

A PRIVATE INSTITUTION ESTABLISHED IN 1851

## THE NORTHWESTERN DIFFERENCE

Northwestern is a comprehensive research university that is deeply interdisciplinary across multiple schools and units. Our rigorous yet empathetic academic environment provides a robust mixture of theory and practice, with an emphasis on top-tier research, new knowledge, creative expression, and practical application. At Northwestern, you're part of an innovative, collaborative, and multidimensional community, delivering an impact that is rare in higher education.

## 12 COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

WEINBERG COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES \ SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION \ SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICY \ McCORMICK SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE \ THE GRADUATE SCHOOL \ MEDILL SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, MEDIA, INTEGRATED MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS \ PRITZKER SCHOOL OF LAW \ KELLOGG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT \ FEINBERG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE \ BIENEN SCHOOL OF MUSIC \ SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES \ NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY IN QATAR

## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

Northwestern is one of only four US universities ranked in the top 20 across all graduate education categories and in the top 10 overall.

**#9** NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

**#24** GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

**#4** BUSINESS SCHOOL

**#8** EDUCATION SCHOOL

**#12** LAW SCHOOL

**#15** MEDICAL SCHOOL

**#2** MATERIALS ENGINEERING

**#6** CHEMISTRY

**#8** ECONOMICS

Rankings from *U.S. News & World Report* (except global ranking from *Times Higher Education*) as of September 2021

## ARTS AND HUMANITIES

- **35 Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences programs** across the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, natural sciences, and mathematics
- Among *Playbill's* **top 10 most represented universities on Broadway**
- Bienen School of Music alumni and faculty have won **10 Grammy Awards** since 2015, and 21 music students and alumni have earned **top honors in 16 international competitions**
- Block Museum of Art named a **top US campus museum** by the *New York Times*

## JOURNALISM AND INTEGRATED MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

World-renowned programs in journalism and integrated marketing communications (IMC):

- Undergraduates complete journalism residencies at **120+ media outlets and companies** in the US and abroad.
- Journalism graduate students choose to specialize in one of seven topic areas or reporting formats.
- The IMC program at Northwestern is a pioneer in blending creativity and data to build brands for the digital age.

## INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- **100+ innovation-based courses** taught each year
- **\$2.2 billion** in revenue from **patents and intellectual property licensing revenue**
- More than **10 million patients** impacted by Northwestern Therapeutics

## RESEARCH

More than  
**\$893M**  
in annual sponsored  
research awards

National Institutes of Health Funding

**\$434M**

**127%**

increase over the past 10 years

#15 in total NIH awards among AAU universities

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## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

- 70% of undergrads combine two or more areas of study.
- About 50% of students participate in study abroad programs.
- 95% of the Class of 2020 were employed or pursuing further education, service, or career development opportunities within six months of graduation.

**7%**  
Acceptance Rate



## CLASS OF 2025

- Asian American **24.5%**
- Black or African American **12%**
- Hispanic or Latinx **17%**
- Native American, Native Hawaiian, or Indigenous **1.8%**
- White **52.2%**
- International **10.5%**
- First-generation college students **15%**

## ENROLLMENT

**8,000+**  
undergraduates  
**13,000+**  
graduate students

**6:1**  
Students to  
Faculty

## Campuses



## PELL GRANTS AND FINANCIAL AID

**21%**  
of the Class of 2025 receive Pell Grants

**61%**  
of undergraduates receive financial aid

## ENDOWMENT

**\$11B**

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Undergraduates

Northwestern awarded **\$209 million** in scholarships to students in 2020–21.

### Fulbright Scholars

Northwestern is one of a handful of universities to appear on every “top-producing” Fulbright US Student Program list published by the *Chronicle of Higher Education* since 2005.

## AWARD-WINNING COMMUNITY

Northwestern faculty and alumni include recipients of Pulitzer and Nobel Prizes; MacArthur Genius Grants; Tony, Grammy, Emmy, and Academy Awards; and Guggenheim Fellowships as well as members of the National Academy of Sciences and numerous other honorary and professional societies.

## NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE HOSPITAL AFFILIATES

**#10** **HOSPITAL**  
Northwestern Memorial Hospital

**#1** **REHABILITATION HOSPITAL**  
Shirley Ryan AbilityLab

**#9** **CARDIOLOGY AND HEART SURGERY**  
Lurie Children's Hospital

*U.S. News & World Report (2022)*

## NOTABLE ALUMNI

- Stephen Colbert
- Gillian Flynn
- Claudia Lopez
- Julia Louis-Dreyfus
- Meghan Markle
- George R.R. Martin
- Seth Meyers
- J.B. Pritzker
- Patrick G. Ryan
- Roxana Saberi
- Gwynne Shotwell
- John Paul Stevens
- Michael Wilbon
- Andrew Youn

## ATHLETICS

- Founding member of the Big Ten Conference
- 2020 Big Ten West football champion and winner of four consecutive bowl games and six consecutive Land of Lincoln trophies
- Seven NCAA women's lacrosse titles since 2005
- Recent conference championships in basketball, soccer, field hockey, golf, tennis, wrestling, fencing, swimming, and diving
- Northwestern's 98% NCAA graduation success rate has ranked no. 1 among Football Bowl Subdivision schools for the past three years
- One of five private AAU members/top research universities to compete in NCAA Power Five conferences