



YOU'RE A  
**SPARTAN!**

MICHIGAN STATE  
UNIVERSITY

ADMITTED INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE

# YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS HERE

Your years at Michigan State will shape the rest of your tomorrows in ways you can't imagine now. While you're here, try something new, figure out what you like and what you don't, then decide what you love. Make the most of campus traditions, participate in undergraduate research, and join in with 75,000 Spartans to yell "Go Green!" Listen to the sounds of the Spartan Marching Band, the splash of the Red Cedar, and countless conversations that tumble out of research labs and residence halls.

**And know that when you're a Spartan, you're part of something bigger. A force for good that will change our world.**

## JOIN US

Secure your place among the incoming class of Spartans. Just follow the steps online at [admissions.msu.edu/admitted](https://admissions.msu.edu/admitted).

### RESERVE YOUR PLACE

- Log in to your admissions account at [beaspartan.msu.edu](https://beaspartan.msu.edu) to locate your Personal Identification (PID) Number and receive your Personal Access Number (PAN)
- Use your PID and PAN to set up your NetID and email account at [tech.msu.edu/new-students](https://tech.msu.edu/new-students)
- Submit your Advanced Enrollment Deposit and select an Academic Orientation Program date
- Complete a housing contract
- Complete steps necessary to obtain your I-20 or DS-2019

### PREPARE TO ENROLL

(Complete before your orientation date)

- Complete your online placement exams
- Submit your immunization form
- Review health insurance requirements
- Upload your student ID photo
- Complete the Spartan Preview
- Have your final, official transcript(s) sent to the Office of Admissions

**Questions? Contact us at [admis@msu.edu](mailto:admis@msu.edu) or (517) 355-8332**

**A top 100** global university –  
*U.S. News & World Report*

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**#1** in the Big Ten and No. 22 in the nation  
for employability of graduates – *Times Higher  
Education's Global University Employability Ranking*

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**25** undergraduate and graduate programs ranked  
in the top 20 nationally – *U.S. News & World Report*

# SPARTANS WILL. WORLDWIDE

Since admitting its first international student in 1878, MSU has welcomed tens of thousands of international students and scholars. Today, the university is home to more than 6,200 students and scholars from more than 130 countries.

We look forward to welcoming you to Michigan State and the Spartan family!



# MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME

MSU's campus is big. But once you're here, you'll learn it's like a small city with dynamic neighborhoods that make you feel right at home. Explore what makes MSU like no place else.

## DINING

MSU's award-winning culinary services team dishes up fresh, thoughtful cuisine with global flavor at our 10 campus dining halls.

## HOUSING

When you move into one of MSU's residential Neighborhoods, you begin to experience MSU on a more personal level. Places to eat, academic support, health services, and friends can be found all in one place.

Need help making a decision about where to live? Take a virtual tour of MSU Neighborhoods at [liveon.msu.edu](https://liveon.msu.edu).

## SAFETY

Safety is a priority at Michigan State. Many university resources are dedicated to fostering a safe and inclusive campus community.

### 24/7 SERVICES

MSU has a team of more than 80 sworn police officers certified by the State of Michigan working 24 hours a day on campus.

### LATE NIGHT SAFETY

In addition to MSU's extensive campus bus system, the Night Owl service provides late night transportation on campus after buses stop running at 2 a.m.

### EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

The MSU Police Department operates an emergency notification system through email, text message, or voice message right to your phone with campus safety warnings and information. Parents and guardians are welcome to subscribe to MSU Alerts to receive the same messages.

## DISCOVER MICHIGAN

We understand the importance of a great location. And Michigan has many—from Great Lakes shorelines to big city skylines. And in the heart of lower mid-Michigan, you'll find MSU located 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 from other Michigan cities like Detroit and Grand Rapids, and a few hours from Chicago.



## MORE TO EXPLORE



**900+**  
student clubs and organizations



**150+**  
concerts annually



**3** intramural athletic teams  
**25** Division I intercollegiate sports  
**28** club sports  
**25** intramural sports



# EXPLORE

and organizations



**19 kilometers**  
of bike paths  
**20,000+**  
bicycle parking spaces

ics facilities  
collegiate athletic teams

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## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

MSU's Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) is dedicated to providing special assistance, advising, and programming for the members of MSU's international community. Information about immigration, travel to the United States, international student orientation, and other information for international students can be found on the OISS website at [oiss.isp.msu.edu](http://oiss.isp.msu.edu).

Want to connect with current international students before you arrive on campus? Follow OISS on social media:



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# INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

What matters most when choosing a university—graduation rates, the cost of a degree or return on investment? At MSU, you don't have to choose.

Each year, nearly 600 top organizations visit campus to conduct more than 15,000 interviews with students. Recent interviewers included Boeing, Campbell-Ewald Advertising, Fiat Chrysler, General Electric, IBM, Morgan Stanley, PepsiCo, Peace Corps, Pfizer, Teach for America, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



**OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM:** MSU can help you explore career options, find a part-time job or internship, or prepare for an interview.



**OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS CONDUCT RESEARCH PROJECTS:** Choose from hundreds of individual and group research activities or create your own independent project.

## SPARTAN SUCCESS

[spartansuccess.msu.edu](http://spartansuccess.msu.edu)

Rich opportunities outside the classroom provide students with a foundation for success in the workplace.

# MSU'S GLOBAL NETWORK

Every day, Spartans are changing lives in ways that are both practical and profound—creating opportunities for study and research and finding solutions for some of the world's most challenging problems.

Michigan State's global network of more than half a million alumni, including more than 50,000 international Spartan alumni, are an essential part of that force for good. And more than 140 alumni clubs worldwide bring Spartans together for local events, activities, and service opportunities.