Dedicated to excellence in teaching and scholarship, cultural enrichment, and service

Each year nearly 10,000 students choose Buffalo State—the largest comprehensive college in the State University of New York system—for its distinctive academic programs, hands-on learning opportunities, affordable tuition, and location in the heart of Buffalo’s cultural corridor. Our goal is to inspire a lifelong passion for learning and to empower a diverse population of students to succeed as citizens of a challenging world.

Name
Buffalo State College, State University of New York

Founded
1871

Location
City of Buffalo
125-acre campus

Accreditation
Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools; numerous professional organizations for specific academic programs

Designation
Carnegie Master’s 1 institution

All-College Budget (FY 2015–2016)
$256,388,567

Sponsored Programs Activity (FY 2016–2017)
$23,643,089

Value of Buffalo State College Foundation Assets (FY 2015–2016)
$50,224,599

Burchfield Penney Art Center Endowment (June 30, 2016)
$9,558,634

Enrollment (Fall 2016)
9,475 students
8,482 undergraduate
993 graduate

President
Katherine Conway-Turner, Ph.D.

Employees
1,239 full time
572 part time
53 faculty members have been awarded the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching, and eight have been honored as SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professors

Class Size
85 percent of all classes have fewer than 40 students
Classes for undergraduate majors usually have between 12 and 15 students

2017–2018 Undergraduate Tuition*
$6,670 annual (in state)
$16,320 annual (out of state)
$1,306 fees
$13,656 room and board
* costs subject to change

Financial Aid
77 percent of undergraduates receive financial aid (fall 2016)
$17,677 average award package for full-time undergraduates
$13,557 average award package for part-time undergraduates
$18,838 average award package for first-time freshmen

Admissions Acceptance Rate
64 percent (First-time freshmen; fall 2016)

Athletics
NCAA Division III
8 men’s and 11 women’s varsity sports

Alumni
More than 100,000 alumni living throughout the world; more than 57,000 in Western New York

Academic Offerings
181 undergraduate programs with 11 honors options
64 graduate programs, including 11 postbaccalaureate teacher certification programs
Five schools: School of Arts and Humanities; School of Education; School of Natural and Social Sciences; School of the Professions; The Graduate School
Programs not available at any other SUNY institution: Applied Economics (M.A.); Art Conservation; Communication Design; Creative Studies; Fibers; Forensic Chemistry; Forensic Science (M.S.); Metal/Jewelry; Public and Nonprofit Management (M.P.A.); Sports Communication (Certificate); Wood/ Furniture

Sponsored Programs and Research
Through the Research Foundation for the State University of New York, Buffalo State receives more grants and research support than any other SUNY comprehensive college. Many of our faculty members conduct applied research that makes a direct and immediate impact in the Buffalo Niagara community. Each year, hundreds of undergraduate students gain hands-on experience in their fields by partnering with faculty members on research projects. In addition, Buffalo State is a leader in human services research and training, and monitoring and research on the Great Lakes.

Successful Transitions
First-year, transfer, and undeclared students receive special attention through the areas of Academic Success and Academic Commons. Dedicated professional advisers, high-impact practices (including seminars and learning communities), professional tutoring, and student support programs designed to foster academic success are all readily available to assist students every step of the way—from their initial transition to Buffalo State all the way through to graduation.

Civic and Community Engagement
Buffalo State inspires lives of active citizenship and social responsibility in and out of the classroom. Efforts are made to connect students, faculty, staff, and community partners through economic development, cultural enrichment, and community engagement. Through service-learning classes, volunteerism, applied research, internships, and numerous other reciprocal partnerships, Buffalo State strives to enhance the quality of life in Buffalo and the larger community.

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