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.

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.
ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

- 73% of undergrads combine two or more areas of study.
- About 50% of students participate in a global learning experience.
- 96% of the Class of 2021 were employed or pursuing further education, service, or career development opportunities within six months of graduation.

PELL GRANTS AND FINANCIAL AID

- 21% of the Class of 2026 receive Pell Grants
- 64% of undergraduates receive financial aid

SCHOLARSHIPS

Undergraduates
Northwestern awarded more than $200 million in scholarships to students in 2021–22.

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.

CLASS OF 2026

- Asian American or Pacific Islander 26.8%
- Black or African American 13.5%
- Hispanic or Latino/a/x 15%
- Native or Indigenous 1.8%
- White 50.1%
- International 10.3%
- First-generation college students 15%

ENROLLMENT

- 8,000+ undergraduates
- 14,000+ graduate students
- 6:1 Students to Faculty

Campuses

EVANSTON, IL
CHICAGO, IL
DOHA, QATAR

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ENDOWMENT

$16B

NOTABLE ALUMNI

- Rubén Castillo
- 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
- Michael Wilbon
- Andrew Youn

NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE HOSPITAL AFFILIATES

- #9 Hospital
  Northwestern Memorial Hospital
- #1 Rehabilitation Hospital
  Shirley Ryan AbilityLab
- #9 Cardiology and Heart Surgery
  Lurie Children’s Hospital

ATHLETICS

- Founding member of the Big Ten Conference
- Two Big Ten West football titles since 2018 and winner of four bowl games since 2016
- 2021 NCAA field hockey national champions
- Seven NCAA women’s lacrosse titles since 2005
- Recent conference championships in basketball, fencing, field hockey, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, and wrestling
- NCAA graduation success rate of 98% has ranked in the top four among Football Bowl Subdivision schools for 18 consecutive years
- One of five private AAU members/top research universities to compete in NCAA Power Five conferences

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