EXPLORE ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES AT DREXEL UNIVERSITY
A NOTE FROM OUR DEAN OF ADMISSIONS

When you think about choosing the college or university you will call home, you will want to ensure that it fits your interests, and will not only support you in your goals, but encourage you to push your boundaries and to succeed in the ever-changing world.

Drexel University is a premier global research institution that has been preparing students through practical and cultural education for over 125 years. Utilizing academic and volunteer-based partnerships with our community, our students are among the most engaged students in the nation. They are not only making an impact on campus, but also in the city of Philadelphia and around the world through academics, service, and leadership.

The effectiveness of our unique educational model holds especially true for students who are exploring their interests. All of our resources and tools are designed to assist students in finding their path through their college journey. With a dynamic history of innovation, Drexel’s academics prepare students for the challenges ahead through a curriculum that includes our renowned cooperative education program, also known as co-op.

Having served as a successful blueprint of career success since 1919, co-op provides students with the opportunity for professional work before graduation. Drexel Dragons experience their chosen industries with the leaders of today, and gain the necessary firsthand knowledge to become the leaders of tomorrow. Students leave our doors on graduation day with a full understanding of the path they have chosen.

Drexel is a place where you will make your mark on the world today. I encourage you to explore what Drexel has to offer you.

Sincerely,

Evelyn K. Thimba
Vice President & Dean of Admissions
Enrollment Management & Student Success
College will be a transformative experience — one where you will discover more about yourself and the interests you enjoy. At Drexel, there are many resources for students who would like to weigh all their academic options instead of having a selected major when they arrive on campus.

Your options are endless. You can sample courses from various areas of study and determine a major after your first year at Drexel through our First-Year Exploratory Studies program. If you know you like a specific academic area such as business, you can instead choose an undeclared major that enables you to experiment with courses in that field before determining a focus. You could also choose to combine existing programs that interest you and create your own plan of study through our Custom-Designed major. No matter which direction you prefer, our cooperative education program is available for real-world work experience before you even graduate.
You know you’re interested in Drexel, but you may not have a specific program or major in mind. You’re curious about all that we have to offer and are open to different options, but not sure where to begin. The First-Year Exploratory Studies program helps you discover your personal, academic, and career options in one of two tracks, STEM or Non-STEM, during your first year before choosing a major.

Once you choose a track, you’ll be exposed to related programs of study across the University for an entire academic year. At the end of year one, you’ll choose to transfer into one of the majors that is the best fit for you. You’ll also have the perks of UNIV 101, a course that is designed to prepare you for success at Drexel; an academic advisor to support you every step of the way; social and educational activities with other students in the First-Year Exploratory Studies program; and opportunities to engage with students who are in your prospective major.

Learn more about our First-Year Exploratory Studies program at drexel.edu/academics.
STEM (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH)

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Mathematics
- Physics

**COLLEGE OF COMPUTING & INFORMATICS**
- Computer Science
- Software Engineering

**COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS**
- Nutrition/Health Sciences

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**
- Engineering

**SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING, SCIENCE AND HEALTH SYSTEMS**
- Biomedical Engineering

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Biology
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Chemistry
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Earth and Space Science
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) General Science
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Mathematics
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Physics

**DORNSIFE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- Public Health (Pre-med track)

NON-STEM (BUSINESS, SOCIAL SCIENCE, AND HUMANITIES)

**WESTPHAL COLLEGE OF MEDIA ARTS & DESIGN**
- Art History
- Design & Merchandising
- Entertainment & Arts Management

**LEBOW COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**
- All undergraduate majors

**COLLEGE OF COMPUTING & INFORMATICS**
- Computing & Security Technology
- Data Science
- Information Systems

**CLOSE SCHOOL OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP**
- Entrepreneurship

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**
- All humanities majors
- All social science majors

**COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS**
- Behavioral Health Counseling
- Health Services Administration
- Nursing

**SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**
- Elementary Education Pre-K–4
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) English
- Secondary (Grades 7–12) Social Studies

**DORNSIFE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH**
- Public Health

**CENTER FOR FOOD AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT**
- Culinary Arts and Food Science
You’ve decided upon an area of study, but you’re not quite ready to choose a specific program. As an undeclared major, you can get started on your academic goals by taking core courses while having the opportunity to determine where to primarily focus your efforts. You’ll explore interests through varied courses before selecting a specific major or path.

If you are considering the humanities or social sciences, the Emerging Scholars Program is a perfect option. This competitive program allows 25 students per year to study in the liberal arts for their first year, along with receiving close mentorship and hands-on experience so they can find the major that’s right for them.

After either one year of an undeclared major or participation in the Emerging Scholars Program, you’ll transfer into your major of choice with the opportunity to participate in our cooperative education program for real work experience before you graduate.

Learn more about our Undeclared programs and the Emerging Scholars Program at drexel.edu/academics.
02. UNDECLARED OPTIONS

Brain Mapping Project

Gerri C. LeBow Hall Study Lounge

Brain Mapping Project

MAJORS

- Undeclared – Business
- Undeclared – Design
- Undeclared – Engineering
- Undeclared – General Humanities and Social Sciences
- Undeclared – Media
- Undeclared – Science
- Emerging Scholars Program
You’re a student whose aspirations extend beyond traditionally established programs. At Drexel, you can individualize your course of study through our Custom-Designed major.

This opportunity provides all the perks of a typical Drexel education: the chance for real-world work experience before graduation through our cooperative education program, participation in early intensive research, and creation of an original, interdisciplinary senior-year project that is all your own — plus, the ability to individualize your studies to meet your specific interests and goals.

You’ll be personally advised by the Custom-Designed program director and receive close mentorship from one or more expert faculty members in at least one of the disciplines in your proposed area of study.

You will graduate having received the same benefits of your fellow Drexel students, but you’ll also receive an education that truly reflects your aspirations with a highly specialized undergraduate degree.

Learn more about our Custom-Designed major at [drexel.edu/academics](http://drexel.edu/academics).
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CUSTOM-DESIGNED

Drexel Computing Classroom
Drexel offers numerous resources for students to take advantage of. Some highlights include:

- **Academic Advisors**, who assist students in every aspect of course selection and planning for their program of study.

- **Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University**, the oldest natural sciences institution in the Western Hemisphere, which offers students access to more than 18 million specimens and archival collections.

- **Center for Interdisciplinary Inquiry**, located in the Pennoni Honors College and home to the Custom-Designed major, where students are empowered towards big-picture thinking and analytical skills associated with cutting-edge interdisciplinary teaching and research.

- **Center for Learning and Academic Success Services (CLASS)**, which empowers students to develop skills and strategies that foster academic success and personal growth through interaction with peers and professional staff.

- **CIVC 101**, a first-year course where students learn concepts and frameworks for understanding civic engagement, and then complete 8–10 hours of service with a community organization.

- **COOP 101**, a course offered by the Steinbright Career Development Center that readies students for co-op and helps them develop career planning and job skills.

- **Counseling Center**, which offers free, confidential counseling services to current full-time undergraduate and graduate students in a welcoming and comfortable environment.

- **ExCITE Center**, a multidisciplinary collaborative space, which incorporates arts and design along with science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in a STEAM approach.

- **Fellowships Office**, which supports students with their applications for competitive, merit-based national and international fellowships.
RESOURCES

- **The Innovation Studio**, a “flow through” space offering students a place to create projects, while serving as a central hub for cultivating ideas across the University.

- **Office of Undergraduate Research**, where students can engage with research opportunities and enrich their undergraduate experience through scholarship and creative activities that foster faculty/student mentoring relationships.

- **Papadakis Integrated Sciences Building**, a 130,000-square-foot LEED Gold-certified facility with state-of-the-art teaching and research laboratories, classrooms, and North America’s largest biowall.

- **Pennoni Honors College**, an unparalleled college of innovation, creativity, and intellectual exchange and home to the Honors Program for high-achieving students.

- **UNIV 101: The Drexel Experience**, a course that helps first-year students learn about themselves, develop academic and career goals, and how to navigate the Drexel experience.
ABOUT US

1891
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Founded
Colleges & Schools

MARIO THE DRAGON IS OUR MASCOT

THE BARCODE WAS CREATED HERE

Drexel Crew has won six consecutive DAD VAIL REGATTA overall points titles

First University to have a fully WIRELESS CAMPUS

Historic recordings by DAVID BOWIE are being restored in our Audio Archives

CONNECTIONS

ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES OF DREXEL UNIVERSITY
Home to President Thomas Jefferson’s fossil collection

ExCiTe CENTER
An incubator for studying emerging areas and mingling with research mentors

BARNEGAT BAY, NEW JERSEY
Students study animal life in this research center on the beach

STUDENT LIFE

WKDU
18
Student-run radio station
Division I teams

DREXEL UNIVERSITY ONLINE

– Anywhere

CAMPUSES

UNIVERSITY CITY
the University’s main campus
– Philadelphia, PA

CENTER CITY
home of the College of Nursing and Health Professions
– Philadelphia, PA

QUEEN LANE
the University’s main medical campus
– East Falls, PA

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PHILADELPHIA, PA IS OUR HOME

Home of the Philly CHEESESTEAK

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WAS SIGNED HERE

LOVE ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE

5 MAJOR PHILLY SPORTS TEAMS: FLYERS, PHILLIES, EAGLES, 76ERS, AND UNION

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION

1919 YEAR DREXEL’S COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM WAS FOUNDED

More than 1,600 CO-OP EMPLOYERS

Co-ops in 30 STATES (+ Washington, D.C. & Puerto Rico)

47 COUNTRIES

AROUND CAMPUS

9 RESIDENCE HALLS

DREXEL RECREATION CENTER NAMED ONE OF PHILLY’S BEST GYMS

HOME OF NORTH AMERICA’S LARGEST BIOWALL

15+ ON-CAMPUS PLACES TO EAT

FOOD TRUCKS ALL OVER CAMPUS

Over 30 FRATERNITIES & SORORITIES

Over 400 CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND INTRAMURAL SPORTS TEAMS

Over 250,000 college students
When Drexel was founded in 1891, A.J. Drexel’s dream was to establish a university that would fully prepare its students for future careers. Our students gain valuable experience in and out of the classroom. True to the vision of our founder, the following are just a few aspects of the University where the value of a Drexel degree shines.

**STEINBRIGHT CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER**
Steinbright sets you up for success at Drexel from day one. With world-class career services and preparation, you’ll have guidance throughout your Drexel career to discover your interests and develop your professional tools, such as a résumé and interview skills.

**COOPERATIVE EDUCATION (CO-OP)**
Since 1919, our curriculum has included our cooperative education program, which enables students to test drive different careers. Through Drexel Co-op, you will be able to narrow down your interests. You can gain up to 18 months of professional work experience on co-op in the United States and abroad at Fortune 500 companies, nonprofits, startups, a variety of governmental agencies, and more. Most importantly, you’ll gain a wealth of experience off campus and be able to inspire further thinking when you bring that knowledge back to the classroom.

**RESEARCH**
We have always encouraged students to question what is and to explore what can be, emphasizing the importance of research and how it can impact the world around us. Using our state-of-the-art facilities, you’ll not only assist faculty and staff with major research projects, but also take the lead in your own studies — including the opportunity for graduate-level research during your first year at Drexel. The possibilities are endless here, and you get to decide where your research will take you.
At Drexel, learning goes well beyond the traditional classroom. We encourage our students to pursue different opportunities, such as studying abroad, immersing themselves in the local community, and developing their own course of study.

- **Honors Program**: A department within the Pennoni Honors College, the Honors Program supports top-achieving students in cultivating their skills and becoming leaders in their fields. Students in the program receive benefits such as small Honors classes, Honors-specific housing, free tickets to cultural events in Philadelphia, Honors-specific advising and mentoring, and priority registration for classes.

- **Civic Engagement**: We believe in the importance of giving back to local communities — there are always opportunities to make an impact and serve the community here. Students can get involved on campus through Drexel’s Lindy Center for Civic Engagement and the Dornsife Center for Neighborhood Partnerships during community-based learning courses and volunteering for community service. But our impact doesn’t stop there; our dedication reaches out globally to improve the world around us.

- **Custom-Designed Major**: The Custom-Designed program enables you to truly individualize your academic experience and curriculum. If we don’t have the major you’re looking for, we can work together to create it or combine existing majors and minors to match your career goals. As a Custom-Designed major, you’ll be advised by Custom-Designed major staff and mentored by a Drexel faculty member who has expertise in at least one of the areas in your course of study.

- **Global Opportunities**: Includes study abroad, international co-op, and more. All Drexel students can take advantage of study abroad, which enables them to live and learn in another country while immersing themselves in the culture. Using our worldwide connections, you can choose from six continents and 60 countries! International co-op takes study abroad one step further; students not only live in another country, but also gain work experience as they test drive a potential career. Students currently on international co-op are working in over 47 countries.
We’re proud to be located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the sixth largest city in the United States. Philadelphia is a revolutionary town founded on revolutionary thinking — much like the ambition Drexel students have for influencing change in the world. The City of Brotherly Love is an extension of our campus, and as a student here, you’ll take full advantage of all it has to offer.

Philly culture is known for being as diverse as its many neighborhoods. From our University City Campus in the hub of Philadelphia’s higher learning community, it’s easy to get to the stadiums in South Philly, take in some history in Old City, and enjoy the park in Rittenhouse Square. When you’re not in classes, there is plenty to do, no matter how you like to spend your free time. Being in the fifth most walkable city in the country, according to Walk Score, has its perks: concerts, performances, restaurants, and athletic events are all easy to access.

Public transportation is just steps away from campus — it’s easy to enjoy an authentic cheesesteak and then visit the famous Philadelphia Museum of Art. You can travel to historic sites around the city or connect to various locations across the country. And when you need to get away from home, Philadelphia is close to everything from farmers’ markets in Lancaster County to ski and snowboarding locations in the Pocono Mountains to strolling the best beaches in the Mid-Atlantic.
ACCELERATED DEGREES

- BS in Business/MBA
- BS in Computing and Security Technology/MBA
- BS in Culinary Arts and Science/MBA
- BS in Hospitality Management/MBA
- BS in Design and Merchandising/MBA
- BS in Entertainment and Arts Management/MBA
- BS in Information Systems/MBA
- BS in Music Industry/MBA
- BS in Sport Management/MBA

- BA/BS/MS in Communication
- BA/MS in Library and Information Science
- BA/BS/MS in Science, Technology, and Society
- BS/MS in Accounting
- BS/MS in Biomedical Engineering
- BS/MS in Computing & Informatics
- BS/MS in Education (Five Years, One-Co-op)
- BS/MS in Engineering
- BA in Philosophy/MS in Public Policy
- BS/MS in Psychology
- BA/MS in Public Policy

- BA/BS+MD Early Assurance Combined Program (Medicine)

- BA/BS/JD (Law)

- BS/DPT in Physical Therapy

- BS/MHS in Physician Assistant

- BS/MPH in Public Health

- BS in Health Services Administration/MPH in Public Health
The best way to find out if Drexel would be the right fit for you is by scheduling a visit. We have many options to fit your schedule.

VISIT CAMPUS
Open Houses
Think Big — Join students and their families who are interested in Drexel for a campus-wide Open House in the fall, spring, or summer. At these larger events, you can get an in-depth look at academic programs, meet with current students, and take a tour of campus.

Campus Visits
Think Small — Weekdays and most Saturdays, you can schedule a Campus Visit. Each Campus Visit includes an Information Session and Student-Guided Tour of our University City Campus. The Information Session highlights Drexel’s cooperative education program, our academic offerings, and the admission and financial aid processes. Plus, there’s plenty of time for you to ask questions since you’ll be in a smaller group.

drexel.edu/undergrad/visit

Virtual Tour
If you can’t make it to campus, don’t worry; our virtual tours will give you an insider’s look into Drexel University. Whether you’d like to learn about restaurants in the area, what to do in University City, or even the best places to hear some local music, you can see it all through our virtual tours.

drexel.edu/virtual-tour

KEEP IN TOUCH
Contact Us
Our Office of Admissions is always here to help. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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We carefully consider every single application we receive. Admission is competitive and selective, and our Admissions Committee’s holistic review process assesses all aspects of the application personally. We believe it’s important to enroll the right-fit students — students who go above and beyond.

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

**Early Decision** .......................... **November 1**
Early Decision is the perfect option for students who know Drexel is the school for them and would like a decision sooner. This is a binding application plan and, if admitted, students must withdraw all other active applications and commit to enrolling at Drexel.

**Early Action** .......................... **November 1**
Early Action means that students can apply by an earlier deadline to receive an admission decision sooner than students who apply Regular Decision. Early Action admission is not binding.

**Regular Decision** .......................... **January 15**
Through the Regular Decision application process, students will receive a decision in early spring.

**SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION**
Freshman applications are accepted through the Common Application only.
commonapp.org

**STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES**
Drexel requires standardized test scores from all freshman applicants, but we offer some flexibility in which test(s) will fulfill that requirement. For non-native English speakers, there may be additional testing requirements.
drexel.edu/undergrad/apply

**FINANCIAL AID**
Financial aid is available to domestic and international students. There are a few applications you should learn about to maximize the financial aid you are eligible for, such as the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and CSS Profile.
drexel.edu/undergrad/financing