We are:

CHANGEMAKERS FOR A CHANGING WORLD

American University brings passionate learners, bold leaders, engaged scholars, innovators, and active citizens together in Washington, DC, to create knowledge that brings about meaningful change to address society’s current and emerging challenges.

What will you help change?
American University is a mid-size institution. What does that mean for you? It means small class sizes to get to know your professors and classmates. It means you’ll meet people from all walks of life. It means personalized attention mixed with the resources of a large research institution. It’s the best of all worlds.

**Students**

- **Undergraduates**: 8,527
- **Graduate & Law**: 5,791
- **Total**: 14,318

**In Class**

- **Average Class Size**: 23
- **Student-to-Faculty Ratio**: 11:1

**Diversity**

- **International Students**: 13%
- **Students of Color**: 32%
- **States Represented**: 50
- **Countries Represented**: 122

**The Perfect Fit**

13%
GLOBALLY DIVERSE

American University is home to more than 1,830 international students representing diverse cultures and viewpoints from 122 countries.

This map highlights where incoming first-year students came from—countries shaded red—between 2017 and 2019.

WELCOME GLOBAL NOMADS

AU is also home to many U.S. citizens and permanent residents who graduated from secondary schools outside the U.S. We call them our AU U.S. Global Nomads.
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
African American and African Diaspora Studies
American Studies
Anthropology
Applied Mathematics
Arab World Studies
Arabic Studies
Art History
Asian Studies
Audio Production
Audio Technology
Biochemistry
Biology
Computational Science
Computer Science
Dance
Data Science
Economics
Environmental Science
Environmental Studies
Fine Arts
French Studies
German Studies
Graphic Design
Health Promotion
History

Jewish Studies
Language and Area Studies
Literature
Mathematics
Mathematics and Economics
Music
Musical Theatre
Neuroscience
Philosophy
Photography
Physics
Psychology
Public Health
Religious Studies
Russian Studies
Sociology
Spanish Studies
Statistics
Studio Art
Theatre
Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

Languages:
Arabic
Chinese
French
German

Hebrew
Italian
Japanese
Korean
Portuguese
Russian
Spanish
Swahili

KOGOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
Accounting
Business Administration
Accounting
Entrepreneurship
Finance
Information Systems & Technology
International Business
Management
Marketing
Business, Language, and Culture

Language tracks:
Arabic
French
German
Russian
Spanish
Business and Entertainment
Finance

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION
Communication Studies
Film and Media Arts
Foreign Language and Communication Media
Journalism
Photography
Public Relations and Strategic Communication

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
Elementary Education
Secondary Education

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
Communication, Legal Institutions, Economics, and Government (CLEG)
Data Sciences for Justice, Law, & Criminology
Data Sciences for Political Science
Justice and Law
Legal Studies
Political Science

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SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICE
International Studies
Environmental Sustainability and Global Health
Foreign Policy and National Security
Global and Comparative Governance
Global Inequality and Development
Identity, Race, Gender, and Culture
Justice, Ethics, and Human Rights
Peace, Global Security, and Conflict Resolution
The Global Economy

PREPROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
Prelaw
Premedicine

THREE-YEAR SCHOLARS PROGRAMS
Global Scholars
Public Health Scholars
Politics, Policy, and Law Scholars
Being in Washington, DC, hands-on learning is kind of what we do at AU. But it’s not all politics. AU students complete internships in the arts, sciences, business, communications, education, and, of course, international and domestic politics. Many of these internships lead directly to a job after graduation.

GET A HEAD START

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91% of students participated in at least one internship while at AU

92% of AU graduates were employed, in graduate school, or both six months after graduation
EXAMPLE INTERNSHIPS

ABC News
American Express
Amnesty International
Asian Development Bank
Associated Press
Black & Decker
Booz Allen Hamilton
Cisco Systems
Citibank
CNN
Deloitte
Discovery
Communications
Disney Channel
Embassy of Bahrain
Embassy of Canada
Embassy of Chile
Embassy of Great Britain
Embassy of Korea
Embassy of Pakistan
Embassy of Panama
Ernst & Young
ESPN
European Commission
FBI
Institute for International Economics
International Monetary Fund
KPMG
Lockheed Martin
Mercedes-Benz
Merrill Lynch
Microsoft
Morgan Stanley
MTV
National Institutes of Health
National Geographic Society
NATO
Nokia
Peace Corps
PwC
Prudential Financial
Smithsonian Institution
United Nations
U.S.-China Business Council
U.S.-Saudi Arabia Business Council
Wall Street Journal
Washington Post
White House
World Bank
World Wildlife Fund

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

ELIZABETH, AU CLASS OF 2020
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
US GLOBAL NOMAD–JORDAN

I worked as an intern for the Legal Department of Boehringer Ingelheim, a global research-driven pharmaceutical company. I received guidance and advice on how to perfect my application through the AU Career Center and applied for this position online.

AU gave me so many extracurricular activities to help me put my best foot forward when applying for jobs. I never realized how important it was to extend my experiences with organizations and clubs until I was immersed in AU’s fast-paced social culture. From the Pre-Law Society to Debate Club and even the International Student Association, I found my place among so many other like-minded students and professors. Now, more than ever, I am equipped to better network and market myself in the job industry.
There are few cities in the US more international than Washington, DC. But that's no substitute for immersing yourself in different countries and cultures firsthand. With our AU Abroad program, you'll have the opportunity to study just about anywhere.

70% OF STUDENTS STUDY ABROAD AT LEAST ONCE BEFORE THEY GRADUATE

AU Abroad
ABROAD PROGRAMS 150+
COUNTRIES 50+
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A SAMPLE OF AU’S STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

MIDDLE EAST
Israel: Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Jordan: Intensive Arabic and Cultural Studies in Amman (CET)
United Arab Emirates: AU Sharjah

ASIA
China: Beijing Program
China: Chinese University of Hong Kong
India: Contemporary India Program - Pune (Alliance)
Japan: Waseda University
Korea: Yonsei University
Taiwan: National Chengchi University

CENTRAL/SOUTH AMERICA
Argentina: Universidad Católica
Argentina
Brazil: Pontificia Universidade Católica de Rio de Janeiro
Chile: Santiago Program
Costa Rica: Universidad Nacional Autónoma (IFSA - Butler)
Uruguay: University of Montevideo

AFRICA
Kenya: Turkana Basin Field School
Morocco: AMIDEAST in Rabat and Regional Studies in French

UNITED KINGDOM/IRELAND
England: London School of Economics
England: Oxford University
England: University of Exeter
Ireland: National University of Ireland, Galway
Ireland: Trinity College Dublin
Scotland: University of Edinburgh
Scotland: University of Glasgow

EUROPE
Belgium: European Union in Action
Czech Republic: CET Prague Programs
Denmark: Copenhagen (DIS)
France: Intensive French in Paris
Germany: Freie Universitaet
Italy: Studio Art Centers International
Netherlands: University of Leiden
Poland: Jagiellonian University, Centre for European Studies
Russia: Bard-Smolny Program
Spain: Iberian Experience
Tajikistan: Eurasian Regional Language Program (ACTR)
Turkey: Koc University

OCEANIA
Australia: University of Queensland
Australia: University of New South Wales
New Zealand: Victoria University of Wellington
Located in Embassy Row, one of the city's safest and most beautiful neighborhoods, American University is your home to explore Washington, DC, one of the world's great cities. From our green, tree-lined traditional campus, it is only a 20-minute trip to downtown DC and sites like the Capitol Building. From internships and museums, to sports and nightlife, AU students have access to all of the city’s amazing opportunities. To help them explore, all AU students are issued a U-Pass, which allows them unlimited use of the city's subway and bus systems to get the most out of Washington, DC.
NEVER A DULL MOMENT

From high-profile speakers, student clubs and organizations, and concerts, to sports and fitness, the question isn’t what to do. It’s how do I fit it all in? Life on AU’s campus buzzes with energy and activity. But you’ll still have time to sit back and relax with friends.

SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT
DR. JANE GOODALL
MARCH 28, 2017

On March 28, 2017, world-renowned ethologist and conservationist Dr. Jane Goodall, DBE, founder of the Jane Goodall Institute and UN Messenger of Peace, delivered a lecture of hope, peace, and call for conservation action at American University’s School of International Service.

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NCAA DIVISION I PATRIOT LEAGUE TEAMS
+ MEN’S WRESTLING

45
OPTIONS BETWEEN CLUB AND INTRAMURAL SPORTS

150
STUDENT-RUN CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

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Like we said, you’ll be busy at AU. But you can’t forget to recharge. There’s no better place to do that than in one of our residence halls, which have everything you need to thrive. And when you need a good meal or even just a coffee, Dining Services has you covered with options for every dietary need.

**MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME**

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AU HAS 12 RESIDENCE HALLS ON CAMPUS

16
OUR 16 DINING LOCATIONS CATER TO EVERY DIETARY NEED

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AMERICAN.EDU/OCL/ONECARD/DINING
As a global university, American University has a long tradition of welcoming students from across the United States and the world to our campus. No matter who you are or where you are from, you are welcome at American University.

WELCOME GLOBAL STUDENTS

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OUR AU DIPLOMATS

The AU Diplomats are a diverse group of current AU international students and U.S. Global Nomads who serve as student ambassadors to new and prospective AU students, and other members of the international community.

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APPLYING TO AU

Apply Early Decision
If after exploring your college options you decide that American University is the place for you, applying as an Early Decision candidate is a great way to demonstrate that interest to us. In exchange for submitting your application by one of our Early Decision deadlines, you will receive your admissions decision early, taking the stressful wait out of the college admissions process.

English Proficiency
All applicants (including US citizens) whose first language is not English must demonstrate strong English skills. Students may prove English proficiency via their secondary school curriculum or via testing.

Special Academic Programs:
AU also has a number of special academic programs, which require an additional application over and above the admissions application:

THREE-YEAR SCHOLARS PROGRAMS: Global Scholars Politics, Policy, and Law Scholars Public Health Scholars

AU-RITSUMEIKAN UNIVERSITY SAKURA SCHOLARS

AU EMERGING GLOBAL LEADER SCHOLARSHIP (AU EGLS)

AU HONORS
COMMUNITY-BASED RESEARCH SCHOLARS

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Admissions Application Deadlines

EARLY DECISION EARLY DECISION II REGULAR DECISION
NOV 15 JAN 15 JAN 15

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* Required for students who will need an F-1 or J-1 visa to study in the United States.

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Our International Admissions team understands that students and parents have a lot of questions about financing an education in the U.S. The following website has been designed to help answer your questions:

Financial Planning for Prospective First-Year Students
AMERICAN.EDU/ADMISSIONS/INTERNATIONAL/PROSPECTIVE-FINANCE.CFM

**Academically-qualified international and US Global Nomad applicants are automatically considered for partial merit-based scholarships. These scholarships are highly competitive.**

**MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS**

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION RESOURCES**

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**FINANCIAL AID**

U.S. citizens and U.S. permanent residents are eligible to apply for financial aid. In order to receive need-based aid, candidates must meet federal aid eligibility requirements and complete and submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Profile.

Office of Financial Aid
AMERICAN.EDU/FINANCIALAID/

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**Cost of Attendance**

*Undergraduates On or Off Campus*

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*Costs shown are for the 2020–21 academic year.**

**Estimated costs**
The AU Emerging Global Leader Scholarship promotes educational access and opportunity while enhancing international diversity. The AU EGL scholarship covers all billable AU expenses (full tuition, room and board) for one international student who will need a visa (preferably an F-1 or J-1 student visa) to study in the United States. The scholarship does not cover non-billable expenses such as mandatory health insurance, books, airline tickets and miscellaneous expenses (approximately U.S.$4,000 per year). The AU EGL scholarship is renewable for a total of four years of undergraduate study, based on continued satisfactory academic performance.

EGLS gave me an opportunity to receive a kind of education I could previously only dream of and to meet people from a variety of backgrounds. I want to pursue a career in international affairs and need to be cross-culturally competent. The AU EGLS scholarship provided me with exposure to views, beliefs, and cultures very different from my own. This is a character-building experience that I will forever be thankful for.
At American University, we believe in a holistic admissions process. You are more than the sum of your grades and test scores. We want to know about you inside and out of the classroom. In fact, the SAT or ACT is not required for students (including US citizens) graduating from secondary schools outside the United States.

WHAT WE LOOK FOR
ADMISSIONS DECISIONS
Once you submit your completed application, what happens next? You will receive one of the following decisions:

FALL ADMISSION
Fall admissions is familiar to most students and means you will begin as a degree-seeking student in the fall semester for which you applied.

SPRING ADMISSION
We also admit students to AU for the spring semester with the option to participate in the Mentorship Program. Students who participate in the Mentorship Program begin in the fall semester as non-degree students at AU and matriculate in spring as degree-seeking students, transferring in those fall credits. The Mentorship Program has two options: an on-campus experience that includes an internship in Washington, DC or Mentorship in England, which is a first-semester study abroad experience.

WAITLIST
We offer a limited number of students a waitlist decision each year. If space becomes available in the fall class and you sign up to remain on the waitlist, we will notify you in May if we’re able to offer you admission. But we do suggest that students deposit at another institution to secure a spot somewhere for the fall.

DENY
Each year, we have to deny a number of students due to the high level of talent in our applicant pool. But if you have your heart set on attending AU, we encourage you to consider transferring after at least one year at another college.

RECOMMENDED FOR TRANSITION PROGRAMS
International students denied from direct entry may be recommended for IAP or American Collegiate in their denial letter. This is only available for students who meet IAP or American Collegiate requirements.

INTERNATIONAL ACCELERATOR PROGRAM
International Accelerator Program at American University (IAP) is a demanding one-year transition program that combines intensive English language instruction with coursework and supplemental resources that help fully integrate students into the university and their campus community. IAP provides a pathway program that is designed to prepare students for degree-seeking status at AU.

Upon successful completion of the IAP program and meeting academic performance requirements for progression into their intended major, students enter their second year at American University as degree-seeking students.

AMERICAN COLLEGIATE
American University launched its American Collegiate Program in fall 2017. This non-degree program is intended for first-year students who are seeking the academic, cultural, and English-language support to succeed at very competitive U.S. universities. Based at American University, students pursue a program that includes two to three semesters of credit-bearing course work, along with English language and other support. Additionally, these students receive counseling to facilitate a seamless transfer to any university, including AU.

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READY TO LEARN MORE?

1. GO TO AMERICAN.EDU/ADMISSIONS/INTERNATIONAL
2. SELECT FUTURE EAGLE PORTAL
3. CREATE YOUR FUTURE EAGLE PORTAL ACCOUNT
4. EXPERIENCE AU FROM ANYWHERE
   AMERICAN.EDU/ADMISSIONS/EXPERIENCE-AU