



Washington University in St. Louis

McDONNELL INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS ACADEMY

# The WashU Graduate Experience



# ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI



- In the Midwest on the Mississippi River
- 14 area universities and 4-year colleges
- Metropolitan population 2.8 million
- 50 hospitals



# PROUD TO BE IN ST. LOUIS

- An affordable metropolitan city in the U.S.
- Home to free, world-class attractions
- Surrounded by green spaces
- Innovation hub with over 400 startups and companies at Cortex



# ABOUT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

- Established in 1853 by William Greenleaf Eliot
- 26 Nobel Prize winners
- One of the world's leading research institutions
  - \$950 Million in research support (2022)
  - 3,000 research projects underway each year
- Ranked #15 (US News & World Report)
- Campuses located near the cultural center of St. Louis, in proximity to museums, performance venues, and dining districts, one of the nation's largest civic parks



# RENOWNED FACULTY



Across disciplines our award-winning faculty are driving new ideas and providing students with unique educational opportunities.

Evolutionary Biology	Social Work	Photonics	Finance	Data Visualization	International Law	Microbiome Research
						
<b>Jonathan Losos</b> William H. Danforth Distinguished University Professor Arts & Sciences	<b>Fred Ssewamala</b> William E. Gordon Distinguished Professor Brown School	<b>Lan Yang</b> Edwin H. & Florence G. Skinner Professor McKelvey School of Engineering	<b>Anjan V. Thakor</b> John E. Simon Professor of Finance Olin Business School	<b>Heather Cocoran</b> Halsey C. Ives Professor Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts	<b>Leila Sadat</b> James Carr Professor of International Criminal Law School of Law	<b>Jeffrey Gordon</b> Dr. Robert J. Glaser Distinguished University Professor School of Medicine

# WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY



**4,451**

international students  
(fall 2021, graduate & undergraduate)

**15,000**

**ALUMNI OUTSIDE  
THE UNITED STATES**

**1 IN 3**

faculty have  
international roots

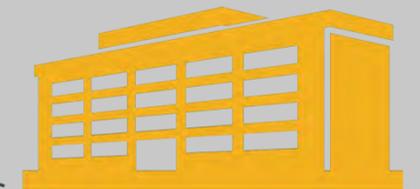


**97**

McDonnell Academy  
International Scholars  
in residence 2022-23

**25+**

institutes, centers  
and programs with  
international focus



**43%**

OF  
GRADUATE  
STUDENTS  
are international

**130+ NATIONALITIES REPRESENTED  
ON CAMPUS** (students, scholars, faculty and staff)

An aerial photograph of the Washington University campus in St. Louis, Missouri. The image shows a mix of traditional brick buildings and modern glass-walled structures, interspersed with large green lawns and walkways. A multi-lane road is visible in the lower right corner. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

# WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ACADEMICS

World leader in graduate, professional  
and postdoctoral education

# A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY



- **9,000+** graduate and professional degree students on campus
- **100+** different academic programs across seven schools: Arts & Sciences, Brown School, McKelvey School of Engineering, Olin Business School, Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts, School of Law and School of Medicine.



# GENEROUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT



**Your graduate school decision hinges on funding, both for your education and for research in your chosen field.**

- PhD programs at WashU are fully funded including a stipend and full tuition coverage.
- Professional degree programs offer attractive scholarship packages to help offset the cost of tuition.
- Specific information may be obtained from the departmental or administrative unit to which the student intends to apply.



# STATE-OF-THE-ART-FACILITIES



Throughout its history, Washington University campuses have evolved to meet the needs of its faculty, students, and staff, providing the physical environment needed for learning and exploration, as well as discovery and impact.

- **East End Transformation**

- Three new academic buildings, two multi-use facilities, underground parking garage, green spaces
- Sustainable construction to achieve LEED-Gold certification and generate renewable energy

- **Renovations and New Construction**

- New Arts & Sciences building will house key departments and strengthen student-facing academic services and resources
- \$150 million expansion at WashU School of Medicine will include 160,000 sq. ft of state-of-the-art laboratory space



# ARTS & SCIENCES



- Arts & Sciences is the heart of Washington University
- Core disciplines of the humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences
- Leading center for teaching, learning and research, extending the reach and effect of a liberal arts education while promoting excellence in scholarship and research

**[artsci.wustl.edu](http://artsci.wustl.edu)**

# BROWN SCHOOL



- The Brown School is one of the world's top schools for the training of social science researchers
- Ranked #2 in social work by U.S. News & World Report
- Offering excellence in social work, public health and social policy graduate education

**[brown.wustl.edu](http://brown.wustl.edu)**

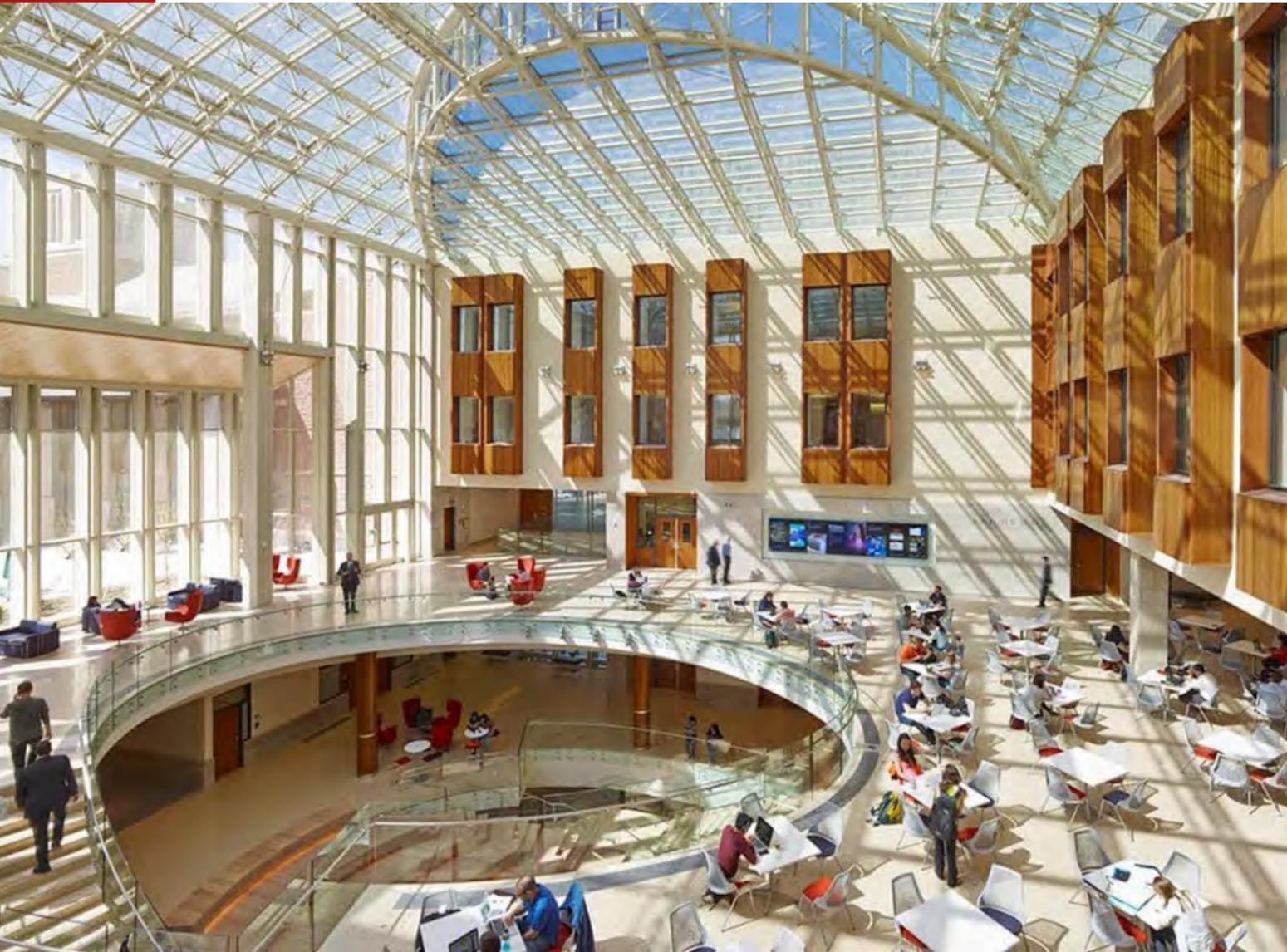
# MCKELVEY SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING



- McKelvey School of Engineering ranks among the top 15 engineering schools in the U.S. by Niche (2023)
- Biomedical engineering graduate program ranked #3 in the nation by College Factual (2023)
- Faculty experts in biomedical engineering, mechanobiology, imaging science, and cybersecurity

**[engineering.wustl.edu](http://engineering.wustl.edu)**

# OLIN BUSINESS SCHOOL



- Faculty research productivity consistently ranks among the highest in the business school community
- Ranked #1 MBA Program for Entrepreneurship by Poets & Quants (2023)
- Six week Global Immersion for MBA students

[olin.wustl.edu](http://olin.wustl.edu)

# SAM FOX SCHOOL OF DESIGN & VISUAL ARTS



- The Sam Fox School offers a vast array of programs
- Art, architecture, and design and one of the country's finest art museums.
- Ranks #4 in best architecture schools in the U.S. by Niche (2023)

[samfox.wustl.edu](https://samfox.wustl.edu)

# SCHOOL OF LAW



- The School of Law ranks among the top 20 best law schools in the nation according to U.S. News & World Report (2023)
- Master of Laws (LLM) program specifically designed for international lawyers

[law.wustl.edu](http://law.wustl.edu)

# SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



- The School of Medicine is among the most dynamic and robust research enterprises in the United States
- Ranks in the top 15 best medical schools for research by U.S. News & World Report (2023)
- Associated with 19 Nobel Prize winners, has a long tradition of innovation and discovery

**[medicine.wustl.edu](https://medicine.wustl.edu)**



# McDonnell International Scholars Academy

Building a Global Network of Leaders

# MCDONNELL ACADEMY GOALS



## LAUNCHING GLOBAL LEADERS

The McDonnell Scholars program is designed to enhance leadership capacity through mentorship, professional development, cultural experiences, and unique engagement opportunities. Beyond being an expert in one's discipline, the McDonnell Academy strives to develop leaders with the character and conviction to lead with cultural competence, a global mindset, and social responsibility.

- Culturally and academically diverse cohorts
- Interdisciplinary problem solving
- Driving positive & lasting change
- International collaborative research



All McDonnell Scholars receive both financial and programmatic support including:

- full tuition scholarship;
- monthly living stipend;
- annual travel/research allowance;
- cultural and leadership training;
- individual mentorship by dedicated faculty, and;
- global network of students and alumni from across countries and disciplines.

# **MCDONNELL ACADEMY FELLOWSHIP BENEFITS**

# WHAT ARE WE SEEKING IN A SCHOLAR



The McDonnell Academy select Scholars based on their academic talent and a desire to engage in dialogue across disciplines and cultures.

## GLOBAL MINDSET

Understand and learn from perspectives arising from different cultures and value systems

## LEADERSHIP

Increase capacity as formal and informal leader in diverse contexts

## COMMUNITY

Develop a network of relationships involving individuals with different cultures and disciplines

# WHAT TYPE OF SCHOLAR ARE YOU?



## PARTNER SCHOLAR

Candidates who are graduates of one of the Academy's partner universities.



## GLOBAL SCHOLAR

International candidates from international institutions outside of the partnership network.



## U.S. SCHOLAR

Candidates who are U.S. citizens with a strong record of international activities.

# APPLICATION PROCEDURE



- Apply to a specific graduate or professional program at Washington University (e.g. engineering, law, medicine, social work, etc.)
- Apply to the McDonnell Academy
- Requirements
  - General biographic and demographic information
  - Academic history
  - Personal essay
  - Video introduction
  - Recommendation letter
- Visit [mcdonnell.wustl.edu](https://mcdonnell.wustl.edu) for more details

# APPLY NOW!

Accepting applications through January 31, 2023

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# OTHER FUNDING



**Question:** What if I am accepted into one of Washington University's graduate and professional programs, but not accepted into the McDonnell Academy?

**Answer:** Your particular program might offer its own funding – **inquire about it.**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION VISIT:**

<https://wustl.edu/academics/graduate-professional-advanced-learning/>



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