WHERE WILL YOUR GRADUATE DEGREE TAKE YOU?
Gallaudet University—
Established in 1864
By an act of Congress and
Signed into law by President
Abraham Lincoln (as a college).

Only bilingual
ASL/English university
in the world.

Bison
is the mascot
of Gallaudet University.
92% of graduates rate their educational experience at Gallaudet as excellent.

The football huddle originated at Gallaudet so that the other teams could not read their signs.

89% of graduate students are employed after graduation.

For more than 150 years, Gallaudet University has led advances in the education of deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students and deaf rights worldwide.
WHY GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY

A comprehensive university designed for deaf and hard of hearing individuals, in a global capital. There is simply no other place like this in the world.

Gallaudet University offers an array of programs at the certificate, masters, specialist, and doctoral levels. Our graduate school draws on Gallaudet’s rich heritage to prepare deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students for a variety of professional careers. With over 25 post-graduate degrees and certificate programs, Gallaudet prepares future scholars, leaders, and practitioners with the tools to excel in their professions and disciplines.

Gallaudet is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. In addition, Gallaudet’s graduate programs are held in high esteem and, where applicable, are also fully accredited by a variety of program-specific professional accrediting bodies.

CONNECT with esteemed professors and motivated students.

DISCOVER innovative academics and a vibrant, bilingual community.

INFLUENCE ideas, conversations—and your future.

GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY IS COMMITTED TO THE HIGHEST STANDARDS FOR THE QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL PREPAREDNESS.
WHY GRADUATE SCHOOL

Reasons to continue your education vary from person to person. What are your life goals? If you want to teach or practice research, you need an advanced degree. If you want to improve your earning potential or career trajectory, an advanced degree can help. The Bureau of Labor Statistics noted in 2013, those with advanced degrees earned at least 18% more than those that did not. (https://www.bls.gov/careeroutlook/2015/article/should-i-get-a-masters-degree.htm)

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

ASL AND DEAF STUDIES
- Deaf Studies (MA, Certificate)
- Sign Language Education (MA)

COUNSELING
- Clinical Mental Health Counseling (MA)
- School Counseling (MA)
- Summers and Online School Counseling Program (MA)

EDUCATION
- ASL & English Bilingual Early Childhood Deaf Education: Birth to 5 (Certificate)
- Critical Studies in Education of Deaf Learners (PhD)
- Deaf Education (EdS)
- Deaf Education: Advanced Studies (MA)
- Deaf Education: Special Program in Deaf Education (MA)
- Educating Deaf Students with Disabilities (Certificate)
- Education: Teacher Preparation Program (MA)
  - Deaf Education
  - Early Childhood Education and Deaf Education
  - Elementary Education and Deaf Education
  - Secondary Education and Deaf Education

GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS
- Public Administration (MPA)

HEARING, SPEECH, AND LANGUAGE SCIENCES
- Audiology (AuD)
- Hearing, Speech, and Language Sciences (PhD)
- Speech-Language Pathology (MS)

INTERPRETATION (MA, PHD)

LINGUISTICS (MA, PHD)

PSYCHOLOGY
- Clinical Psychology (PhD)
- School Psychology (PsyS)

SOCIAL WORK (MSW)

INTERDISCIPLINARY
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing Infants, Toddlers, and their Families: Collaboration and Leadership (Certificate)
- Educational Neuroscience (PhD)
- International Development (MA)

Please make sure to check the website (gallaudet.edu/graduate-school/graduate-programs) for up to date information
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Gallaudet campus is in the heart of Washington D.C., in close proximity to well-known landmarks, Union Station, and Metro stations. Our Gallaudet shuttle bus provides easy access to Metro stops taking you to museums, ethnic restaurants and neighborhoods, sporting and nightlife events, shopping malls, and historical parks.

The nearest Metro station is so close, “Gallaudet U” is in the station’s name. Hop on and whiz away across the city. Or, grab a bike from the Bikeshare stop on campus and visit the farmers’ markets either at Eastern Market to the southeast, or at Union Market directly across the street from campus.

The Consortium is a nonprofit educational association of 17 member colleges and universities representing nearly 290,000 students committed to the advancement of higher education in the Washington Metropolitan Area.

Gallaudet University is a member of the consortium which permits students enrolled in degree programs at one institution to request to register for an approved course that is being offered at another participant institution.

Washington, D.C. is home to an astoundingly large number of potential employers and internship providers as well. The National Association of the Deaf (NAD) has its headquarters nearby, as do many of the national advocacy organizations for deaf and hard of hearing people.

THE ENVIRONMENT IN WASHINGTON, D.C. FEEDS BOTH THE MIND AND SOUL.

“THE COURSES AND THE DIALOGUE WITH MY COHORTS WERE STRENGTHS OF MY GRADUATE PROGRAM.”
DISCOVER THE ADVANTAGES OF A BILINGUAL ENVIRONMENT

RESEARCH SHOWS THAT A BILINGUAL APPROACH ENHANCES LEARNING AS COMPARED TO LEARNING IN ONE LANGUAGE.

THE BILINGUAL ADVANTAGE

Everything is fully accessible.

- Extensive student-faculty collaboration, with direct communication in both American Sign Language and English.
- Full access to campus activities, clubs and athletics.
- Classroom technology to optimize learning for all.
- English Language Institute for international students whose first written language is not English.

With a bilingual American Sign Language and English environment, you will have direct access to everything and everyone at Gallaudet—including our extensive national and international connections for research, internships and careers.

BILINGUAL EDUCATION

Gallaudet University is the premier bilingual institution in the world that provides visually accessible higher education for deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students through American Sign Language and written English. Gallaudet’s commitment to bilingualism is reflected excellence in both languages through bilingual curricula, critical thinking activities, and career preparation. Gallaudet’s bilingual education model is founded on celebrating and promoting student immersion in the university’s culturally and linguistically rich environment.

Gallaudet’s character as a bilingual, diverse, and multicultural university is palpable on a campus where we aim to connect with, discover, and influence the world through the use of two languages.
OUR BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE MAKE US STRONGER.

Broaden your mind, learn more about the world around you and think about yourself in new ways.

Gallaudet University brings together students, faculty and staff from many cultures, languages and ethnicities. Our campus welcomes and provides resources for individuals who employ a variety of communication modalities. You will discover a welcoming, respectful community united in its passion to make a difference in the world.

You will find people and programs that will support, challenge and strengthen you.

THE EXCITEMENT AT GALLAUDET COMES FROM SO MANY PEOPLE READY TO SHARE THEIR DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS AND OPEN THEIR EYES TO NEW POSSIBILITIES.
RESOURCES FOR ALL

MULTICULTURAL STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND MENTORING
Empowers students of all backgrounds to achieve academic, career and personal success and contribute to an inclusive campus environment. Offers programs, services and resources that include:

- **GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION**
  The Graduate Student Association (GSA) is a student organization representing all graduate students at Gallaudet University. Their purpose is to promote academic excellence, provide a forum for the expression of opinion by graduate students, facilitate communications and joint activities within the various departments of Graduate School, and to promote the graduate school culture.

- **LGBTQA RESOURCE CENTER**
  Services, trainings, events and gatherings to encourage an inclusive environment for people of all sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions.

- **CROSS-CAMPUS MULTICULTURAL AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMS**
  Cultural presentations, lectures from a variety of inspiring visitors, panel discussions, workshops and leadership training to support racial and ethnic minority students, multicultural student organizations and an appreciation of diversity on campus.

- **OFFICE FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (OSWD)**
  Individually tailored, comprehensive support services to promote equal access and opportunity for students with disabilities.

- **RESEARCH SUPPORT AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**
  The Office of Research Support and International Affairs (RSIA) strives to fulfill Gallaudet University’s mission to encourage, promote, and facilitate research, and to offer and oversee international and intercultural education opportunities for Gallaudet students and faculty, as well as the global community.
At Gallaudet, students and faculty strive to communicate as clearly as possible, modeling and developing habits of academic discourse in ASL and English.

As you are preparing to apply to our programs, you may wish to work on your ASL skills. The Center for Continuing and Online Education offers many ways that prospective graduate students can enhance their ASL skills.

The ASL proficiency requirements of each graduate program varies. Check your program of interest’s program specific requirements for this information.

More information about these courses can be found at gallaudet.edu/american-sign-language-program

Note that classes offered at Gallaudet University may not be equivalent to classes you have taken at other locations. To ensure that you are placed in class that meets your needs, please review the course descriptions and select the one that seems to fit your current skill level. The ASL Placement Screening can be done in person or through a video interface such as Google Talk, Skype or videophone. For scheduling the placement screening, please send an email to aslprograms@gallaudet.edu.

More information gallaudet.edu/american-sign-language-program/asi-placement-screening

“YOU CAN NEVER UNDERSTAND ONE LANGUAGE UNTIL YOU UNDERSTAND AT LEAST TWO.”
—GEORGE VEDITZ
The American Sign Language Proficiency Interview (ASLPI) is a holistic language evaluation used to determine global ASL proficiency. The basic precept in this type of evaluation is to find out through a face-to-face interview what an individual can do with the target language at a given point in time.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY INTERVIEW

DO YOU NEED THE ASLPI TO COMPLETE YOUR GRADUATE SCHOOL APPLICATION?

If you are not sure, then please check your programs admission/application requirements. IF your answer is YES, we have important information for you.

It can take up to six weeks to your ASLPI results after taking the ASLPI. Schedule well in advance in order to meet your programs admissions deadline.
CAMPUS LIVING

Living on campus allows you to be part of a vibrant and energetic campus community. All the conveniences on campus are within walking distance and hassle-free. Our residence halls give you the opportunity to explore our beautiful campus and its facilities. They also give you space to study and relax as well as create lifelong friendships.

“LIVING ON CAMPUS HELPED ME TO IMMERSE MYSELF IN DEAF CULTURE.”

CARLIN HALL

GRADUATE COMMUNITY

- Houses upperclassmen and graduate students
- An eight-story building with single occupancy rooms, multi-person suites
- Shared bathroom per suite
- Accommodates up to 250 residents
At the graduate level, we have many research projects happening. Some include:

**AUDIOLOGY**
- RERC-HE: Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Hearing Enhancement Hearing Aids and Cochlear Lab

**PSYCHOLOGY**
- PROMIS: Patient Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS) in American Sign Language

**LINGUISTICS**
- The Gramatical Incorporation of Pointing in Pro-Tactile American Sign Language at Gallaudet

**COUNSELING**
- Long-Term Training of Mental Health Counselors Working with Learning and Language Challenged Deaf Rehabilitation Clients.

**TECHNOLOGY ACCESS PROGRAM**
- Developing open source mobile and desktop applications that will allow text, voice and high-quality video calling

**ASL AND DEAF STUDIES**
- Developing a leading-edge online American Sign Language Resource

**EDUCATIONAL NEUROSCIENCE**
- Groundbreaking research in bilingual learning and educational neuroscience

**CENTER FOR BILINGUAL TEACHING AND LEARNING**
- Centralizing research and resources for bilingual pedagogy and language development

**INTERPRETATION**
- Creating a space of our own: A phenomenon
TIMELINE FOR PREPARING YOUR GRADUATE SCHOOL APPLICATION

UNDERGRADUATE JUNIOR YEAR

**MAY**
- REQUEST
  - Request information about Gallaudet’s graduate programs.

**JUNE**
- PRACTICE
  - Practice taking the GRE or MAT if required.

**JULY**
- THINK
  - Begin to think of professors who would write your recommendation letters.

**AUGUST**
- WORK
  - Take any required test. (GRE: code 5240 or MAT)
  - Begin working on your goal statement.
  - Schedule your ASLPI* now, if your program requires it.

**SEPTEMBER**
- CHOOSE
  - Contact your recommenders for your letters of recommendation.
  - Polish your goal statement.

**OCTOBER**
- BEGIN
  - Start your application.
  - Request official transcripts from your undergraduate college or university to be sent.
  - Send supplemental materials (e.g. resumes, additional essays, writing samples).
  - Register for Open House or schedule a visit.
### UNDERGRADUATE SENIOR YEAR

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<td>Attend our Open House or visit our campus.</td>
<td>Complete and submit your application. Verify that your letters of recommendation have been sent.</td>
<td>Focus on financial aid and complete the FAFSA. Verify one more time that all your application materials have been received. Check to make sure your ASLPI* results will arrive on time.</td>
<td>Try to relax while you wait.</td>
<td>Remember, once you start graduate school, the time to relax is over!</td>
<td>If you are offered admission to Gallaudet, please accept the offer as soon as possible by completing the acceptance form.</td>
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* ASLPI means American Sign Language Proficiency Interview

This timeline is for Fall only
FINANCING YOUR GRADUATE EDUCATION

A DEGREE FROM GALLAUDET IS AN EXCEPTIONAL VALUE

Studies show that a college degree increases your earning potential—and at Gallaudet, you can earn your degree at an affordable cost. Our tuition and fees are 38 percent lower than the U.S. national average for out-of-state tuition, and 90 percent of students receive financial aid, including scholarships.

The Financial Aid Office at Gallaudet University strives to assist students and their families so that any qualifying student who desires to pursue a higher education degree can do so.

Each student’s situation is unique. To better identify your specific financial needs, all applicants are required to complete a few applications. In order to receive the best financial aid package possible, it is in your best interest to complete the paperwork by the priority deadline listed.

Graduate students must apply for financial aid by completing a new FAFSA each year. The Financial Aid Office is prepared to guide graduate students seeking guidance with financial aid. Please contact us or visit the office to ask for assistance.

PAYING FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL

- **FEDERAL PROGRAMS OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
  Federal student aid accounts for the largest percentage of aid received by graduate and professional students. For information about types of federal student aid (including federal loans, and federal work study), eligibility requirements, repaying student loans or to fill out the Free Application for Federal State Aid (FAFSA) using Gallaudet University’s school code 001443. Visit [fasa.ed.gov](http://fasa.ed.gov).
  - Federal Work Study is subject to change. Always check with the Financial Aid Office.

- **UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS**
  **Academic Departments**
  Many departments offer students assistance in the form of tuition scholarships or assistantships that provide a monthly stipend. Please note that although you may receive funds from the department they are only for the semester they have been awarded. Departments choose outstanding candidates from their application pool. Applicants should convey their interest in being considered for an award to the department to which they are applying.

  **Graduate School**
  At the end of the school year, the Graduate School and the academic departments recognize outstanding students at the Hooding and Awards Ceremony. The following list includes monetary awards given at past ceremonies:
  - Cassandra Ketterer Award
  - Daniel T. Cloud Award
  - Elizabeth Peet Award
  - Helen Fay Award
  - Interpretation Research Award
  - Larry G. Stewart Award
  - Marjorie Stull Memorial Scholarship
  - Outstanding Linguistics Award
  - Philip K. Schmitt Award
  - Ron Coffey Award
  - Seltzer League Award
  - Thomas J. Landers Award

- **OTHER SOURCES**
  You can optimize your search for financial aid by using search engines or by visiting [financialaid.gallaudet.edu](http://financialaid.gallaudet.edu), a service provided by the Office of Financial Aid. Please note that not all sites listed on that website are graduate student-related.
WHAT GRADUATE PROGRAMS DO YOU OFFER?
To see a complete list of our graduate programs, see page 3 in this booklet. 
gallaudet.edu/graduate-school/graduate-programs

DO YOU ACCEPT HEARING STUDENTS INTO YOUR GRADUATE PROGRAMS?
Yes. We accept qualified deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students into our graduate programs.

DO YOU HAVE TO BE A FLUENT SIGNER TO BE ACCEPTED INTO A GRADUATE PROGRAM?
The American Sign Language (ASL) admission requirements vary by graduate programs. Some departments require fluency upon entry; others accept qualified students who do not have extensive ASL skills under the condition that they become fluent prior to graduation. Please note that most classes are taught in ASL. Check with the program specific requirements for your program of interest for more information.

I AM NOT SURE WHICH GRADUATE DEGREE I WANT TO PURSUE. CAN I TAKE CLASSES WITHOUT BEING ADMITTED INTO A PARTICULAR DEGREE PROGRAM?
Yes. You can apply to become a graduate special student. Go to our homepage for more information. gallaudet.edu/graduate-admissions

HOW DO I APPLY FOR ADMISSION?
All prospective graduate students should apply using the online graduate application form. 
gallaudet.edu/graduate-admissions

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE TO APPLY?
Most applications for the fall semester are due on February 15 but we advise you to look on our website for the most current information. 
gallaudet.edu/graduate-admissions

WHEN WILL MY APPLICATION BE REVIEWED THE DEPARTMENT?
Your application is available to the program for review as soon as you complete your application, including all of the required supplemental materials.

WHO MAKES THE ADMISSION DECISION?
The Dean of the Graduate School makes the final decision after receiving an admission recommendation from the department of your graduate program.

WHAT ARE SOME TIPS TO ENSURE PROMPT PROCESSING OF MY APPLICATION?
- Read all instructions carefully.
- Always use your full name on all documents/forms.
- Adhere to the program deadline by sending the required additional, supplemental documents in a timely manner.
- Frequently check status of your application online.
- Be sure to put your name and page number when you are sending documents that have more than one page.
- If you are submitting your documents electronically, please submit them to gradapplications@gallaudet.edu.
- We will not accept documents sent to other email addresses.

WHERE DO I SEND ANY PAPER DOCUMENTS (TRANSCRIPTS)?
Gallaudet University – Graduate Admissions Kendall Hall 1st floor 800 Florida Ave, NE Washington, DC 20002

CAN I VISIT GALLAUDET?
- We have several options for visiting our historic 99-acre campus.
- We hold a Graduate School Open House each fall. Information is available on our homepage.
- You can schedule a campus tour by contacting the Visitors Center: gallaudet.edu/visitors-center.
- If you are unable to travel to DC, you can see Gallaudet's campus from the comfort of your computer at gallaudet.edu/visitors-center.
OUR GRADUATES NOW

Today, graduates of Gallaudet’s Graduate School can be found at companies in a wide-range of academic and professional fields. More than 80% of our graduates are currently employed, with three-quarters working for a company that primarily serves deaf or hard of hearing people. The most common job titles graduates possess include audiologist, counselor, program specialist, and special education teacher. Additionally, many of our doctoral graduates become college professors, psychologists, and school administrators.

CORPORATE
- Access Interpreting
- Pacific Hearing Service
- Purple Communications

NON-PROFIT
- Catholic Charities
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
- Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children
- Handicap International

EDUCATION
- State Schools for the Deaf
- Public School Districts with Mainstreamed Deaf and Hard of Hearing

COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
- Community College of Baltimore County
- College of New Rochelle
- Florida State College
- Gallaudet University
- Golden West College
- Howard College
- Human Rights Education Associates
- Kent State University
- Montgomery College
- Northern Virginia Community College
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- University of California-Berkeley
- University of Iowa
- University of North Carolina at Greensboro
- University of Southern California
- Utah Valley University
- Waubonsee College

MEDICAL
- Allegiance Health
- Columbia Gorge Hearing Care
- Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center
- First Home Care, Inc.
- Jackson Memorial Hospital
- Kennedy Krieger Institute
- Rady Children’s Hospital

GOVERNMENT
- State of Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
- United Nations
- US Agency for International Development
- Veteran Affairs Medical Center
- Maryland State Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing