WHERE LIGHTS SHINE BRIGHT.
THE BEST & THE BRIGHTEST SHINE AT BAYLOR.

On this campus, academic excellence is elevated, a Christian commitment is celebrated, and the Baylor Family welcomes every freshman with open arms.

So take an illuminating tour through these pages, then follow your path to Baylor. We’ll light the way.

OUR MISSION

To educate men and women for worldwide leadership and service by integrating academic excellence and Christian commitment within a caring community.
SPOTLIGHT

FOUNDED 1845
LOCATED IN WACO, TEXAS
AWARD-WINNING* CAMPUS ON 1K ACRES

93% of undergraduate classes are taught by Baylor professors (not grad assistants) who both teach and perform research in their fields.

37% of 2019's freshman class identify as belonging to a racial minority population.

39% of 2019's freshman class are from outside the state of Texas.

14,108 undergraduates

3,500 anticipated freshman class

13:1 student-to-faculty ratio

26 average class size

95 countries represented

330+ student organizations

75% of the Fall 2019 entering freshman class were in the top quarter of their graduating high school class.

ACT 26-32 Median ACT score range for accepted freshmen.

SAT 1210-1370 Median SAT score range for accepted freshmen (math & critical reading).

TOP 100
#79 “AMERICA’S BEST COLLEGES”
- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT 2020

NATIONALLY RANKED

SUPERIOR ACADEMICS

NATIONALLY RANKED

#1 Bar Passage Rate in Texas - February 2020 Texas Bar Exam

#5 Entrepreneurship - Princeton Review 2020

#15 Clinical Psychology (Psy D.) - Counseling Psychology

#25 In Top 25 Best Colleges Without Application Fees

#27 Undergraduate Research/ Creative Projects - U.S. News & World Report 2020

#35 Accounting - Public Accounting Report

#66 Hankamer School of Business program - U.S. News & World Report 2020

SUCCESS AT BAYLOR

72-75% acceptance rate into medical school for graduating seniors.

89% of seniors who apply are admitted to one or more law schools.

83% of students find jobs or start graduate school within 90 days of graduation.

"Most Innovative Business School" - EuropeanCEO magazine

* by Southern Living magazine
JOIN A COMMUNITY OF STUDENTS AND FACULTY IN ONE OF OUR SPECIAL PROGRAMS DEVOTED TO HELPING YOU ACHIEVE YOUR AMBITIOUS ACADEMIC, CAREER AND RESEARCH GOALS.

BAYLOR BUSINESS FELLOWS
baylor.edu/business/fellows

> Opportunity for high-ability students to study business along with other disciplines around the university through a degree plan tailored to each individual.
  - Complete multiple majors and minors in business, math, sciences and liberal arts.
  - Receive individualized, in-depth advising that helps you succeed in professional and academic goals.
  - Progress more rapidly to courses in your majors and minors.
  - Prepare yourself for internships, jobs and graduate studies in medicine, law, business and more.

HANKAMER SCHOLARS
New Program!

This application-based program allows for more creativity and flexibility for high-ability students within the traditional BBA degree plan.

- Hankamer Scholars are eligible to take upper-level coursework in all disciplines and majors.
- Scholars will receive specialized guidance provided by the Hankamer School of Business advising team for their entire academic journey.

HONORS COLLEGE PROGRAMS
baylor.edu/honors

> Multi-faceted community devoted to the love of learning, cultivation of wonder, nourishing of character, and development of leadership, whether your goal is medicine, law, education, ministry, graduate study, etc.

- University Scholars (major) allows high-ability students to chart a personalized educational journey and fosters interdisciplinary conversation in the liberal arts and sciences.
- Great Texts (major) covers foundational works of literature, theology and philosophy, while exploring connections between what we know, how we live and what we enjoy.

- Honors Program students explore foundational texts within small courses; the experience culminates in a senior thesis written with a faculty mentor in any major offered at Baylor.

- Baylor Interdisciplinary Core (BIC) students fulfill general education requirements in small, interdisciplinary courses emphasizing global engagement. BIC students may pursue degrees emphasizing global engagement.

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COMPUTER SCIENCE FELLOWS
baylor.edu/csfellows

> Highly motivated students within the Department of Computer Science with a wide range of interests can create a tailored degree plan across disciplines.

- Create an individualized course of study with the advice of a program director who will mentor you throughout the entire undergraduate experience.
- Prepare for graduate studies or a successful career while broadening your background in your chosen area of study.
- After you complete one semester of study, you can apply to be part of the program.

Baylor holds firm to the conviction that the world needs a preeminent research university that is distinctly Christian, where such a commitment does not imply a lack of scholarly inquiry, but rather requires scholarship and creative endeavors at the highest levels of quality to complement and inform its teaching and service.

Being a Christian, however, is not required for admission to Baylor. Our caring community welcomes about 40 different religious affiliations as part of our undergraduate student body.

FAITH & LEARNING
baylor.edu/spirituallife

HERE ARE A FEW OF THE WAYS WE SEEK TO INTEGRATE FAITH AND LEARNING:

> University Chapel services provide twice-weekly opportunities for group worship, inspiration and community building. There are also multiple sacred spaces across campus for contemplation and reflection.
> Religion classes help students examine and understand their beliefs.
> Service opportunities help students put hands and feet to faith. At Baylor, we believe service can be a whole lot of fun, and we make sure of it through our strong Baptist Student Ministry, mission trips, Steppin’ Out and other community service projects.
> A current Truett Seminary student serves as Resident Chaplain in each residence hall, providing leadership, guidance and support.
Living on campus at Baylor, you will experience a supportive Christian environment with people and services in place to help you achieve personal growth and academic success. Learn more about your housing options at baylor.edu/CLL.

FIRST-YEAR COMMUNITIES
First-year Communities foster a strong sense of belonging, whether there are less than 200 residents or up to 600 residents. These residence halls offer first-year students an opportunity to meet and live with other first-year students with different interests and backgrounds. Students are able to learn and grow with each other through their first year at Baylor as they set their course for success.
- Collins Hall (female)
- Kokernot Hall (female)
- Martin Hall (male)
- Penland Hall (male/female)
- Texana House (female)
- University House (male)

LIVING-LEARNING CENTERS
Living-Learning Centers are communities organized around specific academic programs. Students of all classifications live among other students with similar interests and degree plans. As part of the emphasis on community, residents share common cohort classes and have access to other academic services and programming within the communities.
- Baylor & Beyond (global)
- Business & Innovation
- Impact (education)
- Fine Arts
- Leadership
- Outdoor Adventure
- Science & Health

RESIDENTIAL COLLEGES
Residential Colleges are faculty-led communities that foster academic excellence, intensive faculty-student interaction and rich culture steeped in Baylor tradition. The Residential Colleges offer a special sense of family through group dinners, optional morning and evening prayer, and Master’s Teas hosted by the Residential College Faculty Steward.
- Brooks Residential College
- Honors Residential College
- Teal Residential College
¡PARRANDA! A cultural celebration of the diverse cultures of Central and South America through cuisine, art, music and performances.

STOMPfest: Teams perform in this annual step show to a variety of musical styles, such as Hip Hop, Rap, Latin American and popular Christian music.

CHRISTMAS ON 5TH STREET: A joyful celebration that includes an annual tree lighting, caroling, a live nativity scene and special musical guests.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
- THE WALL STREET JOURNAL/TIMES HIGHER EDUCATION COLLEGE RANKINGS 2020

#8 FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCES
- U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT 2020

THANKSGIVING DINNER: One of the most attended on-campus Baylor traditions, this dinner is a time for students, faculty and staff to come together to enjoy food, games, entertainment and fellowship with the Baylor community.

SING: Student groups compete for bragging rights in this annual Broadway-style music and dance show.

WELCOME WEEK: New Baylor Bears enjoy opportunities to connect with other incoming and returning students.

HOMECOMING: Baylor is believed to have the nation’s oldest and largest Homecoming celebration. Students and alumni enjoy events, such as a bonfire, parade, Pigskin Revue and more.

DR PEPPER HOUR: Each week since 1953, campus has come together to socialize and enjoy Dr Pepper floats during Dr Pepper hour.

THE BAYLOR LINE: This spirit organization, made up of new students, wears signature gold jerseys as they energize the crowd at all home football games.

Diadeloso: Since 1934, students have been given a day off in Spring to enjoy the outdoors. Diadeloso, or “Day of the Bear,” features athletic tournaments, activities, live music and more.

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MOSAIC WEEK: The wonderful diversity at Baylor is highlighted during a series of events hosted by the Department of Multicultural Affairs.
As a charter member of the Big 12 Conference, Baylor offers the thrill and excitement of Division 1 Athletics!

**HIGHLIGHTS**

2019 NCAA Women’s Basketball National Champions

Baylor Football competed in the 2019 Big 12 Championship game and headed to the 2020 Sugar Bowl

Women’s Volleyball won the 2019 Big 12 Championship and advanced to the program’s first Final Four

**2019-2020 RANKINGS**

#1 Acrobatics and Tumbling
#3 Women’s Volleyball
#3 Women’s Basketball
#5 Men’s Basketball
#7 Men’s Football
#9 Women’s Equestrian
#12 Men’s Golf
#19 Women’s Tennis
#21 Men’s Tennis
#23 Women’s Golf
#23 Women’s Softball

## Club Sports

- Baseball
- Crew
- Cycling
- Fencing
- Golf
- Gymnastics
- Lacrosse
- Rock Climbing
- Rugby
- Sailing
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Taekwondo
- Tennis
- Triathlon
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Wakeboard
- Water Polo
- Water Ski

## Intramural Sports

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Canoe Battle
- Cornhole
- Dodgeball
- Flag Football
- Kickball
- Pickleball
- Raquetball
- Soccer
- Softball
- Spikeball
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Track Meet
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Volleyball
- Wallyball
APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

APPLICATION PROCESS


NOVEMBER 2
- Early Decision 1 (binding; for students who commit to attending Baylor if accepted; receive a decision by December 15)
- Early Action (non-binding; receive a decision by January 10)

FEBRUARY 1
- Early Decision 2 (binding; for students who commit to attending Baylor if accepted; receive a decision by March 1)
- Regular Admission (non-binding; receive a decision by April 10)


Decide which free application you want to use to start your application file:
- ApplyTexas: applytexas.org
- Common App: commonapp.org
- Early Action: baylor.edu/goBAYLOR


Your goBAYLOR account will show you exactly which items we have received and what is needed to complete your file by the deadline.

1. COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
2. ESSAY
   - If you are applying via the Baylor Online Application, the essay will be available in your goBAYLOR account.
   - If you are applying via the Common Application or ApplyTexas, the essay will be part of your application.
3. HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT
   - Transcripts must be received or stamped by the application deadline to be considered for admission.
4. TEST SCORES
   - If you apply with Common App or ApplyTX, you will get an email to create your goBaylor account. If you apply with Common App or ApplyTX, you will get an email to create your goBaylor account after you submit your application. Regardless of your application choice, your goBAYLOR account will be important for tracking your application status and any next steps you might have.

5. A P P L Y F O R F I N A N C I A L A I D - C S S P R O F I L E A N D F A F S A
   - To be considered for the maximum amount of financial aid, you must submit both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Profile.
6. O T H E R R E Q U I R E M E N T S
   - Other steps might be required based on your individual circumstances. Check your goBAYLOR account to see if you need to submit any additional items.
7. R E C O M M E N D E D I T E M S
   - These items allow us to get to know you better. Submit them through your goBaylor account after completing your application for admission. Resume or ZeeMee Profile, 2 Letters of Recommendation and Short-Answer Response (required for Early Decision applicants).

MEET YOUR COUNSELOR

Our two on-campus bears, Lady and Joy, can counsel you on how to get your naps and snacks between studying. But if you’re looking to talk about all things Baylor and the admissions process, visit baylor.edu/meet to connect with your admissions counselor, ask questions and/or schedule a time to meet one-on-one. If you feel more comfortable speaking in a language other than English, language, look for our list of multilingual counselors, who are happy to assist you.

TRANSFERRING CREDIT

Baylor accepts AP, IP, CLEP, SAT II and dual credit. Learn more at baylor.edu/transfercredit.


If you have not submitted your materials electronically, mail all application materials to:
Undergraduate Admissions
One Bear Place #97056
Waco, TX 76798-7056

You may send materials separately, but please clearly indicate your full name and date of birth on each item to help us match it to your application file.
At Baylor, we want every student to be able to achieve their dream of earning a high-quality education. We are committed to helping make that happen, no matter your financial background.

**OPTION 1: ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**
This is a year where everything is unique and different. Therefore, we’re doing individualized reviews on all scholarships. No additional application is required for a Baylor academic scholarship. We will holistically review your application file when you apply.

**OPTION 2: FINANCIAL AID**
To be considered for the maximum amount of financial aid, you must submit both the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at fafsa.ed.gov and the CSS Profile at cssprofile.collegeboard.org.* Both applications open on October 1 and should be submitted by the priority date to be considered for the most available funds.

Priority Dates:
- Freshman Early Decision 1 and Early Action: November 2
- Freshman Early Decision 2, Freshman and Transfer Regular Admission: February 1

If you miss this priority date, please submit the applications as soon as possible, and you will be reviewed for eligibility on any funds that are available.

The FAFSA will determine your eligibility for these programs: grants, educational loans and federal work study.

*The CSS Profile and FAFSA are required for Early Decision 1 and 2 applicants.

**OPTION 3: SPECIALTY BAYLOR AWARDS**
Baylor offers a variety of “specialty” scholarships for students who meet specific qualifications (i.e. event-based, leadership, academic, extracurricular activities, denomination, legacy status, athletics, military, housing choice). You can learn more about these awards at baylor.edu/typesofaid.

**OPTION 4: OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS**
We recommend you apply for as many outside/private scholarships as possible. These might include scholarships offered by local businesses or service/religious organizations. Your school counselor should be able to assist you in determining what is available in your community.

**OPTION 5: PAYMENT PLANS**
Baylor offers an installment plan that allows you to pay your out-of-pocket cost each semester in five monthly payments. You can learn more about this option at baylor.edu/sfs/installment.

**PRO TIP:** Some questions will be the same on the FAFSA and CSS Profile. Make sure you answer consistently, or your award package will be delayed until conflicting information is resolved.

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**INCLUDED WITH YOUR COST OF ATTENDANCE**

**ACADEMICS** • ACADEMIC ADVISING • MENTORING • SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION • TUTORING

**WELL-BEING** • ACCESS TO PULLIN FAMILY MARINA • ACCESS TO THE MCLANE STUDENT LIFE CENTER (SLC), WHICH INCLUDES FREE-STANDING ROCK CLIMBING, POOL AND FITNESS CLASSES • COUNSELING SERVICES • THE STORE FOOD PANTRY • FREE FOOD EVENTS, INCLUDING SEASONAL ON-CAMPUS FARMER’S MARKET

**CAREER-FOCUSED** • CAREER ADVISING • CAREER CLOSET • GRADUATE SCHOOL & CAREER FAIRS • INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES • JOB SEARCH RESOURCES • MOCK INTERVIEWS • RÉSUMÉ REVIEWS

**PROGRAMS** • FIRST IN LINE FOR FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS • MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS • TRANSFER STUDENT SUCCESS OFFICE • VETERAN EDUCATION AND TRANSITION SERVICES

**AND MUCH MORE**

**UNDERGRADUATE COST // ’20 –’21**

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*Remember that you also need to budget for personal expenses, books and supplies, and transportation. International students are also required to have health insurance.*

To see a sample budget that includes direct and indirect costs, visit baylor.edu/sfs/coa.

**PRO TIP:** Don’t let our sticker price fool you — more than 90% of Baylor students receive financial aid. So this number could look different for your specific situation. Explore all the ways to fund your Baylor education at baylor.edu/affordability.
The Baylor University Career Center is dedicated to the professional success of each and every Baylor Bear. That begins the first semester of your freshman year by creating a path that spans throughout your college experience and on to an exciting career or graduate school.

DEDICATION
Every Baylor student has access to their own dedicated Career Success Professional (CSP). There are 26 CSPs ready to help identify students’ career interests, strategize job and internship searches, craft résumés and prepare them for networking events or interviews.

PREPARATION
One of the most beneficial ways Baylor students are assisted by the Career Center is through the Career Development courses, which allow students to explore their career interests and opportunities, learn about the numerous career resources available, practice career-oriented life skills and get ahead in their career plan long before they graduate.

IN 2019, THE CAREER CENTER HOSTED:

- 362 events throughout the year, including career fairs, information sessions, class presentations and networking
- 2,682 interviews performed by employers hiring students for jobs or internships
- 39,237 jobs in Handshake, our career database
- 440 employers on campus for various recruiting events
- 13,098 internships in Handshake, our career database
- 56 employers that visited campus five times or more for recruiting activities

TOP EMPLOYERS

- 3M
- 49 FINANCIAL
- ACCENTURE
- ALIGHT SOLUTIONS
- ALLERGAN
- ALLSTATE
- AT&T
- BANK OF AMERICA
- BAYLOR SCOTT & WHITE
- BAYLOR UNIVERSITY
- BDO
- BIRDEYE INC.
- BKO
- BP
- BRANDT ENGINEERING
- CALL BID
- CHEVRON PHILLIPS
- CHEMICAL
- CHICK-FIL-A
- CONOCOPHILLIPS
- CREDERA
- DELL
- DELUtte
- DISNEY
- EXXONMOBIL
- EY
- FIDELITY INVESTMENTS
- FRIBCO ISD
- GARTNER
- GENERAL MOTORS
- GOLDMAN SACHS
- H-E-B
- IBM
- INTEL
- JP MORGAN CHASE
- KPMG
- LJHARRIS
- LOCKHEED MARTIN
- MICROSOFT
- MIDWAY ISD
- MULTVIEW
- NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL
- ORACLE
- PAYCOM
- PEACE CORPS
- PHILLIPS 66
- PROSCRIBE
- PROTIVITI
- PSC BIOTECH
- PwC
- RAYTHEON
- ROBIN HEALTHCARE
- SCRIBEMERICA
- SENDERO
- SEWELL AUTOMOTIVE
- SHELL
- SpaceX
- TEXAS FARM BUREAU
- TEXAS INSTRUMENTS
- TEXAS MOTOR SPEEDWAY
- TEKTRON
- U.S. AIR FORCE
- U.S. ARMY
- WACO ISD
- WHITLEY PENN

“The Career Center has made it so much easier because as a freshman starting out in college, I had no idea what I wanted to do, no direction. Back then, I was thinking I’ve got four years to figure it out. But I decided to work with the Career Center early, and it’s been super nice my senior year to feel confident, have my job lined up and really not have to worry about anything but school since I knew my job was taken care of after graduation. The ease of that and making it happen was definitely aided by the Career Center.”

Faith Jones
Marketing ‘20
EXPLORE WACO

Located in the heart of Texas, Waco is a 90-minute drive from Austin or Dallas/Fort Worth. The Waco Regional Airport makes it easy to connect to flights out of Dallas. While you’re visiting, don’t forget to explore Waco’s hot spots. (Waco was named TripAdvisor’s #2 Destination on the Rise in 2018!)

AROUND TOWN

DICHOTOMY • DR PEPPER MUSEUM • FABLED BOOKSHOP & CAFE • GEORGE’S RESTAURANT • SCHMALTZ’S SANDWICH SHOPPE • SHORTY’S PIZZA SHACK • UNION HALL • VITEK’S BBQ

Choosing your new college home is exciting, even if it might be more challenging this year. While nothing can truly replace experiencing a college campus for yourself, we want to connect with you wherever you are.

Most campus tours* are available Monday through Friday and select Saturdays. Email us at visit@baylor.edu and let us help create a customized, private visit experience for you and your guests to explore our beautiful campus.

If you can’t visit us in-person, we have several virtual visit opportunities available, including individual appointments with your admissions counselor to help you in your college search. You can pick and choose what works with your schedule, and we’ll help you as you create your own tailored Baylor Experience. Learn more at baylor.edu/virtualvisits.

And be sure check out our Why Baylor webpage at baylor.edu/whybaylor to explore more of what Baylor has to offer from the comfort of your own home.

*Should we be able to safely offer tours
To help you jump start your academic pursuits, we are making it easy to begin classes with our Summer of Discovery online course bundles. Each curated course bundle will help you get ahead in your core course requirements that will apply to a range of Baylor degrees but will also allow you to move more quickly into your selected major — at a tuition discount!

Summer of Discovery courses are taught by Baylor faculty who care about your success, and each course gives you the opportunity to learn alongside new friends.

Learn more at baylor.edu/discovery.