

Campus Field Report – Bowling Green State University

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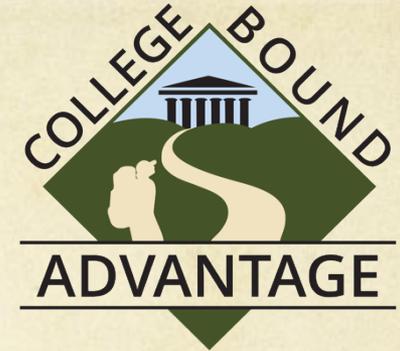
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Introduction



Each year Bowling Green State University enrolls over 14,000 undergraduate students on their main campus. With over 200 academic programs and 325 student organizations, there is a lot going on at BGSU. Established in 1910 as a teacher-training institution, BGSU still has one of the best education programs in the state – but that’s not all. Today, strong programs abound, including ones in Music, Forensic Science, Popular Culture, Sport Management, Accounting, Aviation, Architecture, and others.

At BGSU, over 6,000 students live on campus in 14 residence halls and 19 learning and theme communities. In 2016 BGSU opened a new Greek Village complete with townhome-style residences in 10 buildings with individual units for 33 chapters. Dining facilities are first-rate, and options are plentiful.

It’s clear that there is a lot to be proud of at BGSU!

History

BGSU was established in 1910 as a teacher-training institution. First classes were held in 1914. In 1916 Bowling Green's first buildings, University Hall and Williams Hall, were ready for use. Initially, student enrollment totaled 304, with a faculty of 21. The first bachelor's degrees were awarded in 1917.

In 1929, the functions of Bowling Green were expanded to provide four-year degree programs in the College of Education and the College of Liberal Arts. The College of Business Administration and graduate programs were added in 1935, the year in which Bowling Green attained full university status. In 1947, the Graduate School was formed, and BGSU awarded its first doctorate in English in 1963.

Beginning in 1946, extension programs of the university were offered in Sandusky, Ohio and later at other locations. In the 1970s, three new colleges were added to the University's curricular offerings. In 1973, the College of Health and Human Services was established to provide degree programs in specialized areas in various health and community service fields. In 1975, the School of Music was expanded into the College of Musical Arts, and in the same year the Graduate School became the Graduate College. The School of Technology was granted college status in 1985.



University Hall, originally constructed in 1915 is currently undergoing renovation.

History (Cont.)

Today, BGSU offers over 200 undergraduate programs, as well as master's and doctoral degrees through eight academic colleges. Total enrollment in 1014 exceeded 16,500 students.

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Academics

Undergraduate academic programs are organized into multiple colleges including the College of Arts & Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education & Human Development, College of Health and Human Services, College of Musical Arts, and the College of Technology, Architecture, and Applied Engineering. Collectively, BGSU offers over 200 undergraduate majors.

Institutionally, BGSU is committed to experiential education - this commitment impacts the way faculty organize and teach their courses. It is also reflected in the Falcon Internship Guarantee , which guarantees all interested students an internship or co-op experience before graduation.

Research is also important at BGSU. The Center for Undergraduate Research and Scholarship offers qualifying students up to \$700 in financial support for a fall or spring research project under the supervision of a faculty mentor.

Finally, BGSU is committed to providing interested students an opportunity to study abroad. They sponsor 24 semester or academic year programs in 16 countries worldwide. Each of these programs is coordinated by a BGSU faculty member. Numerous other exchange programs and short-term study abroad options are also available.



Academics (Cont.)

Unique UG Majors

Digital Arts / Graphic Design
Film Production
Jazz Studies
Theatre (acting, directing, youth (puppetry),
musical & technical options)
Tourism, Leisure, & Event Planning
Apparel Merchandising & Product Development
Architecture & Environmental Design
Construction Management
Interior Design
Business Analytics & Intelligence
Gerontology (Long Term Care Admin. Option)
Insurance
Sales & Service Marketing
Media Production
Geology - Paleobiology
Dietetics
Communication Sciences & Disorders
Medical Lab Science
Neuroscience
Ecology and Conservation Biology
Environmental Policy and Analysis
Forensic Biology
Forensic Chemistry
Forensic Investigations

Large UG Majors:

Education
Biology
Accounting
English
Nursing
Psychology
Criminal Justice
Sport Management
Tourism, Leisure, and Event Planning
Fine Arts

Master's Degrees

College Student Personnel
Communication Disorders
Food and Nutrition
Mental Health and School Counseling
Human Movement, Sport, and Leisure
Studies
Organizational Development
Physics & Astronomy
Public Administration

Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College of Arts and Sciences

- Digital Arts – One of the leading programs in the US for studying digital arts and animation. Animation Career Review ranked BGSU's Digital Arts program as #6 in the Midwest in 2013. They also have one of the top two programs in Graphic Design in the state.
- Forensic Science – Students can specialize in biology, chemistry, or examination. Additionally, students can major in biology, chemistry, computer science, or psychology and obtain sub-forensic specializations in the respective area. Also, with the addition of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation laboratory and investigation facility on the BGSU campus, the university is uniquely positioned to provide students with the education and hands-on experience desired by today's forensic science employers.
- Marine Biology – BGSU has an affiliation with the Gulf Coast Research Lab and students are encouraged to enroll in one or more of their specialized summer session field classes with diverse offerings including shark biology, marine ichthyology, marine mammals, and dolphin and whale behavior.
- Popular Culture – The Browne Popular Culture Library, founded in 1969, is the most comprehensive archive of its kind in the US. BGSU is the only university in the US to offer a graduate department devoted to the scholarly study of popular culture.



Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation Lab



Gulf Coast Research Lab

Academics (Cont.)



Strong Majors in the College of Business

- Business Administration – Business programs, including a specialty accreditation for the Accounting Program, are AACSB accredited. AACSB is the most prestigious accreditor of business programs nationally, with only a small percentage of universities holding this accreditation. Specializations are offered in many areas including Economics, Management, Business Analytics & Intelligence, Supply Chain Management, Finance, Marketing, Management Information Systems, Insurance, and others.
- Accounting – This program is ranked #1 in Ohio by Bloomberg BusinessWeek. Additionally, students can earn a Master of Accountancy in an additional 12 months following the completion of their Bachelor's degree. The combination of these two programs allows students to complete the 150 credit hours required to sit for the CPA exam, all the while completing a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Accounting – Wow!

Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College Education & Human Development

- Education- BGSU has a long history of excellence in preparing teachers. They offer a wide variety of NCATE accredited programs/licensure. Additionally, they host the largest teacher job fair in the state, giving students opportunities both inside and outside the state of Ohio. Education students enjoy a variety of student teaching options outside of Ohio including Aldine, Texas as well as at multicultural English-speaking schools in Rio de Janeiro or Brazil. Additionally, students may take up to 15 credits in education at Keele University in England with credits transferred easily back to BGSU.
- Inclusive Early Childhood Education - Graduates will be able to teach young children with and without disabilities in inclusive settings. This is the first program in Ohio where undergraduates earn multiple credentials including:
 - Early Childhood Education license for pre-kindergarten through 3rd grade.
 - Early Childhood Intervention Specialist license for pre-kindergarten through 3rd grade.
 - Birth to Age 3 Early Intervention Specialist certificate through the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities to work with infants and toddlers who have or are at risk for developmental delays or disabilities.

Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College Education & Human Development

- Apparel Merchandising and Product Development – This program is recognized as one of the top fashion merchandising programs in the US. Majors, as a part of the major, must complete a minor in Marketing or complete a year of study in either Advertising & Communications or Textile Development & Marketing at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City.
- Sport Management – BGSU's SM program is one of the largest and most diversified SM programs in North America with successful alumni in areas such as sport licensing, sport marketing and sport business. BGSU is the only university in Ohio that holds accreditation from the Commission of Sport Management Accreditation (COSMA) for both undergraduate and graduate sport management and sport administration programs.



Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College of Health and Human Services

- Dietetics – The first step to becoming a Registered Dietician, graduates move on to complete an internship and pass a licensure exam. The curriculum is interdisciplinary with a focus on nutrition and food.
- Communication Sciences and Disorders – The program is designed to provide students the basic components of the discipline and to prepare the student for entrance into a graduate program. The minimum entry level qualification for professional practice in the fields of speech-language pathology and audiology is a master's degree. The undergraduate student will study the basic speech and hearing sciences and the normal human communication process, as well as the theoretical and practical aspects of therapy. Clinical observations are required.



An outing for the Student Nutrition Association

Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College of Musical Arts

- Music- Widely known as one of the country's outstanding collegiate music programs in music education and contemporary music, the College of Musical Arts prepares students to be educators, performers, and scholars on an international level. The College is ranked in the top 5 of all music programs in the State of Ohio and the Music Theory and Composition programs ranks #2 in the State. Areas of study include Brass & Percussion, Composition, Jazz, Keyboard, Music Education, Musicology & Ethnomusicology, Strings, Theory, Vocal Arts, and Woodwinds.



Academics (Cont.)

Strong Majors in the College of Technology, Architecture, and Applied Engineering. The students in the College of Technology, Architecture and Applied Engineering, depending on major, are marketable in a variety of careers: architecture, aviation, construction management and engineering technology and visual communication.

- Aviation- BGSU is only one of two university in the US that has their airport located on campus. You can actually walk from your residence hall to the airport. BGSU Aviation has a new flight center which was occupied in May, 2015. The training center is 8800 square feet with an 8,000 sq. ft. hangar.
- Architecture and Environmental Design - This is a pre-professional degree focused on sequences of architectural design studios, complemented by history and theory courses, structures, materials and building systems courses. The major results in a four-year Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree. It is the first step in a series of educational and apprenticeship requirements leading to professional registration as a licensed architect.



Academic Support for Learning Challenges

BGSU offers traditional support services for students inside the Jerome Library. The Learning Commons offers students a collaborative learning environment and provides FREE tutoring, academic coaching, study skills classes, as well as math and writing tutors. Traditional Disability Services provide reasonable accommodations for students with documentable disabilities.

Additionally, BGSU is one of only a few institutions in Ohio that offer an intensive, individualized academic support program for students with learning challenges including ADD and ADHD. Their new “**FLY Program**” (Falcon Learning Your Way) matches students to a full-time learning specialist, assigned tutor, and a writing consultant for each enrolled course. An Academic Coach is also assigned to help students improve time management skills and study strategies. The FLY Program is a specialized service offered for an additional charge of \$2,500 per semester.



The Learning Commons

Campus Culture & Life Outside the Classroom

At BGSU around 85% of students hail from Ohio.

Approximately 2% are international; 4% Hispanic; and 10% African American. Students come from all 50 states and 70 countries.

The on-campus student population is large even though only 43% live on campus. Today, over 6,000 students live in 14 residence halls and 19 learning and theme communities. Many residence halls house learning communities where students are grouped into major or interest groups. Activities and learning opportunities are provided to support student interests in their respective areas. Additionally, there are 325 student organizations, 56 intramural sports and 26 club sports. Finally, there are 18 NCAA Division IA varsity teams. It's not hard to get involved at BGSU!

Also, there are also over 40 fraternities and sororities. Approximately 12% of the undergraduate student body is involved in Greek Life. A new Greek village houses 33 sororities and fraternities continuing the university's longstanding commitment to campus Greek life.

On top of that, there are 325 events every month including over 600 musical programs per year.



Falcon Pride!



The new Greek Village

Life Outside the Classroom

Students enjoy outstanding dining facilities at The Oaks and Carillon Place, which offer numerous dining options in a beautiful, contemporary environment. The active student union offers a full-service pub & bistro, Starbucks, renovated food court featuring Marcos Pizza, Steak Escape, Jamba Juice and Panda Express. Additional quick-serve options are available around campus.

BGSU offers students four recreational facilities including a golf course, ice arena, and newly renovated recreation center.



The Oaks Dining Facility



BGSU Recreation Center

Price

Estimated Costs for Academic Year 2015-2016*

Tuition	\$ 5,193 (\$10,796 stated tuition less average institutional scholarship of \$5,603)
Room & Board	\$ 8,496
Books/Supplies	<u>\$ 1,020</u>
Total	\$ 14,709 (This number includes estimated tuition (see footnote below), room, board, and an estimate for books/supplies.)

Pell Grant Eligible: 33%

* The above calculation is based on data provided by the National Center for Educational Statistics and is only an estimate. It does not include miscellaneous university fees or discretionary spending. Actual cost will vary by student and is subject to change by Bowling Green State University.

Bowling Green State University Data Sheet*

Fall 2014 Enrollment

Total Undergraduates (92% Full Time)	14,099
Graduate Student Enrollment	2,455
Percentage UG Men	44%
Percentage UG Women	56%
Percentage UG Minorities (4% Hispanic, 10% AA)	23%
% Out-of-State (2% International)	15%
Average Class Size	24
Student to Faculty Ratio	19:1
Number of full-time faculty	707

Fall 2014 Freshman Profile

Middle 50% ACT Composite	19-24
Average Freshman GPA	3.31
Number in freshman class	3,000
Percent freshmen receiving aid	100%

Campus Life

Religious Affiliation	Public
Campus Setting	Small Town
Fraternities/Sororities	Yes
Intramural Sports	Yes
% full-time students living on campus	45%
Percent registered w/disability services	3%

Athletics

NCAA Division I-A

Varsity Sports

Men: Track, Cross Country, Basketball, Baseball, Football, Soccer, Golf, Ice Hockey

Women: Track, Cross Country, Golf, Basketball, Soccer, Softball, Volleyball, Swimming & diving, Tennis, Gymnastics

* Data provided by the National Center for Educational Statistics, 2015-2016 Counselors Guide by the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio, Forbes "Private College Financial Health Grades 2015," and the 2015 Endowment Market Value by the National Association of College and University Business Officers and Commonfund Institute.

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First to Second Year Retention	76%
Six Year Ave. Graduation Rate	55%

Financial Health

2014 Endowment	\$118,700,000
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