A PUBLIC RESEARCH UNIVERSITY

Georgia State’s dedication to student success has drawn national accolades.

No. 1
BEST PUBLIC UNIVERSITY for undergraduate teaching in the U.S.¹

No. 1
NONPROFIT UNIVERSITY TO CONFER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES to African Americans in the U.S.²

No. 3
MOST INNOVATIVE UNIVERSITY in the U.S.³

¹U.S. News & World Report, 2021
²Diverse: Issues in Higher Education, 2020
³U.S. News & World Report, 2022

COMMITTED TO STUDENT SUCCESS

Georgia State University is nationally recognized for programs and initiatives that help students from all backgrounds earn degrees. Its six campuses in Atlanta, the cultural and economic center of the Southeast, provide faculty and more than 54,000 students with unsurpassed access to opportunities in one of the nation’s great global cities.

ACADEMICS AND RANKINGS

The largest university in the state and one of the largest in the nation, Georgia State offers a challenging academic environment that emphasizes research and practical experience across the curriculum.

The Atlanta Campus offers more than 250 degree programs in 100 fields of study at the bachelor’s, master’s, specialist and doctoral levels. Operating at five campuses throughout metro Atlanta, the university’s Perimeter College provides more than 30 associate degree pathways, making it the region’s gateway to higher education.

STUDENT BODY

With an enrollment of more than 54,000, we’ve proven that students from all backgrounds can succeed at the same level.

• 54% bachelor’s degree students
• 32% associate degree students
• 14% graduate and law students
• Students from every county in Georgia, every state in the nation and more than 130 countries
• Over 3,000 international students
• One of the nation’s most diverse universities¹
  • Asian = 15%; Black (non-Hispanic) = 41%; Hispanic = 13%; Multiracial = 6%; White (non-Hispanic) = 24%²
  ²Because ethnicity is calculated separately from race, and because race sometimes goes unreported, the figures above may not equal 100%.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Atlanta’s quality of life helps Georgia State attract top-notch faculty, staff and administrators who are making a difference in their fields and preparing students to join them.

• More than 5,300 full-time faculty and staff
• More than 82% of full-time faculty with the highest degree in their field
A COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS

Georgia State is recognized as a national leader in helping students reach their academic goals. Over 15 years, it raised graduation rates by 23 percentage points, the most dramatic increase of any national university. Georgia State has used predictive analytics of student performance and proactive advising interventions to:

- increase semester-to-semester retention rates by 5%
- reduce the time to a degree for students
- award more than 16,300 Panther Retention Grants to students
- save students more than $18 million per year in unnecessary tuition and fees*
- save Georgia taxpayers millions in support costs for public education because students are graduating more quickly

*Average collective savings annually

A GROWING RESEARCH INSTITUTION

Since gaining research university status in 1996, Georgia State has rapidly built a dynamic and productive research enterprise that addresses major health and societal challenges. It is one of 115 leading research universities in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Georgia State’s research expenditures have increased by more than 141 percent since 2010.

A CATALYST FOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

The growth and development of Georgia State’s campus is recognized by civic leaders as essential to the increasing vitality of downtown Atlanta. Through construction and building acquisitions, the university has created a new academic corridor on the east side of Woodruff Park consisting of new homes for its College of Law, J. Mack Robinson College of Business, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, College of Arts & Sciences and Creative Media Industries Institute.

GEORGIA STATE STADIUM AND SUMMERHILL

The opening of Georgia State Stadium, now Center Parc Stadium, in the historic Summerhill neighborhood south of downtown has further cemented Georgia State’s expanding footprint and economic impact on Atlanta. Soon, we’ll open a new convocation center, which will also serve as a basketball arena, and a baseball park in this same area.

ARTS AND CULTURE

Georgia State is a vital part of the vibrant arts and entertainment community of downtown Atlanta. Its top-notch venues, including the Rialto Center for the Arts and highly regarded programs in music, art, creative writing and film, make the university a center of creativity and artistic expression.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Georgia State contributes to the economies of Atlanta and the South.

- $2.8 billion+ economic impact on metro Atlanta each year
- An annual budget of more than $1 billion

CAMPUS LIFE

Georgia State is where city life meets campus life.

- Six residence halls housing more than 5,500 students
- More than 400 student organizations, including 31 fraternities and sororities
- Seven campus dining locations
- Modern Student Recreation Center
- 25 intramural sports and 25 sports clubs

ALUMNI

Georgia State alumni, 268,500 worldwide, include leaders in almost every field. Seventy percent of alumni live and work in Atlanta.

ATHLETICS

The Athletics program is a source of spirit and pride for the university.

- 16 NCAA Division I teams competing in the Sun Belt Conference
- Football team that plays at Georgia State Stadium and participates in the Football Bowl Subdivision
- Student-athletes who have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher for more than 12 years
- One of the conference’s top graduation success rates (86%)
- Nickname: Panthers
- Mascot name: Pounce
- Colors: Blue and white