

## Facts 2002

**HERITAGE:** The first institution of higher learning in Texas, chartered by the Republic of Texas in 1840. Affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

**LOCATION:** Historic Georgetown, 28 miles north of the vibrant state capital in Austin. Three of the nation's 10 largest cities are within a three-hour drive.

**PROFILE:** Highly-selective, independent, four-year, undergraduate, national liberal arts college consisting of The Brown College of Arts and Sciences and The Sarofim School of Fine Arts. Liberal arts and sciences curriculum, pre-professional programs in medicine, law, engineering, business, education, theology and athletic training. Phi Beta Kappa and Alpha Chi honor society chapters. Member of the Associated Colleges of the South and the Annapolis Group, a consortium of the nation's leading liberal arts institutions.

**FACULTY:** 99 percent of tenured or tenure-track faculty hold doctorate or highest degree in their respective fields. Student/faculty ratio of 11:1. Collaborative research and publication with students is common.

**STUDENTS:** 1,320 men and women (2001-02). 93 percent of students from Texas. 7 percent from out-of-state. 32 states and 5 nations represented. Minority students constitute 19 percent of the student body. 59 percent of 1,561 applicants were admitted for Fall 2001. Of 326 entering students, 52 percent ranked in the top 10 percent of their high school classes. Their SAT scores averaged 1230. ACT scores averaged 27.

**DEGREES:** Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Fine Arts.

**MAJORS:** Accounting, American Studies, Animal Behavior, Art, Art History, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Child Study & Language Development, Classics, Communication, Computational Mathematics, Computer Science, Economics, 3-2 Engineering, English, Environmental Studies, French, German, History, Independent Major, International Studies, Kinesiology, Latin, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, Religion, Sociology, Spanish, Theatre, and Women's Studies.

**OPPORTUNITIES:** 90 student organizations: scholastic and honorary (including a Phi Beta Kappa chapter), government, Greek, special interest and departmental.

**CAMPUS:** 700 acres, including a 100-acre academic campus and a 75-acre, nine-hole golf course and 525 additional acres. Highlights: two live-performance theaters; a language learning center; a spacious health and wellness center; a human performance laboratory; an aquatic animal research laboratory; and an observatory. 80 percent of students live in residential housing on campus, which includes internet, cable and voice-mail access.

**LIBRARY:** 311,036 volumes and periodicals and several special collections. Internet access and library card memberships available.

**OFF CAMPUS & INTERNATIONAL:** New York Arts and Washington Semesters, plus internships, domestic and abroad. A London experience takes place each fall; summer programs in Germany, Honduras, Mexico, England, Jamaica, and Turkey are available. Access to universities around the world through the International Student Exchange Program. 43

percent of students study abroad. More summer and semester opportunities available through the Associated Colleges of the South and other major study abroad organizations, such as Council for International Educational Exchange and Institute for the International Education of Students. International House residential/academic center, international student and foreign language clubs.

**ATHLETICS:** NCAA Division III competition in basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, swimming and diving, and tennis for men and women; baseball for men, and volleyball for women. Member of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) with Centre, DePauw, Hendrix, Millsaps, Oglethorpe, Rhodes, Rose-Hulman, Trinity and the University of the South. Intramural and club sports including cycling, disc sports, handball, lacrosse, rock climbing, water polo and women's fast-pitch softball. 90 percent student participation in 36 different intercollegiate, club, intramural and recreational activities. SCAC championships in baseball ('96, '97, '98, '00), volleyball ('96) and women's golf ('98).

**SUCCESS AFTER SOUTHWESTERN:** The post-graduation survey of 261 graduates of the 2000 class showed that 94 percent of 255 respondents obtained either employment or graduate school acceptance within 10 months. Four percent said they were still seeking employment, not seeking employment or traveling. Information wasn't available for two percent.

**SPECIAL COMMUNITY LECTURESHIPS, SERIES AND PROGRAMS:**

Brown Symposium Series ("Globalization: Win-Win or Win-Lose?" - Feb. 21-22, 2002)

The Roy and Margaret Shilling Lecture Series (past speakers: Jimmy Carter, Bill Moyers)

The Jessie Daniel Ames Lecture Series

Global Issues Forum

The Artist Series

The Writer's Voice

The Slover-Southwestern Lectureships

The A. Frank Smith, Jr. Distinguished Lecture Program

The Willson Lectureships

The Lurlyn and Durwood Fleming Scholar in Residence in Religion Program

Operation Achievement and Upward Bound mentoring programs

**WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING:**

"Southwestern University demonstrates that not everything in Texas has to be big to be the best. This small school is academically strong, and the combination of highly qualified professors, diverse student body, and an abundance of extracurricular activities has allowed the university to build a solid reputation for itself." - *The Fiske Guide to Colleges*

"Southwestern is one of the best 'sleepers' in the nation. Admission standards are high, but they would be even more so if people knew of this place. Academic excellence abounds, the administration is earnest and helpful, and the school is beginning to attract national recognition." - *The Princeton Review: The Best 331 Colleges*

**TUITION:** \$16,650 tuition and fees (2001–02); room and board ranges from \$5,850 to \$6,562. More than 80 percent of students received some form of financial assistance in 2000-01.

**ENDOWMENT:** More than \$317 million—one of the highest endowments per student in the nation (as of June 30, 2001).

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