The University

History
Saint Louis University, a private university under Catholic and Jesuit auspices, traces its history to the foundation of the Saint Louis Academy by the Right Reverend Louis William DuBourg, Bishop of Louisiana, in 1818. The Academy was intended to be a high school, but fortunate circumstances allowed immediately give it a higher status, so that it could become Saint Louis College. In 1829, Bishop Joseph Rosati, successor to DuBourg turned St. Louis College over to the Jesuits, and they assumed its direction. This Jesuit college was chartered as a university in 1839, becoming the first university established west of the Mississippi River. The University settled at its present campus on Grand Boulevard in 1888.

Physically, the University is divided over two campuses: St. Louis and Madrid. The St. Louis campus is located in the Grand Boulevard Midtown area. The second campus, the home of Saint Louis University in Spain, is in Madrid. The latter offers opportunity for a study-abroad year and provides an integrated program of course work for international students preparing to complete a baccalaureate degree.

Saint Louis University offers graduate programs and professional schools that have a twofold purpose: to advance the frontiers of knowledge and technical expertise in the center’s disciplines and professions, and to prepare students to make their own contributions to such advances and to carry out their responsibilities in an ethical and professional manner.

The University is committed to academic excellence and is known for its faculty, students, faculty, and national and internationally renowned scholars. It is also home to significant collections and exhibits of fine art, historic documents, and cultural artifacts, including the Missouri History Museum, the Saint Louis Art Museum, the Saint Louis Science Center, the Saint Louis Zoo, and the Missouri Botanical Garden.

The Saint Louis University Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies was founded in 1992 to promote research and teaching in medieval and Renaissance studies. The center’s director and its faculty are available to help students fashion independent programs of study and research.

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The International Center is the University liaison between all international students/scholars at Saint Louis University and the rest of the world. As an advocate and resource, the Center is dedicated to helping international students/scholars achieve their academic and personal goals. Services offered by the office include the following four major categories:

- **Residence Life**: Offers a unique housing program combining student involvement, leadership, and input with the guidance of professional counselors. The eight different living environments: Griesedieck Hall, Walsh Hall, Clemens Hall, Marguerite Hall, Notre Dame Hall, Rainert Hall, Fusz Hall and DeMattias Hall provide a variety of choices for undergraduate and graduate students. In addition to residence hall living, off-campus apartments are available (usually for juniors and seniors) at the Laclede Lakes Apartments, Forest Park Central Apartments, and Marchetti Townhomes Apartments. A list of off-campus apartments provided by private landlords is available in the residence life office.

- **Dining Options**: Dining options are provided through a contractual arrangement with Campus Dining. Campus Dining, with over 30 food-service units, caters to the food preferences of students, faculty, and staff. Students can select from several meal plans, including the Block Plan, Flex Plans, and Faux Dollars under a declining balance approach. See the Office of Residence Life for details.

- **Library Services**: Libraries of the University are the Pius XII Memorial Library, Omer Library, and the Reitz University Library. Library faculty members serve as liaisons to the academic departments in the various schools, colleges, centers, and institutes. They provide access to print and electronic resources that offer the most comprehensive view of the areas of research being undertaken at the University.

- **Career Services**: Career Services offers career exploration, career development, and job search services to undergraduates, graduates, and alumni. Services include career orientation and education, career decision-making, career counseling, career interest assessment, job search assistance and workshops (for part-time, internship and full-time positions), group presentations, résumé and cover letter review, on-campus interviewing, job posting, résumé collection and referral, employer networking and graduate/professional school application assistance.

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Transportation Services coordinate the rental of vans for departments or organizations conducting official business directly related to the academic, research, service and/or administrative duties of the university.

SLU Van Service

SLU Van Service provides transportation service to and from Saint Louis University and the Parks Center for Aviation Sciences at St. Louis Downtown Parks Airport in Cahokia, Illinois.

Grand Shuttle:
Runs a scheduled route, north and south on Grand, Lindell/Olive on a scheduled route.

Parks/CAS Shuttle:
Runs a scheduled route and provides van transportation service to and from Saint Louis University and the Parks Center for Aviation Sciences at St. Louis Downtown Parks Airport in Cahokia, Illinois.

Evening Shuttle:
Runs a scheduled route, north and south on Grand, Lindell/Olive on a scheduled route.

Billiken Sports Center:
The Billiken Sports Center features outdoor recreational and athletic facilities. The facility includes nine outdoor tennis courts, a nine-hole golf course, a softball and baseball complex, in addition to a 1/2-mile jogging track and practice soccer field. It serves as the home to the University men's and women's tennis teams, along with baseball and softball. All members of the student population are admitted free to any intercollegiate event by showing a current University ID card. For information regarding athletic events, call (314) 977-3177.

Robert R. Herrmann Stadium
The Robert R. Herrmann Stadium, home of the Billikens men's and women's soccer teams, has a seating capacity of 15,000 square feet. The actual playing surface is 120 x 75-yard soccer court with a 25-yard penalty box. With addition of permanent seating on the east side of the stadium, along with expanding the main grandstand, the facility's seating capacity is 6,050.

Registrar

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The Office of the University Registrar has primary responsibility for registration, recording of students' academic progress, transcript distribution, grading and the publication of class schedules, catalogs and related academic materials. Policies and procedures of this office are discussed under "Registration Procedures," "Academic Policies and Procedures" and "Graduation Requirements."