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SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY



# HIGHER PURPOSE.



St. Francis Xavier College Church

# GREATER GOOD.

Founded in 1818, Saint Louis University is one of the nation's oldest and most prestigious Catholic institutions. Rooted in Jesuit values and with a pioneering history as the first university west of the Mississippi River, SLU offers more than 15,000 students a rigorous, transformative education of the whole person on our St. Louis, Missouri, and Madrid, Spain, campuses. At the core of the University's diverse community of scholars is SLU's service-focused mission, which challenges and prepares students to make the world a better, more just place.

## OUR MISSION

The mission of Saint Louis University is the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of God and for the service of humanity. The University seeks excellence in the fulfillment of its corporate purposes of teaching, research, health care and service to the community.

The University is dedicated to leadership in the continuing quest for understanding of God's creation and for the discovery, dissemination and integration of the values, knowledge and skills required to transform society in the spirit of the Gospels. As a Catholic, Jesuit university, this pursuit is motivated by the inspiration and values of the Judeo-Christian tradition and is guided by the spiritual and intellectual ideals of the Society of Jesus.

## SLU PRESIDENT'S VISION

To be a global Jesuit university — one that is mission-focused, student- and patient-centered, and research-driven, working with the people of St. Louis to reimagine, transform and unify our city.



**SAINT LOUIS  
UNIVERSITY™**

— EST. 1818 —

### YEAR FOUNDED

1818

### RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

Roman Catholic, Jesuit

### LOCATIONS

St. Louis, Missouri  
Madrid, Spain

### PRESIDENT

Fred P. Pestello, Ph.D.

## Colleges + Schools

# 94

BACHELOR'S DEGREE  
PROGRAMS

# 88

MASTER'S DEGREE  
PROGRAMS

plus

49 doctoral degree programs  
58 certificates

### YEAR FOUNDED

1818	COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
1836	SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
1843	SCHOOL OF LAW
1889	COLLEGE OF PHILOSOPHY AND LETTERS
1910	RICHARD A. CHAIFETZ SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
1927	SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
1928	TRUDY BUSCH VALENTINE SCHOOL OF NURSING
1930	SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK
1979	DOISY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES
1991	COLLEGE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
1996	SCHOOL FOR PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
1998	SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

### DEGREE-GRANTING CENTER

1994	CENTER FOR ADVANCED DENTAL EDUCATION
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## Rankings + Honors

SLU is recognized as one of the nation's best values in higher education and one of the leading Catholic universities in the country.

### BEST VALUE

*U.S. News & World Report* named SLU a "Best Value School" for the eighth consecutive year in its 2024 Best Colleges rankings for undergraduate education.

### UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

*The Wall Street Journal* ranked SLU No. 156 among the top-400 universities in the country, while *U.S. News & World Report* ranked SLU No. 105 among 439 national universities for 2024.

Additionally, SLU was profiled in Princeton Review's Best 389 Colleges 2024 edition, which includes only 15% of America's four-year colleges. Niche.com ranked SLU No. 111 among the 936 Top Private Universities in America.

### GRADUATE EDUCATION

SLU's health law program was once again named No. 1 in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report*. The publication also ranked SLU's graduate programs in entrepreneurship, finance, health care management and international business in the top-25 nationally.



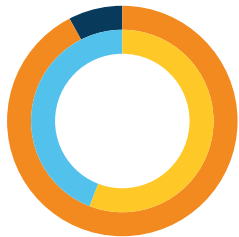
**No. 10** NICHE'S 2024 BEST CATHOLIC  
COLLEGES IN AMERICA



# Our Students

# 15,204 STUDENTS

*plus* 3,132 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SLU'S 1818 ADVANCED COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM (FALL 2023)



## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT DIVERSITY

8.7%	AFRICAN AMERICAN
<1%	AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE
13.3%	ASIAN
10.9%	HISPANIC/LATINO
5.3%	MULTIRACE/OTHER
3.9%	NON-U.S. RESIDENT
3.8%	UNKNOWN
54%	WHITE

13,954	FULL-TIME
1,250	PART-TIME
8,502	UNDERGRADUATE
6,702	GRADUATE

FROM ALL  
**50**  
U.S. STATES

**62.1%**  
of SLU undergraduate students are from outside of Missouri.

FROM  
**96**  
COUNTRIES

# 2023 Freshman Class

TOP REPRESENTED STATES

- Missouri
- Illinois
- Wisconsin
- Texas
- Ohio

**3.9**  
AVERAGE HIGH SCHOOL GPA

**45**  
U.S. STATES REPRESENTED

**90**  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

**15,381**

APPLICATIONS

**1,769**

FULL-TIME, FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN ENROLLED





## Career Preparation + Outcomes

**843**  
EMPLOYERS RECRUITED  
SLU STUDENTS

**5,188**  
STUDENTS INTERACTED WITH  
CAREER SERVICES

Office of Institutional Research/Career Services 2023 data

### CAREER SUPPORT AT EVERY STAGE

SLU's online career database, Handshake, connects students and alumni to employers, internships and jobs. In 2023, Handshake recorded:

**3,062**

NEW EMPLOYERS

**88,752**

JOB OPENINGS

**25,380**

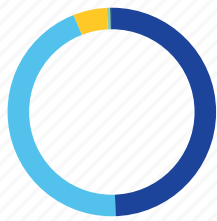
INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**39,835**

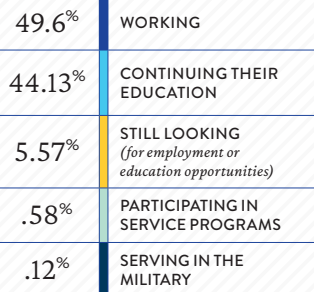
STUDENT AND ALUMNI USER LOGINS

Career Services Handshake data from Academic Year (AY) 23

### WHAT ARE RECENT SLU GRADUATES DOING NOW?



First Destination Survey  
responses from AY22



### WHERE DO SLU GRADUATES WORK?

- AMEREN
- AT&T
- BJC HEALTHCARE
- THE BOEING COMPANY
- BUNZL NORTH AMERICA
- DELOITTE
- E3 CONSULTANTS GROUP
- EPIC
- KPMG LLP
- LOCKTON
- LURIE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF CHICAGO
- MERCY HEALTH
- NISA INVESTMENT ADVISORS, LLC
- NORTHWESTERN MEDICINE
- RSM US LLP
- SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY
- SSM HEALTH
- THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC
- TOTAL ACCESS URGENT CARE
- WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS

Source: Top-20 full-time employers, First Destination Survey responses from AY22

## Student Financial Support

The University offers scholarship programs recognizing academic merit, financial need, diversity, Jesuit high school graduates, multiple sibling enrollees, aptitude and performance (athletics, the arts, etc.).

**No. 52** IN "BEST VALUE SCHOOLS IN 2024"  
— U.S. News & World Report

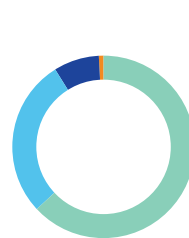
**1,913**  
PELL GRANT RECIPIENTS-  
A 9% INCREASE OVER FALL 2022

**\$28,606**  
AVERAGE AID AWARD  
AMOUNT THAT DOESN'T NEED  
TO BE REPAYED (ALL STUDENTS)

**\$45,343**  
AVERAGE AID AWARD  
AMOUNT FOR FRESHMEN

**43%**  
OF UNDERGRADUATE  
STUDENTS GRADUATE  
WITHOUT STUDENT LOAN DEBT

### AID TO STUDENTS /// SOURCE OF AID

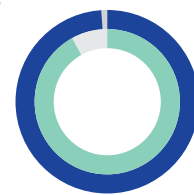


\$289,139,567	INSTITUTIONAL
\$130,587,860	FEDERAL
\$36,189,718	PRIVATE
\$3,745,049	STATE
\$459,662,194	TOTAL

### STUDENTS RECEIVING AID

**99%** OF FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN

**92%** OF ALL STUDENTS



Fiscal Year 2023

## Living Our Faith

Guided by the Catholic Church and the Society of Jesus, SLU encourages students, faculty and staff to explore their faith and deepen their understanding of its role in their lives. People from every religious identity, practice and tradition are welcome at Saint Louis University.

Each academic year, the *Department of Campus Ministry* offers

**12**  
student retreats.

Each week, more than

**420**  
students attend *Sunday evening student Mass at St. Francis Xavier College Church*.

**55**  
episodes of SLU's "*Mission Matters*" podcast have been released.

**40**  
Jesuits *teach, study and minister* at SLU.

**60**  
faculty and staff participate in intensive mission formation programs to strengthen their sense of *Ignatian spirituality, service and scholarship*.

**46**  
*faculty and staff mission liaisons* work collaboratively to integrate the mission into their departments and campus life.

Student groups such as the *Interfaith Alliance, Jewish Student Association, Muslim Student Association, Hindu Student Alliance* and campus ministry's *affiliate minister program* encourage the spirituality of all members of the SLU community.

**200+**  
cups of coffee are shared each Friday at Java with the Jesuits.

**5**  
Jesuit scholastics serve as chaplains for athletic teams.

## Diversity + Inclusion

SLU aspires to build a school community that prioritizes inclusion, celebrates diversity and respects the dignity of every individual. Drawing on its Jesuit roots, the University is committed to ensuring that social justice and equity are an intrinsic part of the education it imparts, the resources offered and the community it serves here in St. Louis and around the world.

In fall 2023, SLU welcomed the most diverse first-year class in the University's history. But beyond opening its doors to more students, SLU's Jesuit mission also calls for institutional transformation so all students can thrive. Ongoing efforts are underway to ensure that diversity, equity and inclusion are woven throughout the fabric of the University. Through the academic strategic plan and other initiatives, SLU is creating an integrated student-support infrastructure designed to foster equity and well-being for all students.

**30+**  
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS  
FOCUSED ON DIVERSITY  
LEADERSHIP/IDENTITY

**23.6%**  
FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS WHO  
ARE BLACK, HISPANIC OR  
MULTRIRACIAL



### BILLIKENS' FIRST CHAPTER

For students who may need additional support during the transition to college, this program offers students one-on-one, holistic support in academics and all aspects of student life.

**160**

BILLIKENS' FIRST CHAPTER SCHOLARS  
IN FALL 2023

### AUDRE LORDE SCHOLARS AND AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE SCHOLARS

These programs provide networking, community and social opportunities for women and men of color.

**55**

STUDENTS IN THE AUDRE LORDE AND AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE SCHOLARS PROGRAMS

## Global Reach

As a global, Jesuit university, SLU embraces the opportunity to broaden its impact by giving students the chance to pursue their degrees in Madrid, Spain, and beyond – and by welcoming students from all over the world to its St. Louis campus.

### SLU-MADRID

Founded in 1967, Saint Louis University's international campus in Madrid, Spain, offers a welcoming, multicultural environment where students can expand their horizons, discover new cultures and deepen their knowledge in the context of an interconnected world.

HOME TO **1,104** STUDENTS

from **70** COUNTRIES

**125+**

FACULTY MEMBERS, PLUS DEDICATED STAFF, ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES AND WELLNESS RESOURCES

**200+**

ACCREDITED COURSES ARE TAUGHT IN ENGLISH EACH SEMESTER

**60+**

SUMMER COURSES

**500+**

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM THE ST. LOUIS CAMPUS SPEND A SEMESTER OR ACADEMIC YEAR AT SLU-MADRID EACH YEAR

**16**

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Along with courses that satisfy requirements for many other SLU degree programs

**2**

GRADUATE DEGREES

### STUDY ABROAD

In addition to SLU-Madrid, Saint Louis University offers a full range of study abroad destinations all over the world.

**Top-30**

UNIVERSITY FOR STUDY ABROAD PARTICIPATION

– Institute of International Education, 2023

**40**

STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS IN 37 CITIES ON 6 CONTINENTS ARE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS.

**90+**

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SHORT-TERM INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES EVERY YEAR.

## Global Grad



International students gather for a selfie

### GLOBAL GRADUATE INITIATIVE

Launched in 2020 as a collaborative effort between multiple departments and divisions, the University's Global Grad initiative connects graduate students from all over the world with SLU's sought-after business, technology and engineering programs.

As the University's international graduate enrollment grows, SLU is honored to help students pursue their professional goals at our St. Louis campus while helping them make the most of the University's job placement resources, support and extensive opportunities.

**3,183**

International students are currently studying at SLU – the most in the University's 206-year history and more than double the size of last year's class of international students.



SLU students celebrate Atlas Week



## Student Involvement + Well-Being

SLU's Jesuit tradition calls for care and development of the whole person — mind, body and spirit. Beyond academics, the University offers an extensive support network for students, giving them the opportunity to lead, grow, connect and live in a welcoming community, with access to the care they need to thrive at SLU.



*The sun rising over runners at the Medical Center Stadium*

### 3,895

#### STUDENTS LIVE ON CAMPUS

Including 89% of first-year students. Ten residential Learning Communities offer academic and social support.

### 200+

#### ORGANIZATIONS

SLU's student organizations offer something for every student and every interest. Students can get involved with clubs and organizations like the Campus Kitchen, International Students Federation, art clubs, sports clubs, Greek life and the SLUnatics spirit squad.



*Students play intramural pickleball*

### 20+

#### GREEK LETTER ORGANIZATIONS

### 2,400

#### STUDENT MEETINGS, PRACTICES AND EVENTS EACH YEAR

### 10

#### INTRAMURAL SPORTS, INCLUDING PICKLEBALL, DODGEBALL, SOCCER AND CRICKET

### 24

#### GROUP-FITNESS CLASSES OFFERED EACH WEEK AT SLU'S SIMON RECREATION CENTER



*Baby goat yoga to relieve finals stress*

### 700+

STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN FALL 2023'S FRESH CHECK DAY—AN ON-CAMPUS EVENT FEATURING WELLNESS RESOURCES, MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, FOOD AND MORE.

### 637 / 624

#### STUDENTS / FACULTY AND STAFF

Currently trained in Mental Health First Aid, a skills-based course that prepares participants to help assist someone experiencing a mental-health crisis.



*Fans cheer after a soccer goal*

#### JED CAMPUS AT SLU

As part of the University's commitment to supporting the mental health and well-being of SLU students, the University is proud to be an official JED Campus.

In partnership with the Jed Foundation, a leading non-profit organization dedicated to helping universities evaluate and strengthen their mental health, substance misuse and suicide prevention programs, the University is working to foster an even stronger culture of well-being, hope and resilience on its campuses and among its students.

## World-Class Faculty + Research

**2,137**  
FACULTY MEMBERS

**35**  
ENDOWED CHAIRS

**24**  
NAMED PROFESSORSHIPS

### 8 TO 1 STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO

Students receive personalized attention from *SLU's world-class faculty*.



*A guided research project*

**1,000+**

The number of times *experts from SLU* were interviewed by local, national and international media outlets in 2023.

**90%**

of SLU's full-time instructional faculty members hold the *highest or terminal degree in their fields*. They are nationally recognized teachers, researchers and mentors.

### CENTER FOR RESEARCH ON GLOBAL CATHOLICISM LAUNCHED

Saint Louis University established the Center for Research on Global Catholicism (CRGC) in September 2023 to support scholarship on how Catholicism migrated across time and space to become a global religion. Renowned researchers and St. Louis-area area archivists will study the nexus of Catholicism and culture at the CRGC.

In October, the center held a conference at SLU on the theme of global Catholicism and material culture. "Translations, Transgressions and Transformations: The Global Movement of Objects in Catholic Cultures" brought together scholars from around the world to examine the cultural mobility of Catholicism through the physical movement of objects like refined artworks, textiles, books and mundane, everyday items.



*Investigating pediatric liver disease in the Daisy Research Center*

### RESEARCH AT SLU

**\$60 million**

EXTERNAL RESEARCH EXPENDITURES IN 2023, UP 5% FROM 2022 AND 50% FROM 2018

**26**

NEW SLU RESEARCH INSTITUTE FELLOWS NAMED IN NOVEMBER 2023

**44%**

INCREASE IN RESEARCH EXPENDITURES IN THE SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FROM 2022, TO \$7.2 MILLION

**203**

DOCTORAL DEGREES THAT INVOLVED RESEARCH/SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED BY SLU IN 2021-2022

### 96% INCREASE IN RESEARCH EXPENDITURES

Compared to 2016, Saint Louis University has nearly doubled research expenditures at a 96% increase. This places SLU within the top five fastest-growing private research universities in the United States.

(Excluding institutions with less than \$40M in FY22 research expenditures)



# Service + Community Impact

**No. 9**

**IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS FOR MAKING AN IMPACT**  
— The Princeton Review 2024

**No. 22**

**IN SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS IN 2024**  
— U.S. News & World Report

**No. 25**

**IN COMMUNITY-SERVICE ENGAGEMENT AMONG U.S. UNIVERSITIES**  
— The Princeton Review 2024

Inspired by the Jesuit call to be men and women for others, service and community engagement are an integral part of Saint Louis University's identity.



**1.6 million hours**  
of service completed by the SLU community each year

*SLU Day of Service*



**80%**  
of SLU students volunteer each year, nearly triple the national average among college students.

**40,000+**  
meals prepared and delivered to those in need by **nearly 3,000** volunteers through SLU's Campus Kitchen in 2023



**7,500+**  
People directly impacted during the first five years of SLU's 1818 Community Engagement Grant Program, which awards grants annually to student groups for projects that benefit the community.

**500+**

**PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS IDENTIFIED BY SLU'S CENTER FOR SOCIAL ACTION AS SITES FOR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND SERVICE LEARNING**

**180+**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COURSES OFFERED AT SLU**

## RECOGNIZED BY THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION

SLU has earned the Carnegie Foundation's 2024 Community Engagement Classification, which honors the community-centered work of the University's faculty, staff and students.



# Billiken Athletics

## DIVISION I PROGRAMS

BASEBALL (MEN'S)	SOCCER*
BASKETBALL*	SWIMMING AND DIVING*
CROSS COUNTRY*	SOFTBALL (WOMEN'S)
FIELD HOCKEY (WOMEN'S)	TENNIS*
INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD*	VOLLEYBALL (WOMEN'S)
OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD*	

\* Indicates both men's and women's teams



The women's basketball team and coaching staff celebrate their victory in the Atlantic 10 Championship final in Wilmington, Delaware. Photo by Mitchell Leff / Atlantic 10

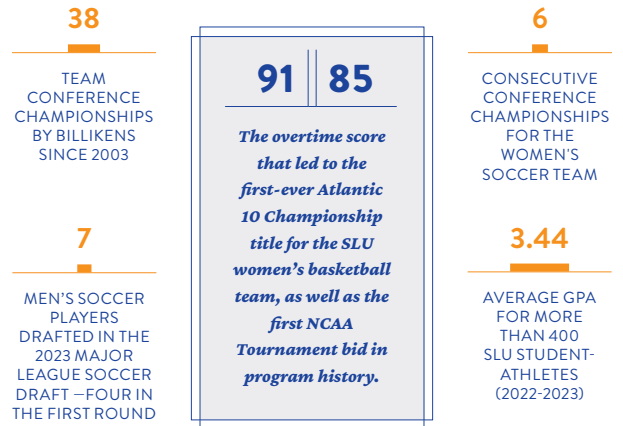


## THE O'LOUGHLIN FAMILY CHAMPIONS CENTER

A new, best-in-class resource for SLU's student-athletes.

Construction of the more than 27,000-square-foot O'Loughlin Family Champions Center – a gathering place and academic hub for the University's 400-plus student-athletes – was completed in 2023, a milestone that was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting in October 2023.

The privately funded facility provides SLU's student-athletes with programming related to **academic advising, spiritual development, sports performance, nutrition, wellness and sports psychology.** Features include the Koman Family Fueling Station – a place where athletes can grab food and drinks, the Keith Phoenix Team Dining Room and the Centene Corporation Student Success Suite, where athletes can study and access tutoring and career services.



## WHAT'S A BILLIKEN?

The Billiken is a mythical good-luck figure who represents “things as they ought to be.” Before he was Saint Louis University's mascot, he was a national sensation. In 1908, art teacher Florence Pretz received a patent for her version of the mythical figure. Later, the Billiken Co. of Chicago adopted the likeness, giving the Billiken its name and manufacturing Billiken statuettes.

In 1910, local sportswriters thought SLU football coach John Bender bore a striking resemblance to the impish creature, and SLU's football team was dubbed “Bender's Billikens.” The public took up the moniker, and it became the official nickname of all SLU teams.

# Alumni + Funding

SLU alumni are everywhere — in classrooms, courtrooms, businesses and health care settings. They're leading, learning, embodying SLU's mission in their communities and giving back to the University. Their support, together with the support of other generous donors, helps SLU fund and expand the programs that have helped them succeed.

137,364

ALUMNI LIVE IN

50 STATES 154 COUNTRIES

THE UNIVERSITY SPONSORS ALUMNI CLUBS IN

24 CITIES 4 COUNTRIES

## DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS

\$37.5 million

given to SLU in fiscal year 2023 by alumni and other generous donors

### FUNDS RAISED SUPPORT UNIVERSITY PRIORITIES, INCLUDING:

- SLU'S ANNUAL FUND
- SCHOLARSHIPS
- RESEARCH
- MISSION AND OUTREACH
- ATHLETICS
- ACADEMICS
- ARTS
- ENDOWED FACULTY

## UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT

\$1.7 billion (as of June 2023)

## LONG-TERM CREDIT RATINGS

- MOODY'S INVESTORS SERVICE: A1
- STANDARD AND POOR'S: AA-

# About St. Louis

Since 1818, the city of St. Louis has shaped and inspired Saint Louis University – and in return, SLU has helped define and develop the city, creating a culture of progress and contributing to the area's continued growth and success.

No. 6

IN MOST BEAUTIFUL AND AFFORDABLE PLACES TO LIVE

— Travel + Leisure 2023

ONE OF THE 2023 Best CITIES FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

— Niche



## BRINGING MILLIONS OF VISITORS TO MIDTOWN

SLU's Midtown neighborhood is already home to some of the city's top cultural attractions. Now, the neighborhood is experiencing a new renaissance thanks to more than \$1.2 billion in housing, retail and business development, with SLU at the center of Midtown's growth.

## COMPLETED PROJECTS

- CITY FOUNDRY WITH 18 LOCAL RETAILERS
- FRESH THYME GROCERY STORE
- ALAMO DRAFTHOUSE MOVIE THEATER
- 36-HOLE PUTTSHACK MINI GOLF
- NEW! TOPGOLF DRIVING RANGE AND RECREATION VENUE
- RENOVATED HUMPHREY'S BAR AND GRILL
- THE ARMORY, AN ENTERTAINMENT VENUE
- 7 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOMES
- CITY WINERY MUSIC VENUE
- ELEMENT BY WESTIN HOTEL

## COMING SOON

- 1,000+ APARTMENT UNITS
- CITY FOUNDRY, PHASE II – NEW RESTAURANTS, ENTERTAINMENT AND MORE
- 72,000-SQUARE-FOOT TARGET STORE
- NEW STUDENT HOUSING

4.2 MILLION

MIDTOWN VISITORS EXPECTED IN 2024

2 MILLION

CITY FOUNDRY VISITORS IN 2023

## A FOCUS ON SAFETY

This renewed investment in Midtown includes an additional **60 hours** of patrols each week on Grand Avenue, between SLU's north and south campuses.

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