Georgia State University, an enterprising public research university in Atlanta, is a national leader in graduating students from diverse backgrounds. The university provides its world-class faculty and more than 50,000 students with unsurpassed connections to the opportunities available in one of the 21st century’s great global cities.

**Academics**
Georgia State offers a challenging academic environment that emphasizes research and practical experience across the curriculum.

- 100 fields of study with more than 250 degree programs
- Atlanta-Based Learning program that weaves the city into the classroom
- Nationally recognized Freshman Learning Communities
- Internship and service opportunities in and around Atlanta

**Student Body**
The student body of more than 50,000 demonstrates that students from all backgrounds can achieve at high rates.

- 50% bachelor’s degree students, 36% associate degree students, 12% graduate students, 1% professional students
- Students from every county in Georgia, every state in the nation and more than 176 countries
- No. 1 nonprofit university in Georgia to confer undergraduate and graduate degrees to students of color
- More than 2,000 international students
- Among the most diverse student populations in the U.S.

* Asian = 14%; Black (non-Hispanic) = 38%; Hispanic = 10%; Multiracial = 6%; Other/Not Reported = 5%; White (non-Hispanic) = 27%* 

*Because ethnicity is calculated separately from race, the figures above may not equal 100%.

**Rankings**
Our dedication to student success has drawn national accolades.

- No. 4 most innovative university in the U.S.
- No. 14 best undergraduate teaching in the U.S.

Georgia State offers more than 50 nationally and internationally ranked programs, including:

- City Management and Urban Policy
- Computer Information Systems
- Health Care Law
- Hospitality
- Nonprofit Management
- Part-time Law
- Part-time MBA
- Public Finance and Budgeting
- Risk Management and Insurance


**Faculty and Staff**
Atlanta’s quality of life helps Georgia State attract top-notch faculty, staff and administrators.

- More than 5,200 faculty and staff
- About 90 percent of faculty with the highest degree in their field

**Connections with Atlanta**
Atlanta is integral to Georgia State’s educational experience. Students and faculty are a part of a living laboratory in the center of the city.

- Students have interned at Fortune 500 companies, national non-profits, government agencies and federal and state courts.
- More Georgia executives hold advanced degrees from the J. Mack Robinson College of Business than from any school in the Southeast.
- Georgia State serves the community through programs as diverse as the Health Law Partnership Clinic, BioBus mobile laboratory for kindergarten through 12th-grade students, Rialto Center for the Arts and Partnership for Urban Health Research.
A Commitment to Student Success

Georgia State is recognized as a national leader in helping students achieve academic success. Over a decade, it raised graduation rates by 22 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 percent
• reduce time-to-degree for graduating students by almost half a semester
• bring more than 5,000 students back to school with Panther Retention Grants
• save students more than $15 million per year in unnecessary tuition and fees
• save Georgia taxpayers millions in support costs for public education because students are graduating more quickly

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 108 leading research universities in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Faculty received more than $122 million in grants in fiscal year 2016, a research funding record.

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.

A Catalyst for Downtown Development

The growth and development of Georgia State’s campus are 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 eastern 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.

Economic Impact

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

• $2.4 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 5,200 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, numbering more than 190,000 worldwide, include leaders in almost every field. More than 130,000 live in Georgia.

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 the new 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 seven years
• Conference-leading graduation success rate of 88 percent

• Nickname: Panthers
• Mascot name: Pounce
• Colors: Blue and white