whose schooling has not been in English are required to submit the results of either the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). Northwestern will continue to accept the paper- and computer-based versions of the test until the Internet-based TOEFL (TOEFL iBT) is fully implemented and available in all countries.

**Home schooling**
Applicants who have been educated at home must submit the results of three SAT Subject Tests—Math Level 1 or 2 and two tests of their choice—in addition to the SAT Reasoning Test or ACT Plus Writing results. For students planning to study engineering, Math Level 2 is preferable.

**Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate credit**
Northwestern awards credit in nearly all areas for Advanced Placement examination scores of 5 and for International Baccalaureate higher-level examination results of 5 or higher. For more information, see www.ugadm.northwestern.edu/apply/credits/ap-ib-credit-policy.html.

**Previous college work**
Northwestern recognizes credit for courses completed elsewhere under the following circumstances: courses are similar to those offered at Northwestern; they have been taken at an accredited college or university in the United States or Canada; course work was not submitted for normal secondary school graduation requirements; and courses were taken on a college or university campus with a majority of college students in attendance.

**Other admission factors**
Each application is reviewed carefully by several members of our admission committee, which seeks information beyond school transcripts and test scores. It takes into account your involvement outside of class, as profiled in an activity chart, and reads your essays to get a better sense of your interests, thought processes, and writing ability. Recommendations from secondary school teachers and counselors add perspective to your achievements.

**Early Decision**
If you are certain that Northwestern is where you want to enroll, we encourage you to apply under Early Decision. As with all traditional Early Decision plans, you agree to withdraw all applications at other colleges and enroll at Northwestern if admitted. (Students interested in the Honors Program in Medical Education must apply under the Regular Decision plan.)

Applicants who choose Early Decision send a strong positive message to Northwestern. Given their high level of interest and overall academic and personal strengths, Early Decision applicants enjoy a higher rate of admission.

If you are admitted under Early Decision and apply for financial aid, you will be notified of your aid decision around the time of your acceptance, provided your family has filed the College Scholarship Service Financial Aid Profile by December 1. Students admitted under Early Decision may be released from the commitment to enroll at Northwestern only for demonstrated financial hardship.

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**Northwestern scholarship aid offered to undergraduates, 2011–12***

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Total need-based scholarships awarded by Northwestern: $106 million

60% Undergraduates receiving financial aid (grants, loans, work-study)

50% Undergraduates receiving Northwestern scholarships

*excluding students receiving aid for less than three quarters, students with ROTC scholarships, Evans Scholars, and students with faculty/staff rebates, tuition adjustments, or athletic grants of more than $2,000
Cost of attendance
Tuition for the 2012–13 academic year is $43,380. Total expenses (including books, room and board, and incidentals but not fees or transportation) are estimated at $60,875.

Financial aid for US citizens and permanent residents
Financial aid recipients come from a wide range of income backgrounds. Families who believe that they cannot meet the cost of a Northwestern education with their available resources (parents’ and students’ incomes, savings, and other assets) should apply for financial aid. Students applying for a second bachelor’s degree are not eligible for Northwestern University scholarship assistance.

The average financial aid award consists of a need-based scholarship, a grant, a student loan, and part-time employment through the Federal Work-Study Program. Sixty percent of all undergraduates receive some form of financial aid (grants, scholarships, work-study, and/or loans).

Scholarship assistance
In addition to federal and state resources, Northwestern has made a major commitment of its own dollars to provide need-based University scholarships to eligible students. Northwestern will award more than $110 million in scholarship assistance in 2012–13.

Student loans
Students are not required to accept a loan or a job, but each is considered a part of the financial aid required to meet their need. Loans are available through University and government sources. Student loans are available to all who apply for federal assistance. Students who do not qualify for need-based federal student loans may be eligible for other federal loans. The neediest financial aid recipients do not have a loan as part of their financial aid award from the University. Students who are expected to borrow funds and who meet certain requirements will have their debt capped.

The Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) is a federal program that allows parents to borrow up to the cost of attendance minus any financial aid. Repayment of principal and interest begins as soon as funds are disbursed.

Work-study and part-time employment
The Office of Financial Aid offers about 2,100 undergraduates work on campus in libraries, departmental offices, or community service offices. Through such programs students may earn between $500 and $4,000 per academic year. Part-time employment generally involves no more than 10 hours a week.

Other financing options
Northwestern participates in the National Merit and National Achievement scholarship programs. To qualify, you must be a National Merit finalist and name Northwestern as your first-choice school.

The Reserve Officers Training Corps scholarship program is a source of financial aid for students interested in careers in the US Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, or Navy. Aid can cover all or some portion of tuition, books, and fees and a stipend for four years.

Northwestern’s Office of Student Accounts offers an installment payment option for tuition, fees, and room and board called 9PAY. It allows participants to make their tuition and fee payments in nine monthly installments instead of at the start of each term. No interest is charged, though there is a $50 application fee.

Financial aid for international students
Northwestern University offers need-based financial aid awards to a small number of international students. Citizens of foreign countries who apply for financial aid under Regular Decision are reviewed as a separate group. The usual selective admission criteria, as well as the amount of financial aid needed by an applicant, are factors in the admission committee’s decision. As a result, Northwestern will not offer admission to some candidates who are otherwise well qualified. For these reasons the admission rate for international applicants requesting aid is substantially lower than for those not requesting aid. Only those students who apply for and receive financial aid for their freshman years are eligible to receive financial assistance in subsequent years. There is no financial aid available for international transfer applicants or international students applying under Early Decision.

International students receiving financial aid from Northwestern must still plan to contribute to funding their educational expenses. For example, students are responsible for travel expenses to the United States from their home countries. Northwestern cannot assume responsibility for economic changes such as currency fluctuation, nor can it replace lost support that a student may have expected to receive from relatives, sponsors, or government and corporate grants.

The most current and detailed information on financial aid for international students, including links to all required forms, can be found at www.ugadm.northwestern.edu/intl/financing.

Working in the United States
To qualify for a student visa, international students must document, before leaving their home country, that they have sufficient funds to bear the full cost of their education and livelihood for one year. Students should not plan to support themselves by working in the United States; employment on student visas is extremely limited, and the rules of employment are strictly enforced.
“Our alumni tell me how their experience at Northwestern was transformative, introducing them to fields of study, standards for excellence, and amazing people.” —Daniel Linzer, provost and professor