

Northwestern University

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Northwestern University (**NU**) is a private research university located primarily in Evanston, Illinois, United States. Northwestern has twelve undergraduate, graduate, and professional schools and colleges offering 123 undergraduate degrees and 145 graduate and professional degrees.^{[5][6]}

Northwestern was founded in 1851 by John Evans and eight other Chicago businessmen to serve the people of what had once been part of the Northwest Territory. Instruction began in 1855 and women were first admitted in 1869. Today, the main campus is a 240-acre (97 ha) parcel in Evanston, along the shore of Lake Michigan. The university's law and medical schools are located on a 20-acre (8.1 ha) campus in downtown Chicago's Streeterville neighborhood. In 2008, the Medill School of Journalism and School of Communication opened a campus in Education City, Doha, Qatar.

In 2009 Northwestern enrolled 8,497 undergraduate and 7,880 graduate and professional students.^[3] Alumni include three Presidential nominees, two Supreme Court justices, two Nobel Prize laureates, nine Pulitzer Prize laureates, and six Academy Award laureates.

Northwestern was elected to the Association of American Universities in 1917 and remains a research university with "very high" research activity.^{[7][8]} Northwestern's schools of management, engineering, and communication are among the most academically productive in the nation in their respective disciplines.^[9] Northwestern managed research and development budgets totaling \$420.0 million in 2006, 34th among all universities and 13th among private universities in the United States.^[10]

Northwestern is a founding member and remains the sole private institution in the Big Ten Conference. The Northwestern Wildcats compete in 19 intercollegiate sports in the NCAA's Division I.

Northwestern University



Motto	<i>Quaecumque sunt vera</i> (Latin)
Motto in English	Whatsoever things are true (Philippians 4:8 KJV)
Established	1851
Type	Private
Endowment	US \$5.45 billion ^[1]
President	Morton O. Schapiro
Provost	Daniel I. Linzer
Faculty	approximately 3,183 full-time faculty ^[2]
Students	16,377 ^[3]
Undergraduates	8,497 ^[3]
Postgraduates	7,880 ^[3]
Location	Evanston and Chicago, Illinois, U.S.
Campus	Evanston main campus, Suburban, 240 acres (97 ha); Chicago campus, Urban, 20 acres (8.1 ha)
Colors	Purple and White ^[4] □ □

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Mascot	Willie the Wildcat
Athletics	NCAA Division I, Big Ten Wildcats
Affiliations	Association of American Universities, COFHE
Website	www.northwestern.edu (http://www.northwestern.edu)

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History

Main article: History of Northwestern University



The Arch at Northwestern's Evanston campus

The history of Northwestern University can be traced back to a May 31, 1850 meeting of prominent Chicago businessmen who shared a desire to establish a university to serve what had once been the Northwest Territory. On January 28, 1851, the Illinois General Assembly granted a charter to the *Trustees of the North Western University* making it the first recognized university in Illinois.^{[11][12][a]} The school's nine founders were all Methodists (including three ministers in the church) and were committed to non-sectarian admissions for the entire population of the territory.^{[13][14]}

John Evans purchased 379 acres (153 ha) of land along Lake Michigan in 1853 and Philo Judson began developing the plans for what would become the city of Evanston. The first building, Old College, opened on November 5, 1855.^[15] As a private university that had to raise funds for construction, Northwestern sold \$100 "perpetual scholarships" that entitled the purchaser and his heirs to free tuition.^{[16][17]} In 1873, the Evanston College for Ladies merged with Northwestern, and Frances Willard, who later gained fame as a suffragist, became the school's first dean of women. Northwestern admitted its first

female students in 1869 and the first female student graduated in 1874.^[18]

Northwestern first fielded an intercollegiate football team in 1882 and later became a founding member of the Big Ten Conference. Northwestern became affiliated with professional schools of law, medicine, and dentistry throughout the Chicago area in the 1870s and 1880s. Enrollments grew through the 1890s and under Henry Wade Rogers these new programs were integrated into a modern research university combining professional, graduate, and undergraduate programs, and emphasizing teaching along with research.^{[19][20]} The Association of American Universities invited Northwestern to become a member in 1917. Under Walter Dill Scott's presidency from 1920–1939, Northwestern began construction of an integrated campus in downtown Chicago designed by James Gamble Rogers to house the professional schools, the establishment of the Kellogg School of Management, as well as opening new buildings on the Evanston campus like Dyche Stadium and Deering Library. A proposal to merge Northwestern with the University of Chicago was considered in 1933 but rejected by both schools.^{[21][22]} Northwestern hosted the first-ever NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Championship game in 1939 in the original Patten Gymnasium, which was later demolished and relocated farther north in order to make room for the Technological Institute.

Like other American research universities, Northwestern was transformed by World War II. Franklyn B. Snyder led the university from 1939 to 1949 and during the war nearly 50,000 military officers and personnel were trained on the Evanston and Chicago campuses. After the war surging enrollments under the G.I. Bill drove drastic expansion of both campuses. In 1948, prominent anthropologist Melville J. Herskovits founded the Program of African Studies at Northwestern, the first center of its kind at an American academic institution.^[23] J. Roscoe Miller's tenure from 1949–1970 was responsible for the expansion of the Evanston campus with the construction of the Lakefill on Lake Michigan, growth of the faculty and new academic programs, as well as polarizing Vietnam-era student protests. In 1978, the first and second Unabomber attacks occurred at Northwestern University.^[24] Tensions between the Evanston community and Northwestern were strained throughout much of the post-war era given episodes of disruptive student activism,^[25] disputes over municipal zoning, building codes, and law enforcement,^[26] as well as restrictions on the sale of alcohol near campus until 1972.^{[27][28]} Northwestern's exemption from state and municipal property tax obligations under its original charter was a particular source of town and gown tension and led to a federal lawsuit between the city and university which was settled out-of-court in 2004.^{[29][30]}



University Hall, the second building constructed on the campus, and the oldest building still standing.

While government support of universities declined in the 1970s and 1980s, President Arnold R. Weber oversaw the stabilization of university finances and revitalization of the campuses. As admissions to colleges and universities grew increasingly competitive throughout the 1990s and 2000s, Henry S. Bienen's tenure oversaw the increase in the number and quality of undergraduate applicants, continued expansion of the facilities and faculty, as well as renewed athletic competitiveness. In 1999, Northwestern student journalists uncovered information that exonerated Illinois death row inmate Anthony Porter two days before his scheduled execution and the Innocence Project has since exonerated nine more innocent men.^{[31][32]} On January 11, 2003, in a speech at Northwestern School of Law's Lincoln Hall, Governor of Illinois George Ryan announced that he would commute the sentences of more than 150 death row inmates.^[33]

The Latin phrase on Northwestern's seal *Quaecumque sunt vera* ("Whatsoever things are true") is drawn from Philippians 4:8. Also on Northwestern's seal is a Greek phrase inscribed on the pages of an open book: *ho logos pleres charitos kai aletheias*, which translates as "The Word... full of grace and truth" from the Gospel of John

1:14. Both the Latin and Greek phrases express the values of the University's Methodist founders.^{[14][34]} Purple became Northwestern's official school color in 1892,^[35] replacing black and gold after a university committee thought that the colors were common to too many other universities. Today, Northwestern only has one official color, royal purple although white is a *de facto* official color mentioned in both the university's *Alma Mater* ("Hail to purple, hail to white") and some university guidelines.^{[4][36]}

Campuses

See also: List of Northwestern University buildings

Evanston

Northwestern's Evanston campus, home to the undergraduate program, graduate school, and business school, runs north-south in between Lake Michigan and Sheridan Road from Clark Street to Central Street. The north side of campus is home to the campus' fraternity quads, the Henry Crown Sports Pavilion and other athletic facilities, the Technological Institute, Dearborn Observatory, and other science-related buildings including Ryan Hall, and the Ford Motor Company Engineering Design Center. The south side of campus is home to the University's humanities buildings, music buildings (such as Pick-Staiger Concert Hall), art buildings (such as the Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art), and sorority quads. This division in building location, along with the fact that the south end of campus is closer to the downtown center of Evanston, creates a cultural difference between the students typically found on either end of the campus. In the 1960s, the University expanded its campus boundaries by constructing a lakefill in Lake Michigan. The additional 84 acres (34 ha) are now home to the Northwestern University Library, Norris University Center, and Pick-Staiger Concert Hall, among other facilities.



Northwestern's Evanston campus is located on Lake Michigan.

The Chicago Transit Authority's elevated train running through Evanston is called the Purple Line, taking its name from Northwestern's school color. The Foster and Davis stations are within walking distance of the southern end of the campus, while the Noyes station is close to the northern end of the campus. The Central station is close to Ryan Field, Northwestern's football stadium. The Evanston Davis Street Metra station serves the Northwestern campus in downtown Evanston and the Evanston Central Street Metra station is near Ryan Field.



Panorama of Northwestern University lakefill

Chicago

Northwestern's Chicago campus is located in the city's Streeterville neighborhood. The Chicago campus is home to the medical school and hospital, the law school, the part-time business school, and the School of Continuing Studies, which offers evening and weekend courses for working adults. Northwestern's professional schools and hospital in downtown Chicago are about four blocks east of the Chicago station on the CTA Red Line. The Chicago Transit Authority and Pace Suburban Bus Service have several bus routes that run through both campuses.

Northwestern's professional schools had been founded or affiliated with the university at various times in its history and consequently their facilities were scattered throughout Chicago.^[38] In connection with a 1917 master plan for a central Chicago campus and President Scott's capital campaign, 8.5 acres (3.4 ha) of land were purchased at the Corner of Chicago Avenue and Lake Shore Drive for \$1.5 million in 1920.^[38] George McKinlock donated \$250,000 to have the campus named in honor of his son, Alexander McKinlock Jr. who died in World War I, but his financial losses during the Great Depression prevented him from fulfilling his pledge, so the university forgave his debt and the name defaulted to the Chicago campus instead.^[38]^[39] James Gamble Rogers was given a commission to create a master plan for the major buildings on the new campus which he designed in a collegiate gothic style. In 1923, Mrs. Montgomery Ward donated \$8 million to the campaign to fund the construction of the Montgomery Ward Memorial Building to house the medical and dental schools and create endowments for faculty chairs, research grants, scholarships, and building maintenance.^[40] The building would become the first skyscraper housing academic facilities in the United states.^[37] In addition to the Ward Building, Rogers designed Wieboldt Hall to house facilities for the School of Commerce^[41] and Levy Mayer Hall to house the School of Law.^[42] The new campus comprising these three new buildings were dedicated during a two-day long ceremony in June 1927. The Chicago campus continued to expand with the addition of Thorn Hall in 1931 and Abbott Hall in 1939.^[38]^[43]



The Montgomery Ward Building at the Feinberg School of Medicine —America's first academic skyscraper.^[37]

Qatar

In fall 2008, Northwestern opened a campus in Education City, Doha, Qatar joining five other American universities: Carnegie Mellon University, Cornell University, Georgetown University, Texas A&M University, and Virginia Commonwealth University.^[44] The Medill School of Journalism and School of Communication offer bachelors degrees in journalism and communication respectively.^[45] The Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development provided funding for construction and administrative costs as well as support to hire 50 to 60 faculty and staff, some of whom will rotate between the Evanston and Qatar campuses.^[46]^[47]

Sustainability

The 2010 Report by The Sustainable Endowments Institute awarded Northwestern a “B-” on its College Sustainability Report Card.^[48] In January 2009, the Green Power Partnership (GPP, sponsored by the EPA) listed Northwestern as one of the top 10 universities in the country that purchase the most energy from renewable sources. A total of 40 million kWh, or 20% of the energy supplied to Northwestern’s Evanston and Chicago campuses is offset through the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs).^[49]^[50] The Initiative for Sustainability and Energy at Northwestern (ISEN), supporting research, teaching and outreach in these themes, was launched in 2008.^[51]

Northwestern requires that all new buildings will be LEED-certified. Currently there are two LEED Certified buildings on campus: The Wieboldt School of Continuing Studies was awarded Gold LEED Certification in 2007, and the Ford Motor Company Engineering Design Center was awarded Silver LEED Certification in 2006. New construction and renovation projects will be designed to provide at least a 20% improvement over energy code requirements where technically feasible.^[52] The university also released the Evanston Campus Framework Plan at the beginning of the 2008-2009 academic year, which outlines plans for future development of the Evanston Campus. The plan not only emphasizes the sustainable construction of buildings, but also discusses improving transportation by optimizing pedestrian and bicycle access.^[53] Northwestern has had a comprehensive recycling program in place since 1990. Annually more than 1,500 tons are recycled at NU, which represents 26% of the waste produced on campus. Additionally, all landscape waste at NU is composted.^[50]

Organization and administration

Northwestern is owned and governed by a privately-appointed board of trustees. The current board, with 70 members and chaired by Patrick G. Ryan, delegates its power to an elected President to serve as the chief executive officer of the university.^[54] Northwestern has had sixteen presidents in its history (excluding interim presidents) and the current president, Morton O. Schapiro succeeded Henry Bienen's fourteen year tenure on August 31, 2009..^{[55][56]} Former President Bienen's total compensation for 2006–2007 was \$1,742,560.^[57] The president currently has an immediate staff of 21 vice presidents, directors, and other assistants for administrative, financial, faculty, and student matters.^[58] The Provost, Daniel I. Linzer since September 2007, serves under the President as the chief academic officer of the university and is the office to which the deans of every academic school, leaders of cross-disciplinary units, and chairs of the 17 standing faculty committees report.^[59]

The University Senate is composed of all full-time faculty and makes recommendations on matters of educational policy, recommends candidates for honorary degrees, and can elect special committees such as the 22-member General Faculty Committee which serves as a liaison between the faculty and administration.^{[60][61]} The Associated Student Government and Graduate Student Association are likewise the elected, representative liaison bodies for undergraduate and graduate students respectively to the university administration.^{[62][63]}

Northwestern University is composed of 11 schools and colleges. The faculty for each school consists of the university president, provost, the dean of the school, and the instructional faculty. Faculty are responsible for teaching, research, advising students, and serving on committees. The admission requirements, degree requirements, course of study, disciplinary and degree recommendations are determined by the voting members of each school's faculty (assistant professor and above).^[61]

In 2009, Northwestern's endowment decreased by 24.8% to \$5.45 billion, making it the 8th-largest endowment of all American universities.^[1] In the eleven year period between 1997 and 2007, the endowment grew by an average rate of 13.4%.^[64] \$187.9 million in gifts and other voluntary support were made to Northwestern in 2006–2007.^[65] In 2003, Northwestern finished a five-year capital campaign which raised \$1.55 billion, \$150 million more than its goal. In 2007, the university sold its royalty interest in the pain relief drug Lyrica (developed at Northwestern by Professor Richard Bruce Silverman) for \$700 million, the largest royalty sale in history,^[66] and the proceeds placed in the endowment to support financial aid, research, and construction.^[67]

Undergraduate and Graduate Programs

Graduate and Professional

Evanston Campus

- Judd A. and Marjorie Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences (1851)
- School of Communication (1878)
- Henry and Leigh Bienen School of Music (1895)
- Robert R. McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science (1909)
- Medill School of Journalism (1921)
- School of Education and Social Policy (1926)
- School of Continuing Studies (1933)

Chicago Campus

- School of Continuing Studies (1933)

Evanston Campus

- Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (1853)
- Kellogg School of Management (1908)
- The Graduate School (1910)

Chicago Campus

- Feinberg School of Medicine (1859)
- Kellogg School of Management (1908)
- School of Law (1859)

Academics

Northwestern is a large, highly residential research university.^[7] Accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the respective national professional organizations for chemistry, psychology, business, education, journalism, music, engineering, law, and medicine,^[73] the university offers 123 undergraduate programs and 145 graduate and professional programs.^{[5][6]} NU granted 2,089 bachelors degrees, 2,665 masters degrees, 462 doctoral degrees, and 416 professional degrees in 2006–2007.^[3]

The four year, full-time undergraduate program comprises the majority of enrollments at the university and emphasizes instruction in the "arts & sciences/professions."^[7] There is no required common core curriculum; individual degree requirements are set by the faculty of each school.^[61] Northwestern's full-time undergraduate and graduate programs operate on an approximately 10 week academic quarter system with the primary three academic quarters beginning in late September and ending in early June. Undergraduates typically take four courses each quarter and twelve courses in an academic year.^[74] Although undergraduates are required to complete at least 12 quarters on campus to graduate, Northwestern offers honors, accelerated, and joint degree programs in medicine, science, mathematics, engineering, and journalism.^[75] The comprehensive doctoral graduate program has high coexistence with undergraduate programs.^[7]

Undergraduates with grade point averages in the highest 3 percent of each graduating class are awarded degrees *summa cum laude*, the next 5 percent *magna cum laude*, and the next 8 percent *cum laude*.^[76] Northwestern also has chapters of academic honor societies such as Phi Beta Kappa, Eta Kappa Nu, Tau Beta Pi, and Lambda Pi Eta.^[76] Since 1951, Northwestern has awarded 520 honorary degrees to distinguished individuals.^{[77][78]}

Undergraduate tuition for the 2008–2009 school year was \$37,125.^[79] Northwestern awards financial aid solely on the basis of need through loans, work-study, grants, and scholarships.^{[79][80]} \$213.8 million was offered in

University rankings (overall)

<i>ARWU World</i> ^[68]	29
<i>ARWU North & Latin America</i> ^[69]	22
<i>Forbes</i> ^[70]	17
<i>Times Higher Education</i> ^[71]	33
<i>USNWR National University</i> ^[72]	12

financial aid across the university's undergraduate and graduate programs, including \$81 million from university funds, federal and state aid, and outside sources awarded to 3,380 undergraduates in 2007–2008.^{[79][80]} Beginning in fall 2008, Northwestern replaced loans with grants for students with the greatest financial need, although only 9% of students qualify for Pell Grants.^{[81][82]} 46% of Northwestern undergraduates graduate with student debt and the average debt is \$18,393.^[82]

Among the six undergraduate schools, 51.2% of undergraduate students are enrolled in the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences, 17.2% in the McCormick School of Engineering, 14.7% in the School of Communication, 8.4% in the Medill School of Journalism, 5.0% in the Bienen School of Music, and 3.4% in the School of Education.^[83] The five most commonly awarded degrees are in economics, journalism, communication studies, psychology, and political science.^[84] While professional students are affiliated with their respective schools, full-time graduate academic degrees are primarily administered by The Graduate School.^{[85][86]} With 2,075 students enrolled in science, engineering, and health fields,^[87] the largest graduate programs by enrollment include chemistry, integrated biology, material sciences, electrical engineering and computer science, neuroscience, and economics.^[88] The Kellogg School of Management's M.B.A., School of Law's J.D., and Feinberg School of Medicine's M.D. are the three largest professional degree programs by enrollment.^[83]

Libraries and museums

The Northwestern library system consists of four libraries on the Evanston campus including the central University Library, three libraries on the Chicago campus, and two affiliated with the Garrett-Evangelical and Seabury-Western seminaries respectively.^[89] The Northwestern library contains over 4.6 million volumes, 4.5 million microforms, and 45,000 periodicals making it (by volume) the 30th-largest university library in North America and the 10th-largest library among private universities.^{[89][90]} Library expenditures totaled \$26.3 million in 2006 and over 100,000 volumes were added in the same year.^[90] Notable collections in the library system include the Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies, one of the largest Africana collections in the world,^[91] an extensive collection of early edition printed music and manuscripts as well as late-modern works, and an art collection noted for its 19th and 20th-century Western art and architecture periodicals.^[92] The library system participates with twelve other universities in digitizing its collections as a part of the Google Book Search project.^[92] The Mary and Leigh Block Museum of Art is a major art museum within Chicago and contains over 4,000 works in its permanent collection in addition to dedicating a third of its space to temporary and traveling exhibits as a *kunsthalle*.^[93]



The neo-Brutalist architecture of the University Library

Research

Northwestern was elected to the Association of American Universities in 1917 and remains a research university with "very high" research activity.^{[7][8]} Northwestern's schools of management, engineering, and communication are among the most academically productive in the nation.^[9] Northwestern manages research and development budgets that totaled \$420.0 million in 2006, 34th among all universities and 13th among private universities in the United States.^{[10][94]} \$250.0 million originated from the federal government, \$12.2 million from industry, \$5.1 million from state and local governments, \$44.5 million from other sources, and \$108.2 million from Northwestern's own institutional funds, the third most among private universities nationwide.^[10] Northwestern dedicates 839,000 square feet (77,900 m²) to science and engineering research space, predominately in the medical and biological sciences.^[95] Northwestern spent \$29.8 million on research in non-science and engineering fields like management, education, law, communication, and journalism in 2006, 12th most among all American universities.^[96] \$61.56 million in congressional earmarks were appropriated to Northwestern between 1990 and 2003 and \$4.98 million in appropriations were granted in 2008.^{[97][98]} Northwestern researchers disclosed 184 inventions, filed 158 patents applications, received 32 patents, started 9 companies, and generated \$776 million in license income in 2008, although the latter is distorted by the \$700 million sale of Lyrica to Pfizer, the largest royalty sale in history.^{[66][99]}



Ford Design Center

NU is home to the Northwestern Institute for Complex Systems, Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center, Materials Research Center, Institute for Policy Research, International Institute for Nanotechnology, Center for Catalysis and Surface Science, Buffet Center for International and Comparative Studies, the Initiative for Sustainability and Energy at Northwestern^[100] and the Argonne/Northwestern Solar Energy Research Center.^[101]

Campus life

Traditions

Northwestern University is home to a number of student traditions. Painting The Rock (originally a fountain that was donated by the Class of 1902) is a way to advertise Greek organizations, student groups, and on-campus events.^[102] Dance Marathon, a 30-hour philanthropic event, raises several hundred thousand dollars every winter. *Primal Scream* is held at 9 p.m. on the Sunday before finals week every quarter. For the event, students lean out windows or gather in court yards and scream at the top of their lungs.^[103] Armadillo Day, or more commonly Dillo Day, is held on Northwestern's Lakefill every Spring on the weekend after Memorial Day.^[103]



The Rock in front of University Hall

Northwestern has several traditions for football games. Students perform the Wildcat Growl when opposing teams control the ball, while making "claws" with their hands. Also, students jingle their keys at the beginning of each kickoff. Students used to throw marshmallows during football games, but this unusual tradition was discontinued at the behest of former football coach Gary Barnett.^[104] The Rebecca Crown Center Clock Tower glows purple (instead of its usual white) after a winning game, announcing the results to a large part of the Evanston community. The Clock Tower remains purple until a loss or the end of the sports season. The Clock

Tower is now lit for football, men's basketball, and women's lacrosse victories; important wins in other sports may also prompt a lighting.^[*citation needed*] This is a recent change from the original tradition of lighting the Clock Tower purple only after winning football games, and keeping it purple during the off-season if the football team won its last game of the season.^[*citation needed*]

Media

The Daily Northwestern is the main student newspaper at Northwestern. It is published on weekdays during the academic year. Established in 1881, it is run entirely by undergraduates. Although it serves the Northwestern community, the *Daily* is not affiliated with the university and is supported entirely by advertisers. It is owned by the Students Publishing Company. Current circulation is in excess of 7,500.

North by Northwestern is an independent, online magazine founded and run entirely by Northwestern undergraduate students. It was established in September 2006 by Medill students and is not affiliated with Northwestern University. It is published weekdays, with updates on breaking news stories and special events throughout the day and on weekends.

WNUR (89.3 FM) is a 7200 watt radio station that broadcasts to Chicago and its northern suburbs. However, music is not the only part of WNUR's programming. Students broadcast Northwestern's varsity athletics (football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, softball, and women's lacrosse) live, produce news updates on weekdays, and discuss politics, current events, and literature.^[*citation needed*]

The Northwestern News Network, commonly known as NNN, is the student television news and sports operation at Northwestern. It broadcasts news and sports programming three days of the week during the academic year on NU Channel 1, online at nnntv.org and weeknights at 10 p.m. on Evanston cable access channel 6.^[*citation needed*]

The Northwestern Syllabus Yearbook, known as Syllabus, is the only official yearbook on campus. Founded in 1885, the yearbook contains all of the priceless moments that occur in any given year at Northwestern. Published by Students Publishing Company and run by Northwestern students, Syllabus seeks to include all memorable events of that specific year. The book covers events in a spring quarter through winter quarter cycle, and as such, is released every year in late May.

The Northwestern Flipside is a satirical publication at Northwestern University. Founded in 2009, *The Flipside* publishes a weekly issue both in print and online.

Performing arts

Two annual productions are especially notable: the Waa-Mu show, and the Dolphin show. Waa-Mu is an original musical, written and produced almost entirely by students.^[*citation needed*] Children's theater is represented on campus by Griffin's Tale and Purple Crayon Players.^[*citation needed*] Its umbrella organization—the Student Theatre Coalition, or StuCo—organizes the 9 fully-functioning student theatre companies, plus some other performance groups.^[*citation needed*] Students produce over sixty independent productions each year.^[*citation needed*] Many Northwestern alumni have used these productions as stepping stones to successful television and film careers. Chicago's Lookingglass Theatre was founded by several alumni, including David Schwimmer, and began in the Great Room in Jones Residential College.^[*citation needed*]

Northwestern also has a variety of improv groups. The improv and sketch comedy group Mee-Ow lists Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Ana Gasteyer, Dermot Mulroney, Seth Meyers, John Cameron Mitchell, and Kristen Schaal

among its alumni. Mee-Ow, Titanic, and Out da Box, a multicultural comedy show, along with Northwestern's theatre department, have brought attention to Northwestern's improv comedy training and performance. ^[*citation needed*]

There are ten a cappella groups and a variety of dance companies on campus. The dance companies include Fusion Dance Company, Northwestern's premiere Hip-Hop Dance Crew; Graffiti Dancers, a dance group that focuses on jazz and modern; and Boomshaka, Northwestern's premiere drum and dance ensemble, combining body rhythm, drumming, and dance. ^[*citation needed*] Radio drama featuring student voice actors is a staple of WNUR's programming. ^[*citation needed*]

Service

Many Northwestern students are also heavily involved in community service. Annual events include Dance Marathon, a 30-hour event that raised over \$917,000 for charity in 2009. ^[105] Another annual event, Project Pumpkin, is a Halloween celebration hosted by Northwestern Community Development Corps (NCDC), where over 800 local children are invited to campus for an afternoon of games and candy. NCDC connects hundreds of NU student volunteers to over 20 volunteer sites in Evanston and Chicago communities throughout the year. ^[*citation needed*] Many students have assisted with the Special Olympics and have taken alternative spring break trips to hundreds of service sites across the United States. ^[*citation needed*] Northwestern students also participate in the Freshman Urban Program, which is a special program for students who are interested in community service. ^[*citation needed*] A large and growing number of students participate in the university's Global Engagement Summer Institute (GESI), a group service-learning expedition in Asia, Africa, or Latin America, in conjunction with the Foundation for Sustainable Development. ^[106] Internationally recognized non-profit organizations have also been born at NU such as the World Health Imaging, Informatics and Telemedicine Alliance, which spun off from an engineering student's honors thesis. ^{[107][108]}

Housing

See also: List of Northwestern University residences

Northwestern has diverse student housing options, including both regular residence halls and specially-themed "Residential Colleges." Some residential colleges include business-themed Ayers College of Commerce and Industry, Jones Residential College, dedicated to the arts, multi-themed Willard Residential College, science and engineering themed Slivka Residential College, the International Studies Residential College and the Communications Residential College (CRC) for students interested in communications.

In fall 2007, 27% of students were affiliated with a fraternity or a sorority. ^[109] Northwestern recognizes 21 fraternities and 18 sororities. ^[110]

Athletics

Main article: Northwestern Wildcats

Northwestern is a charter member of the Big Ten Conference and the only private institution in the conference. Currently, Northwestern fields 19 intercollegiate athletic teams (8 men's and 11 women's) in addition to numerous club sports.^[2] Current successful athletic programs include men's soccer, wrestling, swimming, golf, tennis and women's tennis, softball, fencing and lacrosse.^[111] The women's lacrosse team won five consecutive NCAA national championships between 2005 and 2009, went undefeated in 2005 and 2009, and holds several scoring records.^{[112][113]} The men's basketball team is recognized by the Helms Athletic Foundation as the 1931 National Champion.^[114] In the 2008–2009 school year, a total of 184 athletes received Academic All-Big Ten honors: 75 athletes in the fall season,^[115] 41 in the winter season,^[116] and 68 in the spring season.^[117]

The football team plays at Ryan Field (formerly known as Dyche Stadium); the basketball and volleyball teams play at Welsh-Ryan Arena.

Northwestern's athletic teams are nicknamed the Wildcats. Before 1924, they were known as "The Purple" and unofficially as "The Fighting Methodists." The name Wildcats was bestowed upon the university in 1924 by Wallace Abbey, a writer for the Chicago Daily Tribune who wrote that even in a loss to the University of Chicago, "Football players had not come down from Evanston; wildcats would be a name better suited to [Coach Glenn] Thistlethwaite's boys."^[118] The name was so popular that university board members made "wildcats" the official nickname just months later. In 1972, the student body voted to change the official nickname from "Wildcats" to "Purple Haze" but the new name never stuck.^[119]

The Northwestern Athletics' mascot is Willie the Wildcat. However, the team's first mascot was not Willie, but a live, caged bear cub from the Lincoln Park Zoo named Furpaw. In fall 1923, Furpaw was driven to the playing field to greet the fans before each game. After a losing season, the team decided that Furpaw was the harbinger of bad luck and banished him from campus. Willie made his debut ten years later in 1933 as a logo, but did not actually come to life until 1947, when members of the Alpha Delta fraternity dressed up as him during the Homecoming parade. The Northwestern University Marching Band (NUMB) performs at all home football and lead cheers in the student section and the alma mater at the end of the game.



Ryan Field, Northwestern's 49,000 seat football stadium

Although Northwestern's football team has made 73 appearances in the top 10 of the AP poll since 1936 (including 5 at #1) as well as winning eight Big 10 conference championships since 1903,^{[120][121][122]} it also has a history of futility: its all-time record is 461-622-42 (0.428) giving it the all-time record for Division I-A losses.^{[123][124][122]} Other dubious distinctions include being on the losing end of the greatest comeback in Division I-A history^[125] and holding the record for the longest losing streak in Division I-A, losing 34 consecutive games between 1979 and 1982.^{[126][127]} In 2004, Northwestern broke a 33-year losing streak (46 years at home) by defeating No. 7-ranked Ohio State 33-27.^[128] After head coach Ara Parseghian left the program in 1964, the team did not appear in a bowl game until the 1996 Rose Bowl. Despite playing in the 1996 Rose Bowl, 1997 Citrus Bowl, 2000 Alamo Bowl, 2003 Motor City Bowl, 2005 Sun Bowl, 2008 Alamo Bowl, and 2010 Outback Bowl, the last bowl game Northwestern won was the 1949 Rose Bowl.^[129] Following



2005 NCAA Women's Lacrosse Championship game between the Virginia Cavaliers and Northwestern Wildcats

the sudden death of football coach Randy Walker in 2006,^[130] 31-year old and former All-American Northwestern linebacker Pat Fitzgerald assumed the position becoming the youngest Division I FBS coach at the time.^{[131][132]}

In 1998, two former Northwestern basketball players were charged and convicted for sports bribery as a result of being paid to shave points in games against three other Big 10 schools during the 1995 season.^{[133][134][135]} The football team became embroiled in a different betting scandal later that year when federal prosecutors indicted four former players for perjury related to betting on their own games.^[136] In August 2001, Rashidi Wheeler, a senior safety, collapsed and died during practice from an asthma attack.^{[137][138]} An autopsy revealed that he had ephedrine, a stimulant banned by the NCAA, in his system which prompted Northwestern to investigate the prevalence of stimulants and other banned substances across all of its athletic programs.^{[139][140]} In 2006, the Northwestern women's soccer team was suspended and coach Jenny Haigh resigned following the release of images of alleged hazing.^{[141][142]}

People

Student body

Northwestern enrolled 8,284 undergraduate, 8,249 graduate, and 1,495 professional students in the 2006–2007 academic year.^[3] The undergraduate population is 51.6% female and represents 50 states and 50 countries.^{[3][145]} Admissions are characterized as "more selective, lower transfer-in".^[7] There were 21,930 applications for the undergraduate Class of 2011 (entering 2007): 5,872 were admitted (26.8%), 1,981 enrolled (33.7%), and 96.3% rematriculated as sophomores.^[146] The interquartile range on the SAT was 2010–2270 and 85% ranked in the top ten percent of their high school class.^[146] In 2007, Northwestern enrolled 249 National Merit Scholars as freshmen, the third-largest total in the nation.^[147] 86% of students graduated after four years and 93% after six years.^[3]

Demographics of student body^{[143][144]}

	Undergraduate	Postgraduate	U.S. Census
African American	6.0%	4.0%	12.1%
Asian American	16.6%	9.9%	4.3%
White American	59.2%	46.0%	65.8%
Hispanic American	6.7%	3.1%	14.5%
Native American	0.1%	0.2%	0.9%
International student	5.0%	20.0%	N/A

Faculty

Main article: List of Northwestern University faculty

The university employs 2,925 full-time faculty members and approximately 5,600 staff members among its eleven schools,^[2] including 26 members of the National Academy of Sciences,^[148] 74 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences,^[149] 21 members of the National Academy of Engineering,^[150] and 6 members of the Institute of Medicine.^[151] Notable current faculty include sexual psychologist J. Michael Bailey;^[152] Holocaust denier Arthur Butz;^[153] Federalist Society co-founder Steven Calabresi;^[154] former-Weatherman Bernadine Rae Dohrn;^[155] ethnographer Gary Alan Fine;^[156] Kyoto Prize-winning philosopher Jürgen Habermas;^[157] Templeton Prize-winner Charles Taylor;^[158] Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Garry Wills;^[159] genetic circadian clock discoverer Joseph Takahashi;^{[160][161]} and MacArthur Fellowship recipients Stuart Dybek, Aleksandar Hemon, Jennifer Richeson, and Mary Zimmerman. Notable former faculty include

political advisor David Axelrod,^[162] artist Ed Paschke,^[163] writer Charles Newman,^[164] Nobel Laureate chemist John Pople,^[165] and military sociologist and "don't ask, don't tell" author Charles Moskos.^[166]

Alumni

Main article: List of Northwestern University alumni

Northwestern totals approximately 190,000 alumni, including many in business, government, law, science, education, medicine, media, and the performing arts. Among Northwestern's notable alumni are U.S. Senator and presidential candidate George McGovern, Nobel Prize-winning economist George J. Stigler, Nobel Prize-winning author Saul Bellow, and Presidential Prayer Breakfast founder Abraham Vereide. U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice John Paul Stevens, former Supreme Court Justice and Ambassador to the United Nations Arthur Joseph Goldberg, and politician Adlai Stevenson are among the graduates of the Northwestern University School of Law. Many Northwestern alumni play or have played important roles in Chicago and Illinois, such as former Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich, Chicago Bulls and Chicago White Sox owner Jerry Reinsdorf, and theater director Mary Zimmerman. Northwestern alumni David J. Skorton and Graham Spanier currently serve as president of Cornell University and Penn State University, respectively. Rahm Emanuel, an American politician and White House Chief of Staff, earned his Masters in Speech and Communication from Northwestern 1985.

The film and theater programs of Northwestern's School of Communication have also produced a number of actors, actresses, and film and television writers and directors. Alumni who have made their mark on film and television include Ann-Margret, Warren Beatty, Paul Lynde, David Schwimmer, Anne Dudek, Zach Braff, Marg Helgenberger, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Jerry Orbach, Jerry Springer, Megan Mullally, Charlton Heston, William Daniels, Paula Prentiss, Richard Benjamin, Mara Brock Akil, Greg Berlanti, Dan Shor, Zooey Deschanel, Seth Meyers, Stephen Colbert and Garry Marshall. Directors who graduated from Northwestern include Gerald Freedman, Stuart Hagmann, Marshall W. Mason, and Mary Zimmerman. Lee Phillip Bell hosted a talk show in Chicago from 1952–1986 and co-created the Daytime Emmy Award winning soap operas *The Young and the Restless* in 1973 and *The Bold and the Beautiful* in 1987. Alumni such as Sheldon Harnick, Stephanie D'Abruzzo, Heather Headley, Kristen Schaal, Lily Rabe, and Walter Kerr have seen prominence on Broadway. Amsterdam-based comedy theater Boom Chicago was founded by Northwestern alumni, and the school has become a training ground for future The Second City, I.O., ComedySportz, Mad TV and Saturday Night Live talent.^{[167][168][169]} Tam Spiva wrote scripts for *The Brady Bunch* and *Gentle Ben*. In cities such as New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago, the number of Northwestern alumni involved in theater, film, and television has led to perception of there being a "Northwestern mafia".^{[170][171]}

The Medill School of Journalism has produced notable journalists and political activists including nine Pulitzer Prize laureates. National correspondents and reporters such as *The New York Times*'s Elisabeth Bumiller, David Barstow, and Vincent Laforet, USA Today's Gary Levin, NBC correspondent Kelly O'Donnell, CBS correspondent Richard Threlkeld, CNN correspondents Nicole Lapin and Joie Chen, and ESPN personalities Rachel Nichols, Michael Wilbon, Mike Greenberg, J. A. Adande, and Kevin Blackstone.

Northwestern alumni involved in music include Steve Albini, Thomas Tyra, Andrew Bird, members of Arcade Fire, The Lawrence Arms, Chavez, and OK Go. Lastly, Northwestern alumni involved in professional sports include Rick Sund (NBA), Billy McKinney (NBA), Mark Loretta (MLB), Joe Girardi (MLB), Luis Castillo (NFL), Ernie Adams (NFL), Otto Graham (NFL), three-time Olympic medalist Matt Grevers, and PGA Tour star Luke Donald.



Charlton Heston, Academy Award-winning actor, National Rifle Association President, B.S. '45



John Paul Stevens, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, J.D. '47



Rahm Emanuel, White House Chief of Staff, M.A. '85



George McGovern, 1972 Democratic Presidential nominee, Ph.D. '53



Adlai Stevenson, States Ambassador to the United Nations, Democratic Presidential nominee, LL.E

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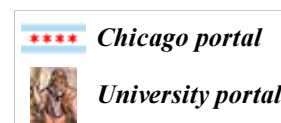
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Academia

- Madeleine Wing Adler (B.A. 1962), President, West Chester University
- Amy Allen (Ph.D. 1996), Parents Distinguished Research Professor in the Humanities and professor of philosophy, Dartmouth College
- Jean Allman (B.A. 1979, Ph.D. 1987), J.M. Hexter Professor in the Humanities in Arts & Sciences and professor of history, Washington University in St. Louis
- Robert J. Alpern (B.A. 1972), Dean, Yale School of Medicine
- Elijah Anderson (Ph.D. 1976), William K. Lanman, Jr. Professor of Sociology, Yale University
- Geert Bekaert (Ph.D. 1992), Leon G. Cooperman Professor of Finance and Economics, Columbia University
- Steven Berry (B.A. 1980), James Burrows Moffatt Professor of Economics, Yale University
- Wallace D. Best (Ph.D. 2000), Professor of Religion, Princeton University
- Sally Blount-Lyon (Ph.D. 1992), Dean, NYU Stern School of Business Undergraduate College
- Clinton Bristow, Jr. (B.A. 1971), former President, Alcorn State University
- Lawrence Bryan (Ph.D. 1973), President, MacMurray College
- Kristin Bumiller (B.A., M.A. 1979), Professor of Political

Selected Northwestern Alumni

Science and Gender Studies, Amherst College

- Joyce Chaplin (B.A. 1982), James Duncan Phillips Professor of Early American History, Harvard University
- Johnnetta B. Cole (M.A. 1959, Ph.D. 1967), President Emerita, Spelman College; President, Bennett College
- Juan Cole (B.A. 1975), Richard P. Mitchell Collegiate Professor of History, University of Michigan
- James Hal Cone (M.A. 1963, Ph.D. 1965), Charles A. Briggs Distinguished Professor of Systematic Theology, Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York
- William C. Dudley (M.A. 1995, Ph.D. 1998), Professor of Philosophy, Williams College
- Mitchell Duneier, Professor of Sociology, Princeton University
- Troy Duster (B.A. 1957, Ph.D. 1962), Professor of Sociology, New York University and University of California, Berkeley
- Lee Edelman (B.A. 1975), Fletcher Professor of English Literature, Tufts University
- Kathryn Edin (Ph.D. 1991), Professor of Public Policy and Management, Harvard University
- Laura F. Edwards (B.A. 1985), Professor of History, Duke University
- Fred D. Fagg, Jr., former President, University of Southern California
- Steven Feierman (M.A., Ph.D.), Professor of History, University of Pennsylvania
- William R. Ferris (M.A. 1965), Joel Williamson Eminent Professor of History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- Jonathan Freedman (B.A. 1977), Professor of English and American Studies, University of Michigan
- Susan Fuhrman (B.A. 1965, M.A. 1966), President, Teachers College, Columbia University
- Jane Gaines (B.S., M.A., Ph.D. 1982), Professor of Film, Columbia University
- Simon Gikandi (Ph.D., 1986), Robert Schirmer Professor of English, Princeton University
- Barry Glassner (B.S. 1974), Executive Vice Provost & Professor of Sociology, University of Southern California
- Avner Greif (M.A. 1988, Ph.D. 1989), Bowman Family Endowed Professor in Humanities & Sciences, Stanford University
- Philip Haile (Ph.D. 1996), Ford Foundation Professor of Economics, Yale University
- Herbert S. Hadley (LL.B) Chancellor of Washington University in St. Louis (1923-1927) Governor of Missouri
- David Harris (B.S. 1991, Ph.D. 1997), Deputy Provost, Vice Provost of Social Sciences, and Professor of Sociology, Cornell University
- Fredrick C. Harris (Ph.D. 1994), Director of Center on African American Politics and Society and Professor of Political Science, Columbia University



Ann-Margret, Actress



Warren Beatty, Actor



Edgar Bergen, Ventriloquist



Andrew Bird, Musician

- Cynthia Herrup (B.S.J. 1972, Ph.D. 1982), Professor of History and Law, University of Southern California
- Rosanna Hertz (M.A. 1977, Ph.D. 1983), Luella LaMer Professor of Sociology and Women's Studies, Wellesley College
- Michael J. Hopkins (B.A. 1979, Ph.D. 1984), Professor of Mathematics, Harvard University
- David Ing (M.B.A. 1982) marketing scientist and senior consultant
- Louis Kaplow (B.A. 1977), Finn M.W. Caspersen and Household International Professor of Law and Economics, Harvard University
- Jonathan D. Katz (Ph.D. 1996), former head of Larry Kramer Initiative for Lesbian and Gay Studies, Yale University
- Joann (Wheeler) Kealiinohomoku (M.A. 1965), anthropologist and dance researcher
- Marc W. Kirschner (B.A. 1966), John Franklin Enders University Professor and Professor of Systems Biology, Harvard University
- Dale Knobel (Ph.D. 1976), President, Denison University
- Nirmalya Kumar (Ph.D. 1991), Co-Director, Aditya Birla India Centre; Director, Centre for Marketing; Faculty Director, Executive Education, London Business School
- Zachary Leader (B.A.), Professor of English, Roehampton University
- Michael Lounsbury (PhD 1999), Professor of strategic management, organizations and sociology at the University of Alberta
- Glenn Loury (B.A. 1972), Merton P. Stoltz Professor of the Social Sciences, Brown University
- John Malmstad (B.A. 1963), Samuel Hazzard Cross Professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures, Harvard University
- George E. Marcus, (Ph.D. 1968), Professor of Political Science, Williams College
- Susan E. Mayer (Ph.D. 1986), Dean, Harris School of Public Policy Studies, University of Chicago
- Mark Crispin Miller (B.A. 1971), Professor of Media Ecology, New York University
- Diana Mutz (B.A. 1984), Samuel A. Stouffer Professor of Political Science and Communication, University of Pennsylvania
- George Nemhauser (Ph.D. 1961), A. Russell Chandler III Chair and Institute Professor, Georgia Institute of Technology
- Gail Newman (B.A. 1976), Harold J. Henry Professor of German, Williams College
- J. Dennis O'Connor (Ph.D. 1968), former Chancellor, University of Pittsburgh
- Scott E. Page (M.S. 1990, Ph.D. 1993), Leonid Hurwicz Collegiate Professor of complex systems, political science, and economics, University of Michigan
- Charles M. Payne (Ph.D. 1976), Frank P. Hixon Distinguished



Rod Blagojevich, former Governor of Illinois



David Boies, counsel, Bush v. Gore; founding partner, Boies, Schiller & Flexner

Service Professor in the School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago

- Benjamin Polak (M.A. 1986), William C. Brainard Professor of Economics, Yale University
- Andrew Postlewaite (Ph.D. 1974), Harry P. Kamen Professor of Economics and Professor of Finance, University of Pennsylvania
- Adam Przeworski (Ph.D. 1966), Carroll and Milton Petrie Professor of European Studies, New York University
- V. Kasturi Rangan (Ph.D. 1983), Malcolm P. McNair Professor of Marketing & Director of Research, Harvard Business School
- Thomas S. Robertson (M.A., Ph.D. 1966), Dean, Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
- Rebecca Sherrick (Ph.D. 1980), President, Aurora University
- James Schmotter (Ph.D. 1973), President, Western Connecticut State University
- Naoko Shibusawa, (M.A. 1993, Ph.D. 1998), Associate Professor of History, Brown University
- John B. Simpson (Ph.D. 1973), President, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York
- David J. Skorton (B.A. 1970, M.D. 1974), President, Cornell University
- Graham Spanier (Ph.D. 1973), President, Pennsylvania State University
- Barbara Maria Stafford (B.A. 1964, M.A. 1966), William B. Ogden Distinguished Service Professor of Art History, University of Chicago
- Grover C. Stephens (B.A. 1948, M.A. 1949, Ph.D. 1952), Dean, School of Biological Sciences University of California at Irvine
- Roger Taylor (J.D. 1971), President, Knox College
- Stephan Thernstrom (B.A. 1956), Winthrop Professor of History, Harvard University
- Matthew Tirrell (B.S. 1973), Arnold and Barbara Silverman Professor of Engineering, University of California, Berkeley
- Emilie M. Townes (Ph.D.) Andrew W. Mellon Professor of African American Religion and Theology, Yale University
- Glen L. Urban (Ph.D. 1966), Dean Emeritus of MIT Sloan School of Management
- Penny Von Eschen (B.A. 1982), professor of history and American culture, University of Michigan
- Justin Weir, (M.A. 1993, Ph.D. 1997), professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures, Harvard University

Arts/Entertainment (Theatre, TV and Film)

- Mara Brock Akil (B.A. 1992), creator and executive producer of *Girlfriends* and *The Game*, former supervising producer of *The Jamie Foxx Show*



Mike Greenberg, ESPN employee and host of radio show *Mike & Mike in the Morning*.



William Jennings Bryan, former U.S. Secretary of State & three-time Democratic presidential nominee

- Claude Akins (B.S. 1949), actor (*Inherit the Wind*, *Battle for the Planet of the Apes*, *The Misadventures of Sheriff Lobo*)
- Ann-Margret (Olsson) (Class of 1963, never graduated), Academy Award-nominated actress (*Tommy*, *Carnal Knowledge*)
- Sharif Atkins (B.S. 1999), actor (*ER*)
- Jayne Atkinson (B.S. 1981), Tony Award-nominated actress (*Enchanted April*, *The Rainmaker*); currently portrays Karen Hayes on *24*
- Jane Badler (B.S. 1976), actress (*V*)
- Kate Baldwin actress (1997 - theaterschool)
- Bonnie Bartlett (B.S. 1950), Emmy Award-winning actress (*St. Elsewhere*, *Twins*, *Ghosts of Mississippi*)
- Warren Beatty (Class of 1959, never graduated), Academy Award-winning actor/writer/director (*Bonnie and Clyde*, *McCabe & Mrs. Miller*, *Shampoo*, *Reds*)
- Lee Phillip Bell (B.A. 1950) Emmy Award-winning co-creator of *The Young and the Restless* and *The Bold and the Beautiful*
- Rob Benedict (B.S. 1993), actor (*Threshold*, *Felicity*)
- Richard Benjamin (B.S. 1960), actor (*Catch-22*, *Deconstructing Harry*); director (*Mermaids*, *Racing with the Moon*)
- Edgar Bergen (attended, did not graduate), Academy Award-winning actor and ventriloquist (*Charlie McCarthy*)
- Greg Berlanti (B.S. 1994), screenwriter and producer (*Dawson's Creek*); creator of *Everwood* and *Jack & Bobby*; writer/director of *Broken Hearts Club*
- Eric Bernt (B.S. 1986), screenwriter (*Surviving the Game*, *Virtuosity*, *Romeo Must Die*)
- Craig Bierko (B.S. 1986), actor (*Cinderella Man*, *The Thirteenth Floor*); Tony Award-nominee (*The Music Man*)
- Karen Black (attended, never graduated), Academy Award-nominated actress (*Easy Rider*, *Five Easy Pieces*)
- Jeff Blumenkrantz (B.S. 1986), Tony Award-nominated musical theatre composer/lyricist (*Urban Cowboy*)
- Robert Borden (B.S. 1989), executive producer/writer (*George Lopez*)
- Zach Braff (B.S. 1997), Emmy Award-nominated actor (*Scrubs*); writer/director (*Garden State*)
- Cary Brothers (B.S. 1995), Grammy-nominated musician (*Garden State*)
- Clancy Brown (B.S. 1981), actor (*Highlander*, *The Shawshank Redemption*)
- Charles Busch (B.S. 1976), Tony Award-nominated playwright (*The Tale of the Allergist's Wife*)
- Frank Buxton (B.S. 1951), actor/writer/director
- Bruno Campos (B.S. 1995), actor (*Nip/Tuck*)
- Adam Chase (B.S. 1990), Emmy Award-nominated writer/executive producer (*Friends*)
- Josh Chetwynd, UK based baseball analyst and former player
- Janet Choi, cast member of *The Real World: Seattle*



Stephen Colbert, Comedian



Luke Donald, professional golfer



Arthur Goldberg, former U.S. Supreme Court Justice

- Cindy Chupack (B.S. 1987), Emmy Award-winning executive producer and writer (*Sex and the City*, *Everybody Loves Raymond*)
- Jeanne Clemson (M.A.), theater director, stage actress and teacher, preserved the Fulton Opera House
- Stephen Colbert (B.S. 1987), Emmy Award-winning comedian (*The Colbert Report*, *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*)
- Jack Clay, acting teacher/director/actor
- Claire Coffee, actress (*General Hospital*)
- Kate Collins, actress (*All My Children*)
- Robert Conrad (B.S. 1955), actor (*The Wild Wild West*, *Baa Baa Black Sheep*, *Hawaiian Eye*)
- Steven Conrad (B.A. 1991), screenwriter (*The Pursuit of Happyness*, *The Weather Man*)
- Cindy Crawford (attended, never graduated), model
- Jane Curtin (attended, never graduated), original cast member of *Saturday Night Live*; Emmy Award-nominated actress (*Kate & Allie*, *3rd Rock from the Sun*)
- Stephanie D'Abruzzo (B.S. 1993), Tony Award-nominated actress and puppeteer (*Avenue Q*)
- William Daniels (B.S. 1950), Emmy Award-winning actor (*St. Elsewhere*, *Boy Meets World*); former president of the Screen Actors Guild
- Zooey Deschanel (attended, never graduated), actress (*The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, *Elf*, *Almost Famous*, *Winter Passing*)
- Lydia R. Diamond (B.S. 1992), playwright
- Matt Doherty (B.S. 1999), actor (*So I Married an Axe Murderer*, *The Mighty Ducks* films)
- Anne Dudek, actress (*House*, *Psych*, *Law and Order: CI*, *Desperate Housewives*, *How I Met Your Mother*, *Mad Men*, *White Chicks*, *The Human Stain*)
- Teddy Dunn (B.S. 2003), actor (*Veronica Mars*)
- Nancy Dussault (B.A. 1957), actress (*Too Close for Comfort*); two-time Tony Award nominee (*Do Re Mi*, *Bajour*)
- Gregg Edelman (B.S. 1980), Tony Award-nominated actor (*City of Angels*, *Into the Woods*)
- Jennie Eisenhower (B.S. 2000), actress; granddaughter of Richard Nixon and the great-granddaughter of Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Craig Erwich (B.A. 1989) former Executive Vice President of Programming at Fox TV
- Mary Frann (B.S. 1965), actress (*Newhart*, *Days of our Lives*)
- Temi Epstein (B.S. 1996), child actress (*North and South*)
- Joe Flynn, actor (*McHale's Navy*)
- Penny Fuller (B.S. 1959), Emmy Award-winning actress (*The Elephant Man*); Tony Award nominee (*The Dinner Party*)
- Gerald Freedman (B.S. 1949, M.A. 1950), theatre director (*The Gay Life*, *The Robber Bridegroom*, *The Grand Tour*)
- David T. Friendly (B.S. 1978), Academy Award-nominated producer (*Little Miss Sunshine*)



Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Actress



Rahm Emanuel, White House Chief of Staff, former U.S. Congressman

- George Furth (B.S. 1955), Tony Award-winning playwright (*Company*); actor (*Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*)
- Aimee Garcia (B.S. 2000), actress (*George Lopez*)
- Daniele Gaither (B.S. 1993), actress, comic (*MADtv*)
- Barbara Gaines (B.S. 1968), founder and artistic director of the Chicago Shakespeare Theatre
- Frank Galati (B.A. 1965), Tony Award-winning director (*The Grapes of Wrath*), Academy Award-nominated screenwriter (*The Accidental Tourist*)
- Ana Gasteyer (B.S. 1989), actress (*Mean Girls*, *Wicked*); former cast member of *Saturday Night Live*
- Ileen Getz (B.S. 1985), actress (*3rd Rock from the Sun*)
- Zach Gilford (B.S. 2004), actor (*Friday Night Lights*)
- Eric Gilliland (B.S. 1984), writer/producer (*Rosanne*, *My Boys*)
- Ira Glass (attended, transferred), radio and TV personality
- Jonathan Glassner, TV writer/producer, most known for developing *Stargate SG-1*.
- Virginia Graham (M.S.J.), former daytime TV talk show host
- Michael Greif (B.S. 1981), Tony Award-nominated director of *Rent* and *Grey Gardens*
- Mamie Gummer, actress (*Evening*), daughter of Meryl Streep
- Anna Gunn (B.S. 1990), actress (*Deadwood*)
- Kathryn Hahn, (B.S. 1995), actress (*Crossing Jordan*)
- Brad Hall (B.S. 1990), former cast member of (*Saturday Night Live*); creator of (*The Single Guy*, *Watching Ellie*)
- Samantha Harris (B.S. 1996), Emmy Award-nominated co-host of *Dancing with the Stars*
- Bill Hayes (M.M. 1949), Daytime Emmy Award-nominated actor (*Days of our Lives*)
- Heather Headley (B.S. 1997), Tony Award-winning actress and singer (*Aida*, *The Lion King*); Grammy Award-nominated R&B vocalist
- Kyle T. Heffner, actor *Flashdance*
- Marg Helgenberger (B.S. 1982), Emmy Award-winning actress (*CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*, *China Beach*, *Erin Brockovich*)
- Charlton Heston (B.S. 1945), Academy Award-winning actor (*Ben-Hur*), National Rifle Association President
- Michael Hitchcock (B.S. 1980), writer, co-executive producer (*MADtv*); actor (*Waiting for Guffman*, *Best in Show*, *Serenity*)
- Ron Holgate (B.S. 1959), Tony Award-winning actor (*1776*, *The Grand Tour*)
- David Hollander (B.S. 1990), creator, screenwriter, and executive producer of *The Guardian*
- David Horowitz (M.S. 1961), former host of *Fight Back! With David Horowitz*
- Jeffrey Hunter (B.A. 1949), actor (*The Searchers*, *The Last Hurrah*, *King of Kings*, *The Longest Day*)
- Lew Hunter (M.S. 1956), Emmy Award-nominated screenwriter (*Fallen Angel*); Chairman Emeritus and Professor



Dick Gephardt, former U.S. House Majority Leader



Charlton Heston, Actor

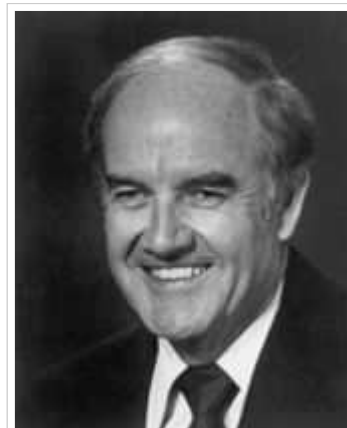


Douglas Kmiec, U.S. Ambassador

- of Screenwriting, UCLA School of Theater Film and Television
- Ron Husmann (B.S. 1959), Tony Award-nominated actor (*Tenderloin*)
 - Martha Hyer (B.S. 1945), Academy Award-nominated actress (*Some Came Running*, *Houseboat*, *The Sons of Katie Elder*, *Bikini Beach*)
 - Rex Ingram, actor (*Cabin in the Sky*, *The Thief of Baghdad*, *Sahara*, *Green Pastures*)
 - Laura Innes (B.S. 1979), Emmy Award-nominated actress (*ER*); Emmy Award-nominated director (*The West Wing*)
 - Robin Irwin, noted Broadway actress ("Titanic (musical)", and "Dance of the Vampires") She currently teaches at New York University
 - David Ives (B.A. 1971), playwright, (*All in the Timing*)
 - Brian d'Arcy James (B.S. 1990), Tony Award-nominated actor (*Sweet Smell of Success: The Musical*)
 - Tim Johnson (B.A. 1983), director (*Antz*, *Sinbad: Legend of the Seven Seas*)
 - Jennifer Jones, Academy Award-winning actress (*The Song of Bernadette*, *Since You Went Away*, *Love Letters*, *Duel in the Sun*, *Love Is a Many-Splendored Thing*)
 - Spencer Kayden (B.S. 1990), former cast member of *MADTV*; Tony Award-nominee for *Urinetown*
 - James Keach (B.S. 1970), actor (*The Long Riders*); producer (*Walk the Line*); director (*Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman*)
 - Stacy Keach, Sr. (B.S. 1935), actor (*Get Smart*); director (*Tales of the Texas Rangers*)
 - Clinton Kelly (M.S. 1993), co-host of (*What Not to Wear*)
 - Peter Keramidas (B.S. 1987, M.B.A 1991), former Executive Vice President of Programming at Showtime Networks
 - Richard Kind (B.S. 1978), actor (*Mad About You*, *Spin City*)
 - Richard Kline (M.A. 1967), actor (*Three's Company*)
 - Robert Knepper (attended, never graduated), actor (*Prison Break*, *Hostage*, *Carnivàle*)
 - Gary Kroeger (B.S. 1981), former cast member of (*Saturday Night Live*)
 - Roger Kumble (B.S. 1988), writer/director (*Cruel Intentions*)
 - Jeff Kurland (B.S. 1975), Academy Award-nominated costume designer (*Bullets Over Broadway*, *Ocean's Eleven*, *Collateral*)
 - Clyde Kusatsu (B.S. 1970), actor (*All American Girl*, *In the Line of Fire*)
 - Mark Lamos (B.S. 1969), Tony Award-winning former artistic director of the Hartford Stage
 - Sherry Lansing (B.S. 1966), former CEO of Paramount Pictures; Academy Award-nominated producer (*Fatal Attraction*); 2007 recipient of the The Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award
 - Martha Lavey (B.S. 1979, M.A. 1986, Ph.D. 1994), Tony Award-winning artistic director of the Steppenwolf Theatre Company
 - Britt Leach, actor (*Weird Science*)



Todd Martin, former professional tennis player



George McGovern, former U.S. Senator & Democratic presidential nominee



Charles Horace Mayo, co-founder of the Mayo Clinic

- Cloris Leachman (B.S. 1948), Academy Award-winning and Emmy Award-winning actress (*The Last Picture Show*, *The Mary Tyler Moore Show*, *Spanglish*)
- Harry J. Lennix (B.S. 1986), actor (*The Matrix Reloaded*, *The Matrix Revolutions*, *Commander in Chief*, *Ray*)
- Richard J. Lewis (B.A. 1982), Emmy Award-nominated director/producer (*CSI: Crime Scene Investigation*)
- Herschell Gordon Lewis, filmmaker
- John Logan (B.S. 1983), Academy Award-nominated screenwriter (*The Aviator*, *Gladiator*, *The Last Samurai*)
- Laura Linney (attended for a year then transferred), actress (*The Truman Show*)
- Shelley Long (Class of 1971, never graduated), Emmy Award-winning actress (*Cheers*, *The Money Pit*, *Irreconcilable Differences*)
- Rob Loos (B.S. 1981), award-winning writer/producer /director(*Captain Kangaroo*, *McGee and Me!*, *Touched by an Angel*)
- Julia Louis-Dreyfus (Class of 1982, never graduated), Emmy Award-winning actress (*Seinfeld*, *The New Adventures of Old Christine*); former cast member of *Saturday Night Live*
- Paul Lynde (B.S. 1948), actor (*Hollywood Squares*, *Bewitched*, *Bye Bye Birdie*)
- J.P. Manoux (B.S. 1991), actor (*ER*, *Phil of the Future*, *The Emperor's New School*)
- Stephanie March (B.S. 1996), actress (*Law & Order: SVU*, *Conviction*)
- Michael Markowitz B.S. 1983), Emmy Award-nominated writer and producer (*Duckman*, *Becker*)
- Garry Marshall (B.S. 1956), creator of *Happy Days*, *Laverne and Shirley*, and *Mork & Mindy*; director (*Pretty Woman*, *Beaches*, *The Princess Diaries*)
- Marshall W. Mason (B.S. 1961), Tony Award-nominated director (*Fifth of July*, *As Is*)
- Daphne Maxwell Reid (B.A. 1970), actress (*The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*)
- Jacquelyn Mayer (B.S. 1964), former Miss America
- Laverne McKinnon (B.S. 1987), Senior Executive Vice President of Drama Series Development, CBS Broadcasting, Inc.
- Ralph Meeker (B.S. 1943), actor (*Kiss Me Deadly*, *Paths of Glory*, *Picnic*, *The St. Valentine's Day Massacre*, *The Anderson Tapes*)
- Susan Messing (B.S. 1986), performer, teacher, and director at The Second City, ImprovOlympic, and the Annoyance Theatre
- Josh Meyers (B.S. 1998), actor (*MADtv*, *That '70s Show*)
- Seth Meyers (B.S. 1996), cast member of *Saturday Night Live*; co-anchor of *Weekend Update*; winner of the third *Celebrity Poker Showdown*
- Terri Minsky (B.S. 1980), creator/writer/executive producer of *Lizzie McGuire*, *Less Than Perfect*, and *The Geena Davis*



Seth Meyers, Comedian

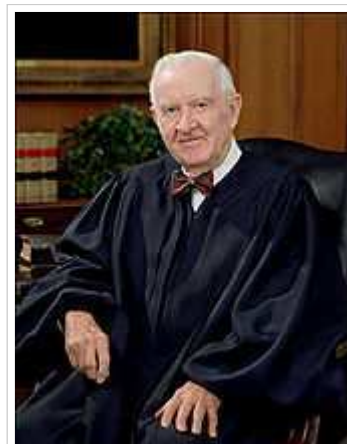
Peter George Peterson,
Chairman of the Council on
Foreign Relations;
Co-Founder & Senior
Chairman of the Blackstone
GroupDavid J. Skorton, President of Cornell
University

Show

- John Cameron Mitchell (B.S. 1985), writer/actor/director (*Hedwig and the Angry Inch*), executive producer (*Tarnation*)
- Andrew Moskos (B.A. 1990), co-founder of Boom Chicago in Amsterdam
- Karen Moncrieff (B.S. 1986), Miss Illinois 1985; writer and director of *The Dead Girl* and *Blue Car*
- Jason Moore (B.S. 1993), Tony Award-nominated director (*Avenue Q*)
- Robert E. Mulholland (B.S.J. 1955, M.S.J. 1956), former President and C.O.O., NBC
- Megan Mullally (Class of 1981, never graduated), Emmy Award-winning actress (*Will and Grace*)
- Dermot Mulroney (B.S. 1985), actor (*About Schmidt*, *My Best Friend's Wedding*, *The Family Stone*)
- John Musker (B.A. 1975), writer/producer/director (*The Little Mermaid*, *Aladdin*, *Hercules*)
- Tony Musante, actor (*Toma*, *As the World Turns*) *Margaret Nagle, screenwriter (Emmy Award Winning "Warm Springs")
- Patricia Neal (B.S. 1947), Academy Award-winning and Tony Award-winning actress (*A Face In The Crowd*, *Hud*, *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, *The Subject Was Roses*)
- Tom Neal, actor (*Detour*, *Jungle Girl*)
- George Newbern (B.S. 1986), actor (*Father of the Bride (1991)*, *Father of the Bride Part II*, *Justice League Unlimited*)
- Jamie Ray Newman (B.S. 2000), actress (*Veronica Mars*, *Stargate Atlantis*)
- Peter Newman (B.S. 1975), producer (*The Squid and the Whale*)
- Agnes Nixon (B.S. 1944), Emmy Award-winning writer/producer (*All My Children*, *One Life to Live*, *Another World*, *As the World Turns*, *Loving*)
- Bruce Norris (B.S. 1982), actor (*A Civil Action*); playwright, Steppenwolf Theatre Company
- Denis O'Hare (B.S. 1984), Tony Award-winning actor (*Take Me Out*, *Sweet Charity*, *Assassins*)
- Dana Olsen (B.S. 1980), screenwriter (*George of the Jungle*, *The 'Burbs*)
- James Olson (B.S. 1952), actor (*Rachel, Rachel*, *The Andromeda Strain*, *Ragtime*, *Commando*)
- Jerry Orbach (Class of 1956, never graduated), Tony Award-winning and Emmy Award-nominated actor (*Law & Order*, *Promises, Promises*, *Dirty Dancing*)
- Maulik Pancholy (B.S. 1995), actor (*30 Rock*, *Weeds*)
- Mary Beth Peil (B.S. 1962), Tony Award-nominated actress (*The King and I*, *Dawson's Creek*)
- Michael Pellerin (B.S. 1987), DVD producer, The Lord of the Rings film trilogy
- Jeff Pinkner, screenwriter (*Lost*)
- Michael Prywes, (B.S. 1996), writer and director of *Returning Mickey Stern*
- Paula Prentiss (B.S. 1959), Emmy Award-nominated actress (*Where the Boys Are*, *The Parallax View*, *In Harm's Way*, *The World of Henry Orient*)



Graham Spanier, President of Penn State University



John Paul Stevens, U.S. Supreme Court Justice



Rachael Yamagata, Musician

- Jenny Powers (B.S. 2003), Miss Illinois 2000; Broadway actress (*Little Women*)
- John Quaintance (B.S. 1993), writer, (*Joey, Aquamarine, Material Girls*)
- John Qualen, actor (*The Grapes of Wrath, The Searchers, Casablanca, The High and the Mighty*)
- Maeve Quinlan (attended, never graduated), actress (*South of Nowhere, Ken Park, The Bold and the Beautiful*)
- Lily Rabe, actress (*No Reservations, Steel Magnolias*)
- Charlotte Rae (B.S. 1948), Emmy Award-nominated and Tony Award-nominated actress (*The Facts of Life, Diff'rent Strokes, Queen of the Stardust Ballroom*)
- Tony Randall (Class of 1941, never graduated), Emmy Award-winning and Tony Award-nominated actor (*The Odd Couple, Mr. Peepers, Inherit the Wind*)
- Robert Reed (B.S. 1954), Emmy Award-nominated actor (*The Brady Bunch, The Boy in the Plastic Bubble, Roots*)
- Keith Reddin (B.S. 1978), playwright
- Marcia Rodd (B.S. 1960), Tony Award-nominated actress (*Little Murders, Shelter*)
- Tony Roberts (B.S. 1961), Tony Award-nominated actor (*Annie Hall, Serpico, Play It Again, Sam*)
- Jeri Ryan (B.S. 1991), actress (*Boston Public, Star Trek: Voyager, Shark*)
- Ethan Sandler (B.S. 1995), actor (*Crossing Jordan*)
- David Schwimmer (B.S. 1988), Emmy Award-nominated actor (*Friends, Band of Brothers, Madagascar*)
- Yuki Shimoda (Yukio Shimoda, B.A. in Accounting 1950's), Emmy Award-nominated actor, University of Chicago Compass Players "Second City", Japanese American nisei actor of the silver screen, stage and television, co-star of the Tony Award winning Broadway play, Auntie Mame with fellow Northwestern graduate Robert Reed
- Katherine Shindle (B.S. 1999), Miss America 1998, actress (*Capote*)
- Dan Shor, actor (*Tron, Strange Behavior, Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure*)
- Candace Smith (J.D. 2002), Miss Ohio USA 2003; actress (*Beerfest*)
- Jerry Springer (J.D. 1968), host of The Jerry Springer Show; former mayor of Cincinnati
- Florence Stanley, actress (*My Two Dads, Atlantis: The Lost Empire*)
- McLean Stevenson (B.S. 1952), Emmy Award-nominated actor (*M*A*S*H, The Doris Day Show*); guest host of *The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson*
- Peter Strauss (B.S. 1969), Emmy Award-winning actor (*Rich Man, Poor Man, Masada, Soldier Blue, The Secret of NIMH*)
- Nicole Sullivan (B.S. 1991), original cast member of *MADtv*; actress (*The King of Queens*); winner of the inaugural *Celebrity Poker Showdown*
- Hope Summers, actress (*The Andy Griffith Show*)
- Cody Sweet (B.S. 1963, Ph.D. 1972), international platform speaker on nonverbal communication, spokesperson Kimberly-Clark, Health-Tex, Body Language board game creator
- Inga Swenson (B.S. 1953), actress (*The Miracle Worker, Benson*)
- Leigh Taylor-Young (attended, never graduated), Emmy Award-winning actress (*Soylent Green, Picket Fences, I Love You, Alice B. Toklas*)
- Lloyd Thaxton (B.A. 1950), television show host, Emmy Award-winning producer of "Fight Back! With David Horowitz"
- Chuti Tiu (B.A. 1991), Miss Illinois 1994; actress (*Desire*)
- Deborah Tranelli (B.S. 1977), actress (*Dallas*)
- Robert Trebor, actor (*Hercules: The Legendary Journeys, Raise Your Voice*)
- Jason Tyne, resident playwright and director, Rising Sun Performance Company
- Ira Ungerleider (B.S. 1990), Emmy Award-nominated producer/writer (*Friends*)
- Tom Virtue (B.S. 1979), actor (*Even Stevens, Read It and Weep*)
- Billie Lou Watt (B.S. 1945), actress (*Search for Tomorrow, Astro Boy*)
- Michael Weston (B.S.), actor (*The Last Kiss, Coyote Ugly, Six Feet Under*)
- Kimberly Williams (B.S. 1993), actress (*Father of the Bride, Father of the Bride Part II, According to Jim*)

- Fred Williamson (B.S. 1960), actor (*MASH*, *Three the Hard Way*, *Black Caesar*, *Starsky & Hutch*); former professional defensive back who played in Super Bowl I
- Edward D. Wood, Jr., filmmaker
- Mary Zimmerman (B.S. 1982, M.A. 1985, Ph.D. 1994), Tony Award-winning director/writer (*Metamorphoses*); librettist (*Galileo Galilei*)

Business

- Arthur Andersen (B.B.A. 1917), founder of Arthur Andersen LLP
- Teruaki Aoki (Ph.D. 1970), Senior Executive Vice President, Sony
- James L. Allen (B.S. 1929), founder of Booz Allen Hamilton
- Edwin G. Booz (B.S. 1914), founder of Booz Allen Hamilton
- Lisa Caputo (M.S. 1987), Chairman and CEO, Citigroup Women and Company
- Sue Castorino (B.S. 1975), founder and President of The Speaking Specialists
- Nicholas Chabraja (B.A. 1964), Chairman and CEO, General Dynamics
- Douglas Conant (B.A. 1973, MBA 1975), President and CEO, Campbell Soup Company
- Terri Dial (http://www.mahalo.com/Terri_Dial) (B.A. 1971), former Pres./CEO of Wells Fargo Bank
- D. Cameron Findlay (B.A. 1982), Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Aon Corporation
- Christopher Galvin (B.A. 1973), former Chairman and CEO of Motorola
- Elbert Henry Gary (J.D. 1868), co-founder of the United States Steel Corporation
- Hugh Hefner (attended for semester of graduate sociology courses), founder of Playboy Enterprises, Inc.
- John H. Johnson (attended, never graduated), founder of the Johnson Publishing Company (*Ebony* and *Jet* magazines)
- Joseph Levy Jr. (B.B.A. 1947), Chairman of Levy Venture Management
- Jeffrey McClelland (B.S. 1980), former COO, US Airways
- Blythe McGarvie, director of Accenture, Viacom, and the Pepsi Bottling Group
- John Meriwether (B.S. 1969), founder of Long-Term Capital Management
- David R. Nissen (B.A. 1973), President and CEO, GE Consumer Finance
- Morgan E. O'Brien (J.D. 1969), founder of Nextel Communications, Inc.
- William A. Osborn (B.A. 1969), Chairman and CEO, Northern Trust Corporation
- Peter George Peterson (B.S. 1947), former Chairman and CEO of Lehman Brothers; co-founder of the Blackstone Group (*also listed under *Politics, Government, and Public Policy*)
- Christine Poon (B.A. 1973), Vice Chairman and Worldwide Chairman of Medicines & Nutritionals, Johnson & Johnson
- Pat Ryan (B.A. 1959), founder and Executive Chairman of Aon Corporation
- Paul Sagan (B.S. 1981), President and CEO, Akamai Technologies
- Gordon Segal (B.B.A. 1960), co-founder and CEO, Crate and Barrel
- Judith A. Sprieser (B.A. 1974, M.B.A. 1977), former CFO and EVP of Sara Lee, non-exec director of Allstate Corporation, USG Corporation, Intercontinental Exchange, Royal Ahold, Reckit Benckiser, Adecco.
- Alfred Steele (B.A. 1923), former CEO of Pepsi-Cola
- Russ M. Strobel (B.A. 1974), CEO, Nicor
- Jeanette Sarkisian Wagner (B.S. 1951), Vice Chairman, Estée Lauder
- Robert Wayman (B.S. 1967), former CFO and EVP, Hewlett-Packard
- William A. Woodburn (M.S. 1975), President and CEO, GE Infrastructure

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Journalism

- J. A. Adande, ESPN contributor, *Around the Horn*; former *Los Angeles Times* sports columnist
- Jabari Asim, columnist, *Washington Post*
- David Barstow (B.S. 1986), Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter for The New York Times
- Steve Bell (M.S. 1963), former correspondent for ABC News
- Amalie Benjamin, sports columnist, *Boston Globe*
- Ira Berkow (M.S. 1964), sports columnist, *The New York Times*
- Kevin Blackstone (B.S. 1981), ESPN contributor, *Around the Horn*; Dallas Morning News sports columnist
- David Boardman (B.S. 1979) executive editor, *The Seattle Times*
- Steve Bogira, columnist, *Chicago Reader*
- Valerie Boyd (B.S. 1985), author of *Wrapped in Rainbows: The Life of Zora Neale Hurston*; former *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* arts editor
- Christine Brennan (B.S. 1980, M.S. 1981), sports columnist, *USA Today*
- Elizabeth Brenner (B.S. 1976), publisher, *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*
- Elisabeth Bumiller, former White House Correspondent, *The New York Times*
- Ben Burns (B.S. 1934), founding editor of *Ebony* and *Jet*
- David Chalian, deputy political director, ABC News
- Pauline W. Chen (M.D.) author of *Final Exam: A Surgeon's Reflections on Mortality* (Knopf)
- Carina Chocano (B.A. 1990), film critic for the Los Angeles Times
- Amanda Congdon (B.S. 2003), former hostess of Rocketboom
- Rance Crain (B.S. 1960), president and editor-in-chief, Crain Communications Inc.
- Mort Crim (M.S. 1963), former broadcast journalist
- Lester Crystal (B.S. 1956, M.S. 1957), executive producer, *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*
- Benoit Denizet-Lewis (B.S. 1997), contributor to the New York Times Magazine and author of the forthcoming book *America Anonymous*
- Gregg Easterbrook, author and journalist
- Leo Ebersole, writer, Chicago Tribune RedEye
- Rich Eisen, NFL Network anchor
- Stuart Elliott, advertising columnist for The New York Times
- Fred Eychaner (B.S. 1966), founder of Newsweb Corporation
- Linda Foley (B.S. 1977) president, The Newspaper Guild
- John Fricke, Emmy Award-winning author/historian; noted expert on Judy Garland and The Wizard of Oz
- Jack Fuller (B.S. 1968), former publisher of the *Chicago Tribune* and president of the Tribune Company
- Georgie Anne Geyer, journalist
- Ira Glass, host, NPR's "This American Life" attended Northwestern but transferred to Brown University and graduated from there.
- Patrick Goldstein (B.A. 1975, M.A. 1976), columnist and reporter, Los Angeles Times
- Lauren Green, religion correspondent for Fox News Channel
- Mike Greenberg ESPN *Sportscenter* Host, Co-Host of *Mike and Mike in the Morning* on ESPN Radio
- Richard Harris (B.S. 1976), senior producer, *Nightline*
- Jon Heyman, Baseball Writer, Sports Illustrated
- Kwame Holman (M.S. 1982), correspondent, *The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*
- Stephen Hunter, Pulitzer Prize-winning film critic for the Washington Post and novelist
- Michael Isikoff, investigative journalist for Newsweek magazine
- Laura Jacobs (B.A. 1978), contributing editor at Vanity Fair and New Criterion dance critic
- Jeff Jarvis, creator of Entertainment Weekly, columnist, professor at CUNY Journalism program
- Clara Jeffery, editor-in-chief, Mother Jones Magazine
- Sherry Jones (M.S. 1971), senior producer, *Frontline*
- Walter Kerr, Broadway theater critic, playwright, and author
- Rikki Klieman, Court TV anchor and legal analyst
- Michelle Kosinski, correspondent, *NBC News*

- Irv Kupcinec, former Chicago Sun-Times columnist
- Katherine Lanpher, writer and radio personality, author of *Leap Days*
- Nicole Lapin, anchor, CNN Pipeline
- Stewart Mandel, College Football Writer, Sports Illustrated
- Robert R. McCormick, former owner of the Chicago Tribune
- Steve McGonigle, The Dallas Morning News writer and investigative reporter
- Brent Musburger, sports announcer, ABC
- Rachel Nichols, ESPN and *Washington Post* reporter
- Kelly O'Donnell (B.A. 1987), White House correspondent for NBC News
- John Palmer, former news correspondent for NBC News
- Barry Petersen, foreign correspondent, CBS News
- Daniel H. Pink (B.A. 1986), author of *A Whole New Mind*
- Neal Pollack, novelist, essayist, and humor writer.
- Steven Reddicliffe (B.S. 1975), former editor-in-chief, TV Guide; current television editor for The New York Times
- Nick Reding (B.A. 1994), author of "Methland" and "The Last Cowboys at the End of the World"
- Kathy Reichs, best-selling novelist and forensic anthropologist.
- Jacque Reid, television and radio personality, former lead anchor for the BET nightly news
- Dave Revsine, sportscaster, ESPN
- Darren Rovell, CNBC Sports Business Reporter
- Daniel Rubin, metro columnist, "The Philadelphia Inquirer"
- Jamie Samuelsen, radio personality (WDFN)
- Anatole Shub, journalist for *Washington Post* and *New York Times*, author*
- Jane Skinner, host of *Fox News Live*
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- Evan Smith, Editor in Chief of Texas Monthly
- Margaret Sullivan, Editor, *The Buffalo News*
- Lynn Sweet, Washington, D.C., bureau chief and columnist, *Chicago Sun-Times*
- Sander Vanocur, journalist
- Julia Wallace (B.S. 1978), editor, *The Atlanta Journal Constitution*
- Alan Weisman, (B.A., M.A.), journalist and author of *The World Without Us*
- Gary Weiss, journalist
- Michael Wilbon, ESPN analyst (*Pardon the Interruption*) and Washington Post sports columnist
- Jennifer Gilbert, Fox45 news anchor, Baltimore, MD
- Deborah Weiner, WBAL-TV Reporter, Weekend Anchor, Baltimore, MD

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Law

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- Randy Barnett (B.A. 1974), Carmack Waterhouse Professor of Law, Georgetown University
- William Duane Benton (B.A. 1972), Federal Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit
- Richard Ben-Veniste (L.L.M. 1968), former Watergate counsel and 9/11 Commission member
- Raoul Berger (J.D. 1935), former Charles Warren Senior Fellow in American Legal History, Harvard Law School
- Dalveer Bhandari (L.L.M. 1972), Justice, Supreme Court of India
- Vincent Blasi (B.A. 1964), Corliss Lamont Professor of Civil Liberties, Columbia University Law School;

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- David Boies (B.S. 1964), counsel, *Bush v. Gore*; founding partner, Boies, Schiller & Flexner
- Erwin Chemerinsky (B.S. 1975), Dean, University of California at Irvine School of Law
- G. Marcus Cole (J.D. 1993), Professor of Law, Helen L. Crocker Faculty Scholar, and Associate Dean for Curriculum, Stanford Law School
- Cyrus E. Dietz (J.D. 1902), Justice, Illinois Supreme Court
- Carl E. Douglas, (B.A. 1980), Lawyer, O.J. Simpson trial
- Arthur Goldberg (B.S.L. 1929, J.S.D. 1930), former Justice, U.S. Supreme Court
- Douglas Kmiec (B.A. 1973), Caruso Family Chair and Professor of Constitutional Law, Pepperdine University School of Law; U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Malta
- Lawrence C. Marshall (J.D. 1985), Professor of Law, David and Stephanie Mills Director of Clinical Education, and Associate Dean for Public Interest and Clinical Education, Stanford Law School
- Lyman Ray Patterson, former Pope F. Brock Professor of Professional Responsibility, University of Georgia School of Law
- John Paul Stevens (J.D. 1947), Justice, U.S. Supreme Court
- Seymour Simon (B.S. 1935), former Justice, Illinois Supreme Court
- Loren Smith (B.A. 1966, J.D. 1969), Federal Judge, United States Court of Federal Claims
- Richard Tallman, Justice, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- Jonathan Turley, J.B. and Maurice Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law, The George Washington University Law School

Medicine, Science and Technology

- David Applebaum, Israeli physician
- Andy Carvin, founding editor and former coordinator of the Digital Divide Network
- George W. Crane, Ph.D., M.D., psychologist, physician, author, newspaper columnist
- Alston Scott Householder (B.A. 1925), mathematician
- Cheddi Jagan, dentist/Guyanese president
- Irene D. Long, Chief Medical Officer, Kennedy Space Center.
- Charles H. Mayo, doctor (*Mayo Clinic*)
- Robert F. Furchgott, Ph.D., 1940, Nobel Prize in Physiology/Medicine (1998)
- Marc Kirschner (B.A. 1966), founding chair of the Department of Systems Biology, Harvard Medical School
- Richard Skrenta, creator of the first computer virus, Elk Cloner
- Joseph Staten, writer and director of the Halo video games
- Sam Treiman, former theoretical physicist and professor of physics at Princeton University
- Jacques Vallee (Ph.D. 1967), computer scientist, astronomer and UFO researcher
- Edward Weiler (B.A. 1971, M.S. 1973, Ph.D. 1976), director, Goddard Space Flight Center
- Gary Kremen, Internet Entrepreneur and private investor, Founder of Match.com, Sex.com, and Clean Power Finance. First investor in Dolores_Labs.
- Daniel Hale Williams, first person to perform open heart surgery
- Ben Slivka, headed up Microsoft projects for first 3 Internet Explorer browser versions.
- Kermit E Krantz, (B.S. 1945, M.S. 1947, M.D. 1948) Distinguished University Professor of Medicine University of Kansas. Among others, developed the Marshall-Marchetti-Krantz (MMK) and invented the expandable tampon. Namesake of the Arey/Krantz Museum of Anatomy at the Feinberg School of Medicine.

Music, Literature and the Arts

- Steve Albini, recording engineer, musician

- Jack Anderson, dance critic, *The New York Times*
- Marie Arana, editor of *Washington Post Book World*, author of National Book Award-finalist *American Chica* and the novel *Cellophane*
- Steven Bach (B.A. 1961), former film executive and author of "Final Cut" and biographies including "Leni: The Life and Work of Leni Riefenstahl"
- Ernst Bacon, composer
- Mary Jo Bang (B.A., M.A.), 2007 National Book Critics Circle award winner for poetry collection entitled "Elegy;" professor of English at Washington University in St. Louis
- Saul Bellow (B.A. 1937), Nobel Prize-winning novelist
- Andrew Bird (B.M. 1995), singer-songwriter
- Chris Bliss, juggler
- Anthony Bozza, music journalist, author of *Whatever You Say I Am: The Life and Times of Eminem and Tommyland*.
- Grace Bumbry, mezzo-soprano
- Robert Olen Butler (B.S. 1967), Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist
- William Butler (B.A. 2005), member of indie rock band Arcade Fire
- Mark Camphouse, composer, notably of symphonic wind pieces, and conductor
- Dan Chaon, author of *You Remind Me of Me* and *Among the Missing*
- Julia Davids, founding member and Artistic Director of the Canadian Chamber Choir
- Lydia R. Diamond (B.S. 1992), playwright and professor at Boston University
- Maggie Dietz (B.A.), poet and author of "Perennial Fall"
- Cynthia Dobrinski, handbell composer and clinician
- Ivan Doig (B.S.J., M.S.J.), novelist
- Tananarive Due, novelist and journalist, *The Living Blood*
- Andy Duncan, former member of OK Go
- Mary Dunleavy, soprano
- Wilma Dykeman, writer
- Timothy Ferris, science author
- William R. Ferris (M.A. 1965), former chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities
- Kyle Gann, composer, microtonalist
- Chester Gould, cartoonist
- Shari Goldhagen, author
- James Green (B.A. 1966), author
- Ayun Halliday, columnist and author of *No Touch Monkey!*
- Amir Hamed, Uruguayan writer
- Howard Hanson, composer
- Aleksandar Hemon (M.A. 1996), author and MacArthur Fellow, "The Lazarus Project"

, *Nowhere Man*, *The Question of Bruno*

- Cristina Henríquez (B.A. 1999), author of "The World in Half" (Riverhead, 2009)
- Sheldon Harnick, lyricist
- Cheryl Holland (B.M. 1994), Music Therapist at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles
- Brigid Hughes, former editor-in-chief of *The Paris Review* and editor-in-chief of *A Public Space*
- Myron Hunt, architect
- Brendan Kelly, member of the The Lawrence Arms
- Ardis Krainik (B.S. 1951), former General Manager of the Lyric Opera of Chicago
- Jay Krush, tubist
- William Lava, composer
- Margaret Lloyd, soprano
- Attica Locke, novelist and screenwriter, author of "Black Water Rising"

- George R.R. Martin, author
- Sherrill Milnes, baritone
- Robert McHenry, encyclopedist and author
- Audrey Niffenegger (M.F.A. 1991), novelist and artist; author of *The Time Traveller's Wife*
- Bruce Norris (B.A. 1982), playwright; "The Pain and the Itch"
- Tawni O'Dell (B.S.J. 1986), novelist, *Sister Mine*, *Coal Run*, *Back Roads*
- Karen A. Page, writer
- Marge Piercy, novelist and poet
- Leslie Pietrzyk, writer
- Neal Pollack (B.S.J. 1992), satirical author and journalist
- Joshua Radin, singer-songwriter
- Steve Rodby, jazz bassist
- Ned Rorem, composer
- Tina Rosenberg (B.A. 1981, M.S.J.), Pulitzer Prize-winning author and journalist
- Karen Russell (B.A. 2003), author of *St. Lucy's Home for Girls Raised by Wolves*
- David Sanborn, saxophonist
- Joseph Schwantner, composer
- Sidney Sheldon, author (never graduated)
- Jon Solomon, DJ / record label owner
- Warren Spector, game designer
- Michael Sprinker, late literary theorist
- Frederick Swann, organist and President of the American Guild of Organists
- Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate, composer
- Augusta Read Thomas, composer
- Trevanian, author
- Kathy Reichs, author
- Thomas Tyra (B.A. 1954, M.A. 1955), composer, music educator, bandmaster
- Walter Wager, author
- Nike Wagner, author
- Kate Walbert (B.A. 1983), National Book Award-nominated writer, author of "A Short History of Women"
- Margaret Walker (B.A. 1935), poet and author
- Doug Wamble (M.M. 1997), musician and composer
- Joshua Weiner (B.A. 1985), poet, author of *The World's Room*
- Paul Winter, musician
- Ari Wiseman (B.A.), Deputy Director, Guggenheim Foundation
- Rachael Yamagata (B.S. 1997), musician

Politics, Government, and Public Policy

- Jonathan Addleton (B.S. 1979), USAID mission director
- Michael Bakalis (B.A. 1959, M.A. 1962, Ph.D. 1966), former Deputy Secretary of Education in the US Department of Education
- George Ball, former Undersecretary of State
- Judy Biggert, Republican congresswoman
- Rod Blagojevich, former Governor of Illinois
- Judy Baar Topinka, former State Treasurer of Illinois; Republican Gubernatorial candidate, 2006 election
- William Jennings Bryan, three-time Democratic presidential nominee
- Dale Bumpers (J.D. 1951), former U.S. Senator and Governor of Arkansas
- John A. Cade (M.B.A. 1954), former Maryland State Senator

- Francis H. Case, former U.S. Senator
- Salem Chalabi, ex-General Director of the Iraqi Special Tribunal
- Wendy Chamberlin (B.S. 1970), former U.S. ambassador to Pakistan; former assistant administrator, USAID Bureau for Asia and the Near East
- Cardiss Collins, former U.S. Representative from Illinois
- James L. Connaughton, Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality
- Steven M. Cook, Former Warrenville Park District Commissioner, Natural Areas Commissioner, Investment Banker
- Dan Cronin, Current Illinois State Senator
- Nathan Daschle, executive director, Democratic Governors Association, son of Tom Daschle
- Karen DeCrow (B.S. 1959), former President of the National Organization for Women
- Rahm Emanuel, former aide to Bill Clinton, former Democratic congressman of Illinois' 5th congressional district and White House Chief of Staff of President Barack Obama
- Scott Feeney (B.A. 1987), country director, office of the Secretary of Defense
- Al From, founder and current CEO of the Democratic Leadership Council
- Chrissy Gephardt, prominent LGBT-rights political advocate, daughter of Dick Gephardt
- Dick Gephardt, former House Democratic leader
- Barbara Gittings, American LGBT activist
- Wendy Lee Gramm, former head of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission
- Robert Hanssen (M.B.A. 1971), former FBI agent who engaged in spying for the Soviet Union and Russia against the United States
- Loy W. Henderson (B.A. 1915), former United States Foreign Service Officer
- Earl Dewitt Hutto, former United States Representative from Florida
- Janet Kafka (B.S. 1978), Consul of Spain in Texas
- Steve Kagen, U.S. Representative from Wisconsin
- Jim Kolbe, former U.S. Representative from Arizona, served 11 terms
- Scott L. Klug (M.S.J. 1976), former U.S. Representative from Wisconsin
- Liz Krueger (B.A.), New York State Senator
- Dan Lipinski (B.S. 1988), U.S. Representative from Illinois
- Frank Orren Lowden, former Governor of Illinois
- Edwin M. Martin, former United States Foreign Service Officer
- Carroll Metzner, Wisconsin State Assembly
- Catherine Waugh McCulloch, suffragist
- George McGovern, South Dakota Senator and 1972 Democratic candidate for president
- Eduardo Mondlane, Revolutionary leader of Mozambique
- Newton Minow, former director of the Federal Communications Commission
- Dawn Clark Netsch (B.A. 1948), politician
- John J. Nimrod, Illinois politician
- Phyllis Oakley (B.A. 1956), former assistant secretary of state for intelligence and research, the State Department
- George M. O'Brien (B.A. 1939), former U.S. Representative from Illinois
- Terry O'Neill (B.A.), president of the National Organization for Women (NOW)
- Glenn Pearce-Oroz (B.A. 1991), senior USAID urban and municipal development officer, Honduras
- Peter George Peterson, former chairman of the Council On Foreign Relations, United States Secretary of Commerce (*also listed under *Business*)
- John Edward Porter (B.S. and B.A 1957), former U.S. Representative from Illinois
- J. Leonard Reinsch, former White House Press Secretary
- Amos Sawyer, former president of Liberia
- Mel Sembler (B.S. 1952), former U.S. ambassador to Italy
- Adlai Stevenson, Illinois governor and two-time Democratic presidential nominee
- Mike Synar (M.A. 1974), former United States Representative from Oklahoma

- James R. Thompson, former Governor of Illinois
- Daniel Walker, former Governor of Illinois
- Harold Washington, first black Chicago mayor
- Lois Weisberg (B.S. 1946), Commissioner, Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs
- Richard E. Wiley (B.S. 1955, J.D.), former Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission

Sports

- Mike Adamle, football player and sportscaster
- Katrina Adams, tennis player
- Darnell Autry, football player and actor
- Brett Basanez, football player
- D'Wayne Bates, football player
- Harold Blackmon, former football player, Seattle Seahawks
- Ron Burton, former football player, Boston Patriots (now known as the New England Patriots)
- Luis Castillo, San Diego Chargers football player
- Barry Cofield, New York Giants Defensive Lineman
- Audra Cohen, 2007 NCAA Women's Tennis Singles Champion (never graduated)
- Javiar Collins, football player, Dallas Cowboys and Cleveland Browns
- Paul Dana, former race car driver in the Indy Racing League
- Jerry Doggett, former broadcaster for the Los Angeles Dodgers
- Luke Donald, golfer
- John L. "Paddy" Driscoll, football player
- Eddie Einhorn (J.D. 1960), Vice Chairman of the Chicago White Sox
- Evan Eschmeyer, former basketball player
- Pat Fitzgerald, former 2-time All-American football player, current Northwestern head football coach
- Barry Gardner, professional football player
- Joe Girardi, former baseball player and current New York Yankees manager
- Grant Golden, tennis player
- Jim Golliday, track
- Otto Graham, professional football player
- Seymour Greenberg, tennis player
- Glen Grunwald (J.D. 1984), Senior Vice President for Basketball Operations of the New York Knicks
- JA Happ, baseball player
- Napoleon Harris, football player, Oakland Raiders and Minnesota Vikings
- Noah Herron, football player, Green Bay Packers
- Chris Hinton, former 7-time Pro Bowl football player, Baltimore/Indianapolis Colts, Atlanta Falcons & Minnesota Vikings
- Mike Huff, former baseball player
- Ronald Joseph, figure skater and long jumper
- Kenesaw Mountain Landis (J.D. 1891), first Commissioner of Baseball
- Mark Loretta, baseball player
- Todd Martin, tennis player
- Daryl Morey (B.S. 1996), general manager of the Houston Rockets
- Matt O'Dwyer, football player
- Ted Phillips, Chicago Bears President and CEO
- Jerry Reinsdorf (J.D. 1960), owner of the Chicago Bulls and the Chicago White Sox
- Marty Riessen, tennis player
- Annette Rogers, sprinter
- Anucha Browne Sanders (B.S. 1985), former Senior Vice President, Marketing and Business Operations,

- New York Knickerbockers
- Rick Sund, General Manager, Seattle Supersonics
- Tyrell Sutton, current football player of the Carolina Panthers
- Steve Tasker, football player, sports announcer, Buffalo Bills
- Rick Telander, sportswriter
- Debi Thomas, figure skater
- Jim Trimble, former halfback for the Atlanta Falcons

Other

- Patti Davis (attended, never graduated), daughter of Ronald Reagan and Nancy Davis Reagan
- Jade Smalls, Miss Illinois 1999 and concert pianist
- Kelly O'Donnell, White House correspondent for NBC News, class of 1987 from the School of Education and Social Policy (SESP).
- Crispin Sanchez, (Ph.D. in education), advocate for education and athletics among Mexican Americans in South Texas
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