Founded in 1840, Southwestern offers a welcoming and inclusive living and learning environment that supports and nurtures different perspectives, values, and experiences. Our top-ranked integrated arts and sciences curriculum develops students’ ability to make connections across different ways of knowing and to create innovative solutions to complex problems. Students engage in dynamic classroom discussions and real-world learning experiences that empower them to think in broader, more collaborative, and more original ways.

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY IS THE MOST SELECTIVE, DIVERSE LIBERAL ARTS INSTITUTION IN THE U.S.

- 40% of students identify as people of color.
- 13% of students are from outside the state of Texas.
- 54% of students are female.
INSTITUTION OF HIGHER LEARNING IN TEXAS AND THE SOUTHWEST.

NATIONAL LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE IN TEXAS
(U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT)

LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE IN TEXAS
(WASHINGTON MONTHLY)

BEST PRIVATE SCHOOL IN TEXAS FOR MAKING AN IMPACT
(PRINCETON REVIEW)
Southwestern students have been nationally recognized for their academic achievements with prestigious honors and awards.

**STUDENT SCHOLARS**

- **65** Sumner Scholars
- **18** Fulbright Scholars
- **18** Kemper Scholars
- **17** Gilman Scholars

The Phi Beta Kappa Society is the nation’s oldest honorary society, with chapters at 290 of the foremost institutions of higher education across the country.

**Historical Highlight**

Three of the first five Rhodes Scholars in Texas graduated from Southwestern.
TRADITIONS

Southwestern has established many beloved traditions throughout its 181-year history.

>23,000

The number of alumni, students, parents, and friends who have attended Homecoming in the last 15 years.

5

The number of times the Ruterville College bell rings during each commencement convocation, representing Southwestern and its four root colleges.

105

The number of years Southwestern has held its Candlelight Services dating back to December 6, 1915.

Historical Highlight

Southwestern hosted the first collegiate Homecoming on record on April 21, 1909.

FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY, GRADUATING SENIORS HAVE ASCENDED THE HIDDEN STAIRCASE WITHIN THE CULLEN TOWER TO SIGN THEIR NAMES ALONG ITS WALLS.

Superstitious students make offerings of food to Monstrance (full name: “Monstrance for a Grey Horse,” a sculpture by artist James Acord) before finals for good luck.

The president, administrators, faculty, and staff serve late-night breakfast to kickoff finals week.

The number of years Southwestern has held its Candlelight Services dating back to December 6, 1915.

Breakthrough

The number of alumni, students, parents, and friends who have attended Homecoming in the last 15 years.
SUSTAINABILITY

Southwestern is committed to sustainable practices and eco-friendly policies.

100% LEED-CERTIFIED BUILDINGS

One of the first universities in the nation to be a 100% wind-powered campus.

Southwestern is certified as an affiliate of the Bee Campus USA program in recognition of the university’s effort to conserve pollinators.

Southwestern earned a STARS Bronze Rating in recognition of its sustainability achievements from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.

Southwestern received TREE Campus Higher Education recognition for its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Historical Highlight

In 2007, Southwestern became the second university in Texas to sign the Taillores Declaration, an action plan for incorporating environmental sustainability into higher education.
STUDENT SUCCESS

OF STUDENTS ARE EMPLOYED OR IN GRADUATE SCHOOL WITHIN 10 MONTHS OF GRADUATION. WE WILL ACHIEVE 100% WITHIN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.

86%

We have a full orchestra that includes music majors as well as students from all fields on campus.

Students in Southwestern’s Financial Analyst Program are responsible for managing over $1 million of the University’s endowment. This past 18 months, one of their investments had a return of 153%.

Southwestern University LIVE (Lab for Innovative Ventures and Entrepreneurship) offers students an opportunity to take an idea from the concept stage to the development of a business plan and actualization.

GRADUATE & PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS ATTENDED BY SOUTHWESTERN ALUMNI

LAW SCHOOLS
- Duke University
- Emory University
- Northeastern University
- University of Southern California
- University of Texas

MEDICAL SCHOOLS
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of Texas Health Science Center
- University of Texas Medical Branch
- University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center
- Washington University

GRADUATE SCHOOLS
- Harvard University
- Baylor University
- Dartmouth College
- Rice University
- University of California, Berkeley
- University of Chicago

69%

OF THE CLASS OF 2020 ENGAGED IN AT LEAST ONE INTERNSHIP

80%

OF THE CLASS OF 2020 PARTICIPATED IN COMMUNITY-ENGAGED LEARNING

22 COUNTRIES WHERE STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD

100%

OF STUDENTS COMPLETE A CAPSTONE OR SIMILAR PROJECT
CAMPUS LIFE

With Austin, America’s coolest city, just minutes away, Georgetown offers small-town charm.

20
THE NUMBER OF MINUTES IT TAKES TO GET TO AUSTIN, THE SILICON VALLEY OF THE SOUTH AND FASTEST-GROWING METROPOLITAN AREA IN THE COUNTRY

700
THE NUMBER OF ACRES THAT MAKE UP THE SOUTHWESTERN CAMPUS, MAKING IT BIGGER THAN DISNEYLAND AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

10
NATIONAL SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES

NATIONAL SORORITIES:
Alpha Delta Pi (1908),
Alpha Kappa Alpha (2015),
Alpha Xi Delta (1992),
Delta Delta Delta (1911),
Kappa Delta Chi (2010),
and Zeta Tau Alpha (1906)

NATIONAL FRATERNITIES:
Kappa Alpha Order (1883),
Kappa Sigma (1886),
Phi Delta Theta (1886),
and Pi Kappa Alpha (1910)

100

>100
CAT PARTNERS CLUB OF SOUTHWESTERN FEEDS AND CARES FOR EIGHT FREE-ROAMING CATS LIVING IN SMALL COLONIES ON THE CAMPUS.

PLANS FOR A NEW MIXED-USE RESIDENCE HALL ARE IN DEVELOPMENT TO OFFER STUDENTS A NEW SPACE TO SLEEP, STUDY, AND DINE.

SOUTHWESTERN’S MOSAIC PROGRAM HELPS DEVELOP THE WHOLE PERSON THROUGH LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES AND COLLABORATIVE OPPORTUNITIES.

Historical Highlight

DURING WORLD WAR II, SOUTHWESTERN’S ENROLLMENT MORE THAN DOUBLED AFTER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A V-12 NAVY COLLEGE TRAINING PROGRAM ON CAMPUS.
Our student-athletes excel both on and off the field.

- **20** the number of varsity athletic teams competing at the NCAA Division III level
- **33** the number of Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) championships
- **57** the number of all-Americans among all sports
- **30** the number of Southwestern baseball players who went on to play in the pros

**ATHLETICS**

The new Southwestern Athletics logo and brand was a collaborative effort between the university’s creative director and a student-athlete.

**Historical Highlight**

Southwestern defeated the University of Texas at Austin 52-12 in the first intercollegiate baseball game in the state.

On November 5, 1908, Southwestern University’s football team defeated the Texas Longhorns 11-9.

Both the men’s and women’s tennis teams finished the season ranked No. 10 in the country in 2021.

In 2016, the Pirates won the SCAC football championship.

Linda Hamilton was named 2021 SCAC women’s soccer coach of the year.
SOUTHWESTERN IS ONE OF THE FEW JEWELS OF THE SOUTHWEST WHOSE MISSION IS TO PREPARE A NEW GENERATION TO CONTRIBUTE TO A CHANGING SOCIETY, AND TO PROSPER IN THEIR JOBS, WHATEVER AND WHEREVER IN THE WORLD THEY MAY BE.”

—COLLEGES THAT CHANGE LIVES