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#10 National University
#24 Global University
#3 Business School
#11 Education School
#13 Law School
#17 Medical School
#3 Materials Engineering
#7 Chemistry
#8 Economics

Rankings from U.S. News & World Report (except global ranking from Times Higher Education) as of September 2022

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 11 Grammy Awards since 2015, and 44 music students and alumni have earned top honors in 40 international performance competitions
- Block Museum of Art named a top US campus museum by the New York Times

Innovation and Entrepreneurship

- 100+ innovation-based courses taught each year
- $2.6 billion in revenue from patents and intellectual property licensing
- More than 10 million patients impacted by Northwestern therapeutics

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Research

National Institutes of Health Funding

More than $923M in annual sponsored research awards

$421M

107% increase over the past 10 years

#16 in total NIH awards among AAU universities
Northwestern University
A PRIVATE INSTITUTION ESTABLISHED IN 1851

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

ENDOWMENT
$16B

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.

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.

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

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

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, swimming and diving, tennis, and wrestling
• NCAA graduation success rate of 98% has ranked in the top four among Football Bowl Subdivision schools for 17 consecutive years
• One of five private AAU members/top research universities to compete in NCAA Power Five conferences

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