**WELCOME** to Baylor University, a private Christian university and nationally ranked research institution. Chartered in 1845, Baylor is the oldest continually operating university in Texas and the largest Baptist university in the world. The University provides a vibrant campus community by blending interdisciplinary research with an international reputation for educational excellence and a faculty commitment to teaching and scholarship. Baylor welcomes students from all 50 states and more than 80 countries to study a broad range of degrees among its nationally recognized academic divisions.

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<td><strong>Mission</strong> The mission of Baylor University is to educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community.</td>
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<td><strong>Location</strong> Approximately 1,000-acre campus adjoins the Brazos River in Waco, Texas, with an area population of more than 230,000</td>
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Welcome to Baylor! We hope you enjoy your walking tour of our beautiful campus. This Walking Tour guide provides two tour options to fit your schedule:

**GREEN ROUTE** (approximately a 1-hour walk)

The Green Route is the recommended tour route. It provides a look at the Baylor campus that includes historic buildings, newer construction, academic buildings and student life facilities, while giving you a feel for the entire University experience. This route begins at the Wiethorn Visitors Center.

**GOLD ROUTE** (approximately a 25-minute walk)

The Gold Route will take you through the heart of the Baylor campus, where you’ll find a number of historic buildings and popular attractions. While facilities have expanded a great deal since the University moved to Waco in 1886, this is the site of a number of Baylor traditions, events and student life activities. This route begins at Burleson Quadrangle.
GREEN TOUR (approximately a 1-hour walk)

1a Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center
This building houses the theatre and art departments. The theatre department, which produces five to six sell-out productions a year, is ranked in the top 20 undergraduate theatre programs nationwide. Students in the art department can choose from a variety of majors and areas of specialty. Hooper-Schaefer also features the Martin Museum of Art.

1b Glennis McCrary Music Building
Home to the School of Music, the Glennis McCrary Music Building features the 1,000-seat Mary Gibbs Jones Concert Hall where many events, conferences and concerts are held. It also includes 78 practice rooms and six percussion practice rooms, as well as a number of rehearsal and recital halls. The School of Music offers a variety of bands, choirs and ensembles for both music majors and non-music majors.

2 Baylor Sciences Building
Completed in 2004, the 508,000-square-foot Baylor Sciences Building (BSB) houses the biology, chemistry, environmental science, geology, physics, psychology, and neuroscience departments. It includes 153 laboratories, 31 classrooms, and a 300-seat auditorium as well as Moe’s Southwest Grill, Starbucks and a Which Wich sandwich shop. Ninety-seven percent of undergraduates take at least one course in the BSB and the building’s open atrium and secluded nooks are among students’ favorite study spots.

3 McLane Student Life Center
Known as the “Slick,” the McLane Student Life Center (SLC) is a student favorite. The SLC features the tallest free-standing rock-climbing wall in the state, a weight training and fitness center, and full-size basketball, volleyball, racquetball, and squash courts. In addition, there is an indoor pool, which has a 16-foot slide, lap swimming, and a lazy river. Finally, the SLC is home to Student Health Services where there are doctors, a pharmacy, physical therapy, and a counseling center available to students.

4 East Village
Completed in 2013, the East Village Residential Community is comprised of two residence halls, Earle Hall and Teal Residential College, as well as a dining hall. Earle Hall houses the Science & Health Living-Learning Center while Teal Residential College is home to Engineering and Computer Science.

Notice construction of the Paul L. Foster Campus for Business and Innovation, which will open Fall 2015.

5 Baylor Libraries
Baylor’s main library complex is comprised of the Moody Memorial Library, the Jesse H. Jones Library, and the W.R. Poage Legislative Library. The libraries house more than 2.5 million bound volumes and a growing collection of digital resources. Many areas of the libraries are open 24 hours a day. The lobby of Moody Library is home to one of Baylor’s two campus Starbucks.
**Burleson Quadrangle**

Burleson Quadrangle is the heart of the historic Baylor campus and is home to many Baylor traditions. The quad is made up of Old Main, the oldest building on campus, which houses the College of Arts and Sciences; Burleson Hall, which now houses academic offices and was originally a women’s dormitory when it was built in 1887; the Draper Academic Building where the departments of political science and sociology are located; and Carroll Science Hall, which houses the English department, and the Carroll Library, which houses the Texas Collection.

**Judge Baylor**

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**Waco Hall**

Waco Hall is a 2,200-seat auditorium where special events are hosted throughout the year and where chapel is held every Monday and Wednesday morning. Chapel is an opportunity for students to worship together and learn from scholars, social activists, preachers, musicians, scientists and others who use their work to show commitment to Christ. Every student takes two semesters of chapel. Waco Hall was built in 1930 with the help of philanthropists in the community.

**Sid Richardson Building**

The Sid Richardson Building houses the math department and the Paul L. Foster Success Center. The Success Center includes a collection of resources for every student: University Advisement, Academic Support, Career and Professional Development, and the Office of Access Learning Accommodation. The Success Center provides free tutoring, support for students with disabilities, and resume-writing and interview workshops among other things to help students from freshman to senior year.

**Cashion Academic Center and Hankamer School of Business**

The Business School is known for its hands-on learning opportunities. One of these is found in the first floor of the Cashion Academic Center. The Southwest Securities Financial Markets Center, a financial trading facility, provides students the opportunity to manage an investment fund valued around $5 million. This investment has produced a total return of more than $1 million, which has been donated to student scholarships. The Hankamer School of Business is also home to Baylor's Entrepreneurship program, which is ranked No. 3 in the nation. The Business School will be moving into its new, state of the art building in Fall 2015.

**Morrison Hall**

Both the Honors College and Graduate School are located in Morrison. The Honors College offers two majors – Great Texts and University Scholars – as well as two programs – Baylor Interdisciplinary Core and Honors – to be pursued along with a major. The Graduate School offers more than 100 programs of study with many opportunities for students to experience hands-on learning and cutting-edge research.
Marrs McLean Science
This newly renovated building houses the School of Education, which is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), and consists of four departments: Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Administration, Educational Psychology, and Health, Human Performance and Recreation. Committed to in-depth preparation for teachers, it is the only school in Texas that offers a yearlong teaching internship. Students in the athletic training program serve alongside faculty and physicians in Baylor athletic programs and in high school sports programs around the area.

Castellaw Communications Center
Castellaw is home to communications, journalism, film & digital media, and public relations. This is also where The Baylor Lariat, an award winning student-run newspaper, is published four times per week. The communication department features the Glenn R. Capp Debate Program, one of the leading undergraduate debate programs in the nation.

Bill and Eva Williams Bear Habitat
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Rogers Engineering and Computer Science Building
Baylor’s engineering program is ranked among the top 15 undergraduate engineering programs by U.S. News & World Report. In addition, the school has experienced a near 100 percent placement rate for graduates in Engineering and Computer Science during the last three years.
Pat Neff Hall

Pat Neff Hall is home to offices for both the University’s President and Provost. The building is topped by the 23.5-karat, gold-plated dome and houses the McLane Carillon, a gift from Baylor alum Drayton McLane, Jr., and his family. The carillon is comprised of 48 bells which ring a recorded chime every 15 minutes. The tower of Pat Neff is illuminated green at night after every Baylor athletic victory and can be seen from miles around.

Bill Daniel Student Center

A hub for student life on campus, the Bill Daniel Student Center is always full of activity. Here students can grab a bite to eat in the food court, get mail in the campus mailroom, play pool with friends in the basement, or just hang out between classes. The SUB, as students call it, is where Dr Pepper® Hour, a Baylor tradition where students and faculty gather together, happens every Tuesday afternoon.

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Baylor University

Established in 1857, Baylor Law School was the first law school in Texas and one of the first west of the Mississippi River. It is accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools. In its law specialties rankings, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked Baylor Law’s trial advocacy program as the fifth best in the nation while the school as a whole is ranked No. 51 in the magazine’s 2015 edition of “America’s Best Graduate Schools.”

Louise Herrington School of Nursing

The Louise Herrington School of Nursing offers upper division (junior and senior) bachelor's and master's programs at a facility in Dallas adjacent to the Baylor University Medical Center. Undergraduate nursing students begin their studies on the Waco campus where they spend two full years preparing for upper-division courses.

George W. Truett Theological Seminary

Located on the northwest side of campus, George W. Truett Theological Seminary is one of the nation’s fastest growing accredited theological schools. Since welcoming its first class in 1994 with one Master of Divinity program, Truett Seminary now offers an MDiv with numerous concentrations, a Doctor of Ministry program, a Master of Theological Studies degree and dual degrees in social work, music and business administration.

OTHER BAYLOR SIGHTS

**McLane Stadium**
Football returned to campus in Fall 2014 with the addition of McLane Stadium. This impressive facility seats a capacity crowd of 45,000 and includes premium and reserved seating as well as special seating for Baylor students. Situated along the Brazos River, the stadium and campus are connected by a pedestrian bridge. The west end of the stadium opens toward a stunning campus view.

**Turner Riverfront Athletic Complex and Ferrell Center**
The Turner Riverfront Athletic Complex is home to many of Baylor’s Division I sports. It includes the Allison Indoor Football Practice Facility, Baylor Ballpark, Getterman Softball Complex, Hurd Tennis Center, and the Betty Lou Mays Soccer Field. The Ferrell Center, where the volleyball team and the men’s and women’s basketball teams play, is the gold-domed building located at the end of the riverfront complex.

**School of Social Work**
Baylor’s School of Social Work is located on Washington Avenue in Downtown Waco. This partnership with the city allows our students to gain hands-on experience and serve many in the local community. Committed to advancing social work knowledge, values and skills in a Christian context, the school’s faculty are also actively engaged in many types of research.

**Ferrell Center**

**McLane Stadium**

**Turner Riverfront Athletic Complex and Ferrell Center**

**School of Social Work**
Mayborn Museum Complex
The Mayborn Museum Complex features a natural science and cultural history museum focusing on Central Texas with walk-in dioramas – including one on the Waco Mammoth Site – and exploration stations for geology, paleontology, archaeology and natural history. In addition, 17 themed discovery rooms encourage hands-on learning for all ages. Various rotating displays are also available throughout the year in the Anding Traveling Exhibit Area.

Armstrong Browning Library
This 19th-century research center is dedicated to the study of the lives and works of Victorian poets Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Housing the world's largest collection of Browning material and other fine collections of rare 19th-century books, manuscripts and works of art, the library is dedicated to serve as a "library of record" of research materials relating to the Brownings; to acquire, preserve and provide access for effective use of these materials and its other collections; and to promote opportunities for the study, appreciation and understanding of the Brownings and the wider field of 19th-century literature and culture.

LOCAL HOT SPOTS

If you would like to get a feel for student life off campus or are just looking for something great to eat, below are some popular student hangouts close to Baylor’s campus.

Common Grounds
(1123 South 8th Street)
This cozy, alumni-owned coffee shop is on the corner of campus at the intersection of 8th Street and Dutton Avenue. Students enjoy studying, hanging out, and listening to live music at Common Grounds. Grab their famous Cowboy Coffee or the 254 or Lake Waco (for non-coffee drinkers).

Vitek’s BBQ
(1600 Speight Avenue)
Looking for authentic Texas BBQ? Grab the famous Gut-Pak from Vitek’s (imagine a Frito pie, but even better!). Located at the corner of Speight Avenue and 16th Street.

George’s Restaurant
(1925 Speight Avenue)
Located off the access road after the light at 17th-18th Streets near I-35, George’s is a student and alumni favorite. Featuring southern-style foods, this is always a hot spot on game day. You’ll want to try the Crazy Wings and chicken fried steak or chicken.

Schmaltz’s Sandwich Shoppe
(105 South 5th Street)
If you’re looking for a great sandwich and want to check out Downtown Waco, visit Schmaltz’s. The menu features a variety of sandwiches on artisan bread made fresh daily. The signature Schmaltz sandwich is amazing.

Ninfa’s
(220 South 3rd Street)
Located downtown in a former train depot, Ninfa’s is a local Tex-Mex favorite. If you’re coming in from out of state and want a real taste of Texas, this is a must-try. We recommend the fajitas or the Pechuga Alfonzo.
For those who are exploring college options, we know this is such an exciting time for you and your family. We appreciate you considering Baylor and hope this tour will help you learn more about the University and whether it is the place you want to call your college home.

Feel free to ask our faculty, staff and students your questions. You’ll find that we’re happy to provide honest answers we hope will help as you make this decision. If you have further questions, please contact Admission Services at 1-800-BAYLOR-U, option 1-1.