A place for explorers
At Montana State University, the spirit of exploration is in our blood. We take classes designed to put us on the path to career success. We help world-class researchers make key discoveries in their fields. We join communities of like-minded people who make this university home to us. And we find our playgrounds in millions of acres of nearby wilderness.

At MSU, our aspirations are as grand as our horizons.
Montana State University is in a class of its own.

① Among the top 3 percent of colleges or universities in the nation for research expenditures.

② A major research university with a unique focus on undergraduate research and creative projects.

③ The only university of its kind with unparalleled access to outdoor adventure and discovery.

“Among pristine lakes and towering mountains lies this environmentally conscious gem.”

—College Magazine
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Montana’s Premier University

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**Montana’s Biomedical University**

Our researchers are working to understand how biofilms affect infection and healing. Others are focused on the neurobiology of rare diseases. They give undergraduate students hands-on learning to prepare them for medical professions programs.

**Optics Hotspot**

The Bozeman area has the highest concentration of optics and photonics companies in the nation. MSU’s Optical Technology Center (OpTeC) is at the forefront of Bozeman’s optics boom.

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2. Algal biofuels research could yield alternative energy sources.
3. Honey bee researchers study how pathogens such as viruses affect hive health.
4. MSU students program and build satellites for NASA missions. Five MSU-built satellites are currently orbiting the Earth.
5. The Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry has a great variety of modern equipment and facilities.
A university engaged in helping others

How do you change your community for the better? At MSU, students combine the skills they learn through their studies with the desire to make a difference.

They put their engineering expertise to work for the people of Khwisero, Kenya. There, they help build the water and sanitation infrastructure necessary to live healthy lives. They sponsor head-shaving fundraisers for Saint Baldrick’s, a nonprofit dedicated to ending childhood cancers. They organize food drives to feed the hungry.

These activities teach students important skills that will help them transition to fulfilling careers.

BreaksAway is MSU’s spring break volunteer program. In 2016, 56 BreaksAway participants volunteered in five U.S. locations and impacted more than 19,000 individuals.

MSU partners with more than 100 community service organizations in the greater Bozeman area.

The 2016 Involvement Fair attracted more than 70 campus and community organizations.

MSU’s Service Saturdays let students contribute to a local nonprofit, even if only for one day. Just show up, roll up your sleeves, and have fun!
A place for helping people

**MSU Study Abroad** offers more than 250 programs in more than 60 countries.

Students raised $16,719 for the St. Baldrick’s Foundation to fight childhood cancer.

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1. Engineers Without Borders help Kenyan communities build water and sanitation systems.
2. MSU Study Abroad offers students the opportunity to interact with other cultures.
3. Students and faculty volunteer each year at NanoDays, an outreach project that educates children about nanoscience.
4. Students feed the greater Bozeman area through Towne’s Harvest Garden.
5. Students from the MSU Leadership Institute shaved their heads to raise money to fight childhood cancer.
A place for remarkable people

The Trail Blazer
Lynsey Dyer finished third place in NCAA Division I ski racing at MSU. After college, Dyer founded She Jumps, a nonprofit using mentorship to increase girls’ participation in outdoor activities. Her film “Pretty Faces” is the first all-female ski film to sell out more than 200 screenings.

The Hollywood Director
After graduating from the MSU film program, John Dahl moved to Los Angeles to direct films. He has directed episodes of popular TV shows, including “Dexter,” “Breaking Bad” and “Hannibal.” He cast one of his MSU professors, Bill Pullman, in his film “The Last Seduction.”

The Game-Changer
Maurice Hilleman may have saved your life. History will remember him as the man who saved more lives than any other 20th century scientist. Over the course of his career, he invented more than 40 vaccines that fundamentally changed the game in human health. Among other illnesses, his vaccines prevent measles, mumps, rubella, Hepatitis A and B, and chickenpox. He graduated from MSU in 1941 with dual degrees in chemistry and microbiology.

The Tinkerer
After studying mechanical engineering at MSU, Adam Sklar could have worked for a variety of organizations. Instead, he took his passion for cycling and started his own company building custom bikes. Now he’s using his engineering and biking expertise to make top-notch bikes, right here in Bozeman.

The Cowboy
Ty Erickson went into pro rodeo after winning two men’s all around national championships for MSU Rodeo. In 2014, he qualified for the Wrangler National Finals Rodeo. He took seventh place in the world PRCA rankings.

The Interstellar Explorer
Jaime Waydo graduated from MSU in 2000 with a degree in engineering. Then she led the team that designed the mobility systems for the Mars Rover, which landed on Mars in 2012. Now she works for X (formerly GoogleX) where she is a systems engineer on the self-driving car program.

The Guide
Philosophy and fish wildlife biology probably seem like a weird combination of majors. Not for Jenny Grossenbacher, world-renowned Montana fly-fishing guide. She’s coauthored a book on the subject, Fly Fishing Montana, with her husband. She also appeared on national TV when she helped guide for Oprah Winfrey and Gayle King.
**The Researcher**

As a global leader in researching the unknown continent of Antarctica, MSU professor John Priscu and his team were the first to discover life underneath the frozen continent’s ice sheet. He has authored nearly 200 refereed journal articles and seven books. He has traveled to Antarctica almost every year for 30 years to conduct research, and often includes undergraduate students.

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**The Producer**

MSU instructor Doc Wiley is a Grammy-winning recording and mixing engineer who has worked with U2, Christina Aguilera and Whitney Houston. He’s executive producer of “Live From the Divide,” a public radio show celebrating the American songwriter, produced in Bozeman’s Peach Street Studios.

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**The Voice**

Sarah Vowell graduated from MSU in 1993. Since then she has written seven nonfiction books on American history and culture, was a contributing editor on “This American Life” and voiced the character Violet in the animated film “The Incredibles.”

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**The National Champion**

MSU Junior Annika Miller won the National College Athletics Association (NCAA) Nordic Freestyle Individual Championship in 2016. Originally from McCall, Idaho, she came to MSU to ski and to study chemical engineering.

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**The Curator**

Joe Horse Capture graduated from MSU before becoming the first Native American curator for the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, a post he held for 15 years before becoming a curator for the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

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**The Nike VP**

Nico Harrison went from playing basketball at MSU to managing brands of top basketball players LeBron James and Kobe Bryant. After MSU, he traded plans for a career in medicine for career opportunities in basketball. At first, he played basketball professionally in Europe before transitioning into Nike. Today, he’s the vice president of North America basketball operations at Nike.

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**The CIA Officer**

Nada Glass Bakos attended MSU from 1987-1991, majoring in economics. In 2000 she went to work for the CIA. She was one of the CIA analysts who unearthed key information that led to finding Osama bin Laden.
### Agriculture
- Agricultural Business
  - Agribusiness Management
  - Farm & Ranch Management
- Agricultural Education
  - Agricultural Ed Broadfield Teaching
  - Agricultural Relations
- Animal Science
  - Equine Science
  - Livestock Management & Industry
- Biotechnology
  - Animal Systems
  - Microbial Systems
  - Plant Systems
- Environmental Horticulture
  - Environmental Horticulture Science
  - Landscape Design
- Environmental Sciences
  - Environmental Biology
  - Geospatial & Environmental Analysis
  - Land Rehabilitation
  - Soil Science
  - Soil & Water Sciences
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- Financial Engineering
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- Pre-Veterinary Medicine
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### Arts & Architecture
- Architecture (Environmental Design)
- Art
  - Art Ed K–12 Broadfield Teaching
  - Art History
  - Graphic Design
  - Liberal Arts Studio
  - Studio Arts
- Film & Photography
  - Film
  - Photography
- Music
  - Music Education
  - Music Technology

1. Master of Architecture—one additional year

### Engineering
- Biological Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
  - Bio-Resources Option
  - Land Surveying
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
  - Interdisciplinary Option
  - Professional Option
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Electrical Engineering
- Financial Engineering
- Industrial & Management Systems Engineering
  - Military Aerospace Studies–Air Force ROTC
  - Military Science–Army ROTC

### Business & Entrepreneurship
- Business
  - Accounting
  - Business Administration
  - Business Certificate
  - Entrepreneurship & Small Business Management
  - Entrepreneurship Certificate
  - Finance
  - International Business
  - Management
  - Marketing

2. Master of Professional Accountancy—one year program

### Pre-Professional Programs
- Pre-Law (L & S)
- Pre-Medicine/Pre-Health Professions (L & S)
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine (Agriculture)

### Gallatin College
Gallatin College offers 1- and 2-year programs for career preparation and 2-year associate degrees.

### Montana State Online
See course listing at montana.edu/online.

### University Programs
- Honors College
- Leadership Fellows Program
- Undergraduate Scholars Program
- University Studies

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**Please note:** MSU’s academic programs are subject to change. This listing offers an overview as of May 2016. For the most up-to-date information, please contact the Office of Admissions at 1-888-678-2287 or email admissions@montana.edu.
### Education, Health & Human Development

- Coaching
- Early Childhood Ed & Child Services
- Elementary Education K–8
  - Early Childhood
  - Mathematics
  - Reading K–12
  - Science Education
  - Special Education
- Health Enhancement K–12 (Health & PE)
  - Agriculture Ed Broadfield Teaching
  - Art Education K–12 Teaching
  - General Science Broadfield Teaching
  - Biology Teaching
  - Chemistry Teaching
  - Earth Science Teaching
  - Economics Teaching
  - English Teaching
  - Family & Consumer Science Teaching
  - French K–12 Teaching
  - German K–12 Teaching
  - Government Teaching
  - Health Enhancement K–12 (Health & PE)
  - History Teaching
  - Mathematics Teaching
  - Music K–12 Teaching
  - Physics Teaching
  - Reading K–12
  - Social Studies Broadfield Teaching
  - Spanish K–12 Teaching
  - Technology Ed Broadfield Teaching
- Technology Education
  - Industrial Technology
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- Community Health
- Family & Consumer Sciences
- Food & Nutrition
  - Dietetics
  - Nutrition Science
- Health & Human Performance
  - Exercise Science
  - Kinesiology
- Hospitality Management (starting fall 2017)
- Human Development
- Sustainable Food & Bioenergy Systems
  - Sustainable Food Systems

### Letters & Science (Humanities)

- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Economics
  - Economics Teaching
- English
  - English Teaching
- Literature
- Writing
- History
  - History Teaching
  - Museum Studies
  - Science, Environment, Technology & Society
- Liberal Studies
  - Environmental Studies
  - Global/Multicultural Studies
  - Quaternary
- Modern Languages & Literatures
  - Asian Studies
  - China Studies
  - French & Francophone Studies
  - French K–12 Teaching
  - German Studies
  - German K–12 Teaching
  - Hispanic Studies
  - Japan Studies
  - Latin American & Latino/a Studies
  - Spanish
  - Spanish K–12 Teaching
  - Native American Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
  - Analysis & Policy
  - Government Teaching
  - International Relations
  - Political Institutions
  - Political Theory
  - Pre-Law
- Psychology
  - Applied Psychology
  - Psychological Science
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
  - Criminology
  - General Sociology
  - Women’s & Gender Studies

### Letters & Science (Math & Natural Sciences)

- Astrobiology (multiple departments)
- Biological Sciences (Ecology)
  - Biology Teaching
  - Conservation Biology & Ecology
  - Fish & Wildlife Ecology & Management
  - Organismal Biology
- Cell Biology & Neuroscience
  - Biomedical Sciences
- Chemistry
  - Biochemistry
  - Chemistry Professional
- Mathematics
  - Applied Mathematics
  - Mathematics Teaching
  - Statistics
- Microbiology
  - Environmental Health
  - Environmental Microbiology
  - Medical Laboratory Science
  - Pre-Medical
  - Pre-Veterinary
- Physics
  - Physics Interdisciplinary
  - Physics Professional
- Pre-Medicine/Pre-Dentistry/Pre-Optometry/Pre-Health Professions

### Nursing

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The College of
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- Teaching minor
- Minor
- Special program

$380,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS
Awarded to MSU students in the College of Agriculture in 2015–16

Innovative + influential
MSU Agriculture students use the college’s incredible facilities. On campus, the 60,000-square-foot plant growth center offers 29 different climate-controlled rooms. Off campus, students conduct research at seven Agricultural Experiment Stations across the state. Faculty make more than 1,200 intellectual contributions every year in a variety of publications.

A career that needs you
There aren’t enough agriculture graduates to meet our nation’s demand. There are nearly 58,000 high-skilled job openings annually in food, agriculture and natural resources. There are only about 35,000 graduates to fill them. The biggest gap area will be in agriculture science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) areas. At MSU, agriculture students learn traditional agriculture as well as cutting-edge science. This positions them perfectly to enter a field that needs their help.

MSU’S POST FARM NAMED ONE OF TOP 40 COLLEGE FARMS IN THE NATION — College Ranker

1,500 Montana high school FFA members visited campus during the annual John Deere Ag Expo, where MSU agriculture education students mentored and taught them.
59% of Montana winter wheat comes from varieties developed by MSU.

AMONG THE TOP 4 COLLEGES IN THE NATION FOR AGRICULTURE MAJORS

— Campus Explorer

Joe Jensen came to MSU from his Lewistown family’s ranch because he wanted to combine his fascination with science with his lifelong desire to feed the world through farming and ranching. He spent two summers helping conduct crop research for the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station.

Hometown: Lewistown, Montana

Explorer in agriculture
explorer in the arts

Adeline Celenza, a senior art major from Wisconsin, transferred to MSU because she was drawn to Bozeman's tight-knit community of artists. An accomplished painter, most recently she’s dabbled in costume and set design. She also won an MSU Emerging Scholars grant to attend the Creative Times Summit in New York.

Hometown: Mukwonago, Wisconsin

THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC OFFERS

18 PERFORMING GROUPS, INCLUDING VOCAL, WIND, STRING AND CHAMBER ENSEMBLES

$130,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

AWARDED TO COLLEGE OF ARTS AND ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS IN 2015-2016
DSEL

DESIGN SANDBOX FOR ENGAGED LEARNING
A collaboration space where faculty, students and industry professionals from different fields use design thinking to solve problems.

Top filmmakers
MSU film students enjoy a network of award-winning film professors and alumni. Some even win awards before graduation. MSU film graduate, Oscar-nominated cinematographer Mark Vargo has worked on several big budget films. John Dahl, another film graduate, has directed popular shows like *Dexter* and *Breaking Bad*. Professor Dennis Aig produced the award-winning 2015 documentary *Unbranded*. He worked with 17 MSU film students and graduates to get the job done. Plus, a group of MSU film students bested 16 teams from all over the country to win the 2016 Red Bull Bracket Reel competition.

Mixing technology with art
MSU's top science, technology, engineering and math programs give arts students a special edge. The Design Sandbox for Engaged Learning (DSEL) puts the talents of students from all academic disciplines to work on the big problems facing our society. Our music technology program teaches students how to engineer the sounds multimedia producers need. Even studio arts students can integrate science into their projects. One ceramics student consulted with scientists to imitate Martian clay for a sculpture project.

In 2015, MSU graduates’ pass rate on the Architectural Registration Exam averaged 10% above national pass rates in all seven subject areas.

School of Architecture
School of Art
School of Film & Photography
School of Music

Key
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- Option within a major
- Teaching major
- Teaching minor
- Minor

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Students in action

The best way to learn something is to live it. MSU business students have many opportunities to participate in hands-on learning experiences. Finance and accounting students travel to New York City and learn from top finance professionals. Many business students choose to work with clients directly through the pro bono consulting courses. Others immerse themselves in club events that connect students with area business owners to solve real business problems.

An amazing space

Jabs Hall, the brand new home of the College, opened in May of 2015. It’s quickly becoming one of the most popular spaces on campus. With the Sola Café on the first floor, inviting study spaces next to fireplaces, and daylight views in 90 percent of regularly occupied spaces, it’s easy to see why. Plus, Jabs Hall offers classrooms with movable tables and chairs for group work as well as writable glass walls that all serve to foster a collaborative learning environment.

AWARD-WINNING HOME

Jabs Hall is 50,000 square feet, LEED Gold Certified—and opened in 2015.
explorer in entrepreneurship

Sam Lucas is the cofounder and president of the MSU LaunchCats, a student club that unites entrepreneurs from all over campus and helps them turn their ideas into real businesses. Between LaunchCats, his marketing classes, and his job at MSU Launchpad, an on-campus business incubator, he is graduating from MSU with a wealth of business acumen.

Hometown: Billings, Montana

BETWEEN 2014 AND 2015, STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN

372

INTERNSHIPS WITH BUSINESSES LIKE ORACLE, SIMMS FISHING PRODUCTS, BOEING AND KPMG.

MSU BUSINESS STUDENTS SCORED IN THE

94th PERCENTILE

ON THE MAJOR FIELD TEST–BUSINESS, ADMINISTERED IN MORE THAN 600 INSTITUTIONS ACROSS THE U.S.
explorer in education

At the age of 12, Kalena Office realized that, while her family supported and helped her learn every day, not every child was so lucky. She wanted to make a difference for those children who otherwise might not succeed, so she decided to become a teacher.

Hometown: Sacramento, California

$132,500
in scholarships
awarded to College of Education, Health & Human Development students in 2015-2016

MSU teaching graduates exceeded national average scores in 10 of 12 Praxis II content area exams

Hometown: Sacramento, California
In 2015, MSU students had a 100% pass rate on the Certified Health Education Specialist exam.

31% higher than the national average.

The college placed 342 student interns and pre-service teachers in Bozeman businesses, organizations and schools.

The nutrition program and dietetic internship are both accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics.

Grow local
Nutrition and sustainable food systems students get real experience improving local food infrastructure. MSU’s Towne’s Harvest Garden provides low cost produce for the community every summer season. Dietetic interns have a rotation at Towne’s Harvest, and sustainable food systems students can intern there. Some graduates even operate their own community-supported agriculture in the area.

Teach your children well
MSU has an on-campus preschool used for research and learning in early childhood development. It is the primary field placement site for all Early Childhood Education students. It is also a research space for testing best practices in education. This site provides MSU students hands-on learning opportunities without even leaving campus.

EHHD students can join 10 student clubs

Key
■ Major
○ Option within a major
T Teaching major
T Teaching minor
■ Minor
The College of Engineering

**AREAS OF STUDY**

- Biological Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
  - Bio-Resources Option
  - Land Surveying
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
  - Interdisciplinary Option
  - Professional Option
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Electrical Engineering
- Financial Engineering
- Industrial & Management Systems Engineering\(^1\)
- Mechanical Engineering
  - Aerospace
  - Materials
  - Mechatronics
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
  - Military Aerospace Studies—Air Force ROTC
  - Military Science—Army ROTC

\(^1\) Master of Science in Industrial & Management Engineering—one additional year

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**A greener Montana**

Hands-on learning sets the MSU College of Engineering apart. In 2015, six senior MSU engineering students worked on a real-world alternative energy project. Northwestern Energy is providing funding to test the “micro-grid” the students are developing. This project could help rural areas use alternative energy. Ben Keeley, a senior electrical engineering student, said “It’s awesome that we’re going to work on this and really use it in the future.”

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**The NASA connection**

In 2015, MSU engineering students helped create the first NASA satellite made entirely out of 3D printed materials. The Space Science Engineering Laboratory (SSEL) connects undergraduate students with NASA. The SSEL has been making satellites for 15 years. Currently about 20 students are working on the satellites through the SSEL.

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MSU engineering and computer science students have competed in NASA’s robotics mining competition since the first event in 2010.

MSU engineering students have helped create 9 satellites that were launched into space by NASA.

MSU robotics professor Hunter Lloyd designed a robot named Looney, which won 10 medals at the Robot Olympics.
96% OF MSU ENGINEERING GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED OR CONTINUING THEIR EDUCATION—AVERAGE REPORTED STARTING SALARY IS $55,411
(2014 MSU Career Destinations Survey)

88.6% MSU STUDENTS’ PASS RATE ON FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING EXAM
NINE POINTS ABOVE THE PASS RATES FOR SIMILAR STUDENTS AT OTHER UNIVERSITIES

explorer in computing
Senior computer science major AJ Gayler came to MSU because of Bozeman’s spectacular natural setting. He learned how to develop apps when he was a junior. Then, AJ partnered with other MSU students to create an app called Sharelift that crowdsources rides to the ski hill.
Hometown: Moscow, Idaho

COMPUTER LAB · BARNARD HALL

Space Science and Engineering Lab

Fluid Mechanics Lab

Magnetic Resonance Lab
Emily Stimac is a sophomore political science major from Reno, Nevada. As a senator elected to the student government to represent the College of Letters and Science, she serves her constituents as part of the Associated Students of Montana State University. At MSU, she’s learning leadership both in theory and practice.

Hometown: Reno, Nevada
The College of Letters & Science

{ Humanities & Social Sciences }

12 students combined study of modern languages with preparation for a career in medicine. They learned Spanish medical terms while volunteering at a public hospital in León, Nicaragua.

The College of Letters & Science has 10 psychology research labs studying issues ranging from neurobiology to memory and aging.

Asian Studies

MSU’s new Asian Studies program will help students understand Asia as it becomes more powerful and important as a region. Students will learn languages and study cultures of China, Japan and other Asian countries. Classes will provide an introduction to these nations’ intertwined histories, cultures, politics and environments. This program will prepare students for employment in a host of international fields and occupations.

Tell your story

MSU English students learn to think critically and communicate clearly. These skills make them marketable in a variety of occupations. MSU English graduates have become New York Times bestselling authors and editors of magazines. John Stifter interned with Outside Bozeman and ESPN X Games before graduating from MSU with his English degree. Then he went to work as a journalist, first for ESPN and then for Powder magazine. At 29, he became the editor of Powder.

17 students traveled to the United Kingdom for three weeks in 2015 to study the British political system. They met with academics and political leaders in London, Edinburgh, Belfast and Derry.

AREAS OF STUDY

- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Economics
- English
- Economics Teaching
- English Teaching
- Literature
- Writing
- History
- History Teaching
- Museum Studies
- Science, Environment, Technology & Society
- Liberal Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Global/Multicultural Studies
- Quaternity
- Modern Languages & Literatures
- Asian Studies
- China Studies
- French & Francophone Studies
- French K–12 Teaching
- German Studies
- German K–12 Teaching
- Hispanic Studies
- Japan Studies
- Latin American & Latino/a Studies
- Spanish K–12 Teaching
- Native American Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Policy & Analysis
- Government Teaching
- International Relations
- Political Institutions
- Political Theory
- Pre-Law
- Psychology
- Applied Psychology
- Psychological Science
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Criminology
- General Sociology
- Women’s & Gender Studies

Key
- Major
- Option within a major
- Teaching major
- Teaching minor
- Minor
- Special program
The College of
Letters & Science

{ Mathematics & Natural Sciences }

Biomedical study

Students who want to enter health care professions get a leg up at MSU. Many get opportunities to conduct key biomedical research as undergraduates. MSU’s strong math and science programs build a solid foundation for any occupation in health care. The health professions advising office counsels students on how to get into medical school. MSU students lead the state in acceptance to WWAMI, the regional medical education program for the Northwest. Almost a third of all students admitted to WWAMI since its inception graduated from MSU, nearly twice as many as any other school in the state.

University of the Yellowstone™

MSU’s spectacular setting allows students to conduct research that couldn’t happen anywhere else. Yellowstone National Park contains hot pools where MSU researchers study microbes not found elsewhere. Ecologists have thousands of acres of protected ecosystems in their backyards to explore. Even Glacier National Park is a lab to our students. Cheyenne Stirling, a senior ecology student, won a fellowship from the National Park Service to study bats in Glacier. Her research may help save bats from a deadly illness known as “white nose syndrome.”

Gravitational Wave Breakthrough

Scientists at MSU are part of an international scientific team that detected gravitational waves, a century after Albert Einstein predicted their existence. The team, composed of scientists from a consortium of institutions led by MIT and Cal Tech, has been awarded a prestigious Breakthrough Prize for this ground-breaking discovery.

Snow Science

is an interdisciplinary program for environmental scientists or land use planners. It is also one of the best pre-professional programs in the world for those who will carry their interest in snow into a professional career.
**explorer in medicine**

**Ezekiel Sharples** is a senior majoring in cell biology and neuroscience, and minoring in Hispanic studies. From Chinook, Montana, he chose MSU to prepare him for a career in medicine. As a sophomore, he conducted cutting-edge medical research in neuroscience. He hopes to use his Spanish language skills in his medical practice.

*Hometown: Chinook, Montana*

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**MSU’s Medical School Acceptance Rate is**

**20%**

**Higher than the National Average**

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**MSU Ranked as the**

**26th**

**Most Technologically Advanced University in the World**

— greatvaluecolleges.net: 50 Most Technologically Advanced Universities in the World
**explorer in nursing**

**Evan Thompson** learned about medicine by volunteering on an ambulance force in Libby, Montana. His respect for the registered nurses he worked with inspired him to become a nurse. At MSU, he has conducted original research, attended national conferences and been elected president of the Montana Student Nurses Association. After graduation, he plans to practice nursing in a rural setting.

_Hometown: Cut Bank, Montana_

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**96%**

**OF RECENT MSU NURSING GRADUATES ARE EMPLOYED OR ENROLLED IN CONTINUING EDUCATION, WITH AN AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARY OF $52,727**

(2014 MSU Career Destinations Survey)

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**MOST RECENT N-CLEX PASS RATE**

**90%**

**OF MSU NURSING GRADS WHO TOOK THE LICENSURE EXAM FOR NURSING PASSED ON FIRST ATTEMPT**

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**Clinical Rotation**

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**Bozeman Health**

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**Caring For Our Own Program (CO-OP)**
The College of Nursing

33 SCHOLARSHIPS are available for undergraduate nursing students.

MSU offers the only masters and doctoral nursing programs in Montana.

$1.08 MILLION MSU’s College of Nursing won a $1.08 million grant from the Indian Health Service to continue providing support to American Indian and Alaska Native students through its Caring For Our Own Program (COOP).

Hands-on experience Nursing students at MSU get hands-on experience caring for patients throughout their education. It starts with classes in our simulation labs. Professors use manikins to simulate scenarios the students will experience in a clinical setting. As upperclassmen, nursing students have clinical rotations. They practice caring for patients in several settings, from the emergency room to the nursery.

Leader in rural health care MSU is a national leader in advancing rural health care. The College of Nursing conducts important research on rural health every year. New MSU nursing professor Peter Buerhaus is a renowned nurse economist. He’s studying the nation’s health care workforce, particularly in rural populations. In 2014, MSU hosted the International Rural Health Conference. MSU nursing students study, practice and improve the rural health care system.

AREA OF STUDY 
- Nursing
  - Key
  - Major

MSU Clinical Centers for upper-division coursework
- Billings
- Bozeman
- Great Falls
- Kalispell
- Missoula

Service-learning opportunities The College of Nursing offers service-learning opportunities that are one to two weeks in length, and are typically in groups of 10–15 students accompanied by faculty members.

The trips focus on preventive health care in Ecuador, Cuba and underserved areas of Montana.
The Allen Yarnell Center for Student Success provides numerous services to aid students in pursuit of their academic goals. Student tutoring, learning strategies workshops and student success advising are just a few of the programs offered. The office also offers MSU 101, an “academic boot camp” to help boost academic performance.

MSU’s Office of Career, Internship & Student Employment Services has a team of professionals that helps students with anything from résumé critiques and practice job interviews to career exploration and employment opportunities. MSU also hosts career fairs each fall and spring that bring hundreds of employers to campus to meet qualified graduates.

SmartyCats provides student-based peer tutoring for anyone who wants help with homework and class material, needs assistance preparing for exams or feels a little behind. During the 2015 academic year, 3,000 students took advantage of over 13,500 hours of tutoring.

The MSU Library is one of the busiest buildings on campus, with 30,000 visits in a typical week. Library resources include:

- The Innovative Learning Studio where students can use wireless Apple TVs to access thousands of teaching and learning apps from mobile devices
- Research assistance from librarians in person or by phone, email, text or chat
- Writing assistance center and an IT help desk
- The MSU Library Commons is a flexible, technology-rich, collaborative environment that allows for endless configurations of student-created study spaces, as well as group study rooms.

Learn more at lib.montana.edu
MSU’s Honors College

The Honors College prepares academically motivated students to think independently within a challenging and supportive community. Honors students can take unique interdisciplinary seminars designed and taught by MSU’s most distinguished professors. Seminars are capped at 15 students. There are also many special honors classes, such as Honors Chemistry. These courses are restricted to honors students and are considerably smaller than regular classes. Honors students are routinely invited to join outstanding scientists in their labs or pursue independent studies with acclaimed scholars and artists in a variety of fields.

Unique offerings for students in the Honors College

**Great Expeditions:** Enrichment through studies abroad

**Freshman Research Symposium:** Introduction to the breadth of research opportunities on campus

**Honors Texts and Critics:** Emphasizes critical reading and analysis of fundamental texts in a variety of disciplines

**Undergraduate Research/Creative Thesis:** Excellent preparation for advanced education or careers

**Hike and Read:** A weekend in the mountains with hikes, presentations and book discussions

See complete list of current offerings at montana.edu/honors

The long list of MSU graduates receiving prestigious awards continues to grow. Recent graduates have been awarded these sought-after scholarships for advanced study:

- **Goldwater** (study in math, science or engineering)
- **Rhodes** (study at Oxford)
- **Gates Cambridge** (study at Cambridge)
- **Marshall** (study in the United Kingdom)
- **Truman** (for exceptional college juniors)
- **Udall** (study for careers related to the environment or tribal health/public policy)
- **Boren** (for international study)
- **Fulbright** (international study in a variety of fields)
- **Newman Civic Fellow** (for public involvement)
A place on the move

One of America’s top college towns

Fodor’s Travel named Bozeman to its 10 Best Small Towns in America, calling it “a nature-lover’s paradise, no matter the season.” In addition to 360-degree Rocky Mountain scenery and the 80-mile Main Street to the Mountains trail system, Bozeman has many of the cultural amenities of a much larger city—and a friendly, laid-back attitude.

BIKE-FRIENDLY
Bozeman was recently endorsed by the League of American Bicyclists as a silver-level “Bike-Friendly Community.”

EASY TO GET AROUND
Bozeman’s Streamline bus system is free, easy to use and goes everywhere you want to be. There’s even free weekend service to Bridger Bowl ski area.

A TOP PICK
Top 15 College Towns to Live in Forever
—College Ranker
Top 10 Places to Live
—Men’s Journal
Top 10 College Towns
—Forbes

Direct flights from Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, Montana’s top airport
ABOUT BOZEMAN

FOUNDED: 1864
COORDINATES: 45°40’40"N 111°2’50"W
ELEVATION: 4,820’
POPULATION: 41,660
MICROPOLITAN POPULATION: 100,739
AVERAGE SNOWFALL: 86”

ABOUT THE PHOTOS

1. Bozeman is a fast-growing micropolitan area with a vibrant arts and cultural scene.
2. Downtown Bozeman offers great coffee, art, local bookstores and live music.
3. From Thai to tapas to burgers, Bozeman has an array of local dining options.
4. The Streamline Bus takes you wherever you need to go from campus for free! And your bike can come, too.
A place for adventure

Adventure capital of the Northern Rockies

Bozeman is an all-season adventure hub. In winter, skiers and snowboarders can choose from two nearby downhill ski areas, Big Sky Resort and Bridger Bowl—one of the best community ski areas within 20 minutes of a major university campus. Groomed Nordic trails provide cross-country skiing right in town. During summer and fall, hikers and cyclists can access trails in the surrounding Custer Gallatin National Forest or camp by serene alpine lakes. And, exploring nearby Yellowstone National Park is a year-round adventure.

FAVORITE OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
- Skiing at Bridger Bowl and Big Sky
- Floating the Madison River
- Exploring Yellowstone National Park
- Summiting Hyalite Peak
- Kayaking the Yellowstone and Gallatin rivers
- Fly fishing three Blue Ribbon trout streams
- Rock and ice climbing in Hyalite Canyon
- Mountain biking Grassy Mountain
- Camping at Fairy Lake in the Bridger Range
- Hiking the “M” Trail and Drinking Horse Mountain
- Horseback riding in the Spanish Peaks
- Snowshoeing Yellowstone in winter

TOP 5 SKI TOWN
Bozeman is ranked among the Top 5 ski towns in the world (and No. 1 in the continental U.S.) according to National Geographic.

TROUT U™
Fly Rod and Reel magazine included MSU in its list of Top 10 Fly Fishing Colleges—and No. 1 in Montana. MSU is also known as Trout U.

TOP 7 TRAIL TOWN
Trail Runner magazine names Bozeman one of the Top 7 trail towns. Bozeman has more than 30 trailheads within an hour’s drive.
ABOUT THE PHOTOS

1. High altitude snowshoeing at Beehive Basin in the Spanish Peaks near Big Sky, Montana, is only 55 minutes south of Bozeman.

2. Mountain biking at Fairy Lake in the Bridger Range is just 30 minutes north of campus.

3. Skiers enjoy Big Sky Resort, an hour’s drive from Bozeman, as well as Bridger Bowl Ski Area, just 16 miles north of campus.

4. Hyalite Canyon, a short drive from campus, offers outdoor adventure of all types.

5. Fly fishing on the Yellowstone River, one of three nearby Blue Ribbon trout streams, is a popular activity.
Find your place at MSU

MSU’s campus atmosphere is friendly and open. Students often gather at the Strand Union Building (SUB), where food and entertainment are abundant. Between classes, you can grab a bite to eat in one of the eight dining options. In the evenings at the SUB you can catch a $2 movie at the Procrastinator Theatre or hit the Recreation Center to bowl a few frames, play pool or test your gaming skills.

AWARD-WINNING FITNESS CENTER

Cardio training machines
Free weights and strength machines
25-yard swimming pool
Nine handball/raquetball courts, squash court
Indoor/outdoor tennis courts
Climbing wall
Men’s and women’s saunas
Martial arts mat area
Stretching and ab work areas
Indoor track, three double gyms
Fitness classes: spinning, yoga and many more
Intramural sports
Fireplace lounge

MSU’S OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM

34 ADVENTURES
in 2015, including whitewater rafting the Yankee Jim Canyon, backpacking in Yellowstone, and stand-up paddle boarding at Hyalite Reservoir.

49 EQUIPMENT TYPES
available to students at rental rates well below market prices, from backpacking equipment to climbing, rafting, snowshoeing and skiing gear.
Summer, fall, winter or spring, MSU’s campus is always beautiful.

To celebrate the end of the spring semester MSU students organized a series of “silent discos,” where they danced to a synchronized soundtrack using headphones.

Each year, international students prepare a taste of home at the International Street Food Bazaar.

In 2016 MSU’s undefeated Lacrosse Club won the Rocky Mountain Lacrosse Conference championship and qualified for the national tournament.

Honors students create snow sculptures to adorn Atkinson Quadrangle in the winter.
A place to call home

MSU works hard to give students the best possible community and experience. A variety of housing lets students live with like-minded people in comfort. Six living learning communities give students the opportunity to live among people who share the same interests. A brand new residence hall for freshmen opening in the fall of 2016 will join our many top quality housing options. Special features like ski wax rooms and locked bike storage let students make the most of our spectacular natural setting. Plus, the newly renovated Miller Dining Commons offers an incredible on-campus dining experience. There, you can choose from one of many dining options, from Mongolian barbecue to wood-fired pizza to premium coffee made to order. It’s all part of the meal plan at MSU.

Residence Halls

**FRESHMAN APARTMENTS**
- Co-ed housing
- Apartment-style living
- Furnished living area
- Full kitchen in each apartment
- Miller Dining Commons within walking distance

**HANNON**
- All female
- Sinks in each room
- Hannon Dining Hall located within the building
- Living Learning Communities: Engineering, Global Village

**HAPNER**
- All female
- Sinks in each room
- Two dining halls nearby
- Renovated rooms
- Updated kitchen
- TV room
- Conference room
- Music practice room
- Workout room
- Ski lockers

**HEADWATERS**
- Co-ed, three buildings
- For continuing sophomores and above
- Two- to four-bedroom carpeted suites
- Kitchens
- Shared living rooms in three-and four-bedroom suites
- Free housing during breaks

**NORTH HEDGES**
- Co-ed housing
- Laundry facilities
- High-energy atmosphere
- Entertainment zone
- Adjacent to Miller Dining Commons
- New loftable beds and mattresses
**JOHNSTONE**
- Co-ed housing, three wings
- Pryor and Colter wings for sophomores and above and 21 and older
- Single and double rooms
- Mullan wing is open to all ages. Residents are active and involved in the community.

**LANGFORD**
- All male
- Renovated rooms
- Weight room
- Updated movie room
- Game/entertainment room
- *Big Cube* lounge
- Enlarged bike rack area
- Renovated kitchen
- Computer kiosk in lobby
- Living Learning Community: Engineering

**THE QUADS**
- Co-ed housing
- Suite-style living with community kitchens, dining rooms, TV lounges and living areas
- Studious environment
- Kitchenettes
- Shared living rooms in three- and four-bedroom suites
- Honors students only

**SOUTH HEDGES**
- Co-ed housing
- Remodeled weight room
- Kitchen, spacious lounges
- Billiards room
- Living Learning Communities: Business, Honors, Emerging Leaders, Arts & Architecture (equipped with a project lab)
- Adjacent to Miller Dining Commons

**ROSKIE**
- Co-ed housing with a community feeling
- Laundry facilities on each floor
- Ski wax room
- Game pod
- Kitchen
- Climbing boulder

**YELLOWSTONE HALL (Open Fall 2016)**
- A new residence hall designed exclusively for freshman
- Built to house 400 students
- Co-ed housing
- Double, single, and semi-suite style room layouts
- Community kitchen area
- Bike maintenance room and locked bike storage
- Ski lockers
- Active and quiet study lounges on each floor
- Climbing boulder
- Next to Miller Dining Hall
- Fireplace lounge
- Collaborative academic work areas
- Outdoor common area
Big Sky athletics excitement

MSU’s NCAA Division I athletic events brim with blue and gold spirit. There are 15 men’s and women’s NCAA teams, so there are always opportunities to take a study break and head to the field, court, course or stadium to get fired up. MSU has won 22 Big Sky Conference championships and has been awarded the Big Sky Conference Men’s All-Sports trophy five times. Student athletes at MSU also have an impressive academic record. The Bobcats have achieved a collective GPA above 3.0 for 28 consecutive semesters.

TOP 12 GAME DAY EXPERIENCE

Bobcat Stadium was recognized on StadiumJourney.com’s list of Top 12 College Football Neighborhoods.

The selections were made based on the fans, food, pep band and good game day presentation. Bobcat Stadium was in good company, rounding out the list that also included the Alabama Crimson Tide, Florida Gators and Notre Dame Fighting Irish.
ABOUT THE PHOTOS

1. The Gold Rush game is a tradition marking the first home football game of the season.
2. Bobcats women’s basketball won the 2016 Big Sky Conference regular season title.
3. The Bobcat ski team finished 4th in the nation at the 2016 NCAA championships, the top finish in school history.
4. MSU students pack the gym and cheer for the Bobcat volleyball team for the “Shake Shroyer” event each year.
5. The men’s and women’s rodeo teams won the Big Sky region of the NIRA.
6. 2015-16 Bobcat men’s basketball set a Big Sky Conference record with 25 three-point shots in one game.
In 2014–15 the university distributed more than $121 million in aid to students and their families. We focus on helping students find the right academic path quickly so they can graduate in four years, save on college costs, and get started in their careers or advanced education.

**Financial aid options**
Financial aid is money to help students pay for college. The money comes from the federal government, state governments, the university and a variety of other public and private sources.

- Scholarships
- Grants
- Tuition waivers
- Loans
- Student employment

Most financial aid is awarded on the basis of need.

**Grants**
Grants do not have to be paid back. Federal grant programs include Federal Pell Grant and the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant.

**Loans**
Loans are borrowed money that has to be paid back over a period of time after you leave school. Federal loans and programs include Federal Perkins Loans and the Federal Direct Loan Program, which consists of Federal Direct (subsidized and unsubsidized) Loans and Federal Direct PLUS Loans for parents of dependent students. Direct unsubsidized loans and Parent Plus loans are non-need based.

**Applying for financial aid**
Applying for financial aid is a straightforward process. Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This can be done online at fafsa.ed.gov.

The good news is that there is no deadline. However, to be considered for the widest range of financial aid, MSU’s priority deadline for filing the FAFSA is **December 1** (for the following fall semester). The results are sent to the colleges you listed on the FAFSA form, so be sure to list MSU’s school code **002532** on your application.

Once we receive your FAFSA information, we may contact you if any additional information is needed. Your financial aid eligibility will be sent to you based on the information you provide.

Financial aid offers have an expiration date, so be sure to accept or reject the offers. If you don’t respond by the deadline, the award will be canceled.

Once you are accepted for admission and have registered for classes, you will receive a bill listing your charges and the financial aid you accepted. You’ll just need to confirm your attendance with MSU’s University Student Accounts Office to arrange payment.
A new MSU financial aid program is available to help eligible hardworking MSU and Gallatin College students with limited income save money for college expenses. The Matched Education Savings Account program, or MESA, is designed to help eligible students pay for college and increase financial literacy. For every dollar a qualifying MSU student in the MESA program saves (up to $500), it will be matched with $3.

Become fiscally savvy
MSU is dedicated to helping students make smart financial choices. The Office of Financial Education focuses on reducing debt and aims to educate students to make wise decisions and develop solid financial habits. Financial coaches are there to help students understand their options and figure out the best solution. To schedule an appointment with a financial coach, please call 406-994-4388.

Graduate earlier and save
MSU’s Freshman 15 initiative encourages students to be fiscally and academically responsible. By taking 15 credits each semester they can graduate in four years and save money in the process. At MSU there is no cost for additional credits after a student pays for the first 12, so taking 15 hours equates to a cost savings each semester.

MESA grant matching funds
Financial Aid Questions?
Contact the MSU Office of Financial Aid
406-994-2845
finaid@montana.edu
montana.edu/financialaid

Estimated Cost of Attendance (per year)

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¹ MSU’s undergraduate tuition rate applies to undergraduate students at all class levels (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior). There is not a higher rate for Junior and Senior students. These figures do not include the health insurance fee, which is required of students who do not have their own health insurance coverage.

² For on campus residents, these costs include in-room high speed internet service, unlimited entry into residence hall dining areas, cable TV and unlimited local phone service. Room and Board above is based on a double room, 7-day meal plan. This figure also represents an amount reasonably incurred for off-campus housing and food costs. Food and housing costs will vary depending on a student’s living arrangements and lifestyle.

³ The actual cost of books and supplies will vary depending upon curriculum.

NOTE: Financial Aid budgets include a personal/transportation/miscellaneous figure of $1,690 per semester ($3,380 per year). Personal/miscellaneous expenses will vary depending on individual circumstances.

NOTE: The expenses shown below reflect estimated costs for a student carrying a full-time load (12 or more credits) for fall and spring semesters, 2016/2017. These expenses include fees and other charges. Actual fees may vary based on specific program or course fees or the number of credits carried each semester. These figures are subject to change at any time and should be regarded as estimates only.

As of printing date. Estimated costs may be adjusted.

Important date for financial aid
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MSU’s school code is 002532.

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▲ ALUMNI PLAZA AND “SPIRIT” BRONZE
Choice Act and Yellow Ribbon
Montana State University complies with the Choice Act, Section 702 law for participants in Montgomery GI Bill or Post 9/11 GI Bill. For those who do not meet qualifying requirements for the Choice Act, MSU still participates in the Yellow Ribbon Enhancement Program. Please contact MSU Veteran Services at 406-994-3661 or vets@montana.edu or www.montana.edu/veteran for information.

Staying on track for graduation
DegreeWorks is a web-based tool that enables you to map out your education. The tool tracks what classes you’ve taken and which ones you still need to make sure you stay on track to graduate when you want to. It also allows you to explore your options. You can see what classes you’d need if you decided to change your major or how many more classes you’d need to take if you added another major or a minor. It’s all accessible online in an easy to use program.
Residents of Montana that apply to MSU and are accepted will receive a $3,000 one-time tuition scholarship. Additionally, the Presidential Scholarship includes a full tuition waiver and a generous stipend renewable for up to four years. Finalists who do not receive the Presidential Scholarship will be considered for the Provost Scholarship, which also provides a full tuition waiver renewable for four years. Presidential and Provost Scholars automatically receive admission to the Honors College. A cumulative GPA of 3.75 and a composite score of 30 on the ACT or 2000 on the SAT (all 3 scores) are the expected norms for applicants. The Presidential Scholarship application deadline for fall 2017 awards is December 2, 2016. (Note: The application will be fully on-line.) Applicants need to submit their materials by December 12, 2016. Supportive materials (2 letters of recommendation, transcripts and the counselor verification need to be submitted online by December 12, 2016.)

Western Undergraduate Exchange Awards For the fall of 2016, the first 120 freshmen who applied for admission and submitted test scores within our WUE range were offered this award. Only legal residents of the following states are eligible for WUE awards: Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

American Indian Scholarships

Native American Scholarships Both need-based and merit-based academic scholarships are awarded to qualified Native American students. For need-based scholarships, applicants must complete and submit the FAFSA prior to December 1, 2016. For academic scholarships, applicants should contact the Center for Native American Studies, P.O. Box 172340, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717-2340, 406-994-3881. Other funding opportunities for American Indians can be found at: www.montana.edu/admissions/nativescholarships.shtml

American Indian Nonresident Tribal Homelands Scholarship Program (THSP) MSU offers a Tribal Homelands Program that allows a limited number of eligible Native American students to qualify for a waiver of approximately $14,000 per year. THSP is open to eligible nonresident Native American new freshmen and transfer students interested in attending MSU in the fall, and whose tribal affiliation once called the Montana area their Homelands. For further information, contact the Office of Admissions, 1-888-MSU-CATS, or at admissions@montana.edu.
A place for new beginnings

Seven steps to get started at MSU

1. Take the ACT or SAT
   Register for and take the SAT or ACT. Have your scores sent to MSU. MSU’s ACT code is 2420. MSU’s SAT code is 4488. Remember, only your highest score will be considered for admission. There are no penalties for taking either test more than once.

2. Meet an MSU rep
   MSU representatives travel all across the country to provide information sessions at high schools and college fairs. If there isn’t a session in your area or you aren’t able to attend, you can email admissions@montana.edu or call us at 888-MSU-CATS for more information.

3. Schedule a visit
   We encourage you to schedule your visit two weeks in advance so you can maximize your time. Call 888-MSU-CATS or go to montana.edu/admissions/visit or check out MSU’s virtual tour at montana.edu/tour if you are unable to travel to campus in person.

4. Apply for admission
   Once you’re ready to apply for admission, go to montana.edu/apply and fill out your online application. Your application will be saved so you can return later and complete it at your convenience.

Schedule a campus visit

We invite you and your family to experience MSU firsthand. The Office of Admissions offers campus visits any weekday (except holidays) year round. The best way to learn about MSU is to make an actual visit and have some one-on-one contact with students, staff and faculty. We invite you to explore Montana State University by scheduling an individual visit or attending one of our MSU Friday visit programs.

For the best experience, we recommend you schedule your visit two weeks in advance. This will allow us time to schedule requested appointments and send you a confirmation with details about your visit.

Register for a campus visit by calling 888-MSU-CATS or online at montana.edu/admissions/visit

Experience MSU Friday

MSU Friday events give prospective students and their families a chance to meet with faculty and students, explore academic facilities, tour campus and investigate financial aid and scholarships. Register for one of these exciting programs by contacting the Office of Admissions.

For dates and registration information, visit montana.edu/msufriday
Directions to Campus

**From the west:** Take I-90 exit 305 onto North 13th Avenue and follow it south to Kagy Boulevard. Turn left onto Kagy and continue to South 7th Avenue; turn left and continue to parking areas.

**From the east:** Take I-90 exit 309 onto Main Street, proceed west to Willson Avenue, turn left and travel 18 blocks to Kagy Boulevard. Turn right and continue to South 7th Avenue, turn right again and continue to the parking lots on your left.

Parking: Contact the Office of Admissions at 1-888-MSU-CATS for information on parking.

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**Campus Crime and Security Statistics:** In compliance with the Campus Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990, MSU provides notice to all prospective students about campus crime statistics for the past three calendar years. These campus crime statistics and additional safety information can be found online at: www.montana.edu/reports/security.pdf or may be requested by contacting MSU’s Office of the Dean of Students.

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