**Spring 2023 Freshman Checklist**

**Welcome to the University of Minnesota Twin Cities!** This sheet serves as a reference for spring 2023 specific deadlines and adjustments for the attached Fall 2022 Admitted Student Guide booklet. The information covered in the attached guide is still relevant; however, important deadlines, next steps and dates for Spring 2023 are outlined on this sheet.

Some other items to note about this booklet: the cover page of this booklet says “Class of 2026,” but your term of admission is Spring 2023. The booklet also has tuition and fees for the 2021-2022 academic year. For 2022-2023 academic year costs, please visit [z.umn.edu/costs](http://z.umn.edu/costs).

You must complete these important steps to ensure you are ready to be a #FutureGopher this spring! If you have already completed some of these steps, thank you!

**NEXT STEPS**

1. **Confirm Your Enrollment**
   All Spring 2023 freshmen are required to confirm their enrollment by **December 1, 2022**.
   - **If you already paid your $280 confirmation fee for Fall 2022,** it will be credited to your account for the spring. **You do not need to pay the confirmation fee again.**
     - **IMPORTANT:** you **must** confirm your intent to enroll through the form on your Application Tracker at [z.umn.edu/tracker](http://z.umn.edu/tracker).
   - **If you still need to pay your $280 confirmation fee,** you will need to pay the confirmation fee by **December 1, 2022** to reserve your place in the Spring 2023 freshman class. You can pay your confirmation fee online at [z.umn.edu/confirm](http://z.umn.edu/confirm).

2. **Apply for Housing**
   If you have not arranged for housing, the University of Minnesota Housing & Residential Life spring application **opens in mid-October**. If you have already arranged to live on-campus, excellent!

   For complete information about various housing options and to fill out the housing application, visit the Housing & Residential Life website at [housing.umn.edu](http://housing.umn.edu). **Note: the $50 housing application fee is nonrefundable.** If you have any questions, please contact Housing & Residential Life at [housing@umn.edu](mailto:housing@umn.edu).
3. **Submit Your Final Transcript**

   It is University of Minnesota policy that students must meet the following conditions before they are eligible to enroll: graduate from high school or pass the GED (or equivalent) before beginning classes, and successfully complete the courses listed on their application as “to be completed.” In order to verify you have met these requirements, you must request your high school submit your final transcript, including date of graduation, to the Office of Admissions by **December 1, 2022**.

   To check what documents are needed, log into your Application Tracker at [z.umn.edu/tracker](http://z.umn.edu/tracker).

4. **Submit Your Official Test Scores (if applicable)**

   In order to verify the test scores you self-reported at the time of application, the Office of Admissions must receive your official test score report from the testing agency by **December 1, 2022**. A scanned or electronic copy of an official test score report is not considered official. Official results, including total, overall or composite scores and subscores, must match the information provided in the applicant’s Self-Reported Academic Record form.

   To check what documents are needed, log into your Application Tracker at [z.umn.edu/tracker](http://z.umn.edu/tracker).

5. **Attend New Student Orientation**

   Orientation is required for all new students. After you have confirmed your enrollment, you will receive information from your college about completing your New Student Checklist and selecting an Orientation date. Learn more at [ote.umn.edu/incoming-freshman/orientation](http://ote.umn.edu/incoming-freshman/orientation).

   More information on Spring 2023 Orientation will be available later in 2022. If you have questions and concerns about Spring 2023 Orientation and class registration, contact Orientation & Transition Experiences at [oteinfo@umn.edu](mailto:oteinfo@umn.edu).

We look forward to welcoming you to the Gopher community! If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Admissions at 612-625-2008 or 1-800-752-1000, or online at [z.umn.edu/ContactAdmissions](http://z.umn.edu/ContactAdmissions).
CONGRATULATIONS!

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities (U of M) is home to the curious, and those who strive to feed that curiosity. Two vice presidents have called the U of M home. Award-winning authors, musicians, and journalists have too. Astronauts. Civil rights leaders. Athletes. Ground-breaking physicians. Inventors. Nobel Prize winners. All have called our campus their home.

And now, we would like to add you to the list.

We invite you to join the Class of 2026. As a U of M student, you will expand your global perspective, develop new passions, and accomplish more than you ever thought possible. Because you are Driven to Discover.

Please know, the University of Minnesota is closely monitoring COVID-19. We continue to work closely with state and federal agencies to ensure the safety of our students, faculty, staff, and community members. For the most up-to-date information, please visit z.umn.edu/CampusUpdates.

OUR COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

The Office of Admissions, along with the University community, vows to support our community members who continue to face inequities. We know, however, that words are not enough, and that a commitment to action will not suffice.

We must demonstrate that we are taking that action. It will take courage to confront our past mistakes and our personal and institutional biases, to have difficult conversations, and to risk missteps. As an institution of teaching and learning, we are both obligated and well-positioned to do just that.

We denounce all forms of violence, discrimination, racism, and bias. We join President Gabel in committing to bring our energy, our passion, and our care for each other to end the heartbreaking cycle of racially motivated violence and discrimination.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the University of Minnesota Twin Cities is on the traditional homelands of the Dakota people. It is important to acknowledge the peoples whose land we live, learn, and work on. We acknowledge words are not enough, and we must ensure our institution provides support and access to higher education for American Indian students, staff, faculty, and community members.
NEXT STEPS

1. CONFIRM YOUR ENROLLMENT

When you confirm your enrollment, you are declaring your intent to attend the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, and we will hold a place for you in the incoming class. To confirm your enrollment, simply return the enrollment confirmation form (included with your admission letter) and your non-refundable $280 confirmation fee to the Office of Admissions by May 1. You can also confirm online at z.umn.edu/confirm. Confirmation forms and fees postmarked after the deadline are accepted on a space-available basis only.

2. APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), available at www.fafsa.gov. Be sure to release your FAFSA information to us by including U of M Federal School Code: 003969. One application is all it takes. When you submit the FAFSA, we will consider you for grants, loans, work-study, and need-based scholarships! If you complete the FAFSA by March 1, you will receive an estimated financial aid package prior to May 1. We encourage all students to apply for financial aid, even if they think they may not be eligible.

3. APPLY FOR GUARANTEED HOUSING

When you choose to live in campus housing, you join nearly 90% of first-year students who enjoy the benefits of on-campus life! While living in University housing, you can:

• meet new people and develop lasting friendships.
• live close to classes, student centers, libraries, and the recreation center.
• get involved through social, educational, and cultural activities such as intramural sports, hall council, and Homecoming or Spring Jam events.
• apply early at housing.umn.edu! Housing assignments are based on the date the completed housing application is received, space availability, and whether students meet program requirements.

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities guarantees housing to all admitted first-year students who are willing to accept assignment to any space, and who:

1. Submit the housing application and non-refundable housing application fee to Housing & Residential Life no later than May 1; and
2. Confirm their enrollment with the Office of Admissions no later than May 1.

Students who apply for housing after May 1 are placed in housing only on a space-available basis.

4. AFTER YOU CONFIRM

Attend Orientation—As a new student at the University, you will attend orientation, an event dedicated to easing your transition to college life. During orientation, you will meet with your advisor, register for classes, and meet other incoming freshmen. Students who have confirmed their enrollment will work with their college to set a specific summer orientation date. Details will be emailed beginning in April to students who have confirmed their enrollment.

Attend Welcome Week—Developed to build upon your orientation, Welcome Week is an action-packed experience for new freshmen that includes events planned to connect and welcome you to the University of Minnesota. Welcome Week occurs the week before classes begin and is required.

Please note: In-person Orientation activities were shifted to an online format due to COVID-19 safety measures for fall 2021. Orientation & Transition Experiences will continue to monitor the situation for fall 2022 and communicate a plan when available.

Living Learning Communities

A wide variety of Living Learning Communities (LLCs) are available within University housing, including those that are academic and interest-based, and those that are culturally focused. These communities offer a special opportunity for students to live and learn with other students who share similar interests. Students who are interested in one of the Living Learning Communities are encouraged to apply online at z.umn.edu/LiveLearn as soon as possible but no later than March 1. Assignments in Living Learning Communities are based on the date the completed housing application is received, space availability, and whether students meet program requirements.
ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS

5. SUBMIT YOUR FINAL TRANSCRIPT AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

Prior to enrolling at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, all confirmed students will need to submit official final transcripts and other verification documents. We will compare these documents against the Self-Reported Academic Record.

Applications who misrepresent or falsify information may have their admission canceled. In addition, failure to provide verification documents may result in the cancellation of enrollment.

Our goal is your success at the University of Minnesota. Because strong academic preparation through the senior year of high school enhances the likelihood of a student’s academic success, it is University policy that students meet the following conditions before they are eligible to enroll:

1. Graduate from high school or pass the GED (or the equivalent) before fall semester begins.
2. Successfully complete the courses listed on their applications as “to be completed during the senior year.”
3. If you selected to have your ACT/SAT test scores considered on your application, submit an official test score from the testing agency that matches the highest reported score on your academic record.

In order to verify that students have met these enrollment requirements, they must request that their high school submit their final transcript, including date of graduation, to the Office of Admissions by July 1.

If students selected to have their ACT/SAT test scores considered on their application, they must also submit official test scores from the testing agency by July 1.

Senior Year Grades Policy
Senior year courses and grades are very important, and are considered when making admission decisions. After final transcripts are received, we review each student’s senior year coursework and grades to confirm completion and that student performance during the senior year is consistent with their academic performance at the time of application. Changes in senior year coursework may result in a change to the student’s college of admission. Unsuccessful completion of senior year coursework and/or a significant decline in academic performance during the senior year will result in reconsideration of the admission decision and may result in the cancellation of admission.

“Successful completion” of coursework is defined as achieving grades consistent with (or better than) earlier terms on the transcript. Each year, there are cases where admission must be rescinded based on significant declines in senior year grades. If you are making changes to your senior year courses, or experiencing declining grades in your courses, you must consult with a U of M admissions counselor right away at 612-625-2008 or 1-800-752-1000.

Communications and information you may receive:

- If you complete any college coursework before enrolling at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, arrange to have an official final transcript sent directly to the Office of Admissions from each college you attend. A transfer credit evaluation will be produced and emailed to you if these courses were completed at a University of Minnesota campus, you do not need to send your transcript.
- We award credits for Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College in the Schools courses. For detailed information on these tests, please visit:
  - z.umn.edu/AdvancedPlacement
  - z.umn.edu/InternationalBaccalaureate
- After you confirm your enrollment, your college of admission will contact you in April about the placement and/or proficiency tests you need to take. These steps will take place online through your “New Student Checklist.”

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Note: The tuition and fees listed above cover one academic year (two semesters) of enrollment. This table is shared for planning purposes. As is the case with most public colleges and universities, tuition and fees for fall 2022 will be estimated in spring 2022 and finalized in July 2022. Please note that the exact cost of attendance varies slightly from student to student based on college of enrollment and courses taken. For more information about costs, visit z.umn.edu/costs.

1 Resident definition: Students attending the U of M from Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, or Manitoba, Canada. Residents of Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Manitoba, Canada must apply for reciprocity status.
2 Non-resident definition: Students attending the U of M, but are not from Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, or Manitoba, Canada.
3 Final housing and fees are estimates and will be determined in the summer of 2022 by the Board of Regents.
4 Many students keep their miscellaneous expenses below this figure by spending responsibly. See budget tips and tricks at z.umn.edu/visualstudent.
5 Students who choose to take out a federal direct student loan incur origination fees set up by the federal program. These fees are included in the cost of attendance as the average amount paid by students who borrowed in the previous year at the U of M. Students who choose not to borrow do not incur any loan fees.
6 Students enrolled in the Carlson School of Management (CSOM) and College of Science and Engineering (CSE) will be charged an additional $1,000 per semester tuition surcharge to maintain innovative classrooms and laboratories.

Reciprocity is not guaranteed. Students from North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Manitoba, Canada must submit an application for reciprocity to the higher education office in their home state to be considered for reciprocity rates. Additional information and links to the applications can be found at z.umn.edu/reciprocity.
Curiosity has a guaranteed return. Come curious and you will find that the U of M offers competitive tuition rates and a great value. Just ask *Forbes*, *Princeton Review*, and *Kiplinger’s Personal Finance*. They have all ranked the University in the “Best Value” category.

**GREAT VALUE**

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities offers students a great value. Our unique blend of widely lauded academic programs, real-world learning opportunities, and a major metropolitan location will prepare you to follow your dreams, no matter what path you take after graduation.

Actually, any credits you take over the 13-credit threshold are free of charge, so you can take a variety of courses without worrying about extra tuition costs. (Students take 15-16 credits each semester to graduate on time.)

**COMMITMENT TO STUDENT SUCCESS**

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities will give you the tools and knowledge you need to be successful. Graduating in four years is important—it lowers your costs and gets you a top-notch degree sooner, so you can explore the world, secure a job, and find your future.

The U of M’s commitment to your success is gaining attention. High retention rates, low debt burden, and high graduate salaries earned us *Forbes* magazine’s “rising star college” title.

**MINNESOTA DREAM ACT**

Minnesota residents eligible for the Minnesota Dream Act pay in-state tuition rates at the U of M, and are also considered for state financial aid and U of M scholarships. To learn more about the Minnesota Dream Act (also known as the Minnesota Prosperity Act), please visit dream.umn.edu or contact the Office of Admissions at 612-625-2008 or 1-800-752-1000.

**ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities has a number of merit-based scholarships that are awarded to recognize students’ outstanding academic achievements. A complete listing of freshman merit scholarships can be found at z.umn.edu/AcademicScholarships. There is no separate application for most scholarships. Admitted freshmen are considered for scholarships based on their application for admission. Scholarships are very competitive. Scholarship recipients will be notified by the end of March 2022.
When you choose the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, you will study at one of the country’s top public research universities, uniquely surrounded by a metropolitan area that is rich in opportunities. With access to 150+ majors, you can follow in the footsteps of the notably curious. Like Roy Wilkins, national civil rights leader, Michele Brekke, NASA’s first female flight director, and Walt Lillehei, open-heart surgery pioneer.

YOUR PROFESSORS
When you study at the world-renowned University of Minnesota, your education won’t come exclusively from a textbook; your college experience will be enhanced by award-winning faculty who are discovering new knowledge every day, plus state-of-the-art learning facilities, and an endless variety of options. Many of our professors are National Academy of Sciences members, published authors, or patent holders.

YOUR INNOVATIVE ENVIRONMENT
Your professors and fellow scholars have an international reputation as game-changing innovators. In 2020, the U of M was ranked 18th in the world for number of U.S. patents granted by the National Academy of Inventors. At the core of the University of Minnesota’s culture of innovation and discovery is its talented staff and faculty.

From disease treatments to high-tech materials, world-changing breakthroughs are a testament to the knowledge and dedication of U of M researchers. The knowledge unlocked in U of M classrooms and labs is headed straight to the marketplace. Just in the last five years, our researchers have filed for 900 U.S. patents and created 85+ start-up companies.

YOUR CLASSES
More than four out of five U of M classes have fewer than 50 students. Language classes, composition classes, and freshman seminars have particularly low enrollment caps so that you have ample opportunities to connect with your professor and classmates alike.

What’s a freshman seminar? It’s a discussion-oriented class of 15-20 first-year students led by a top professor. These unique classes cover one-of-a-kind topics like “How Likely is Extra-terrestrial Life?” and “In Pursuit of Equality: Racial and Gender Justice in American Workplaces” See samples at z.umn.edu/sem.

YOUR CLASSROOMS
Our active-learning classrooms use technology to foster connections and teamwork. The University of Minnesota Twin Cities is a pioneering leader in designing classrooms and curricula that get students engaged. In fact, representatives from universities across the country come here and tour our campus to see how it’s done!

“State of the art” isn’t limited to the classroom. You will experience sophistication and technology throughout campus. For example, music students practice and perform in the only all-Steinway school in the Big Ten. Physics students conduct pioneering research with experts from around the world in the U of M’s underground neutrino lab in Northern Minnesota. Nursing students become future health professionals in the state-of-the-art Health Sciences Education Center. Journalism students use cutting-edge equipment in broadcast studies and editing labs. Agricultural and natural resources students utilize 160 acres of land, located on-campus, for ground-breaking crop, environment, and soil research.

YOUR ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Tutoring - The University of Minnesota Twin Cities offers tutoring support for over 250 subject areas including math, science, and writing. Tutoring helps students develop academic study skills and confidence needed to succeed in their courses.

Academic Advising - You will work closely with advisors throughout your time on campus - whether you need help planning courses, discovering the perfect learning abroad program, or finding an internship, we are here for you!

HONORS PROGRAM
Students whose admission applications are complete by the Early Action Deadline (November 1), Early Action II (December 1), or the Regular Deadline (January 1) will receive full consideration for the University Honors Program. Students who apply after these deadlines will be considered on a space-available basis. Students admitted into the University Honors Program will be notified by the end of March 2022.
DEPTH OF FIELD
University of Minnesota Twin Cities researchers and students are perfecting apple varieties in one lab and working on a cure to Alzheimer’s in another. Students are picking up teaching skills to close the achievement gap in one classroom and studying the future legal implications of Supreme Court decisions in another. On our campus, you’ll have curious students from 150+ majors ready to share ideas and discover solutions.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
Do you have a burning question that Google just can’t answer? A passion that exceeds the information found in your textbook? Professors are not the only people at the U of M who are pushing the boundaries of knowledge; you can work side-by-side with professors and play a role in our discoveries, too. One of the best benefits of a major university is the opportunity to conduct research as an undergraduate student. By pairing up one-on-one with a faculty mentor, you can explore your interests through projects and experiments you design in the topic of your choice. Follow your heart, feed your brain, build your resume, and expand your world!

GRAND CHALLENGES CURRICULUM
The U of M’s Grand Challenges Curriculum is designed to address important global issues through a solution-driven, interdisciplinary approach to learning. Each course focuses on a particular global issue—like global health issues or solving world hunger while maintaining our environment—and will help you develop a foundational set of knowledge, skills, and values that can be applied across a range of potential grand-challenge topics.

What makes us different? As a flagship research university, we’re all about asking questions. From unlocking the secrets of DNA repair to taking a zero-gravity flight, University of Minnesota undergraduate students experience the thrill of research. Top research institutions, like the U of M, are leading the charge to discover answers. When you step onto campus, you will join a community of bright, curious scholars who are literally saving the world.

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EXPAND YOUR GLOBAL HORIZONS

The University of Minnesota Twin Cities is proud to offer one of the nation’s largest and most comprehensive study abroad programs, with 180+ opportunities in 50+ countries. Advisors will help you find your ideal fit from a wide-range of academic, research, and internship opportunities abroad, so you can gain valuable experience to prepare for life in a global society.

SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

Looking to get some tutoring experience? Want to help organize a fundraiser? What about a clothing or food drive? Without leaving campus, you can pitch in at the U of M Masonic Children’s Hospital — one of the best children’s hospitals in the United States — or the Ronald McDonald House. Or you can check out the Twin Cities for organizations like the American Red Cross, Teach for America, and College Possible.

YOUR student life

Enjoy nature? You’ll be able to enjoy each of Minnesota’s four seasons with the Outdoors Club. Wish you were at Hogwarts? Here, you can at least play Quidditch and warm up in a maroon and gold scarf. Want to build a cool race car? Our Solar Vehicle Project received 5th place at the 2019 Bridgestone World Solar Challenge. We have 900+ other student groups where you can learn skills, connect with peers, volunteer, build experience, and have fun.

YOUR GREEK COMMUNITY

Through fraternities and sororities, you can make friends, connect with mentors, and find your home on campus. When you choose to join a fraternity or sorority, you’ll join a strong community of nearly 3,000 students who are devoted to leadership, scholarship, community, and service. With nearly 60 fraternities and sororities on campus, the U of M has many unique options for membership.

Let opportunity feed your curiosity. Stepping onto campus, you’ll embark on an adventure that will truly open your mind. With more than 900 student organizations to choose from, you could join Mock Trial, Board Gamers Club, Ski and Snowboard Club, or a group that describes itself as a club that “teaches members the proper method for safely climbing trees in compliance with the American National Standard Safety Requirement for Arboricultural Operations.” Curious? You should be.

Despite the pandemic, studying abroad has returned and we are safely sending students abroad to locations where health and travel restrictions allow. To learn more about our Learning Abroad Center and COVID-19 safety measures, visit UMaineabroad.umn.edu.
Diversity is a core value of life at the University of Minnesota. Our campus community is made up of students and staff with different backgrounds, interests, and experiences. Living and learning in a diverse community prepares you for a future in a global society. Here, you’ll be encouraged to think critically, grow intellectually, and challenge the status quo.

How do we define “diversity”? In the broadest sense, our university community is strengthened by our students, staff, professors, and alumni representing different races, economic backgrounds, geographic origins, ages, genders, religions, ethnicities, sexual orientations, abilities, talents and beliefs, as well as those with disabilities both apparent and non-apparent.

On this page, you can find info on opportunities in our multicultural communities. For more information on campus communities, head to our website: z.umn.edu/diversity

MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY
As part of the U of M student community, you’ll find 200+ culturally focused student groups, nine student-run cultural centers, 14 multicultural fraternities and sororities, and some of the oldest cultural studies programs in the United States. At the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, you can celebrate your own culture and learn about others!

GENDER AND SEXUALITY CENTER FOR QUEER AND TRANS LIFE
The Gender and Sexuality Center for Queer and Trans Life is dedicated to transforming campus climate for University of Minnesota students, staff, faculty, and community members by developing and supporting more inclusive understandings of gender, and sexuality through education, advocacy, outreach, and support. For information, visit diversity.umn.edu/gsc, call 612-625-0537, or email gsc@umn.edu.

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER
The University of Minnesota is committed to providing accommodations to all qualified students with disabilities. Students with disabilities can take advantage of the nation’s first Disabled Student Cultural Center. To register to receive accommodations or services for a documented disability, email drc@umn.edu or call 612-626-1333 (voice or TTY). You can also visit diversity.umn.edu/disability for more information.

STUDENT RESOURCES

MULTICULTURAL CENTER FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (MCAE)
The Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence (MCAE) is a campus-wide resource that promotes an inclusive atmosphere to foster and enrich multicultural understanding among all members of the University of Minnesota community. MCAE’s commitment to creating such a climate is driven by a student-first culture in which students are the highest priority. To stay connected with events, services, and opportunities such as the MCAE Kick Off event for new freshmen, contact MCAE at mcae.umn.edu, or email mcae@umn.edu.

VETERANS RESOURCE OFFICE
The Veterans Resource Office is a one-stop service destination for students and family members of veterans and current members of the military. The Office provides academic support and a gathering place for those who serve in the military. To request services, get information about education benefits, or get involved with the Student Veterans Association, visit z.umn.edu/veterans, call 612-625-8076, or email veterans@umn.edu for more information.

FALL 2020 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS AT A GLANCE

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Source: www.oir.umn.edu

FEEL AT HOME
Living Learning Communities (LLCs) give you a chance to live with students that share your interests and background. If you’re looking to dive into a cultural community on campus, make sure you check out culturally focused LLCs – like the American Indian Cultural House, CASA SOL, and Charlotte’s Home – before you apply for housing.

z.umn.edu/livelearn
Curiosity drives discovery of the world around you. Studying at one of the only Big Ten universities within minutes of a dynamic metropolis, you’ll benefit from all that a city — actually two cities — has to offer. The Twin Cities have a proud sporting heritage, with many professional sports teams calling the area home. Visit the Guthrie Theater and you’ll see why the Twin Cities also has a reputation for maintaining the most active live theater scene outside of New York City.

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE**

If you’re career curious, you can intern at one of the 16 Fortune 500 companies based in the Twin Cities, only minutes from campus. Or for a more relaxing escape, stroll the eclectic bookstores, music shops, and boutiques that give the Twin Cities its unique, indie charm. At the U of M, the curious always have something to do. From Dinkytown to Uptown, there are hundreds of eateries to savor. Close to campus, you can feast on a slice of mac and cheese pizza at Mesa Pizza or enjoy classic diner food at Al’s Breakfast, a campus staple since 1950!

**YOUR CAREER ADVANTAGE**

Minnesota is home to 18 Fortune 500 companies statewide—one of the highest per capita rates in the nation—so you’ll have lots of options for professional experience. Local headquarters for companies like 3M, Target, Boston Scientific, and General Mills recruit on campus for internships and permanent positions.

**YOU’LL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBORS**

If you want to explore a new culture—or connect with your own—you’re in luck. When you live in the Twin Cities, you’ll be minutes away from Somali, Latino, American Indian, and Hmong communities, just to name a few. So come ready to check out a Dragon Festival, Minnesota Qeej Festival, or the Festival of Nations.

**YOUR ENTERTAINMENT**

Want to see your favorite artist live? Beyoncé, One Direction, U2, The Rolling Stones, and Luke Bryan have all played shows on campus at Huntington Bank Stadium. Want to cheer on your favorite player? Professional teams—like the Timberwolves, Wild, Twins, and Lynx—often host “college nights” where you can get discounted tickets. Come ready to have some fun.

**FOUR SEASONS**

Minnesota enjoys the full scope of all four seasons. You can paddleboard in the summer, pick apples in the fall, cross-country ski in the winter, and bike the Grand Rounds National Scenic Byway in the spring. No matter what season it is, there are plenty of places to enjoy it near campus, from the Mississippi River, to 6 state parks, and a National Wildlife Refuge—all within the Twin Cities metro area! In 2021, The Trust for Public Land ranked Saint Paul #2 and Minneapolis #3 in the nation for best park systems. In addition, the 2021 American Fitness Index ranked Minneapolis #3 in personal health, and #2 in community and environmental health.
Soak in the spirit. The University of Minnesota Twin Cities is a member of the legendary Big Ten conference, known for the last 125+ years for its stellar athletics and academics. We love to celebrate school spirit and community at events like Homecoming and Spring Jam. You’ll get caught up in the whirlwind of Gopher Pride.

If you’re looking for some excitement, just show up to Huntington Bank Stadium with some maroon and gold on. You’ll chant the Rouser with our 300+ member marching band, cheer on Goldy, and help the Golden Gophers win trophies from our Big Ten rivals. Learn more about these, and other Minnesota traditions at: [z.umn.edu/BigTEN](z.umn.edu/BigTEN)

Join us for an official campus visit! After an information session with an admissions counselor, a U of M student will lead you on a walking tour of our vibrant and historic campus so you can experience our exciting Big Ten atmosphere in person. You will discover state-of-the-art classrooms, labs, and studio facilities amongst our architectural landmarks. You will see an interactive classroom, a library, residence hall, and Coffman Memorial Student Union.

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EXPLORE THE TWIN CITIES

As one of the only Big Ten universities within walking distance to a dynamic metropolis, students benefit from all that the city has to offer. The Twin Cities offer endless opportunities for you to explore outside of the classroom. Check out your options at [z.umn.edu/greatlocation](z.umn.edu/greatlocation).

We also offer a variety of virtual experiences, from self-guided tours, to one-on-one appointments with admissions counselors, to virtual events; all of which give you a glimpse of the opportunities that await you at the U of M - from the comfort of your couch!

- Explore the Minneapolis Campus [z.umn.edu/MinneapolisCampusTour](z.umn.edu/MinneapolisCampusTour)
- Explore the St. Paul Campus [z.umn.edu/StPaulCampusTour](z.umn.edu/StPaulCampusTour)
- Take a virtual, self-guided tour of campus [z.umn.edu/VirtualTour](z.umn.edu/VirtualTour)
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YOUR CAREER CENTERS
To help you achieve your personal and professional goals, the U of M offers seven specialized career centers, each tailored to serve undergraduate students on a specific career path. Stop by the Pre-Health Student Resource Center to develop your pre-med plan or get connected at the University of Minnesota Masonic Children’s Hospital. Swing by the Undergraduate Business Career Center for an on-campus interview with Target or 3M. Our career advisors can help you:

- Explore majors and choose one. They do this via individual assistance, personality and interest tests, classes, and resource rooms full of information you can browse.
- Connect your major to potential careers. You’re likely to find options that you didn’t know were available.
- Search for internships and jobs. They’ll teach you effective job-search strategies, resume writing, and interviewing skills.
- Decide if you want to attend grad school and help you apply.
- Attend the University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair, featuring hundreds of employers from across Minnesota and the world.

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