University Profile

Emory University is an inquiry-driven, ethically engaged, and diverse community whose members work collaboratively for positive transformation in the world through courageous leadership in teaching, research, scholarship, health care, and social action. The University is recognized internationally for its outstanding liberal arts college, superb professional schools, and one of the leading health care systems in the Southeast.

Emory is enriched by the legacy and energy of Atlanta, whose downtown area is just fifteen minutes away. Through collaboration among its schools, units, and centers, as well as with affiliated institutions such as The Carter Center and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Emory is committed to working for positive transformation in the world.

Emory’s future is being guided by an ambitious strategic plan, “Where Courageous Inquiry Leads.” Within this plan, the University has committed its unique combination of resources to address some of the world’s toughest challenges and greatest opportunities—from religion, conflict, and peace building, to race and social difference, to issues of global health and new understandings of what makes us human. Implementation of Emory’s strategic plan will transform its campus and positively influence local and global communities.

One of Emory’s most compelling features is its location in the vibrant, international city of Atlanta. The University’s campus master plan outlines a bold vision for campus development, while retaining its distinctive sense of place and a commitment to sustainability. This commitment is evident through the Clifton Community Partnership, which provides a framework for building and enhancing a vibrant living-learning-working environment in and around Emory’s Druid Hills campus. In recognition of its connection to the community, Emory was one of sixty schools in the United States recognized as an “Engaged Institution” by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Alice Walker, Pulitzer Prize–winner and internationally known Georgia-born novelist and poet, placed her archive with Emory in December 2007. Additionally, in March 2008, the Southern Leadership Conference announced plans to place its archive of historical civil rights records at Emory. These collections are major additions to Emory’s collections in African American literature, history, and culture.

In addition, several Emory faculty members brought special honor to Emory as well as to themselves. Professor Natasha Trethewey, the Phillis Wheatley Distinguished Chair in Poetry, won the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry for her book *Native Guard*. *Time Magazine* named Charles Howard Candler Professor of Psychology, Yerkes researcher, and world-renowned primatologist Frans de Waal as one of the leading scientists and thinkers in its 2007 list of the Top 100 People Who Shape Our World. And AIDS drugs developed by Emory scientists Raymond Schinazi and Dennis Liotta continue to save thousands of lives worldwide.

Colleges and Schools

Candler School of Theology
Emory University Graduate School
Emory College
Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing
Emory University School of Law
Oxford College
Emory University School of Medicine
Rollins School of Public Health
Goizueta Business School
Rankings

Emory University is one of the top twenty national universities in the U.S. News & World Report annual college-quality rankings. Additionally, Emory is one of twenty-five top schools in the nation tapped as a “New Ivy” in Kaplan/Newsweek’s 2007 “How to Get Into College Guide” and is ninth in the country for best values among private universities in the 2008 Kiplinger’s Personal Finance Magazine. Goizueta Business School’s Executive MBA Program ranks sixth worldwide, and its MBA program ranks fifth among undergraduate business programs in rankings compiled by BusinessWeek. Those programs are ranked tenth and thirteenth by U.S. News, which also ranks the full-time MBA twentieth. U.S. News ranks the Rollins School of Public Health seventh, the School of Medicine twenty-third among research-oriented medical schools, the School of Law twenty-second, and the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing twenty-sixth. The School of Nursing ranks in the top ten among private nursing schools for research funding from the National Institutes of Health, and its nurse-midwifery graduate program ranks eighth in the nation.

Students

Emory benefits from a student body that is the most ethnically and religiously diverse of any of the top twenty national research universities, with 12,570 students from fifty states and 106 countries. There are 6,719 undergraduate students and 5,851 graduate and professional students. Emory houses a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the oldest and most prestigious academic honor society. Emory students have received Rhodes, Marshall, Fulbright, Goldwater, Rotary, Rockefeller, Mellon, and USA Today scholarships as well as National Science Foundation Fellowships. Emory was ranked among the top ten academic institutions in the country that provide the best work environments for life science postdoctoral research professionals by The Scientist.

Faculty and Staff

Emory is the largest private employer in metro Atlanta with 24,404 employees, including approximately 3,600 faculty. Two of Emory’s key strategic goals focus on faculty and staff: enhancing a diverse and distinguished faculty, and becoming the workplace of choice for all staff.

Alumni

The mission of the Emory Alumni Association (EAA) is to strengthen relationships among alumni worldwide, provide lifelong learning and leadership opportunities, and facilitate alumni participation in the University and its mission. The EAA represents more than 100,000 alumni living in all fifty states and more than 150 nations. By keeping alumni informed and involved in the actions of the University, the EAA keeps the spirit of Emory alive within its graduates. The EAA wants alumni to feel not only a constant connection to the University, but also feel as if they never left it.

Academic Support

Holdings of the nine Emory University Libraries total approximately 3.2 million volumes. The libraries also provide access to thousands of electronic information resources, including more than 40,000 e-journal titles. Emory’s Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library (MARBL) offers rich collections in areas such as the Irish literary revival; Twentieth-Century American, British, and Irish poetry; and African American literature, history, and culture. MARBL also is strong in research collections devoted to the social and cultural history of the American South, with a particular emphasis on Georgia and Atlanta. PittsTheology Library, the second-largest theology library in the country, is home to the Richard C. Kessler Reformation Collection, which documents the Sixteenth-Century Protestant Reformation in Germany. The Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library includes branches at Grady Hospital and Emory Hospital, as well as a Housestaff/Medical Student Learning Center at Grady. Emory University’s Hugh F. MacMillan Law Library is a selective depository for U.S. government documents, and it is a full depository for publications of the European Union.

Athletics

Emory fields eighteen varsity teams under the auspices of NCAA Division III, whose members award no athletic scholarships or preferential treatment for student-athletes. Emory has one of the top all-around athletic programs in the NCAA Division III, based on cumulative results in the NACDA Directors’ Cup standings since fall 2000 and has had more student-athletes receive NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships than any other NCAA school in the past four years.

Arts

The arts programs of Emory bring together 200,000 students, faculty, guest artists, and visitors each year in a spirit of collaboration and discovery. The new Emory College Center for Creativity and Arts and Emory University Creativity and Arts Initiative celebrate, nurture, and inspire the arts and other innovative endeavors. Major exhibition and presentation spaces are the Michael C. Carlos Museum and the Schwartz Center for Performing Arts. Cultural offerings include music, theater, and dance performances, exhibitions, poetry readings, literary events, master classes, lectures, artist residencies, and film screenings.

Global Perspective

Home to more than 2,000 international students and scholars, Emory sends some 40 percent of its undergraduates to study abroad on intensive learning experiences that include such opportunities as research in high-tech science labs around the world, exposure to global business through international opportunities with some of the world’s best business schools, and field work in developing countries. Students and faculty in Emory’s graduate school and professional schools in the fields of public health, nursing, medicine, theology, law, and business also are engaged in international research and teaching.

Financial Profile

Undergraduate tuition is $35,800. About 76 percent of all students receive some form of financial aid, and Emory recently created a nationally recognized program to help lower- and middle-income families pay for college. This program, Emory Advantage, will help reduce debt for undergraduate students and families with incomes and assets less than $100,000 per year. Emory’s operating budget is $2.8 billion, and the value of its endowment and trust funds was $6.2 billion as of August 31, 2007. Emory received $383.9 million in sponsored research in 2007, and, according to a recent study commissioned by the University, spends more than $2.6 billion in Atlanta each year for a total estimated impact on the city’s economy of $5.7 billion.

Woodruff Health Sciences Center

The Woodruff Health Sciences Center (WHSC) comprises those Emory University schools and units that educate health professionals, pursue research affecting health and illness, provide patient care, and develop policies for preventing and treating disease. The WHSC includes the schools of Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health; the Winship Cancer Institute; Yerkes National Primate Research Center; and Emory Healthcare, Georgia’s largest and most comprehensive health care system. The WHSC’s goal is to serve humanity by making people healthy. To achieve that goal, the center is investing heavily in predictive and global health initiatives, in innovative ways to train the right kind of health care professionals, in the translation of new research discoveries into medical practice, and in ways to ensure the highest quality and safety in patient care.

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