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I AM A SPARTAN OF A BETTER TOMORROW.

At Michigan State University, your future comes first. As a Spartan, you’ll have access to incredible opportunities, top-ranked programs and faculty who are leading the way to new discoveries every day. Our shared determination and drive to make a better world is more than just a passion: it’s Spartans Will.

No matter where you choose to take your MSU journey, you’ll have a strong support network that is invested in your success — and more than half a million alums to connect with, too!

With the resources of a big university at your fingertips and more than 1,000 student organizations, MSU is where you will discover new interests, find belonging, make friends and make a difference.

Be part of the next generation of Spartans that will lead with courage, find meaningful solutions and put their unique talents to work for a better future.
Amazing things happen here, and not by coincidence. Spartans have perfected the art of pairing collaboration with unconventional thinking to create solutions that make a better tomorrow for everyone — like using transparent surfaces to harvest solar energy, creating the transportation of the future with autonomous vehicles, and challenging assumptions to increase our understanding of our world and each other.

Spartans have imagined all of these things, and then got to work making them a reality. What will you imagine?

Discover Spartan stories at msutoday.msu.edu.
Our will is what unites us — across cultures, disciplines and decades. As we work to create a better future, Spartans use our unique talents and engage in powerful collaboration within our community and across the world.

1. ISA OLIVO is a junior majoring in comparative cultures and politics at James Madison College, with a double minor in Spanish and LGBT studies. She is an Intercultural Aide and the Racial Justice Educator at MSU’s Gender and Sexuality Campus Center, working to create safe, inclusive and educational environments. They are proud to support Diversity, Equity and Inclusion work.

2. NATE HUNIKER is a senior entomology major and president of Bug Club-MSU, which they’ve helped grow from less than 10 to 300+ members. As an MSU Bug House volunteer, they create a welcoming, supportive environment for arthropod enthusiasts and work to change public perceptions of bugs to help combat the ongoing collapse of insect biodiversity.

3. DANNY CABALLERO is leading an effort to revolutionize how physics is taught at the college level. The associate professor helped create a student-first learning model that is attracting international attention while improving STEM courses for students at MSU.

4. RIYA Patel is a senior majoring in supply chain management and an active member of the business fraternity Phi Chi Theta. She is also the marketing director at VIM Magazine, MSU’s only student-run fashion, beauty and lifestyle publication. She was proud to help launch the VIM Collective, a name rebrand that created a publication. She was proud to help launch the VIM Collective, a name rebrand that created a

5. GEMMA REGUERA is an MSU microbiologist and professor. She and her team are known for discovering superpowers of microbes — from their ability to clean up nuclear waste to their ability to clean up nuclear waste to their instrumental role in harnessing energy from wastes and in biofuel production.

6. GERI ALUMIT ZELDES creates Emmy-winning social justice documentaries, involving MSU students throughout the process so they can develop storytelling and investigative reporting skills. The journalism professor was named among the “100 Most Influential Filipina Women in the World.”

7. FLORENE MCGLOTHIAN-TAYLOR has been a veteran of the police force for 30+ years. She works to create an inclusive culture on campus in her role leading the MSU Police Department’s inclusion and Anti-Bias Unit, which proactively addresses police and community-related issues associated with bias.

8. PICTA PAJSK is an instructor in MSU’s department of kinesiology, teaching Wheelchair Sports. After obtaining three degrees from MSU, he traveled the world for his studies in the rehabilitation counseling program, exploring other cultures’ perceptions of disabilities.

9. CHRISTIAN DURFIELD is a sophomore with a major in applied engineering sciences. He is involved in the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). One of his proudest moments as a Spartan was getting his first internship as a first-year student at the NSBE national conference. He aims to inspire the youth in his community by promoting education and equal opportunities, and by encouraging kindness in everyday interactions.

10. ADITI KULKARNI is a senior studying comparative cultures and politics in James Madison College with minors in Spanish, economics and international development. She co-founded the Spartan Food Security Council (SFSC), one of MSU’s first student organizations fighting college student hunger. As a Spartan, she helped introduce the Hunger-Free Campus Bill in the Michigan House of Representatives.

11. ALONYA JACKSON is a senior kinesiology major in the Honors College, who is involved in Collegiate Midnight Golf and the Big Sister Little Sister Mentoring Program. As a Spartan, she is most proud of leaving her comfort zone to accept numerous opportunities presented to her at MSU. She hopes to be a changemaker in her community and start a nonprofit organization.
BUILD YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

From the moment you arrive on the MSU campus, you’ll have the opportunity to pursue distinctive experiences that will shape you as a person and provide you with the knowledge and skill sets to succeed in your career.

MSU’s top-ranked programs, high-caliber opportunities, and inclusive, collaborative community enable students to create powerful, personalized paths and to work with the best in the world.

EDUCATION ABROAD
Studying theatre in London, system science in Antarctica, or sustainable agriculture in Sri Lanka — these are just a few of the more than 275 education abroad programs MSU offers in more than 60 countries on all continents. Students who study abroad can look forward to forming lifelong friendships and broadening their worldviews in meaningful ways.
educationabroad.isp.msu.edu

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
More than ever, our world needs creative thinkers and doers. Students who participate in undergraduate research become just that — gaining experience, building key skills and working side by side with faculty. Choose from hundreds of individual and group research and creative activities or create your own independent project.
urca.msu.edu

ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Across campus and beyond, MSU’s expanding entrepreneurship opportunities — from business incubators and endowed funding sources to new academic programs and partnerships — are ensuring that Spartan undergraduates from all disciplines are prepared to lead and solve problems creatively.
entrepreneurship.msu.edu

MAKER SPACES
Maker spaces across campus provide tools, resources and people that can help bring students’ ideas to life. Explore campus and find 3-D printers and scanners, laser cutters, workshops, entrepreneurial co-working spaces, green screen studios, a state-of-the-art theatre scene shop and more.
MAJOR OPPORTUNITIES

Picking a major sets you on a course that can change your life. At MSU, you can create your own path that accommodates all of your interests, even if they change. Whether you’ve already discovered your passions or you still need time to explore, we provide the opportunities and resources to help you succeed.

Not sure what to study? Check out the career interest areas below — rather than majors, these are general categories that include majors. (You can also choose exploratory as a major on the MSU application.) To keep exploring, visit go.msu.edu/academics.

MAJORS LISTED BY CAREER INTEREST AREAS:

AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT • Agriscience management • Agriculture, food and natural resources education • Animal science • Crop and soil sciences • Entomology • Environmental biology/microbiology • Environmental biology/plant biology • Environmental biology/zooloogy • Environmental economics and management • Environmental engineering • Environmental geography • Environmental geosciences • Environmental sciences and management • Environmental studies and management • Fisheries and wildlife • Food industry management • Food science • Forestry • Freshman year • Health professions • Horticulture • Human geography • Landscape architecture • Plant biology • Preveterinary (professional path) • Sustainable parks, recreation and tourism • Veterinary nursing • Zoology

BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT • Accounting • Advertising creative • Advertising management • Apparel and design • Apparel and textiles • Arabic • Art education • Art history and visual culture • Arts and humanities • Chinese • Communication • Communication leadership and strategy • Communication sciences and disorders • Composition • Digital storytelling • English • Experience architecture • Film studies • French • Games and interactive media • German • Global studies in the arts and humanities • Graphic design • Interdisciplinary humanities • Interior design • Japanese • Jazz studies • Journalism • Linguistics • Marketing • Music • Music education • Music performance • Philosophy • Professional and public writing • Public relations • Russian • Spanish • Studio art • Theatre

ART, COMMUNICATIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT • Advertising creative • Advertising management • Apparel and design • Apparel and textiles • Arabic • Art education • Art history and visual culture • Arts and humanities • Chinese • Communication • Communication leadership and strategy • Communication sciences and disorders • Composition • Digital storytelling • English • Experience architecture • Film studies • French • Games and interactive media • German • Global studies in the arts and humanities • Graphic design • Interdisciplinary humanities • Interior design • Japanese • Jazz studies • Journalism • Linguistics • Marketing • Music • Music education • Music performance • Philosophy • Professional and public writing • Public relations • Russian • Spanish • Studio art • Theatre

EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SERVICES • Child development: birth to kindergarten and special education • Criminal justice • Elementary education • Human capital and society • Human development and family studies • Humanities — prelaw • Interdisciplinary studies in social science — social science education • Integrated science — secondary education • James Madison College • Music education • Political science — general • Political science — prelaw • Public policy • Social work • Special education • Urban and regional planning

HEALTH SCIENCES • Biomedical laboratory science • Communicative sciences and disorders • Dietetics • Environmental biology • Kinesiology • Life sciences • Nursing • Nursing — accelerated second degree program • Nursing (online program) • RN license required • Nutritional sciences • Physiology • Preprofessional (premedical path) • Preprofessional (prelaw path) • Preprofessional (prevetinary path) • Psychology • Veterinary nursing

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) • Actuarial science • Animal science • Applied engineering sciences • Astrophysics • Biochemistry and molecular biology • Biotechnology • Biology • Biomedical laboratory science • Biostatistics and data science • Chemical engineering • Chemical physics • Chemistry • Civil engineering • Communicative sciences and disorders • Computational data science • Computational mathematics • Computer engineering • Computer science • Data science • Electrical engineering • Entomology • Environmental biology/microbiology • Environmental biology/plant biology • Environmental biology/zooloogy • Environmental engineering • Environmental geosciences • Environmental sciences and management • Fisheries and wildlife • Games and interactive media • Geography and earth science • Geosciences • Geosciences and management • Genetics • Genomics and molecular genetics • Geographical information science • Geology • Geology of the earth • History, philosophy and sociology of science • Human biology • Information science • Integrative biology • Integrative science • Integrated science — secondary education • Lyman Briggs College • Materials science and engineering • Mathematics • Mathematics, advanced • Mechanical engineering • Microbiology • Neuroscience • Nutritional sciences • Physical science • Physics • Political science • Plant biology • Quantitative risk analytics • Sociology • Zoology

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL STUDIES • African American and African Studies • Anthropology • Arabic • Chinese • Comparative cultures and politics • Economic geography • English • French • German • Global and international studies • Global history • Global studies in the arts and humanities • History • History, philosophy and sociology of science • Human capital and society • Human development and family studies • Human geography • Human resource management • Humanities — prelaw • Interdisciplinary humanities • Interdisciplinary studies in social science • James Madison College • Japanese • Linguistics • Philosophy • Political science — general • Political science — prelaw • Political theory and constitutional democracy • Psychology • Public policy • Religious studies • Russian • Social relations and policy • Social work • Sociology • Spanish • Urban and regional planning • Women’s and gender studies • World politics
WE’VE GOT YOUR BACK

At MSU, you’ll find support programs that help students before they arrive on campus and ensure success before and after graduation.

CAREER SERVICES

MSU’s Career Services Network engages you from the start of your college experience. With career service professionals located in college-based and centralized career centers across campus, the network can help you select your major, explore career options, find a part-time job or internship, prepare for an interview and more!
careernetwork.msu.edu

RESOURCE CENTER FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

MSU is committed to removing barriers for all Spartans so they can achieve their full potential. The Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities provides solutions and resources to students, faculty, staff and visitors of all abilities throughout their experience at MSU.
rcpd.msu.edu

SERVICE-LEARNING

The Center for Community Engaged Learning prepares students for lifelong civic and social responsibilities in an increasingly diverse and complex global society. Every year, thousands of students participate in community-engaged learning and service opportunities. These experiences give students new skills and a greater understanding of the world.
go.msu.edu/cel

STUDENT SERVICES

At MSU, you’ll have numerous opportunities to connect with important academic, cultural, LGBTQIA2S+, diversity, inclusion and health and safety resources on campus, in the community and beyond.

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One of the nation’s highest FIRST-YEAR RETENTION RATES

89%

Spartan Success

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Placement Rate for work or graduate school within six months of graduation

93%

NEIGHBORHOODS

With five distinct Neighborhoods, living on campus puts you at the center of all MSU has to offer. Students can easily access academic resources — including advisers, tutors and learning resource centers — as well as student engagement centers, classrooms, health clinics, dining halls and more.
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Stories above:

1. Celebrate your culture or learn about more cultures at the annual Spartan Remix celebration.
2. Stay healthy by taking advantage of the three intramural facilities on campus.
3. Big Ten sports are a big-time event at MSU.
4. Whether you’re vegan or carnivorous, MSU’s award-winning culinary services team dishes up fresh, thoughtful cuisine at campus dining halls.
5. MSU’s park-like campus is the perfect setting for an outdoor movie screening.
6. MSU’s 27 undergraduate residence halls are grouped into five Neighborhoods to offer students an abundance of living and dining options.
7. Spartans appreciate the beauty of Michigan’s four seasons.
8. MSU’s intramural sports and fitness program — one of the largest in the nation — makes it convenient for Spartans to stay active and healthy.
9. The 300-member Spartan Marching Band puts on one of the best halftime shows in the country.

MSU is one of the biggest, greenest campuses in the nation. Once you experience MSU in person, you’ll understand why Spartans continue to think of the university as “home” long after they leave.
1. From kayaking and water skiing to kiteboarding and surfing, the Great Lakes are home to a plethora of water sports.
2. The Capitol building in Lansing, a mile from campus. (Photo: Emily, ‘18)
3. East Lansing is on the list of best college towns by WalletHub for its social environment and academic and economic opportunities. (Photo: Jake, ‘20)
4. Fall in Michigan means apple picking, hayrides, and pumpkin carving. (Photo: Monica, ‘16)
5. Michigan summers are famous for warm days and cool nights best enjoyed outdoors. (Photo: Katie, ’19)
6. Arch Rock stands 146 feet above Lake Huron on Mackinac Island, between Michigan’s Upper and Lower peninsulas. (Photo: Greg, ‘99)
7. The MSU Outdoors Club scales the ledges of nearby Grand Ledge, home to ancient sandstone rock formations that overlook the Grand River. (Photo: Vanessa, ’17)
8. The ice caves in Munising, Michigan, draw brave explorers in search of natural beauty. (Photo: Nancy, MSU staff)
9. Downtown East Lansing is a great place to explore and take walks in the summer. (Photo: Ella Signs, East Lansing community development specialist)

We understand the importance of a great location. And Michigan has many — from Great Lakes shorelines to big city skylines. In the heart of lower mid-Michigan, you’ll find MSU in East Lansing, a globally-minded community that hums with activity and culture. Minutes from the capital city of Lansing, MSU is a car, bus or train ride away from other Michigan jewels like Detroit and Grand Rapids, and a few hours from Chicago.

Michigan is known for its Insta-worthy natural beauty and activities for all seasons, pictured here in images taken by our community. Gather up some friends and find a place that inspires you, from sand dunes to ski alpine to the many bodies of water found throughout the Mitten State.

GET SMITTEN WITH THE MITTEN

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List

There’s a lot to do on our 5,200-acre campus and in the surrounding community. Consider this the start of your official Spartan bucket list.

- Try every ice cream flavor at the MSU Dairy Store
- Sit under the stars at Abrams Planetarium
- Guard the Spartan Statue during Sparty Watch
- Join a student group at Sparticipation
- Celebrate music, art, and culture at Spartan Remix
- Join hundreds of students at the annual Izone campout
- Smell the flowers in Beal Garden
- Follow the Spartan Marching Band to the football stadium
- Climb to the top of Beaumont Tower
- Post a photo dump of MSU squirrels
- Take a selfie with Sparty
- Feed the ducks
- Paint the Rock
- Yell “Go Green!”

- Learn the lyrics to the fight song, “Victory for MSU”
- Find the mammoth in the MSU Museum and the polar bear in the Natural Resources Building
- Take a class for fun
- Get lost in the world’s largest library comic book collection
- Explore MSU’s haunted halls
- Get inspired at TEDxMSU
- Create something new in one of the MSU maker spaces
- Showcase your work at the annual UURAF event
- Ice skate at Munn Arena
- Attend Midnight Madness
- Challenge yourself to visit each of the hundreds of buildings on campus
- Order MSU Bakers cookies
- Pet Zeke the Wonder Dog
- Eat at every dining hall
- Build a float for the Homecoming parade
- Take a photo with the Spartan Statue
- See a Broadway show at the Wharton Center
- Shop the student organic farm stand
- Bike the 13 miles of the Lansing River Trail
- Visit the Broad Art Museum
- Do yoga in the sculpture garden
- Visit the red pandas at the Potter Park Zoo
- Volunteer with the MSU Student Food Bank
- Watch a cow milking at the MSU Dairy Cattle Farm
- Take the stage at open mic night at the Union
- Request a song on Impact 89 FM
- Attend at least one game for each sport
- Learn how to sail at the MSU Sailing Center

- Explore one of the world’s largest media collections in the MSU Library
- Watch a movie at Wells Hall
- Hold exotic insects at the Bug House
- Pet a reindeer at Winter Glow
- Explore Old Town Lansing during the jazz and blues festivals or Mighty Uke Day
- Find your new favorite jogging path among the 100 miles of sidewalks
- Go on an Alternative Spring Break
- Attend one of the nation’s largest career fairs
- See the Alumni Chapel’s stained glass
- Meet hundreds of artists at the East Lansing Art Festival
- Explore the world through education abroad
- Take a selfie under the Michigan Capitol Building dome
- Check out the gaming labs to play one of 17,000 console and PC games
- Join thousands of Spartans during the Global Day of Service
- Sign up for a group fitness class
- Paint your face for a Spartan football game
- Find your favorite study spot at the MSU library
- Venture to Lansing’s REO Town for pop-up events and shows
- Walk among the 22,000 trees on campus
- Experience the Global Festival
- Join your friends for a hayride during Homecoming weekend
- Did we mention Big Ten sports?
- Watch a show at the Summer Circle Theater
- Kayak the Red Cedar River
- Attend a carillon concert at Beaumont Tower
- Make lifelong friends
- Stand arm in arm with fellow students and sing the alma mater, “MSU Shadows”

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First-generation immigrant, business founder and alumnus Tapan “Tops” Kataria is also an investor in 30 startups with a history as an innovative entrepreneur. In 10th grade, he created a successful business working as a DJ at Indian weddings, which paid for his college tuition. At MSU, Tops developed his passion for the venture space and graduated from the Eli Broad College of Business. After running accelerators for top brands like Techstars and Backstage Capital, he is now investing in the next generation of entrepreneurs building the future. He also sits as a venture partner at Republic.co, a leading equity crowdfunding platform.
EXPERIENCE OUR ICONIC CAMPUS

Imagine a campus that’s more like a giant park, with 5,200 acres of breathtaking natural beauty, cutting-edge academic and sports facilities, state-of-the-art performance spaces and much more. Now see it for yourself! Students can sign up for in-person tours or explore virtual campus tours and programs.
admissions.msu.edu/visit

READY FOR YOUR TOUR?

GETTING TO CAMPUS

There are many convenient ways to get to Michigan State University. The Capital Area Multimodal Gateway adjacent to campus welcomes visitors via rail and city, regional and national bus lines. The Capital Region International Airport is less than 20 minutes from campus and the Michigan Flyer bus service transports visitors to and from Detroit Metropolitan Airport.
admissions.msu.edu/visit/travel-accommodations
When you’re a Spartan, you’re part of something bigger: an unstoppable force for good that will change your life and our world for the better.

More than half a million strong worldwide, we proudly call ourselves Spartans.

JOIN US.

Joan Rose, one of the world’s leading experts in water and public health microbiology, leads students in an examination of samples taken from MSU’s Red Cedar River.
IN-STATE FIRST-YEAR
Tuition and fees: $16,051
Food and housing: $11,754
Total for two semesters: $27,805

NON-MICHIGAN FIRST-YEAR
Tuition and fees: $43,435
Food and housing: $11,754
Total for two semesters: $55,189

International students may have additional fees and expenses.

94% of first-year students received financial aid (2022–23)
AWARDED IN FINANCIAL AID
(TUITION & FINANCIAL AID
admissions.msu.edu/cost-aid)
$2.2B

CONTACT US
Have questions? Reach out to our office or contact your admissions counselor, and we’ll be happy to help you!
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HOW TO APPLY
The application for admission will open in August for fall 2025 applicants. MSU strongly encourages students to take a college preparatory curriculum in high school. Students are also advised to apply early.

1. Applications for admission are available at admissions.msu.edu/apply as well as through the Common or Coalition application. MSU has no preference for one type of application over another, but it’s important that you submit only one per admissions cycle.

2. Have your official transcripts sent to MSU.

3. ACT/SAT optional: Students will indicate on the application whether they would like SAT or ACT exam scores included in their evaluation. MSU’s ACT code is 2032; the SAT code is 1465.

GET SOCIAL WITH MSU
Join current students on the official MSU Instagram or TikTok accounts to see what it’s like to be a Spartan!
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STUDENT COMMUNITY
51,316 total students
40,483 undergraduates
Students from 130+ countries
28% of students are from outside of Michigan
Men: 48.6%
Women: 51.4%
16:1 student-faculty ratio

Fall 2023 university enrollment
American Indian/Alaska Native: 144
Asian: 4,002
Black/African American: 3,261
Hispanic/Latino: 3,240
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 30
White: 33,066
Two or more races: 2,051
Other/not reported: 1,044

Fall 2023 first-year profile
(GPA and test scores based on middle 50% of enrolled first-year students)
First-year students are from 80 of 83 Michigan counties, 45 states and 67 countries.
• Entering class: 9,371
• High school GPA: 3.8
• Composite ACT: 27
• Total SAT: 1210

Michigan: 75.4%
Non-Michigan: 24.6%
Domestic: 18.7%
International: 5.9%
First-generation students: 26.3%
Students of color: 27.1%
of entering class