



Partner Institutions

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

TULANE UNIVERSITY

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY

POSSE NEW ORLEANS



Dear Posse Nominee:

Congratulations on your nomination for the Posse Scholarship. If you're reading this, you've just completed your first-round interview. You were nominated for a reason, and we're so glad to have met you in person.

Now that you know more about Posse, it's going to be important for you to familiarize yourself with Posse's partner colleges and universities so you can narrow down which schools you'd like to be considered for. If you advance to the next round as a semi-finalist, we're going to ask you to let us know your top choice colleges or universities.

This booklet presents a brief profile of each Posse partner school. We hope you get excited about them; they are among the very best institutions of higher education in the United States. Take a look, but also research these schools further on your own.

Good luck and we'll be in touch soon,
Posse





CONCEPT

Posse started in 1989 because of one student who said,

“I NEVER WOULD HAVE DROPPED OUT OF COLLEGE IF I HAD MY POSSE WITH ME.”

The Posse Foundation identifies public high school students with extraordinary academic and leadership potential who may be overlooked by traditional college selection processes. The Foundation extends to these students the opportunity to pursue personal and academic excellence by placing them in supportive, multicultural teams—Posses—of 10 students. The Foundation’s partner colleges and universities award Posse Scholars full-tuition leadership scholarships.

THREE GOALS

1. To expand the pool from which top colleges and universities can recruit outstanding young leaders from diverse backgrounds.
2. To help these institutions build more interactive campus environments so they can become more welcoming for people from all backgrounds.
3. To ensure that Posse Scholars persist in their academic studies and graduate so they can take on leadership positions in the workforce.





CASE WESTERN RESERVE
UNIVERSITY EST. 1826

think beyond the possible®

LOCATION: Cleveland, Ohio

CLOSEST CITY: Cleveland, Ohio

UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 5,100

WEBSITE: www.case.edu

Case Western Reserve University students are serious about success, and every facet of their college experience equips them with the knowledge and skills that will allow them to achieve their goals. From rigorous course work—spanning arts, engineering, humanities, management, natural sciences, nursing, and social and behavioral sciences—to hands-on learning experiences and vibrant city living, a Case Western Reserve education prepares its 5,100 undergraduate students to become distinguished academics, savvy professionals and productive global citizens. Case Western Reserve is a top-40 research university located in Cleveland's University Circle neighborhood—the nation's densest concentration of arts, culture and medicine.

QUICK FACTS

- » CWRU is 17th in the nation among private universities for federally funded research—and undergraduates regularly take part.
- » Thirty-eight percent of students study abroad. Students can choose from more than 70 opportunities abroad.
- » Students participate in more than 200 student organizations, including 17 Division III varsity athletic teams and more than 50 performing arts groups.
- » Undergraduates hail from all 50 states and are citizens of 73 countries.
- » Last year, our students volunteered about 30,800 hours through our Center for Civic Engagement & Learning programs.





TEXAS A&M
UNIVERSITY

LOCATION: College Station, Texas

CLOSEST CITY: Houston, Texas

UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 54,476

WEBSITE: www.tamu.edu

Texas A&M is among the top public research universities in the country, and the only public college in Texas to make the “Best Buys” list in the *Fiske Guide to Colleges 2019*, a list of colleges that offer a superior education for the most affordable cost. Its 69,465 students (including 54,476 undergraduates) can choose from 1,000+ student-led organizations, challenging them to learn, lead and serve, and its graduates are among the most heavily recruited in the nation. Perhaps best known for its incomparable Aggie spirit, rich traditions, core values and culture of excellence, Texas A&M is committed to developing leaders of character dedicated to serving the greater good.

QUICK FACTS

- » Texas A&M ranks first in Texas in student retention and graduation rates—overall and for under-represented students.
- » Twenty-five percent of undergraduates at Texas A&M are first-generation students, meaning they are the first in their immediate family to attend college. Texas A&M has renewed its efforts to ensure that first-gen students progress through to graduation, including advising, mentoring and group interaction.
- » Ranks in the Top 20 on the best universities in the country list from *Washington Monthly* (2018)
- » In the previous academic year, Texas A&M awarded approximately \$871 million in financial assistance.
- » Ranks 1st in Texas among public universities for best value by *Money Magazine* (2018)

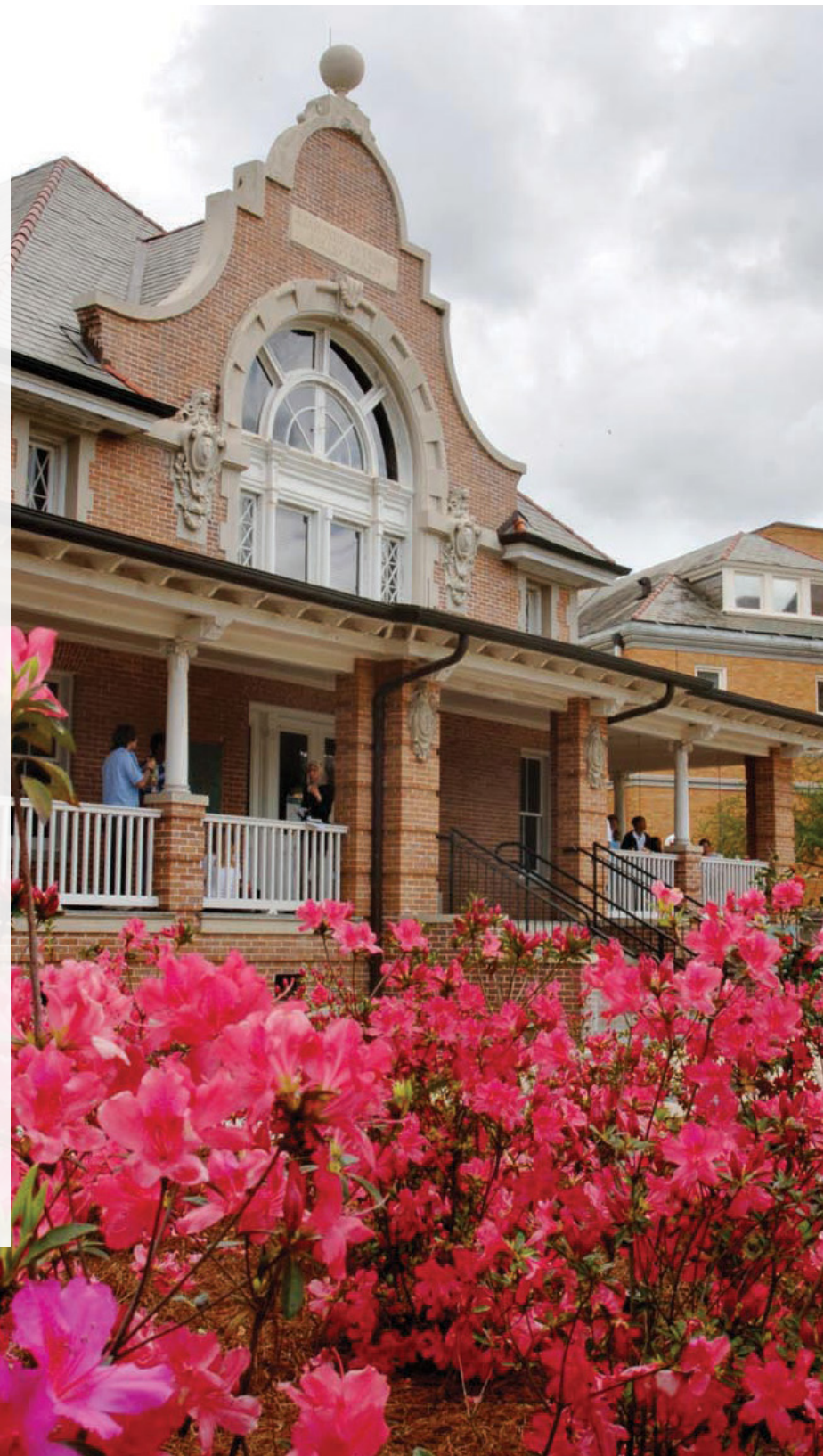


LOCATION: New Orleans, Louisiana
CLOSEST CITY: New Orleans, Louisiana
UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 8,423
WEBSITE: www.tulane.edu

Founded in 1834, Tulane is one of the most highly regarded and selective independent research universities in the country. Located in one of America's greatest cities, Tulane offers degrees in the liberal arts, science and engineering, architecture, business, law, social work, medicine and public health and tropical medicine. Tulane is the country's first and only major research university to integrate public service into its undergraduate curriculum. The Tulane experience includes close student-faculty interaction, a variety of campus programs and a diverse student body representing all 50 states and more than 40 different countries. Tulane's full- and part-time undergraduate population is 8,423.

QUICK FACTS

- » Tulane undergraduates are taught by the university's premier faculty beginning the first semester of their freshmen year.
- » Tulane offers an outstanding breadth and depth of courses and majors combined with real world experience through public service classes, internships and research opportunities.
- » *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Tulane University 12th among "Up-and-Coming" schools and 33rd in its "High School Counselor's Picks."
- » *Newsweek* ranked Tulane 19th among the country's 25 "most service-minded schools."
- » Tulane University has been twice named by *Kaplan/Newsweek's* college guide as one of the 25 "Hot Schools" in the nation.





VILLANOVA
UNIVERSITY
IGNITE CHANGE. GO NOVA.®

LOCATION: Villanova, Pennsylvania
CLOSEST CITY: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION: 6,558
WEBSITE: www.villanova.edu

Since 1842, Villanova University's Augustinian Catholic intellectual tradition has been the cornerstone of an academic community in which students learn to think critically, act compassionately and succeed while serving others. There are more than 10,000 undergraduate, graduate and law students in the University's six colleges—the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Villanova School of Business, the College of Engineering, the M. Louise Fitzpatrick College of Nursing, the College of Professional Studies and the Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law. Ranked among the nation's top universities, Villanova supports its students' intellectual growth and prepares them to become ethical leaders who create positive change everywhere life takes them.

QUICK FACTS

- » At Villanova, small class sizes mean personalized attention from professors. The student-to-faculty ratio at Villanova is 11-to-1, and the average class has just 23 students.
- » Villanova is recognized as a top producer of Fulbright scholars. In 2019-20, 33 students and alumni earned Fulbrights. Villanovans have also recently earned Goldwater and Truman scholarships and NSF grants.
- » Villanova prepares students for lifelong success. Nearly 97 percent of the Class of 2019 are employed or continuing their education, and our Nova Network of alumni provide advice and assistance along the way.
- » Students attend Villanova from 48 states; Washington, D.C.; the Virgin Islands; Puerto Rico; Guam and 41 foreign countries.
- » Students run more than 260 extracurricular groups and activities and participate in 44 club and intramural sports. In addition, more than 500 student-athletes participate in 24 men's and women's NCAA Division I varsity sports.

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