Few universities have the wide and deep expertise, the resources, or the ambition to tackle the world’s most pressing global challenges. **BUT WE DO.**

– President Eric W. Kaler

The University of Minnesota, founded in 1851, is one of the most comprehensive universities in the world, and ranks among the most prestigious. The University’s mission is threefold: Research and Discovery, Teaching and Learning, and Outreach and Public Service.

Through this mission, the University prepares students to live and work in a global society, and partners with people and organizations across Minnesota and the world to engage students, faculty, and staff in addressing society’s most pressing issues.

**RANKINGS**
The University of Minnesota is one of the world’s top universities and ranks high in many key measures:

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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

OUR CAMPUSES
The University of Minnesota has five campuses located across the state of Minnesota. The campuses offer a range of options to students who come from Minnesota, all 50 states, and 130 countries.

- **Twin Cities**: comprehensive, public research institution and the University’s flagship campus
- **Crookston**: baccalaureate institution with focus on experiential learning and pioneer of online and distance education
- **Duluth**: comprehensive regional university and a leader in natural resources and freshwater research
- **Morris**: small, residential, liberal arts university with deep commitment to environmental sustainability and diversity
- **Rochester**: distinctive health sciences and biosciences education and strong partnership with the famed Mayo Clinic, also located in Rochester

COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS
The University of Minnesota is one of only four in the nation with schools of engineering, medicine, law, veterinary medicine, and agriculture. Twin Cities colleges include:
- Carlson School of Management
- College of Biological Sciences
- College of Continuing Education
- College of Design
- College of Education and Human Development
- College of Food, Agricultural & Natural Resource Sciences
- College of Liberal Arts
- College of Pharmacy
- College of Science and Engineering
- College of Veterinary Medicine
- Humphrey School of Public Affairs
- Law School
- Medical School
- School of Dentistry
- School of Nursing
- School of Public Health
- University of Minnesota Extension

AWARD-WINNING FACULTY AND ALUMNI
University of Minnesota faculty and alumni have achieved important positions on the world stage and received some of the most prestigious awards.
- 2 U.S. vice presidents
- Prime Ministers of Iceland, Tunisia, and U.K.
- Ambassadors to/from Morocco, Norway, Iceland, Japan, Uganda, and others
- 1 Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court
- 26 Nobel Laureates, including Peace Prize
- 3 Pulitzer Prize awardees
- 7 Rhodes Scholars

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RESEARCH
The University of Minnesota’s Twin Cities campus is the 8th most active public research university in the U.S. with $880 million in annual research spending.

Grand Challenges Research
Driving Tomorrow, the Strategic Plan for the Twin Cities campus, is a focused framework for accelerating advancement of excellence in research, teaching, and outreach. The strategic vision is:

To be preeminent in solving the grand challenges of a diverse and changing world.

The plan focuses on five Grand Challenges research areas where the University is especially positioned for great impact:
- Assuring Clean Water and Sustainable Ecosystems
- Fostering Just and Equitable Communities
- Advancing Health Through Tailored Solutions
- Enhancing Individual and Community Capacity for a Changing World
- Feeding the World Sustainably

Grand Challenges Scholars
Selected faculty will explore new research directions and strategies and develop a plan for exciting major initiatives focused on the Grand Challenges or their intersection.

A HISTORY OF DISCOVERIES
University researchers have been responsible for some of the world’s most innovative and life-changing discoveries:
- First successful open-heart surgery and first pancreas and bone marrow transplants in the U.S.
- Discovery of non-invasive method that enables thoughts to control robotic devices
- Invention of the “black box” flight recorder
- Invention of cardiac pacemaker
- Discovery of Ziagen, one of the most effective drugs to combat HIV/AIDS
- Invention of GORE-TEX®

GREAT LOCATION
The University of Minnesota is located in the state of Minnesota, which is known for its friendly people, its lakes and outdoor activities, and a diverse mix of business, arts, and culture.

- Population: 5.37 million (2012)
- 15th largest metropolitan area (Minneapolis-St. Paul)
- 21st largest state
- Area: 225,181 sq km
- Known as the “Land of 10,000 Lakes” with 11,842 lakes covering 12,336 sq km
- The Mississippi River begins its journey in Minnesota, flowing from the headwaters of Lake Itasca south to New Orleans and the Gulf of Mexico
- Home to 18 Fortune 500 companies, including 3M, General Mills, and Best Buy
- Major international airport (MSP), which serves as Delta Airlines’ second largest hub
- Diverse immigrant community including the largest Somali and 2nd largest Hmong populations in the U.S.

The Twin Cities and the state of Minnesota are a great place to live with consistent, high rankings in a number of categories:
- #1 cleanest city in the U.S. (Travel + Leisure Magazine)
- #1 best place to raise children (Kids Count report)
- #2 best state to live in (CNBC)
- #2 in quality of life (Forbes)
- #2 healthiest city (American College of Sports Medicine)
- #2 top digital economies (Information Technology and Innovation Foundation)
- #4 state for business (CNBC)
INTERNATIONAL OFFICE
The Global Programs and Strategy Alliance (GPS Alliance) is the central international office for the University of Minnesota system. The GPS Alliance works closely with campuses, colleges, units, faculty and staff, students, and the community to comprehensively internationalize the University.

INSTITUTIONAL COLLABORATION
The University of Minnesota highly values institutional collaboration with universities abroad. Our partnerships include faculty, students, and staff, as well as research and traditional reciprocal relationships. We encourage exchange development at the collegiate and department levels, where there is the most stake in success and sustainability.

Contact the GPS Alliance (global@umn.edu) to discuss options for exchange and partnership.

A LEADER IN LEARNING ABROAD
The University of Minnesota is a nationally recognized leader in learning abroad. Currently, 33% of students have an experience abroad before they graduate. The Twin Cities campus ranks 6th among U.S. research institutions with 2,705 students going abroad on credit-bearing programs.

Top Destinations for Study Abroad (2016)

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
The first international students—from Canada and Denmark—were recorded at the University in 1874. Currently, the Twin Cities campus ranks 20th among U.S. research institutions in international student population, with 7,037 students from 130 countries.

International Student Enrollment (Fall 2016)

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INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI
The University has about 455,000 living alumni in Minnesota, the U.S., and around the world. International alumni chapters are currently located in Armenia, Australia, Brazil, China (Beijing, Guangzhou, Hong Kong, Shanghai, and Xi’an), Costa Rica, Ecuador, France, Greece, Iceland, India, Japan, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom.

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