Carnegie Mellon University has been a birthplace of innovation since its founding in 1900. Today, CMU is a global leader bringing groundbreaking ideas to market and creating successful startup businesses. Our award-winning faculty are renowned for working closely with students to solve major scientific, technological and societal challenges. We put a strong emphasis on creating things — from art to robots. We have become a model for economic development in forming partnerships with companies such as Uber, Google and Disney. Our students are recruited by some of the world's most innovative companies.

“My Heart is in the Work.”
Andrew Carnegie, Founder
November 15, 1900

16,779
STUDENTS

35% U.S.
65% International
Graduate

76% U.S.
24% International
Undergraduate

1,529
FACULTY

85% U.S.
15% International

117,257
ALUMNI (LIVING)

87% U.S.
13% International

GLOBAL COMMUNITY
- Students representing 126 countries
- Faculty representing 56 countries
- Alumni representing 148 countries

#1 SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE
U.S. News & World Report, 2022

#1 TIME-BASED/NEW MEDIA
U.S. News & World Report, 2019

#1 MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS
U.S. News & World Report, 2022

#1 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
U.S. News & World Report, 2022

#4 COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
U.S. News & World Report, 2022

#1 SOFTWARE ENGINEERING
U.S. News & World Report, 2022

#19 AMONG U.S. UNIVERSITIES
Times Higher Education World University Ranking, 2023

#28 UNIVERSITY IN THE WORLD
Times Higher Education World University Ranking, 2023

49.8% OF COMPUTER SCIENCE’S FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS WERE WOMEN IN 2019
Nearly triple the national average
BIG IDEAS THAT SHAPE YOUR WORLD START HERE

1,000+ companies greenlighted across the U.S. and internationally

- Cognitive tutors, which improve the math skills of 500,000+ students each year
- The first U.S. school to award a degree in drama in 1914
- James Gosling (SCS 1983) invented the Java computer programming language.
- The first exclusive higher education partner of the Tony Awards®, co-creating the first national recognition program honoring K-12 theatre educators
- The first smile in an email, created in 1982 by professor Scott Fahlman
- Kevlar Fiber, invented by alumna Stephanie Kwolek (MM 1946)
- The Last Lecture, written by alumni Randy Pausch (SCS 1988) and Jeffrey Zaslow (DC 1980)
- In 1919, CMU’s first Ph.D. was awarded to Mao Yisheng, father of Chinese bridge construction.
- Duolingo, invented by professor Luis von Ahn (CS 2003, 2005), had 10 million downloads in 12 months and was named Apple’s 2013 app of the year.
- The leading university center for cybersecurity, providing support to more than 110 centers around the world
- The world’s first university robotics department, founded in 1979
- Alumnus Andy Warhol (CFA 1949), pop artist pioneer and cultural icon
- One of only 29 universities invited to be a member of the World Economic Forum’s Global University Leaders Forum

ECONOMIC IMPACT

- Attracting major companies — including Google, Intel, Uber and GE — to locate operations and create new jobs in Pittsburgh
- To date, the CMU community has launched more than 400 startups and created more than 152 spinoff companies.
- Contributing to the cultural and civic life of the city with performances, exhibitions and research collaborations

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

College of Engineering
College of Fine Arts
Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy
Mellon College of Science
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