GW STATS And FACTS

- Founded 1821 by an act of Congress
- Number of undergraduate courses offered: 2,000+
- Courses with fewer than 30 students: More than 70%
- Average class size: 28
- Student-faculty ratio: 13:1
- Campuses: Fogggy Bottom & Mount Vernon, both in Washington, D.C.
- Majors: 75+
- Ranked #1 university for internships
WE GO WAY BEYOND THE TYPICAL UNIVERSITY experience with an education that is deeply connected to our location in the center of Washington, D.C., and one that sets us apart. Our students, called Colonials, actively engage the city and world through hands-on learning experiences, where they study and work alongside faculty experts, policy leaders and extraordinary people in every discipline to shape global progress.

ONLY AT GW! One of our student leaders coined this phrase to capture the essence of the mind-blowing “only at GW” moments that happen every day.

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2. Find and scan pages with the GW icon.
3. Discover and enjoy extra content about GW!
WHAT DISTINGUISHES A GW EDUCATION is the way we consistently put knowledge into action through research, internship and service opportunities for students in all academic areas.

RESEARCH
GW students are continually opening new doors of discovery. Their innovative research, conducted in partnership with GW professors, is celebrated during the annual Research Days (yes, we need more than one day to showcase everything our students discover!). Recent topics include food waste in DC public schools, cholesterol transport in HIV and Tangier disease, Tunisia’s Islamists and how personality affects purchasing.

A MONUMENT TO RESEARCH
Our students have access to innovative facilities to support their innovative research. Only at GW will you find the 500,000-square-foot Science and Engineering Hall, which features state-of-the-art labs, a 3,600-square-foot greenhouse and SCALE-UP classrooms, which allow our students to move from theoretical learning to practical applications. Students can use a 20-ton crane to test the strength of bridge beams in the three-story tall High Bay, fabricate three-dimensional reconstructions of nanometer-sized specimens in the Microscopy Suite and create devices that measure to billionths of a meter in the Nanofabrication Clean Room.
With more than 15,000 internships available for 11,000 students, you can understand why GW ranks as the top school in the nation for internships.

A D.C. internship provides invaluable professional experience — and sometimes a security clearance. GW students intern at the White House and U.S. Department of State (both our neighbors), as well as at American Red Cross, BET, Folger Shakespeare Library, National Science Foundation and NPR.

GW students are passionate about civic engagement. It’s a huge part of being a Colonial. Students participate in many university-wide service events.

Just two weeks into their first year, students participate in service projects at schools, parks and recreation sites all across Washington, D.C., during the annual Freshman Day of Service.

GW offers students over 70 service-learning courses and the opportunity to live in the Civic House, allowing for the chance to put knowledge into action through service.
ONLY AT GW will you find such a breadth of majors and minors, academic resources, well-connected faculty and dynamic classroom experiences.

**RECENT UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- **Entrepreneurship in the Arts**
  To shake up the donor-subsidized nature of many performance groups, this student proposed and piloted a new model for modern arts organizations based on the Social Entrepreneurship Model by Mort & Weerawardena.

- **How Sincere? An Analysis of Student Essays on Service**
  Published in the Undergraduate Journal of Service-Learning and Community-Based Research, this paper used reflections from an after-school art program to develop a Scale of Sincerity to measure youth’s writing.

- **Financial Decision-Making in Colombia: An Analysis of the Influence of Informality and Interdependence on Financial Stability**
  By examining young adults in Colombia, a country that has experienced immense growth and declining poverty rates yet still has large income inequalities, this student analyzed the influences of financial capability.

- **How Twitter Content Changes as the Campaign for Presidency Continues**
  By analyzing Twitter posts and geotags, this research developed a visual map of relationships between Twitter users and the 2016 U.S. presidential candidates, tracking followers as the field narrowed.
GW is extending the frontiers of discovery in the nation's capital by building new state-of-the-art facilities for university research. Recent projects include our new Science and Engineering Hall, the Milken Institute School of Public Health, the George Washington University Museum and The Textile Museum and District House, a new 800+ bed residence hall.

**ENGAGE THE WORLD**
As a leader in international education, GW embraces a culture of study abroad. These learning experiences impact how students view the world, helping students to analyze economic, political and social issues with greater insight. About 40% of GW students study abroad in more than 60 countries.

**LEARN FROM LEADERS**
Our students can expect to hear at least one speaker on campus every day of the school year. Recent speakers have included Buzz Aldrin, Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Senator Cory Booker (D-NJ), Ken Burns, former Representative Eric Cantor (R-VA), Stephen Colbert, Tim Cook, Laverne Cox, Ina Garten, Alicia Keys, Christine Lagarde, Seth Meyers, President Barack Obama, Jon Stewart, Kerry Washington and Ziauddin Yousafzai.

**EXPERT FACULTY**
GW welcomes professors with international perspectives, including former U.S. Ambassador Edward "Skip" Gnehm, Jr. (B.A. ‘66, M.A. ’68), internationally renowned chef José Andrés, former International Monetary Fund Executive Board member Hossein G. Askari and Nobel Prize Laureate Ferid Murad.

**WORLD-CLASS FACILITIES**
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**A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE**
GW students come from all over the globe. With more than 130 countries represented, students fine-tune their cross-cultural understanding by living and learning with students from other countries, building a network of friends and preparing them to succeed in a global setting.

**Special Programs**
GW offers a variety of special programs focused around specific areas of academic interest or special talent. Many of these programs offer co-curricular experiences, residential housing options and specialized coursework.

Programs include:
- Seven-Year B.A./M.D. Program
- University Honors Program
- Women’s Leadership Program
- Presidential Scholars in the Arts
- Dean’s Scholars in Shakespeare
- Scholars in Quantitative and Natural Sciences
- Civic House
GW STUDENTS DON’T JUST PARTICIPATE IN D.C. LIFE—THEY STIMULATE IT.

Our students do so in one of the most culturally dynamic, diverse and consequential cities in the world. Our location fuels and inspires students’ passions to champion civic causes and learn firsthand how to make an immediate difference. Students also watch performances at the Kennedy Center, play cricket on the National Mall, watch inaugurations and enjoy street festivals across the District.

Just as the nation’s capital is a resource for our students, GW serves as an intellectual partner for the city. Faculty collaborate with government agencies, corporations, policy centers and cultural institutions – which in turn provides our students access to these preeminent organizations. Where are students only a 10-minute Metro ride away from the Smithsonian Institution, home to one of the world’s greatest collections of artifacts? Only at GW.
Our **LOCATION** is a big part of **WHO WE ARE**

### Access to the World

The immediate access to a wealth of leading experts, agencies, businesses, museums and institutions makes the academic experience at GW like no other. GW students can take a short walk or Metro ride to get to the National Institutes of Health, NASA Headquarters, CNN, the National Science Foundation, the Environmental Protection Agency, Lockheed Martin, the Federal Reserve, the U.S. Department of State and much more.

### Arts and Culture

Thanks to our location in the District, GW students have had the chance to see recent concerts and productions such as Beyoncé, Macklemore, Janelle Monáe, Taylor Swift, *The Guardsman*, *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* and *Our Town*, as well as other performances at the more than 25 theaters, clubs and concert halls less than 15 minutes from campus. As well, with GW’s Corcoran School of the Arts and Design located right on campus, students have unparalleled access to visiting art exhibitions from around the world.

### The Home Team

Washington, D.C., is home to professional teams from the MLB, MLS, NBA, NFL, NHL, and WNBA—with many games within minutes of campus by Metro.

### Any Moment Can Be Monumental

What we love about living in Washington, D.C., are our “only at GW” moments—experiences you can only have at GW! Here’s what we mean:

- **Former Federal Chairman Assigns Homework to GW Students**: Ben Bernanke teaches a course on the Federal Reserve.
- **Wake-up Call from the VP**: The Veep’s motorcade greets students on the way to class.
- **A Commitment to Finding a Cure**: President Obama, Dr. Sanjay Gupta, Bono and Alicia Keys gather for World Aids Day at GW.
- **National Landmarks Become Classrooms**: Students take a media history class about the evolution of journalism at the Newseum.
WITH 27 DIVISION I VARSITY SPORTS, the Colonials compete in the Atlantic 10 Conference, supported by legions of enthusiastic fans clad in the Buff and Blue across the country. In the 2015-2016 academic year, 7 teams won championships and 57 athletes were named all-conference.

VIBRANT STUDENT LIFE
Over 450 student-created and student-run organizations make GW buzz with energy. Organizations range from Everybody Cooks GW to the Humans Versus Zombies and from the Colonial Army to the Wooden Teeth literary magazine.

GO GREEK
About 30% of undergraduates participate in GW’s 35 Greek letter organizations, adding another layer of community to campus life.

PASSION FOR CHANGING THE WORLD
280,000+ alumni worldwide play an active role in the life of the university, enriching student experiences by forging professional relationships and giving back to the university through volunteerism and philanthropy.
Students participate in over 50 club and intramural sports, including cricket, equestrian, ice hockey, lacrosse, martial arts, rugby and ultimate frisbee.

Our students keep fit and active by enjoying six floors of athletic amenities, including group fitness classes and intramural and club sports at the Lerner Health and Wellness Center.

Each year university-wide cultural events include Latino Heritage Celebration, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Award Ceremony, Unity Week, Bhangra Blowout and the Hawaii Club Luau.

GW spirit is everywhere! Students are passionate about our many NCAA Division I teams as well as our mascot, George. Our fans proudly wear and raise high our Colonial Buff and Blue.
You have to study how the world runs before you run the world. It starts in the classroom, with a class research project or through an internship before you graduate. Students get invaluable experiences that open doors for full-time employment or advanced professional studies.

One way students gain real-world experience is through the GW New Venture Competition, where students, faculty, staff and alumni develop, test and launch their own start-up companies. More than 200 participants compete for over $200,000 in cash and prizes. The 2016 overall winner was HomeGrown Farms, which supports the growth of hyperlocal, sustainable produce using hydroponic technology.

When to Apply

Early Decision I
November 1

Seven-Year B.A./M.D.
Application
December 1

Early Decision II
January 1

Regular Decision
January 1

Investing in Your Education

As the cost of education continues to rise, many families feel that college is out of reach. We strongly believe that GW is a realistic option for every admitted student and is worth the investment.

Fixed-Tuition Program:
Tuition remains the same (and will not increase) for up to five years of undergraduate study.

$51,875 Tuition for students entering fall 2016

$12,500 Estimated room and board for students entering fall 2016

70% of undergraduates receive financial aid

$185+ million awarded for undergraduate financial aid

$40,983 average financial aid package
Our students represent different cultures, religions, lifestyles, countries and political points of view providing a diverse and engaging student body.

UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT: 11,000  
FRESHMAN CLASS SIZE: 2,500

25,000 TOTAL NUMBER OF FRESHMAN APPLICATIONS

SAT MID-RANGE FOR ADMITTED FRESHMEN†: 1300-1460  
ACT MID-RANGE FOR ADMITTED FRESHMEN†: 30-33  
TOEFL MID-RANGE FOR ADMITTED FRESHMEN: 98-108

22% MULTICULTURAL FRESHMAN STUDENTS  
GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY: FRESHMAN STUDENTS FROM 49 STATES (+ D.C.) AND 61 COUNTRIES

15% INTERNATIONAL FRESHMAN STUDENTS  
40% ADMIT FRESHMAN RATE

*10% undecided

**Percentage may not add up exactly to 100% due to rounding.

*SAT/ACT scores are not required for most students. See application requirements at undergraduate.admissions.gwu.edu.
COLUMBIAN COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

- Established in 1821, the college is the oldest and largest at GW.

MAJORS
- Africana Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Arabic Studies
- Archaeology
- Art History
- Art History and Fine Arts
- Astronomy and Astrophysics
- Biological Anthropology
- Biology
- Biophysics
- Chemistry
- Chinese Language and Literature
- Classical Studies
- Communication
- Criminal Justice
- Dance
- Dramatic Literature
- Economics
- English
- English and Creative Writing
- Environmental Studies
- Fine Arts
- French Language and Literature
- Geography

- Geological Sciences
- German Language and Literature
- History
- Human Services and Social Justice
- Interior Architecture and Design
- Japanese Language and Literature
- Judaic Studies
- Mathematics
- Music
- Organizational Sciences
- Peace Studies
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Pre-law option
- Pre-medicine option
- Psychology
- Religion
- Russian Language and Literature
- Sociology
- Spanish and Latin American Languages, Literature and Culture
- Speech and Hearing Sciences
- Statistics

- Theatre
- Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies

MINORS
- In addition to being able to minor in many of the major fields, the following minors are offered:

- Applied Ethics
- Creative Writing
- Cross-Cultural Communication
- Film Studies
- Geographic Information Systems
- Italian Language and Literature
- Jazz Studies
- Korean Language and Literature
- Law and Society
- LGBT and Sexuality Studies
- Linguistics
- Logic
- Mind-Brain Studies
- Organizational Communication
- Semitic Languages and Cultures
- Sociocultural Anthropology
- Sustainability

CORCORAN SCHOOL OF THE ARTS AND DESIGN

- The Corcoran was founded in 1869 by William Wilson Corcoran, and the school became part of the GW community in 2014.

MAJORS
- Fine Art
- Graphic Design
- Fine Art Photography
- Photojournalism

SCHOOL OF MEDIA AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

- GW has offered journalism courses since 1938, and in 1982 became the first university in the world to offer a degree in political communication.

MAJORS
- Journalism and Mass Communication
- Political Communication
ELLIOTT SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
- Interdisciplinary teaching and research prepares students to take on the complex nature of international issues and to better understand the world.

MAJORS
Asian Studies
International Affairs with concentrations in:
- Comparative Political, Economic and Social Systems
- Conflict Resolution
- Contemporary Cultures and Societies
- Global Public Health
- International Development
- International Economics
- International Environmental Studies
- International Politics
- Regional Study (Africa, Asia, Europe and Eurasia, Latin America, Middle East)
- Security Policy
- Latin American and Hemispheric Studies
- Middle East Studies

MILKEN INSTITUTE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
- Proximity to agencies like NIH and the Red Cross provide opportunities for research and internships.

MAJORS
Exercise Science with concentrations in:
- Pre-Athletic Training/Sports Medicine
- Pre-Medical Professional
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- Pre-Medical Professional
**Students may apply to this program only after completing 60 college credits.

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE
- The school is a tight-knit community of faculty and students who know each other by name and who work together to explore solutions to today’s engineering and computer science challenges.

MAJORS
Applied Science and Technology
Biomedical Engineering
Civil Engineering with tracks in:
- Environmental Engineering
- Medical Preparation
- Physics (5-year program)
- Sustainability
- Transportation Engineering
Computer Engineering
Computer Science with tracks in:
- Artificial Intelligence
- Computational Mathematics and Science
- Computer Graphics and Digital Media
- Computer Security and Information Assurance
- Data Science
- Digital Media/Computer Graphics
- Foundations and Theory
- Medical Preparation
- Software Engineering
- Software Engineering and Design (B.A.)
- Electrical Engineering with tracks in:
  - Energy
  - Medical Preparation
- Mechanical Engineering with tracks in:
  - Aerospace Engineering
  - Biomechanical Engineering
  - Medical Preparation
  - Patent Law
- Systems Engineering with tracks in:
  - Energy and Sustainability
  - Medical Preparation

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
- By engaging the public and private sectors, the School of Business has worked to promote national prosperity and international development since its founding in 1928.

MAJORS
Accountancy
Business Analytics
Business Economics and Public Policy
Finance
Information Systems and Technology Management
Innovation and Entrepreneurship
International Business
Marketing
Sport, Event and Hospitality Management
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Explore campus: virtualtour.gwu.edu

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