

Adding Vibrancy through Our People

Talented Students—Every year Washington University brings more than 14,000 undergraduate, graduate, professional, and evening students from all 50 states and more than 100 nations to St. Louis.

Dedicated and Creative Teachers and Scholars—Some of the world's most talented people come to St. Louis as faculty members, enhancing St. Louis' intellectual, professional, and cultural life through their public lectures, consulting work, and other community activities.

Community Learners—Last year nearly 5,000 evening, weekend, and summer students advanced their education by attending classes in arts and sciences, architecture, business, engineering, medicine, law, and social work, as well as classes for seniors in the Lifelong Learning Institute.

Alumni Active in the Community—More than one-fourth of our alumni have chosen to stay in St. Louis. These 31,000-plus alumni are artists, architects, bankers, communicators, corporate leaders, engineers, lawyers, physicians, social workers, and teachers.

Volunteers for St. Louis

Washington University's students, faculty, and staff regularly volunteer for community service in many areas. They serve as tutors, hold food and clothing drives, sponsor activities for at-risk children, assist the homeless, host Special Olympics events, and serve on institutional boards.



Students volunteer many hours, including maintaining community gardens.

Distinguished Visitors

Washington University brings the world to St. Louis through our international students and faculty, our distinguished visitors, and special events. Throughout the year we host hundreds of seminars, symposia,

and special lectures—many of which are free and open to the public.

Advocate for Vital Neighborhoods

Washington University in St. Louis is committed to a vital community of businesses and residential living near our Hilltop and Medical Campuses—an area that includes University City; Clayton; and the Skinker-DeBaliviere, Central West End, and Forest Park Southeast neighborhoods of St. Louis City. During the past 20 years, the Washington University Medical Center Redevelopment Corporation has revitalized the area north of the Medical Center by spurring more than \$420 million in residential, commercial, and institutional reinvestment.

The Washington University Neighbors' Council was formed in 1999 to help ensure mutual respect and understanding. Made up of neighborhood representatives from areas surrounding the Hilltop Campus, the Council provides information and advice on municipal and neighborhood issues and goals, informs area neighborhoods of University initiatives and programs, and provides a forum for neighbors to make suggestions to the University.

Outreach to Elementary and Secondary Schools

Elementary and secondary education are vital assets to which Washington University faculty and students contribute. We are making earnest efforts to help bring better educational opportunities to St. Louis-area children and their teachers. Two new initiatives began in the 2002-03 academic year: the St. Louis Center for Inquiry in Science Teaching and Learning, which is being developed as a national model for improving science education, and the St. Louis Inner Ring Cooperative, which is designed to help teachers meet the needs of students performing below their peers in science and math. Both activities are supported in part by \$16.5 million in grants awarded by the National Science Foundation to Washington University faculty and staff in partnership with local school districts.

New Inventions and Knowledge

Washington University contributes to St. Louis' prominence by creating new knowledge and helping apply it to practical problems ranging from mapping the human genome to developing a method for identifying fraudulent credit cards.

A strong technology transfer program produces start-up companies that are based in local business incubators.

Serving Community Health Needs

World-class physicians and outstanding hospital facilities at the Washington University Medical Center provide St. Louis with medical care second to none. Our School of Medicine is rated as one of the top three in the nation, attracting exceptional medical students and residents who learn and work in hospitals and clinics managed by BJC HealthCare. The School of Medicine provides more than \$30 million in unreimbursed medical care for those patients who cannot afford care. The medical school offers wellness and preventive care programs for about 100,000 St. Louisans each year.



Washington University physicians form close bonds with patients and families.

Supporting Local Businesses and Nonprofit Organizations

From our partnership with the Missouri Botanical Garden, University of Missouri, Monsanto, and others to create the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center to our alliances with Technology Gateway and the Center for Emerging Technologies, Washington University takes pride in working with local businesses and organizations. Our graduate and professional programs, the Center for Experiential Learning, and the Center for the Application of Information Technology are examples of ways in which we stand ready to reach out.

Special Educational and Cultural Resources

Washington University's 14 libraries, with the region's largest collection of books and research materials, add immeasurably to cultural and educational resources. The University also contributes to the region's cultural life through sponsoring weekly lectures by distinguished speakers, as well as hundreds of professional and student performances, concerts, seminars, art exhibits, sports events, and other programs that are open to the community.

Important Economic Impact: \$2.2 Billion Annually

Washington University had a total annual impact of \$2.2 billion on the local economy, according to a 2003 economic assessment by the St. Louis Regional Chamber & Growth Association.

Major St. Louis Employer—With 12,221 full- and part-time employees, Washington University is the eighth-largest employer in the St. Louis metropolitan area in 2003, according to the *St. Louis Business Journal*. Washington University paid more than \$476 million in wages to employees living in St. Louis City and County during fiscal year 2002. Employees living in St. Louis City paid an estimated \$3.9 million in city earnings taxes.

Building for a Better St. Louis—Washington University spent \$210.9 million in construction and capital outlays during fiscal year 2002. This construction led to the employment of an estimated 3,300 people in the St. Louis area. As a result of Washington University's Supplier Diversity Initiative, 37.2 percent of total dollars paid out on capital projects went to minority- and women-owned firms.

Research Funding Magnet—As a national research institution, Washington University brings significant new money into the St. Louis region. In fiscal year 2002, the University received \$424 million in research awards.

Aiding Local Students—More than \$38 million in financial assistance in academic year 2002-03 was awarded to 1,609 students who were residents of St. Louis City and County before attending Washington University.

Student Buying Power—The St. Louis Regional Chamber & Growth Association estimates that the total economic impact of spending by Washington University's undergraduate, graduate, and professional students—about 89 percent of whom come from outside Missouri—in the region is \$72 million annually. This translates to an economic impact of about \$5,000 per student—above and beyond what students spend for tuition and campus housing.

A Commitment to St. Louis

Washington University in St. Louis is committed to excellence in teaching, research, and service to our home community. As an active and contributing member in St. Louis, we:

- **Support student, faculty, and staff community services** that result in thousands of hours annually dedicated to the St. Louis region.
- **Help St. Louisans achieve healthy lives** through access to world-class medical care.
- **Assist in solving community challenges** through programs such as legal clinics, the Center for Social Development, and the art-in-the-neighborhood program.
- **Partner with local school districts** to provide work-study students, tutors, student teachers, and mentors.
- **Provide stimulating lifelong learning experiences** and cultural activities for St. Louisans.
- **Attract financial resources to the area** for research, cultural enrichment, voluntary programs, patient care, and technology development.
- **Foster the entrepreneurial spirit of St. Louis'** business and technology companies.
- **Employ more than 12,000 full- and part-time people.**



Community-friendly retail space is part of the new office building at 276 N. Skinker.



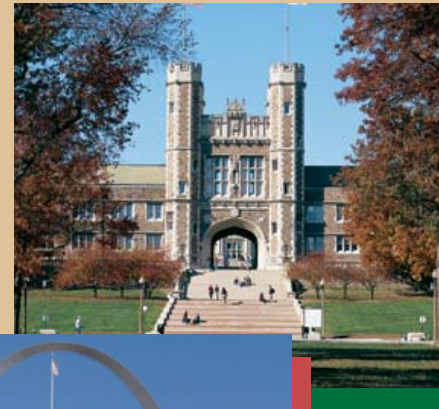
As part of the International Human Genome Consortium, Washington University researchers helped map the sequence of our genetic building blocks.

For more detailed information, visit impact.wustl.edu

Front cover: Brookings Hall (top), listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is Washington University's landmark building. It looks toward the most visible symbol of St. Louis, the Gateway Arch.

 Washington University in St. Louis

Washington University LINKS to the ST. LOUIS COMMUNITY




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Celebrating Our Links to the Community

St. Louisans founded Washington University in 1853 to educate their young. Since then, we have grown to be a world-class research university. Our roots, however, remain firmly in our community.

As we celebrate our 150th anniversary, we appreciate anew the many strong volunteer, educational, economic, and cultural links to our community. As St. Louis moves forward, Washington University benefits; as Washington University succeeds, so does St. Louis.

Thank you, St. Louis, for helping us succeed.

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Washington University students, faculty, and staff enjoy dining and shopping in the communities that neighbor the campuses.

