Every step you take toward completing your degree is a step toward really going somewhere in your life. So you want to transfer to a university that’s on your way.

Georgia State University is a step in the right direction. A leading research institution in the heart of Atlanta, Georgia State offers a challenging academic environment, a diverse campus culture, access to a wealth of resources and opportunities for practical experience. Students from every county in Georgia, every state in the nation and more than 150 countries come to the university to study and earn their degrees.

Georgia State is a great place to finish your education and start your career, all at once.

Atlanta

As Georgia’s largest, most international city, Atlanta is a hub for business, education, the arts, media, government, health care and more – 3rd in the nation for Fortune 500 companies, home to 25 Fortune 1000 companies, and a “mecca” for major nonprofits. And Georgia State puts you in the heart of Atlanta’s action. We’re just off the interstate and on the MARTA rail line – and your classes and on-campus housing, if you choose, are within walking distance of shops, restaurants, sports, recreation and jobs. Our commitment to Atlanta-based learning weaves the city into your classroom experience, and when it’s time for that all-important internship, you’ll find a wealth of meaningful opportunities in your field.

Within Walking Distance of Campus

These activities and attractions are all less than four miles from Georgia State, and many are directly accessible by public transportation:

- Centennial Olympic Park
- CNN Center
- Fox Theatre
- Georgia Aquarium
- Georgia Dome – home of the Georgia State Panthers and Atlanta Falcons football teams
- Philips Arena – home of Hawks basketball and a major concert venue
- Rialto Center for the Arts
- Turner Field – home of Braves baseball
- Woodruff Arts Center
- World of Coca-Cola
- Zoo Atlanta
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Career Services at Georgia State

Georgia State offers comprehensive career services through a number of offices working independently and in cooperation, including University Career Services, Robinson College of Business Career Management Center and Alumni Career Services.

Our career resources, programs and services are designed to help students and graduates find employment and manage their careers now and in the future. Many services are available online and by telephone as well as in person.

Georgia State’s Career Services offers a wealth of assistance to help undergraduates find their passion and purpose.

Internship and Cooperative Opportunities

Here’s a cross-section of places – many right in Atlanta – where Georgia State students have gained work experiences related to their studies:

- Arch Chemicals
- Camp Twin Lakes
- Carenet Pregnancy Center
- Coca-Cola Enterprises
- Comcast
- CNN
- Department of Homeland Security
- Georgia General Assembly
- Gospel Music Channel
- Merrill Lynch
- Rainbow Push Coalition
- Scott Trade
- Sony Inc.
- State Farm Insurance
- SunTrust Banks
- Turner Broadcasting System
- United Way
- Walt Disney World
Academics at Georgia State

At Georgia State, academics come first. Our curriculum emphasizes clear expression, hands-on research and constructive problem-solving so you graduate with an education that’s theoretical, yet practical, focused, yet flexible. And with more than 100 fields of study and more than 250 degree programs – more than any other school in the state – chances are Georgia State has the educational opportunity that’s right for you.

Georgia State has seven degree-granting schools and colleges, many with nationally ranked programs and each distinguished by its research and achievement in the academic community.

ANDREW YOUNG SCHOOL OF POLICY STUDIES
The Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, founded in 1996, offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in public policy, urban studies and economics. Graduates go on to serve as top government officials in the international arena as well as in local, state and national agencies. http://aysps.gsu.edu

BYRDINE F. LEWIS SCHOOL OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS
The Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing and Health Professions is committed to improving the health and well-being of a multicultural society. Many of its faculty have professional experience and are nationally and internationally recognized for their expertise. Its students thrive in an interdisciplinary environment that goes beyond the classroom with internships and practical clinical opportunities in medical centers, home health care agencies, and local and national nonprofits. http://snhp.gsu.edu

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
The College of Arts and Sciences provides core courses for all undergraduates, with undergraduate and graduate majors in the fine arts, humanities, natural and computational sciences, and social and behavioral sciences. Students work in state-of-the-art facilities with renowned faculty-scholars and go beyond the classroom to learn and serve locally and globally. http://cas.gsu.edu

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
The College of Education, founded in 1967, emphasizes community service, research and innovation. With six departments, 58 degree programs and a faculty devoted to multicultural and urban outreach, the college is also recognized for preparing educators to work in high-needs schools. The college also offers online master’s degree programs for educators seeking additional certification and professionals who seek to become teachers. http://education.gsu.edu

COLLEGE OF LAW
The College of Law, founded in 1982, offers an integrative legal education with full- and part-time programs that promote service as well as scholarship. The college features nationally acclaimed clinics and centers, regional externships with prosecutors, public defenders, courts and agencies, study-abroad programs in Europe and South America, a consortium in dispute resolution and nationally recognized mock trial and moot court programs. http://law.gsu.edu

HONORS COLLEGE
Undergraduate students who meet high academic standards are eligible for the Honors College at Georgia State. The Honors College offers talented and motivated undergraduate students the experience of smaller classes, competitive scholarships, faculty mentoring, priority registration, specialized advising and more. Last year’s incoming class averaged a 1300 SAT and 3.8 GPA. http://honors.gsu.edu

J. MACK ROBINSON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
The largest business school in the South, the J. Mack Robinson College of Business is both worldwide and world-class, with programs on five continents. Robinson College has produced more of Georgia’s top executives with graduate degrees than any other school in the nation. http://robinson.gsu.edu

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
The School of Public Health is a graduate-level program dedicated to advancing the health of the public through training, research and community service. The school puts a special focus on research efforts to finding solutions for pressing urban health issues, and understanding and eliminating disparities in health. The school is also engaged in extending research into practice through community partnerships. http://publichealth.gsu.edu

Georgia State’s transition to a residential campus is fairly recent, so our housing is designed with the 21st century student in mind. You will have conveniences that help save time and money, common areas and communication tools that help you stay connected and private spaces where you can find solitude and do your own thing.

Wherever you live on Georgia’s State campus, you can expect to enjoy these standard features:

- Furnished bedrooms and living areas
- Within blocks of classes, resources and activities
- Five unique residence hall options
- On-site or nearby parking
- Cable, Internet and Wi-Fi access included
- 24-hour card key access
- 24/7 police patrol
- Free laundry facilities and more
Admissions Guidelines for Transfer Students

Admission to Georgia State is a selective process, and meeting minimum admission requirements does not guarantee acceptance. Each year, Georgia State receives more than 12,000 transfer applications and admits close to 8,000 students.

ALL TRANSFER APPLICANTS MUST:

• Have completed all College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) units and Learning Support.
• Be in good standing at the previous institution and eligible to re-enroll there.
• Have completed 30 semester credit hours or 45 transferable quarter hours of college-level academic coursework.
• Have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA, as computed by Georgia State, on all college-level academic coursework.

If you have not completed 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of college-level academic coursework, you must submit an official high school transcript and electronic SAT and/or ACT test scores.

If you receive more than 12,000 transfer applications and meeting minimum admission requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

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Please note:

• Have completed all College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) units and Learning Support coursework required by any University System of Georgia school previously attended.
• If you have not completed 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of college-level academic coursework, you must submit an official high school transcript and electronic SAT and/or ACT test scores.
• Be in good standing at the previous institution and eligible to re-enroll there.
• Have completed all College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) units and Learning Support coursework required by any University System of Georgia school previously attended.

You may check your admissions status in our online system anytime. Using your Panther ID number, visit http://admissions.gsu.edu/how-do-i-apply/application-status for online access to track your documents, verify the accuracy of your biographical data/information, ensure you meet admissions deadlines and view the status of your application.

Please allow 2 weeks processing time after submitting your application.

Acceptance to Georgia State does not guarantee acceptance into these programs. Please see the appropriate department website to find out if this applies to your desired program.

For a complete listing of majors, degrees and programs offered at Georgia State, visit http://admissions.gsu.edu/what-can-i-study, where you will also find links to respective school or college websites.

Existing areas of concentration include Arts Administration-Speech/Theatre, Asian Studies, Classical Studies, Environmental Science, International Studies, Italian Studies, Law and Society, Middle East Studies and Theatre.
Express Incept: Georgia State offers four-hour orientation sessions especially for transfer students. If you cannot attend an Express session, you will have several all-day orientation sessions from which to choose. http://incept.gsu.edu

Mandatory online pre-orientation: Georgia State has a mandatory online pre-orientation to help new transfer students understand more about Georgia State policies and procedures. This should be completed before attending Incept: New Student Orientation, but it does not take the place of attending Incept. http://advisement.gsu.edu/transfer-students/equivalency-charts

You will receive an invitation to orientation upon your acceptance to Georgia State. Here is some preliminary information:

ACADEMIC RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT
Academic residence is defined as being enrolled in one or more courses at Georgia State. This is not to be confused with status as a legal resident of the State of Georgia for fee determination purposes. The minimum academic residence requirement for each baccalaureate degree is as follows:

• The candidate must earn 39 semester hours at Georgia State in courses numbered 3000 or above with an average grade of at least a C (2.00 GPA); and
• At least one-half of the courses comprising the major or 11 hours in the major, whichever is less, must be taken at Georgia State.
• Up to 9 hours of 3000/4000 credit earned at another institution as part of an official Georgia State joint degree, dual degree, or exchange program may be counted toward the academic residency requirement.
• Transfer credit, credit by examination, credit by validation, CLEP credit, AP credit, IB credit and courses specifically excluded by university policy cannot be used to meet the academic residence requirement.
• Colleges and departments have their own transfer credit policies and this may also limit the amount of transfer credit applicable to a degree program. All such policies are stated in the catalog.

To view the transfer equivalency charts, please visit:
http://advisement.gsu.edu/transfer-students/equivalency-charts.

Orientation for transfer students

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)
The first step in the financial aid process (even for HOPE)
Whether you want to apply for HOPE, a grant, work study, a loan or a scholarship, the FAFSA must be submitted along with your application and required verification documents. The FAFSA will determine your eligibility for a range of financing options. Deadlines are crucial, so don’t delay.

To apply online, go to the FAFSA website at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
The FAFSA priority deadline for Georgia State is April 1.

You may complete the FAFSA beginning in January of each year. The federal ID code for Georgia State is 001574.

Through the FAFSA review process you may be eligible for the following:

PELL GRANTS
Available only to students working toward their first bachelor’s degree. Eligibility and the amount awarded are determined by the student’s Expected Family Contribution and enrollment status each semester.

LOANS
There are three types of loans to choose from: Federal Direct Subsidized Loan, Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan and Federal Direct Plus Loan.

FEDERAL WORK-STUDY PROGRAM
The Federal Work-Study Program provides jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses. The program encourages community service work and work related to the student’s course of study.

Scholarships

The HOPE Scholarship is available to students who have graduated from a Georgia high school within seven years as a HOPE scholar and are seeking their first undergraduate degree. HOPE pays 84% of tuition.

Please Note: Student fees and the book allowance have been eliminated from the program.

For more information, visit: www.gacollege411.org,

Financial Aid

Financial Aid Process

OTHER FINANCING OPTIONS
Scholarships
You may be eligible for one or more scholarships from the Office of Undergraduates Studies, the Georgia State University Foundation, various academic departments and colleges, and athletics. Be sure to start looking as soon as possible. Be sure to also research scholarship opportunities from outside sources.

Financial Aid Process

Submit FAFSA
Submit verification documents if requested
Receive award notice through PAWS
Check PAWS and e-mail account
Complete Master Promissory Note
Complete Entrance Loan Counseling

Please note: Financial aid is disbursed one week after classes start. Excess aid is refunded to student’s account two weeks after classes start.

Paying for classes

You can pay your fees in person, by mail, in the drop box or online. Georgia State accepts check, cash or money order depending on where and how you pay. You are responsible for paying your tuition and fees by the deadline dates. If you have financial aid and it does not arrive on time, you must pay your fees and wait for reimbursement.
Visiting Campus Georgia State

If you haven’t visited Georgia State already, we invite you to do so now.

Our Welcome Center offers information sessions and campus tours on weekday mornings and afternoons. Complimentary parking is available if you sign up in advance.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
Monday – Friday
Each 40-minute session, conducted by an admissions counselor, includes information about degree programs, financial aid options and student life. Sessions end in time for you to take a tour of the campus.

CAMPUS ATLANTA TOURS
Monday – Friday
A 90-minute bus and walking tour highlights the advantages and excitement of living and learning in downtown Atlanta. With a Georgia State student as your tour guide, you’ll visit our residence halls, classroom buildings and other facilities and see how we fit into the neighborhood, which includes numerous sports and entertainment venues, attractions and landmarks.

WELCOME CENTER
Phone: 404-413-2063
E-mail: tourguide@gsu.edu
http://welcome.gsu.edu

Applying to Georgia State

The best way to apply is online at
http://admissions.gsu.edu/how-do-i-apply/transfer-students

In addition to submitting an application with the $60 nonrefundable application fee, you must provide the following:

- All official college transcripts*
  >> Submit official transcripts by mail (mailing address on back cover)
  >> Submit official transcripts electronically via: Parchment Exchange, eSCRIP-SAFE, Joint Services Transcripts (for military learners) or National Student Clearinghouse

Note: Please make sure that the institution issuing the electronic transcript is using one of the methods listed above.

- If you have not completed 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of college-level academic coursework, you must submit an official high school transcript and electronic SAT and/or ACT test scores.

* Student copies of transcripts, official transcripts opened by the student and faxed copies are not acceptable.

FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS
- Have all international documents (transcripts, mark sheets, certificates, examination results, etc.) formally evaluated by an evaluation service. Students who do not have their transcripts evaluated by Josef Silny must submit original copies of their transcripts to Georgia State.

- If English is not your first language and you have not completed a college-level English composition course with a grade of “C” or better at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university, you must submit TOEFL, GSTEP or IELTS scores.

- If you are on a non-immigrant visa, you must submit a copy of your I-94 card or U.S. visa showing current status.

- Students on any visa type other than permanent residents are considered non-immigrant visa holders. If you are on a B1, B2, F1, F2, or J1 visa, you must also complete the International Applicant Immigration Form (PDF) and submit all additional documents listed on the form.

Application Deadlines*
- Priority decision for FALL
  February 1
- Regular decision for FALL
  July 1
- Priority decision for SPRING
  October 1
- Regular decision for SPRING
  December 1
- Priority deadline for SUMMER
  February 1
- Regular deadline for SUMMER
  April 1

*All deadlines are subject to change.

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