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VANDERBILT

*Vanderbilt*

 NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 

Though I never had any education, no man has ever felt the lack more than I have, and no man appreciates the value of it more than I do and believes more than I do what it will do in the future.

*C. Vanderbilt*  
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# WE HAVE A HISTORY

of holding ourselves  
to higher standards.

For more than a century, we have put our heads together to solve, innovate, educate, and create without losing sight of certain ideals that sharpen intellect and foster community. Are you ready to see what lies ahead?

## 68 MAJORS

**4** UNDERGRADUATE  
COLLEGES AND  
SCHOOLS

College of Arts &  
Science

Blair School of Music

School of Engineering

Peabody College of  
Education and Human  
Development

GRADUATE AND  
PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS  
AND PROGRAMS

Divinity School

School of Engineering

Graduate School

Law School

School of Medicine

School of Nursing

Owen Graduate School of  
Management

Peabody College of Education  
and Human Development

# Fulfilling dreams is in our DNA.

Over the years, we have discovered that you can't contain a neuroscientist's love of dance any more than a mechanical engineer's fascination with pre-Columbian tribes. **We encourage students to study across disciplines**, and then bring them together to address problems from new perspectives. It's a school of thought that favors collaboration over competition in true Vanderbilt tradition.



FULL-TIME FACULTY WITH THE highest academic degree IN THEIR FIELD OF STUDY **94%**



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**Student-to-faculty ratio**  
 \*\*\*\*\* **7:1**  
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CLASSES WITH FEWER THAN 50 STUDENTS

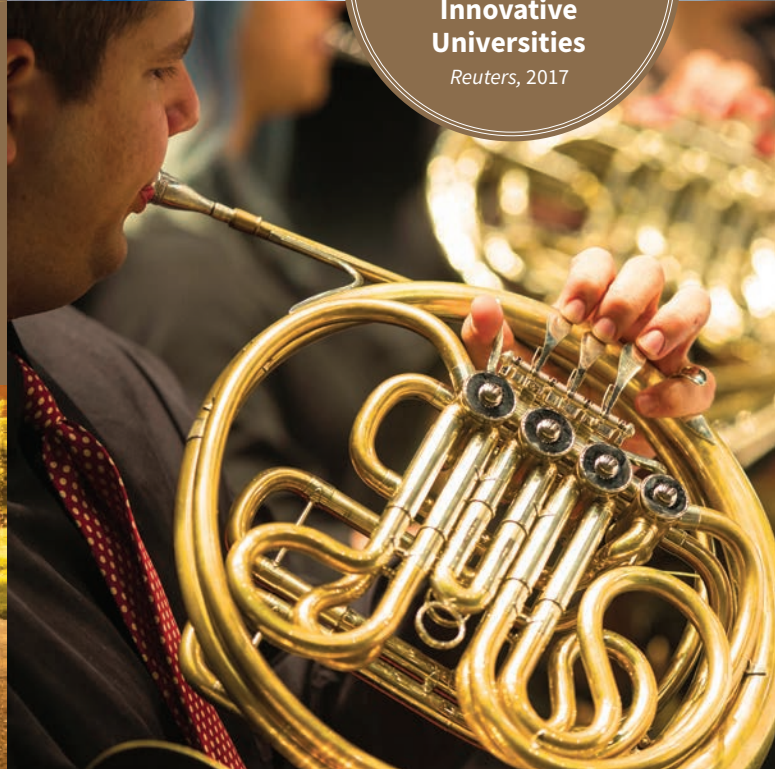
**91%**

**#10**  
 World's Most Innovative Universities  
*Reuters, 2017*

# Scholarship

is the pursuit of knowledge in an environment of academic freedom.

—FIRST PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED



**27%**  
 OF STUDENTS  
**DOUBLE MAJOR**

**55%**  
 ADD A MINOR  
 TO THEIR  
 PRIMARY DEGREE

VANDERBILT OFFERS MORE THAN **65** MINORS, including a new business minor

# The College of Arts & Science,

the largest of our undergraduate colleges, spans 49 established majors and includes numerous interdisciplinary fields such as neuroscience; medicine, health, and society; and economics and history.

## AXLE (Achieving eXcellence in Liberal Education)

Undergraduate arts and science students engage in a full liberal arts experience through a flexible, user-friendly core curriculum that includes writing and liberal arts components. Students may select from a wide range of courses to fulfill AXLE requirements.



All first-year students in the College of Arts and Science take a First-Year Writing Seminar in which small groups of 10 to 15 students thoroughly examine a topic to foster exchanges with professors and introduce the participatory learning style that characterizes a Vanderbilt education. Students may choose from a variety of topics in fields from anthropology to women's and gender studies.



The College of Arts and Science exemplifies the best of both worlds with numerous opportunities for in-depth exploration and expression in the heart of a major research university.

With majors that encompass the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences, A&S students are able to utilize technologies ranging from an innovative language laboratory to tissue culture facilities and mass spectrometers, as well as policy and research centers that address critical issues.



Earth and environmental sciences students explore a local creek as part of their introduction to the geological sciences.

**MAJORS**

- African American and Diaspora Studies
- American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art
- Asian Studies
- Biochemistry and Chemical Biology
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Cinema and Media Arts
- Classical and Mediterranean Studies
- Communication of Science and Technology
- Communication Studies
- Earth and Environmental Sciences
- Ecology, Evolution, and Organismal Biology
- Economics
- Economics and History
- English
- Environmental Sociology
- European Studies
- French
- French and European Studies
- German Studies
- German and European Studies



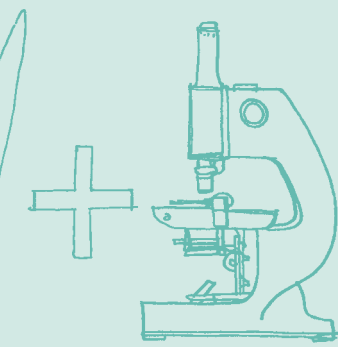
- History
  - History of Art
  - Italian and European Studies
  - Jewish Studies
  - Latin American Studies
  - Latino and Latina Studies
  - Law, History, and Society
  - Mathematics
  - Medicine, Health, and Society
  - Molecular and Cellular Biology
  - Neuroscience
  - Philosophy
  - Physics
  - Political Science
  - Psychology
  - Public Policy Studies
  - Religious Studies
  - Russian
  - Russian, East European, and European Studies
  - Sociology
  - Spanish
  - Spanish and European Studies
  - Spanish and Portuguese
  - Spanish, Portuguese, and European Studies
  - Theatre
  - Women's and Gender Studies
- Students may also work with faculty advisers to design a unique interdisciplinary major.

**[vu.edu/majors](http://vu.edu/majors)**



**LARGEST UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS**  
IN THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE 2018

- Economics
- Medicine, Health, and Society
- Neuroscience
- Political Science
- Communication Studies
- Psychology
- Molecular and Cellular Biology



# Blair School of Music

offers conservatory-level training within a full liberal arts curriculum to broaden the horizons of undergraduates as they perfect their talents, much to the acclaim of audiences and alumni year after year.



**MASTER CLASSES**  
OFFERED IN  
EVERY PROGRAM  
OF STUDY AND/OR  
DEPARTMENT



**THE ONLY**  
MUSIC SCHOOL SOLELY  
FOR UNDERGRADUATES IN A  
TOP-TWENTY UNIVERSITY

ENROLLMENT LIMITED  
TO APPROX.

**200**

Dress rehearsal by the Commodore Orchestra, which offers performance opportunities to all members of the Vanderbilt community.



**DEGREES**

**Bachelor of Music**

- Composition
- Performance
- Integrated Studies
- Integrated Studies/  
Teacher Education

**Bachelor of Musical Arts**

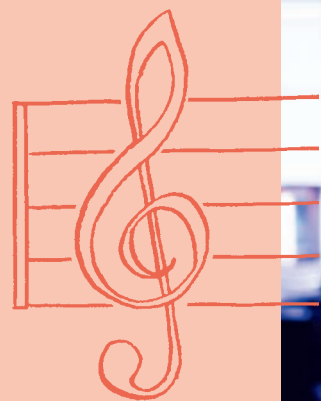
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**DEPARTMENTS**

- Brass & Percussion
- Chamber Music
- Composition & Theory
- Ensembles
- Folk & Jazz
- Harp
- Keyboard
- Musicology &  
Ethnomusicology
- Strings
- Voice
- Woodwinds

Blair awards credit for private instruction in voice or any instrument as well as for group instruction in piano, percussion, and fiddle.

Most courses designed for music majors are also open to students with sufficient musical backgrounds. There are several classes within Blair that are designed especially for non-majors.



**25**

**PERFORMANCE  
ENSEMBLES**



**4:1**

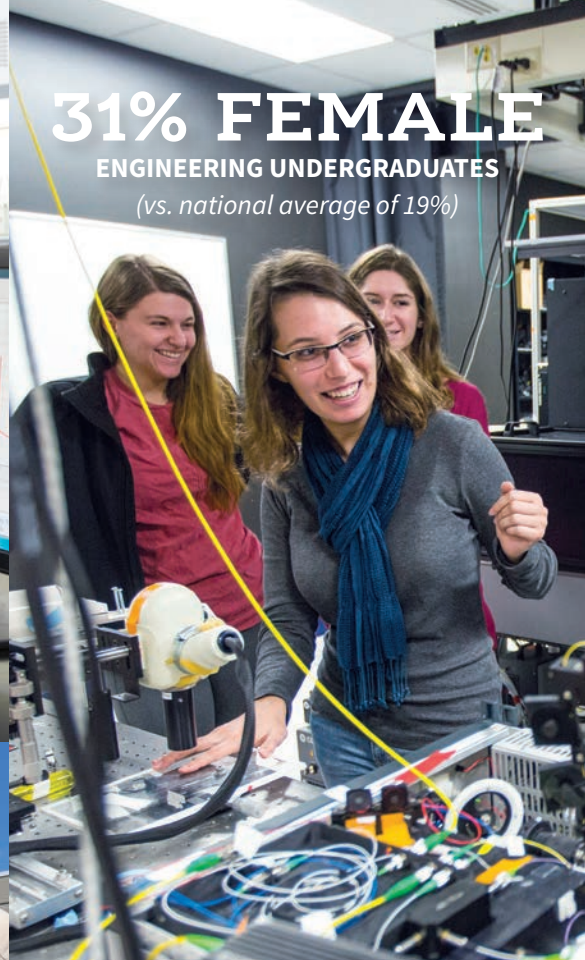
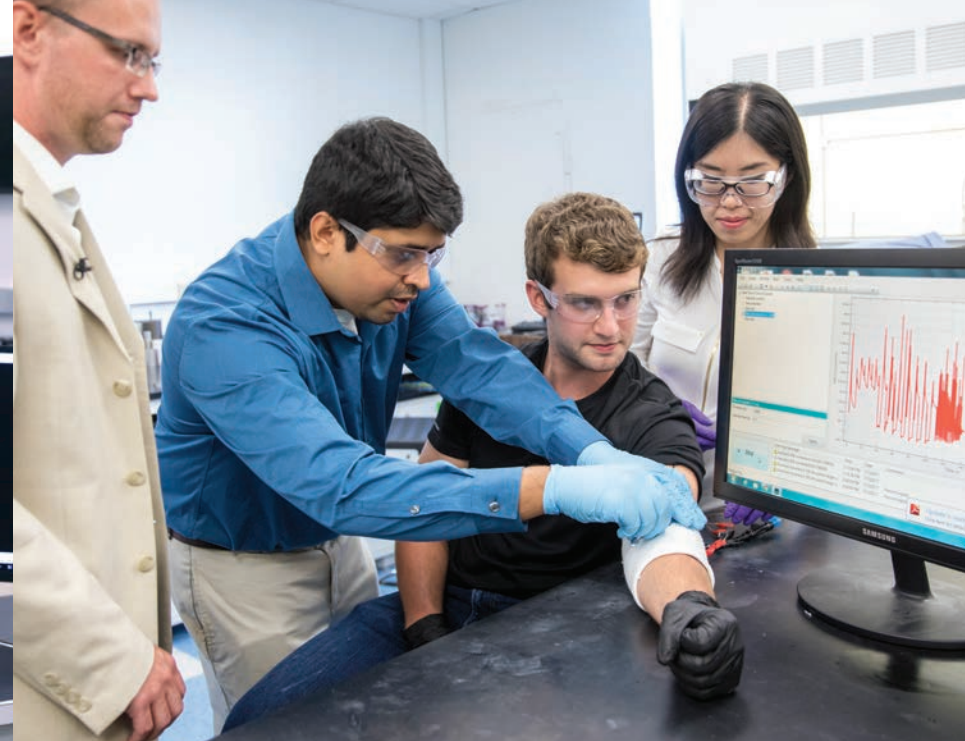
**Student-to-  
faculty ratio**



Rehearsal of Leonard Bernstein's *Mass*, a campus production that involved nearly two-thirds of Blair's student body.







**31% FEMALE**  
ENGINEERING UNDERGRADUATES  
(vs. national average of 19%)

# The School of Engineering

is known for its close-knit, hands-on environment that teams students with professors in pursuit of the most elusive answers to the problems of the natural and virtual world.



Design Day showcases the year-long efforts of undergraduate teams in solving real-world problems posed by individuals and corporations. This year's Design Day projects included 3-D printed bones, a Kenyan rainwater collection system, a collapsible solar-powered 3-D printer, mid-flight drone refueling, a real-time target detection system in rocket flight and a new stent to treat cerebrovascular aneurysms.

MORE THAN  
**90%**  
OF STUDENTS ENTERING  
THE WORKFORCE HAVE A  
JOB WITHIN SIX MONTHS  
OF GRADUATION

# ENGINEERING

## MAJORS

- Biomedical Engineering\*
- Chemical Engineering\*
- Civil Engineering\*
- Computer Engineering\*
- Computer Science\*\*
- Electrical Engineering\*
- Engineering Science
- Mechanical Engineering\*

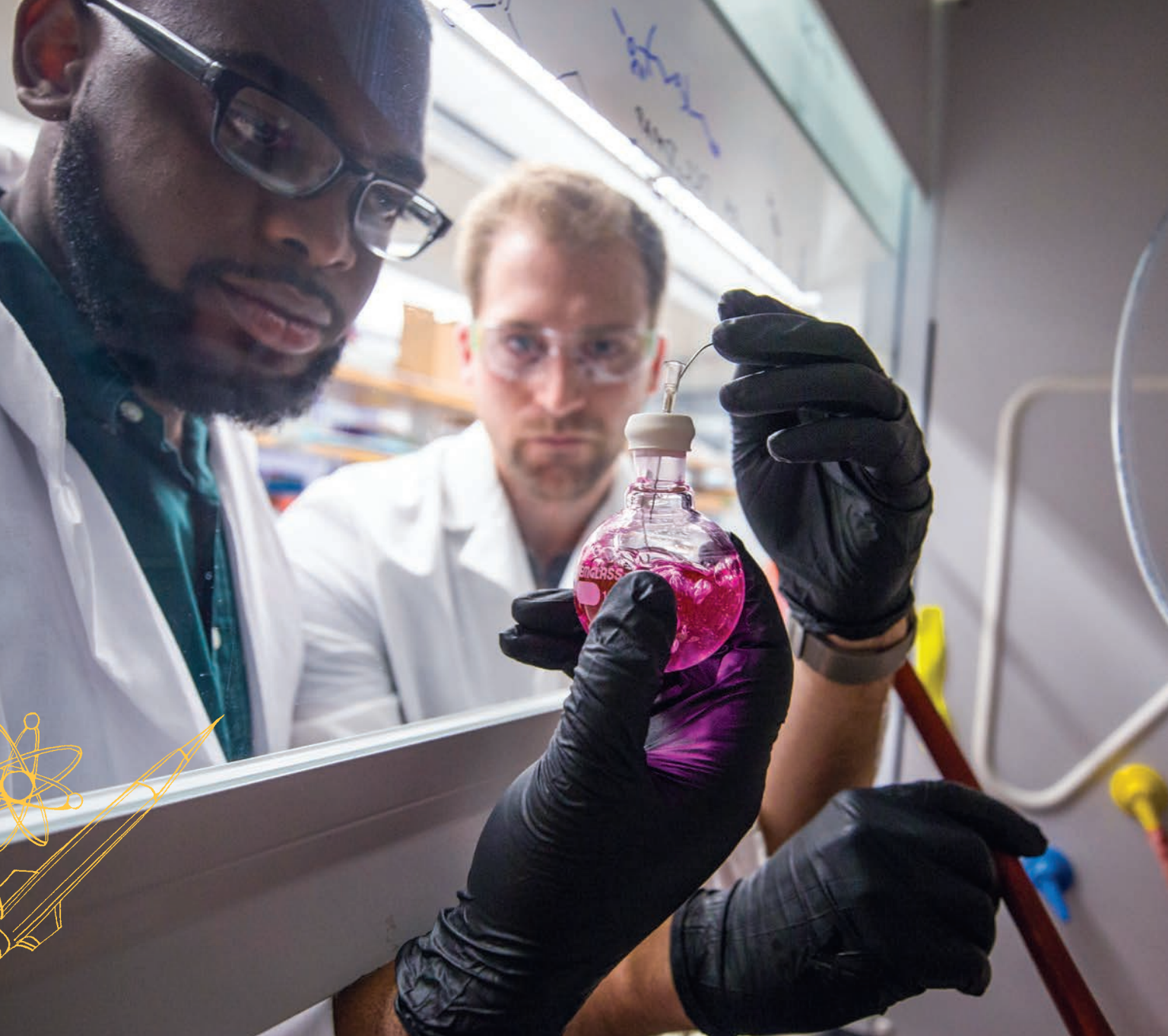
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## OUR RESEARCH NEIGHBORHOODS

- Cyber-physical Systems
- Biomedical Imaging and Biophotonics
- Rehabilitation Engineering
- Nanoscience and Nanotechnology
- Risk, Reliability and Resilience
- Big Data Science and Engineering
- Regenerative Medicine
- Surgery and Engineering
- Energy and Natural Resources



The new Engineering and Science Building fosters project teamwork and offers programs, instrumentation areas, makerspaces, and research laboratories that promote collaboration between students and faculty across disciplines.

# 60%

UNDERGRADUATES INVOLVED  
IN ENGINEERING RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCES SUPERVISED  
BY PROFESSORS

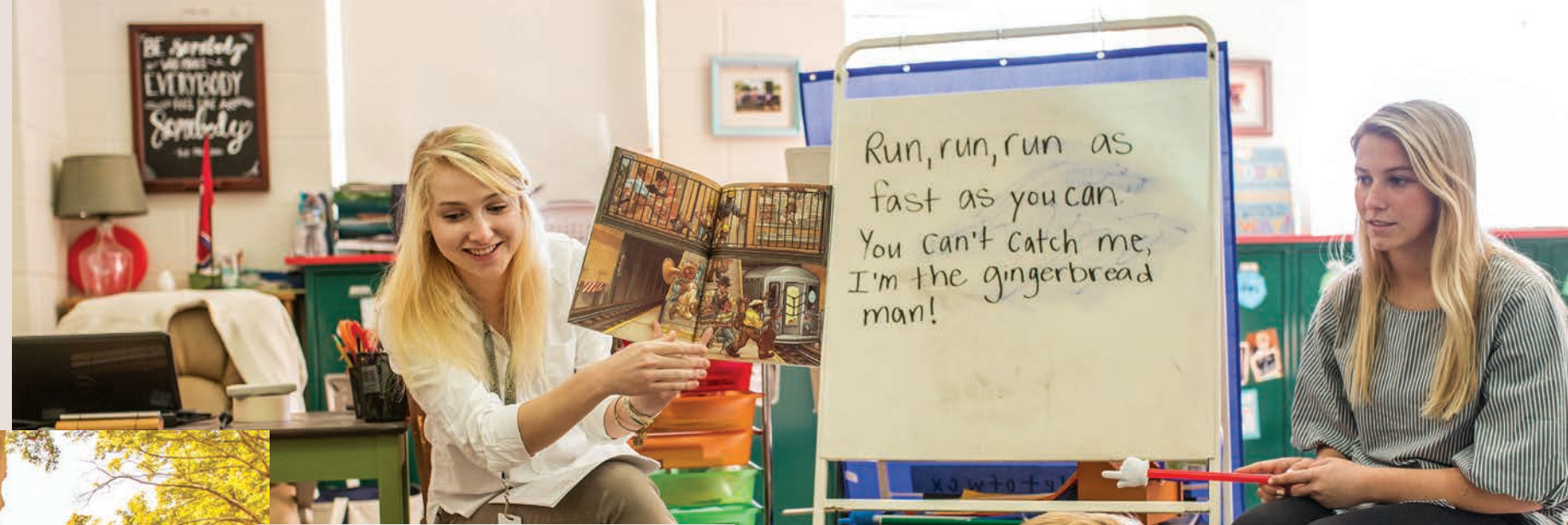


# 100%

FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATE FACULTY  
WITH TERMINAL DEGREES

# Peabody College

builds on a well-respected history of in-depth learning and research about how to help people think, learn, and lead to their greatest potential.



Mayborn Hall, home to the Department of Human and Organizational Development (HOD)



Peabody helps fulfill the growing demand for educators at all levels through undergraduate bachelor's degrees in early childhood and elementary education, and secondary education, as well as classroom experiences that begin as early as the second semester.

**OVER  
750 HOURS  
OF  
IN-CLASSROOM  
EXPERIENCE**

**FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION UNDERGRADUATES**

**TOP 8**  
RANKED IN THE  
GRADUATE SCHOOLS OF EDUCATION  
FOR 20 CONSECUTIVE YEARS BY U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT

**MAJORS**

- Child Development
- Child Studies
- Cognitive Studies
- Early Childhood and Elementary Education
- Human and Organizational Development with tracks in:

- Community Leadership and Development
- Education Policy
- Health and Human Services
- International Leadership and Development
- Leadership and Organizational Effectiveness

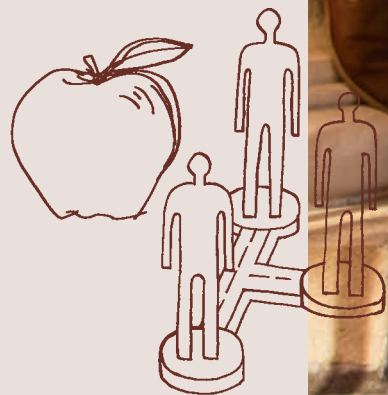
- Secondary Education
- Special Education

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**PRIMARY RESEARCH AREAS**

- Benefiting Young Children
- Improving Schools and School Systems
- Helping Those with Special Needs
- Strengthening Teaching and Learning in Math, Science, Language, and Reading
- Addressing Health and Behavioral Problems
- Research Training

**\$30 MILLION+**  
IN ANNUAL RESEARCH EXPENDITURES  
AT PEABODY COLLEGE



Student teaching opportunities are offered at Peabody as early as the second semester.



HOME TO  
**3**  
NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTERS



# THE INGRAM COMMONS

Welcome to the center of your first-year universe.

Far beyond a collection of dorms, The Martha Rivers Ingram Commons is home to **extraordinary camaraderie, friendly rivalry, and never-ending curiosity.** Fascination becomes second nature as we find common ground with worlds far beyond our own.

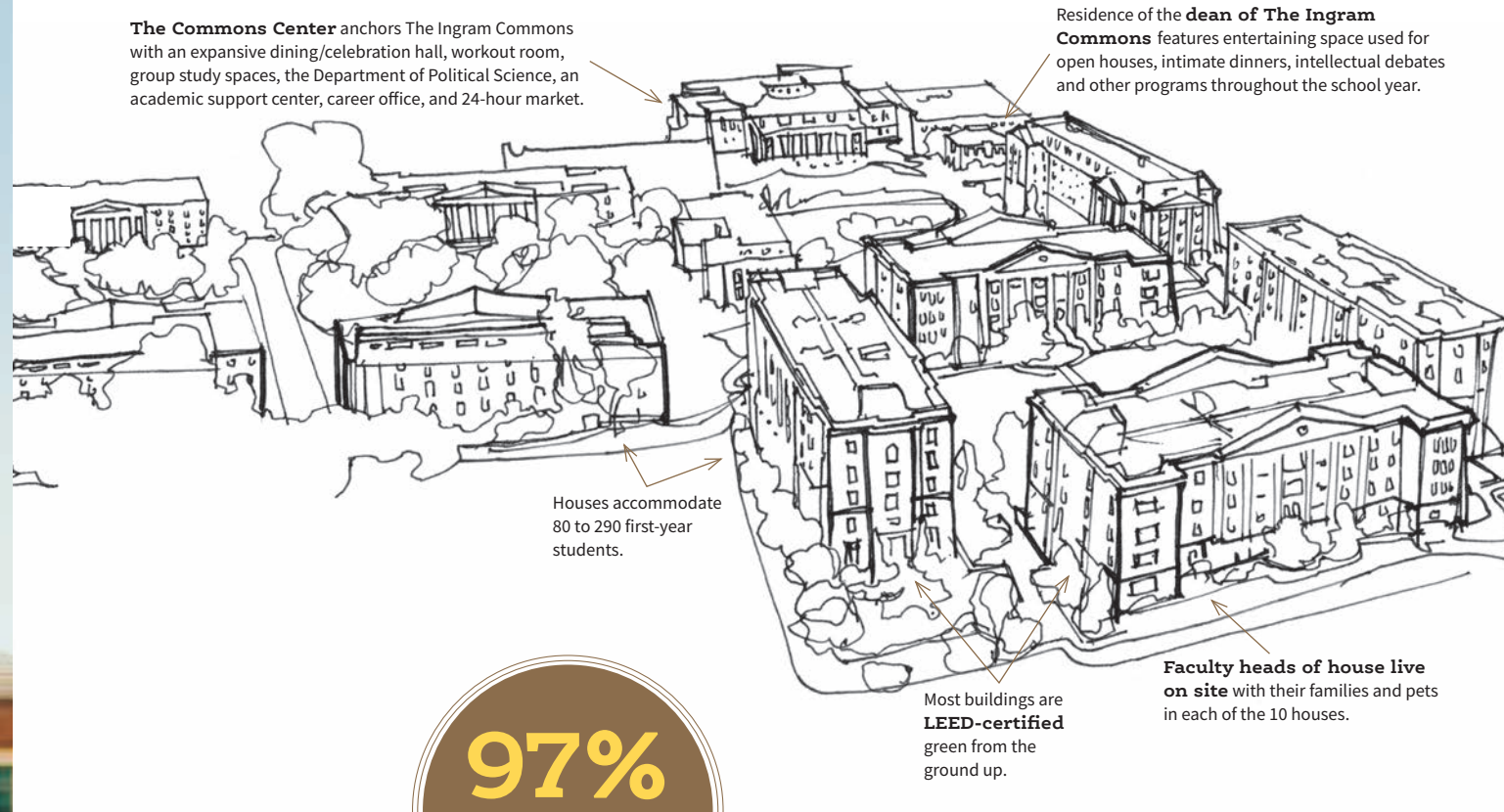
[commons.vanderbilt.edu](https://commons.vanderbilt.edu)



Professor of musicology Gregory Melchor-Barz will serve as interim dean of The Ingram Commons for the 2018–19 academic year.

**Commons iSeminars** are optional, one-credit courses exclusively for first-year students. Participants most recently explored 25+ different subjects, including:

- Ancient Grains and Natural Medicines: Latin American Ethnobotanicals
- Talking Across Differences in an Age of Polarization: A Group Examination of Dialogue and Social Media Communication
- The City as a Work of Art
- Exploring Cultural Memory Through Image and Text
- Immersive Experience in the Study of Presidential Politics



**97%**  
OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS  
RETURN FOR THEIR  
SOPHOMORE YEAR



In addition to easing the anxiety of the first year, The Ingram Commons' main objective is to spark a truly transformative educational experience with opportunities for students and faculty to explore new concepts beyond the curriculum in the classroom. Ideas are conceived, debated, challenged, and defended. **The lines between lecture hall and residence hall blur** as students become more proactive in their learning and more confident about themselves and their futures.



A COLLEGE CAMPUS  
THAT'S ALSO AN  
**arboretum**  
officially recognized by the  
American Public Gardens  
Association



Future vision of Vanderbilt's West End neighborhood, home of three new residential colleges, the first to be completed in summer 2020.



The enriching benefits of a living-learning environment continue after the first year. **Warren and Moore colleges** each house approximately 330 sophomores, juniors, and seniors led by faculty directors in residence and graduate fellows. In fall 2018, **E. Bronson Ingram College** opens its doors to 340 upperclass students, a faculty director, two graduate fellows, and an area coordinator. Vanderbilt recently broke ground on two new residential colleges along West End Avenue to expand living-learning opportunities for students beyond their first year.



Associate Provost and Dean of Residential Faculty Vanessa Beasley brings years of experience as dean of The Ingram Commons to her new role as dean of residential faculty, which is aimed at fully enriching the student experience.

# It's Not Just Tradition, It's a Matter of Honor.

**There has been a code of honor here since the first final exams were given.** Long-time Dean of Students Madison Sarratt later summarized its principles in a famous quote you'll find outside the student center that bears his name:

"Today I am going to give you two examinations, one in trigonometry and one in honesty. I hope you will pass them both, but if you must fail one, let it be trigonometry, for there are many good men in this world today who cannot pass an examination in trigonometry, but there are no good men in the world who cannot pass an examination in honesty."

The goal of our honor system has always been for all students to leave Vanderbilt as graduates and citizens of integrity. Members of each new Vanderbilt class assemble shortly after moving in for the Honor Code Signing Ceremony. You can see their signatures on display in Sarratt Student Center along with those of all current undergraduates.



E. Bronson Ingram College, Vanderbilt's newest residential college, opens fall 2018.

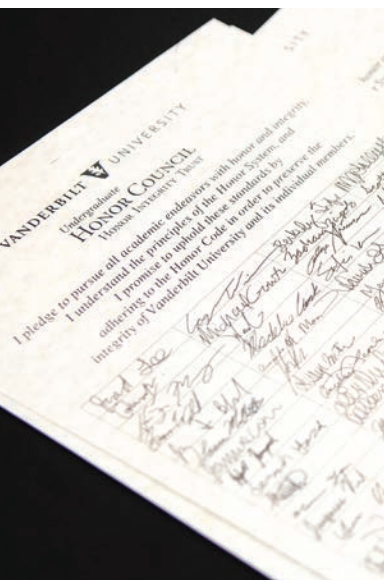
## Admission Statistics FALL 2018\*

**34,316** First-year applications  
Students admitted **3,284**  
**9.6%** Admit rate

\*As of June 1, 2018; numbers finalized on official census day.

## FALL 2017 Enrollment

Undergraduate **6,885**  
Graduate and Professional **5,707**  
TOTAL **12,592**

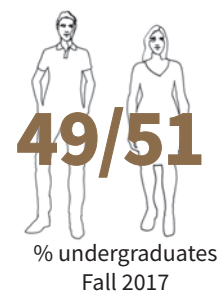
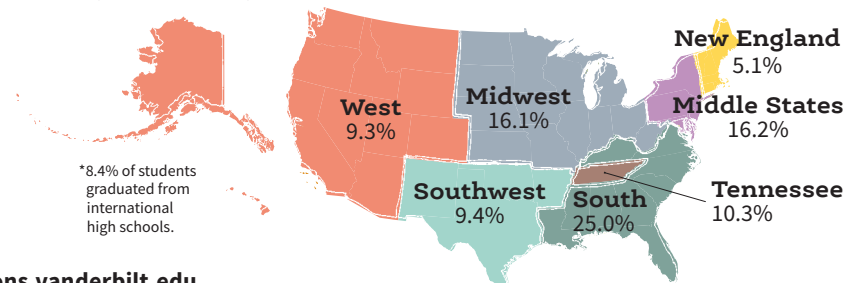


# Honesty

is a commitment to refrain from lying, cheating, and stealing.

—SECOND PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED

### U.S. High School Geographic Diversity, Fall 2017: First-Year Enrolled Students\*



# 1,607

FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS  
ENROLLED FALL 2017

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| American Indian or Alaska Native   | .6%          |
| Asian or Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 15.3%        |
| Black/African American             | 12.4%        |
| Hispanic of any race               | 10.8%        |
| Two or more races                  | 5.8%         |
| <b>Total minority</b>              | <b>45.0%</b> |
| International                      | 8.2%         |
| Attended Public School             | 66%          |
| Attended Private School            | 33%          |
| Attended Other                     | 1%           |
| ACT Middle 50%                     | 32–35        |
| SAT EBRW Middle 50%                | 700–760      |
| SAT Math Middle 50%                | 700–790      |

# Some lessons are best learned **OUTSIDE CLASS.**

Our multidisciplinary philosophy isn't limited to academics. The value we place on community brings students, faculty, and staff together to keep **more than 430 organizations** up and running and the varied interests of nearly 6,900 undergraduates fulfilled.

The student-run WilSkills organization makes the outdoors accessible to any Vanderbilt student, regardless of experience or means, to help them experience nature on its own terms, develop self-discipline, and forge friendships.

## TYPES OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- Academics • Activism • Advocacy and Awareness • Business and Entrepreneurship • Cultural/International • Environmental • Fraternities/Sororities • Governing Councils • Honor Societies • Media • Military • Performing Arts • Philanthropy/Fundraising • Political • Pre-Professional • Programming • Religious/Spiritual • Service • Special Interest • Sports



# Civility

is the genuine respect for the rights of others.

—THIRD PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED



Former vice president and 2007 Nobel Peace Prize laureate Al Gore joins an undergraduate political science class to discuss leadership and the conflicting demands of public life.





All this talk about studying and research may seem a bit daunting to you now, but rest assured that **what happens in class is only part of life here.** A key ingredient to any Vanderbilt student's success is balance. Academics do require a lot of time and effort, but leave room to join some clubs, take some breaks, and enjoy yourself.

Achieving the perfect balance between the academic commitments and the numerous social opportunities of Vanderbilt life is as easy as it is natural, a valuable lesson that serves our students well for years to come.



Senior Day speaker Amal Clooney shares insights into the pursuit of justice with the 2018 graduating class and families.



Pop-up park events transform outdoor spaces across campus as ways to promote sustainability and walkability, encourage social interaction, and celebrate creativity for the enjoyment of all.



Founders Walk celebrates the transformation of first-year students into official members of the Vanderbilt community.



Vanderbilt's Holi celebration, sponsored by the student-run South Asian Cultural Exchange, brings students from around the world together for a favorite end-of-year tradition.

The Vanderbilt Recreation and Wellness Center offers a variety of intramural sports—from softball and basketball to soccer, Ultimate Frisbee, and more—throughout the year.



# COMPASSION COMPELS US TO ACTION.

Almost any day of the year, there are Vanderbilt students at work bringing new ideas and awareness to problems at home and around the globe. They share their love of science and engineering with at-risk schoolchildren, bring fresh water sources and badly needed medical supplies to remote villages, and fundraise for causes far and wide. They devote their energy as if their degrees depended on it, because someone is depending on them.



**62%**  
of students  
participate in  
*volunteer  
service*  
WHILE AT VANDERBILT



Community service experiences that give every student an opportunity to engage, to question, and to create change locally and globally are a key part of the university's goal to create an undergraduate experience that educates the whole person.



*Accountability*  
is taking responsibility for our  
actions and consequences.

—FOURTH PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED

As a founding member of the legendary Southeastern Conference, Vanderbilt is known for athletes who show drive and determination on and off the field.



The women's bowling team celebrates after winning the 2018 national championship, their second NCAA title.

**GAME DAY  
BRINGS OUT THE  
COMMODORE  
IN ALL OF US.**



**32** CLUB SPORTS TEAMS | **40+** INTRAMURAL SPORT LEAGUES



**4** NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

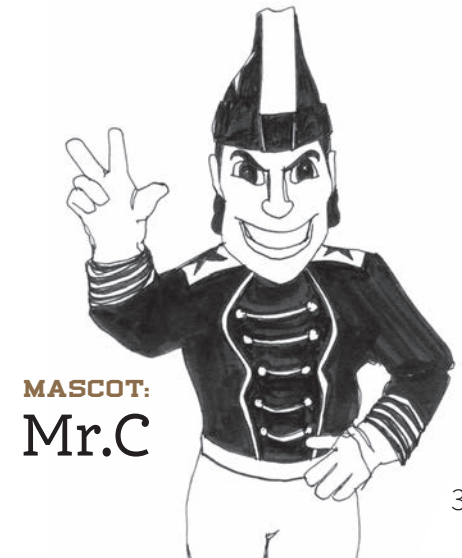
**Southeastern Conference  
DIVISION I ATHLETICS**  
30 SEC and league titles since 2000

As members of the legendary SEC, we turn out for Vanderbilt's ten women's and six men's varsity teams who face some of the country's fiercest opponents with the same focus and perseverance they bring to the classroom.

**CHEER US ON AT [vucommodores.com](http://vucommodores.com)**



Our Anchor Dash tradition gives each first-year class the chance to lead the Commodore football team onto the field during the first home game of the season.



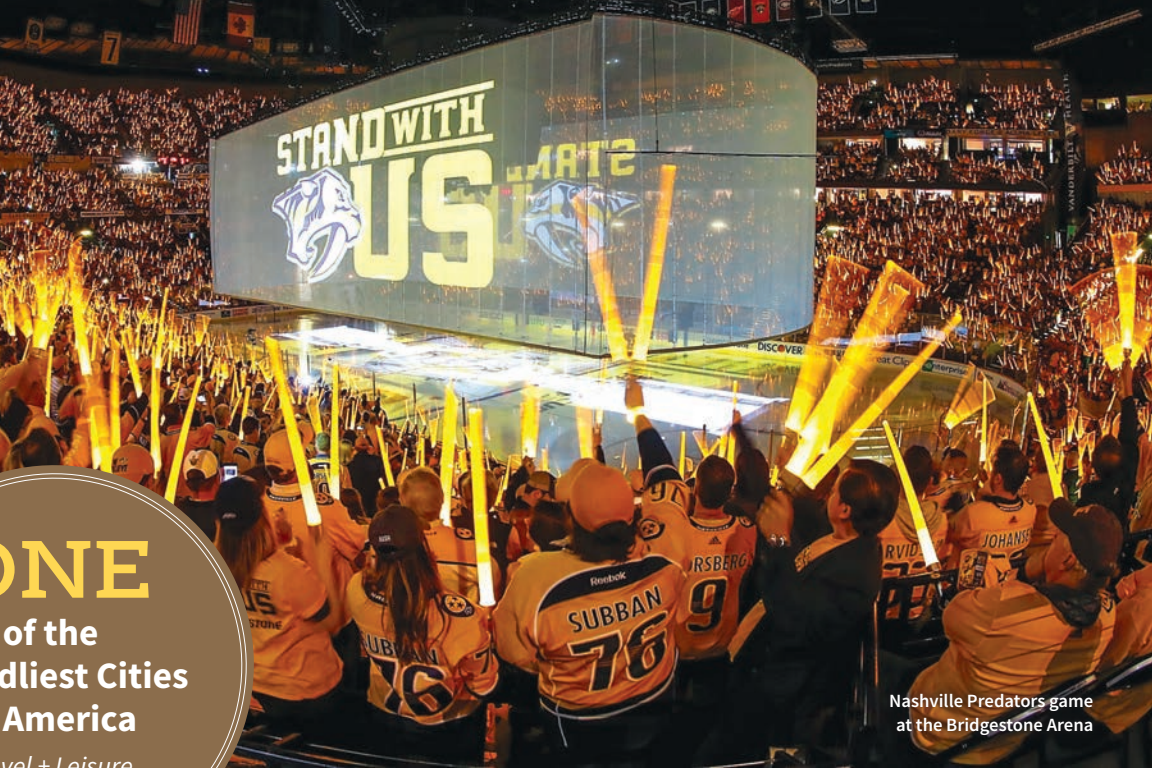
**MASCOT:  
Mr.C**

**#7**  
**Happiest Cities**  
 to Work in Right Now  
*Forbes, 2017*

**#3**  
**Best Big Cities**  
 for Jobs  
*Forbes, 2018*

**ONE**  
 of the  
**Friendliest Cities**  
 in America  
*Travel + Leisure, 2017*

**#6**  
**College City**  
 Gets High Marks  
*Princeton Review, 2017*



Nashville Predators game at the Bridgestone Arena



Lower Broadway



Nashville's 20-foot-high version of the "WhatLiftsYou" mural in The Gulch.



**Nashville,**  
 like Vanderbilt,  
 is full of surprises.

**Nashville** knows how to shine on the international stage, but it still retains a small-town feel that quickly turns new arrivals into locals. You're just as likely to hear breaks and beats as country. Find as many ethnic restaurants as meat-and-threes. Go to an NFL or NHL game and an art exhibit or symphony in the same week. Find "y'all" pops up in your vocabulary before you realize it, and be perfectly fine with it.

Get a closer look at the city that inspired its own TV series at [admissions.vanderbilt.edu/nashville](https://admissions.vanderbilt.edu/nashville)



**#20**  
**MOST**  
**EXCITING**  
**FOOD**  
**CITIES IN**  
**AMERICA**  
*Zagat, 2017*

**ONE OF THE**  
**BEST PLACES**  
**TO GO**  
 IN 2017  
*Frommer's Travel Guide*  
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**ONE OF THE**  
**BEST CITIES**  
 IN THE WORLD  
 WITH  
**UP-AND-COMING**  
**ART SCENES**  
*Observer, 2018*

# OPPORTUNITY VANDERBILT

## Need-Based Scholarships

We are proud to offer one of America's most progressive financial aid programs.

**Vanderbilt makes three commitments** to cultivate a community of talented intellectuals from all social, cultural, and economic backgrounds.

1

For U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens, **Vanderbilt is need-blind.** Your family's financial situation is not considered in our admission decision process.

2

If you are admitted, **we promise to meet 100% of your family's demonstrated financial need,** covering the difference between our total cost and your family's expected financial contribution.

3

**Our financial aid awards do not include loans.** We've replaced loans with grant assistance that you do not have to repay. This initiative does not involve income bands or cutoffs that limit eligibility.

2017/18  
AVERAGE FINANCIAL AID  
PACKAGE  
**\$49,242**

**Caring**  
is the concern for  
the well-being and  
dignity of others.

—FIFTH PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED

# MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Three signature scholarships comprise the majority of Vanderbilt's merit awards:

**The Ingram Scholarship Program** recognizes students who plan to combine a professional or business career with an exceptional commitment to community service.

**The Cornelius Vanderbilt Scholarship** recognizes students who combine outstanding academic achievement with strong leadership and contributions outside the classroom.

**The Chancellor's Scholarship** recognizes students with outstanding academic records who have worked to build strong high school communities by bridging gaps among economically, socially, and racially diverse groups and who have demonstrated significant interest in issues of diversity education, tolerance, and social justice.

Recipients of these signature scholarships are guaranteed full-tuition awards that include a stipend for research, study abroad, a creative endeavor, community service, or the required immersive experience. A separate application is required for the Cornelius Vanderbilt Scholarship; you must apply to be considered. For the Ingram Scholarship Program and for the Chancellor's Scholarship, the application is strongly encouraged; preference is given to those who apply. **The deadline for merit scholarship applications is December 1.**

**66%**  
of all undergraduates  
receive some form of  
financial assistance

### ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE, 2018/19

|                               |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Tuition                       | \$48,600                  |
| Housing                       | 10,620                    |
| Meals                         | 5,614                     |
| Books and Supplies            | 1,294                     |
| Activities Fee/Rec Center Fee | 1,216                     |
| Personal Expenses             | 2,802                     |
| Travel Allowance              | Varies                    |
| First-year Experience Fee     | 800                       |
| New Student Transcript Fee    | 100                       |
| Estimated Total               | \$71,046<br>(plus travel) |

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| First-year Engineering Laptop Allowance | \$1,600* |
| Engineering Lab Fee                     | 800*     |

\*For engineering students only

[vanderbilt.edu/financialaid](http://vanderbilt.edu/financialaid)

[vanderbilt.edu/scholarships](http://vanderbilt.edu/scholarships)



Undergraduates further their study of the interaction between humans and their environment during a human geography class at downtown Nashville's Main Public Library.

# the WOND'RY

Located in the Innovation Pavilion, **the Wond'ry is Vanderbilt's new epicenter for innovation and entrepreneurship.**

Its three-story, 13,000-square-foot space promotes transinstitutional activity between students and faculty, and it serves as a catalyst for partnerships with the innovation and entrepreneurial community outside Vanderbilt. Through collaborative work environments, makerspaces, and curricular programming, the Wond'ry is the place where abstract ideas are transformed into concrete realities that make differences in people's lives.



**Immersion Vanderbilt** calls for each undergraduate student to undertake an intensive learning experience that takes place in and beyond the classroom and culminates

in the creation of a final project. Students can engage in a civic and professional, creative expression, international, or research immersion experience. Examples include writing and producing a musical, studying the workings of cells in a lab, traveling to Guatemala to repair medical equipment, or working on a project designed to understand human behavior. **Immersion Vanderbilt helps students explore their interests, transform ideas into action, and make a difference in the world.**



Antarctica



## Pillar Programs at the Wond'ry

- Innovation Garage
- Entrepreneur Pre-Flight
- Social Ventures
- Innovation Culture
- Post-Flight

MORE THAN  
**50%**  
of undergraduates  
participate in  
research

## Undergraduate **Research** and Creative Endeavors

Curiosity drives us. The search for answers led us to integrate research into our academic courses and our most prominent summer programs. Undergraduates work alongside professors on groundbreaking projects, and student researchers often present and publish their findings before graduation. We support volunteer- and student-initiated projects and even sponsor undergraduate research opportunities.

Recent student researchers have:

- Analyzed how noninvasive brain stimulation improves visual hyperacuity in humans
- Explored the cultural politics and transnationalism in the construction of migrant Puerto Rican identity
- Studied the use of ultrasound imaging to investigate muscle-tendon dynamics during human movement
- Contributed to the development of low-cost vehicle tracking and navigation in smart parking structures
- Explored the role of sight in learning to throw
- Studied the preference for and efficiency of instructional procedures for a young child with autism
- Studied Tambu drumming in Aruba in the context of music, race, and identity in the Caribbean



**22<sup>ND</sup>**  
IN FEDERAL  
OBLIGATIONS  
FOR SCIENCE AND  
ENGINEERING  
AMONG U.S. COLLEGES  
AND UNIVERSITIES



Elizabeth Lee identifies in many ways. She's a mechanical engineer, a proud Asian American, and a woman working in the STEM fields. To give a clearer voice to these identities, Lee created the web comic "Existing Quietly, Living Loudly," based on her real-life experiences.



As part of their earth and environmental sciences course, students work to understand mammalian responses to climate change by studying animal skulls and skeletons.

**Discovery**  
is the exploration of the wonders  
of self in relation to a larger world.  
—SIXTH PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED

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**OVER  
100**  
**INTERDISCIPLINARY  
CENTERS  
AND INSTITUTES**  
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**MANY UNDERGRADUATE  
students receive  
A STIPEND OR ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR  
THEIR RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**



CLASS OF 2017

**71%**  
OF STUDENTS  
COMPLETED AN  
INTERNSHIP  
BY GRADUATION  
OF THESE,  
NEARLY  
**HALF**  
OF STUDENTS COMPLETED  
TWO OR MORE  
INTERNSHIPS  
WHILE AT VANDERBILT



## Global Education Office

Vanderbilt's commitment to academic excellence, global engagement, and community service extends far beyond Nashville. With 120+ direct-credit programs offering study abroad programs for a semester, a summer, or an entire academic year, **undergraduates enhance their studies with academic experiences and cultural, research, and volunteer opportunities on six continents.** Options range from three-week Maymester courses taught by Vanderbilt faculty, a summer internship in the Scottish Parliament, or a semester in a residential college in Australia or the Netherlands, to individual research in India or Samoa. GEO offers programming for all Vanderbilt students, including those with the most demanding plans of study.



New Zealand



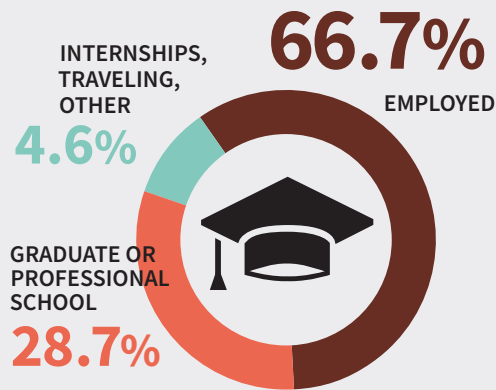
Portugal

MORE THAN  
**40%**  
OF STUDENTS  
STUDY ABROAD

### Life After Vanderbilt

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CLASS OF 2017



70% of those attending graduate school are attending their first-choice school

## Internships and Careers

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The greatest impact we have is on  
**YOUR FUTURE.**

Life after Vanderbilt often seems very much like those few, short undergraduate years. Interests are piqued. Friendships are forged. New paths are explored. But through it all, there is a level of support unlike any you've ever dreamed.

## Celebration

is the active appreciation of Vanderbilt University's tradition of excellence.

—SEVENTH PRINCIPLE OF VANDERBILT COMMUNITY CREED

## Charles D. King, B.A. '91

When Charles King first arrived in Los Angeles in 1997, his friends were shocked to hear that he had taken a job in a mailroom. But the path to becoming a high-powered talent agent at the famed William Morris Agency (now William Morris Endeavor) typically starts in the mailroom and rarely ends there. By 2010, King had become the first African American partner in the firm's 119-year history, working with Oprah Winfrey, Tyler Perry, Janelle Monáe, and Lin-Manuel Miranda.

However, he had a larger goal in mind—to lead a media company focused on developing content for multicultural audiences. In 2015, King started MACRO, a media company that creates and funds films, shows, digital projects, and brands focused on multicultural perspectives. Less than two years later, the company's first major project, the movie *Fences*, was nominated for four Oscars, leading many to remark that King's career was turning out just as he had scripted it. But when asked, King quickly remarks, "The ultimate dream is for it to be a business and a brand that will be around 100 years in the future when I'm long gone. Just like we have Disney and FOX, you'll have MACRO."



## Emily Motayed, B.A. '10

After her graduation from Vanderbilt, Emily Motayed moved to New York City to work as a health care consultant, but outfitting her first post-college apartment proved difficult. Her time and budget were limited, ruling out traditional interior designers, a challenge that gave Motayed an idea. In 2013 she and her sister founded digital design firm Havenly, which for \$199 develops floor plans for customers seeking affordable chic. In four years the company grew from two to 60 employees and raised \$13.3 million in funding. That same year *Forbes* named Motayed to its annual "30 Under 30" list of millennials reinventing retail and e-commerce.

Many of Motayed's first clients were Vanderbilt students, which should come as no surprise. She maintains close connections to the university, serving as a VUconnect career adviser offering networking advice to alumni, and she's also volunteered with Commodore Recruitment Programs. But don't look for Havenly to be Motayed's last venture. "Now that interior design is my life and my love, I see myself creating businesses and opportunities for many more years to come," she says.



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| DECISION PLANS    | APPLICATION DEADLINE | DECISION NOTIFICATION |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Early Decision I  | November 1           | Mid-December          |
| Early Decision II | January 1            | Mid-February          |
| Regular Decision  | January 1            | Late March            |

**NOTE: Early Decision plans are binding. If you apply EDI or EDII, you agree to enroll if offered admission.**

Applicants to Peabody College or Blair School of Music must select a major.

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- One of the following applications:  
**Coalition Application, Common Application, or QuestBridge Application**
- Official **high school transcript**
- **Counselor letter of recommendation**
- **Two academic teacher letters of recommendation**
- **Standardized test scores (SAT or ACT)**  
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- **For Blair School of Music applicants only:** Blair Acceptd application

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### Admissions Information Sessions and Tours

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- Saturday (during the academic year): 10:00 a.m.

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- PreVU (12th grade)
- 'Dore for a Day (11th–12th grades)
- Anchor Days (admitted students)

Check the admissions website or sign up for our mailing list for more information.

### Make a Reservation

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### Getting to Vanderbilt

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