



Governors State
UNIVERSITY

PASSIONFIRST
PURPOSE FOREVER

PASSIONFIRST PURPOSEFOREVER



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STUDENT : FACULTY

3,262
UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENTS

1,595
GRADUATE
STUDENTS

33
COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED
IN STUDENT BODY

GSU

IT'S YOUR STORY, BUT YOU'RE NOT ALONE.

At Governors State University, our **passion** is your journey. From your very **first** day to the moment you walk across the commencement stage, our team will be by your side. Our **purpose** is to help you develop the knowledge, experience and connections you need to pursue your **forever**. To dream big and move confidently towards the future you're destined for, armed with everything you need to succeed.

But don't take our word for it. **Turn the page** to discover the stories of just a few GSU students. Students who started out right where you are.



MAJORS

“GSU believed in me so much that I had no choice but to do the same, and that helped me fulfill the purpose I’m living out every day: to educate, inform, and inspire with words.”

Melissa Baron, Technical Writer for J.P. Morgan, 2015 graduate



COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

9 programs, 8 minors

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE

25 programs, 23 minors

- Anthropology and Sociology (B.A.)
- Art (B.F.A.)
- Communication (B.A.)
- Criminal Justice (B.A.)
- English (B.A.)
- Gender and Sexuality Studies (B.A.)
- History (B.A.)
- Interdisciplinary Studies (B.A.)
- Media Studies (B.A.)
- Political Science (B.A.)
- Theatre and Performance Studies (B.A.)

- Biology (B.S.)
- Chemistry (B.S.)
- Computer Science (B.S.)
- Information Technology (B.S.)
- Mathematics (B.A.) – Concentrations in General Mathematics and Actuarial Science

- Accounting (B.S.)
- Business Administration (B.A.) – Concentrations in: Entrepreneurship, Finance, Human Resource Management, Management, Management Information Systems, Marketing, Operations and Supply Chain Management
- Business and Applied Science (B.A.)
- Economics (B.A.)
- Manufacturing Management (B.A.)

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

9 programs, 3 minors

- Early Childhood Education – Licensure and Non-Licensure (B.A.)
- Elementary Education (B.A.)
- Psychology (B.A.) – Concentrations in: General, Forensic, Mindfulness Studies, Pre-Clinical

COLLEGE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

13 programs, 2 minors

- Communication Disorders (B.H.S.)
- Community Health (B.H.S.)
- Health Administration (B.H.A.)
- Health Informatics (B.S.)
- Nursing (R.N. to B.S.N.)
- Social Work (B.S.W.)



FIERCE
IMMIGRANT

PROUD EGYPTIAN



GO-GETTER

INQUISITIVE
ACTIVE

Marina was born and raised in Cairo, Egypt before moving to the Chicago area in 2008. As a high school student, Marina was awarded Governors State's elite Presidential Scholarship, which covers four years of tuition and fees. Even though she's on the Honors list, academics aren't everything to this overachiever – Marina is also a member of five student organizations including the International Cultural Organization, the Community Service Council and the Wellness Club, and works part-time as a GSU student ambassador.

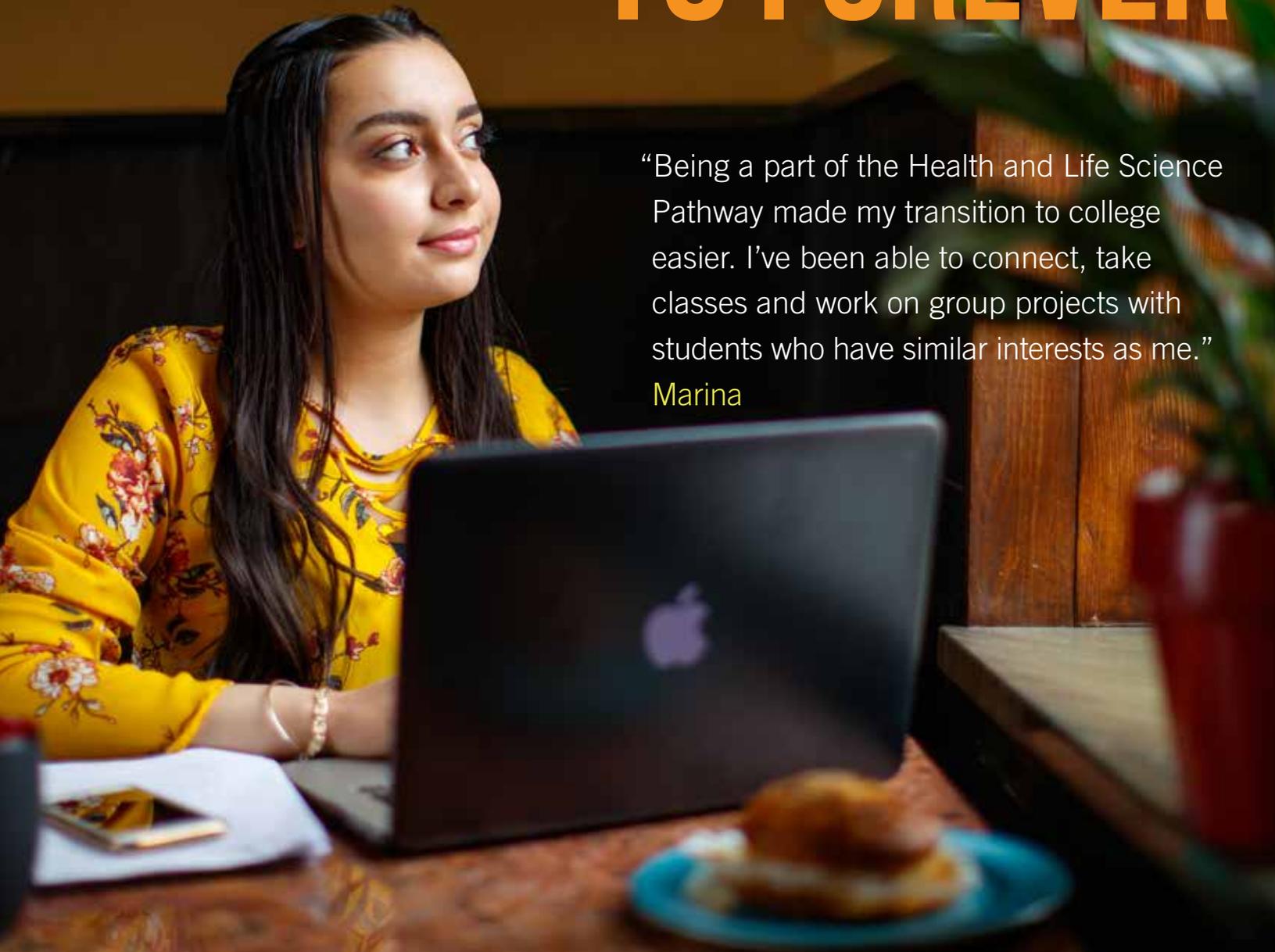
My passion for **people** gives me purpose for a future in **healthcare**.



Community Health Major

MARINA

FROM FRESHMAN TO FOREVER



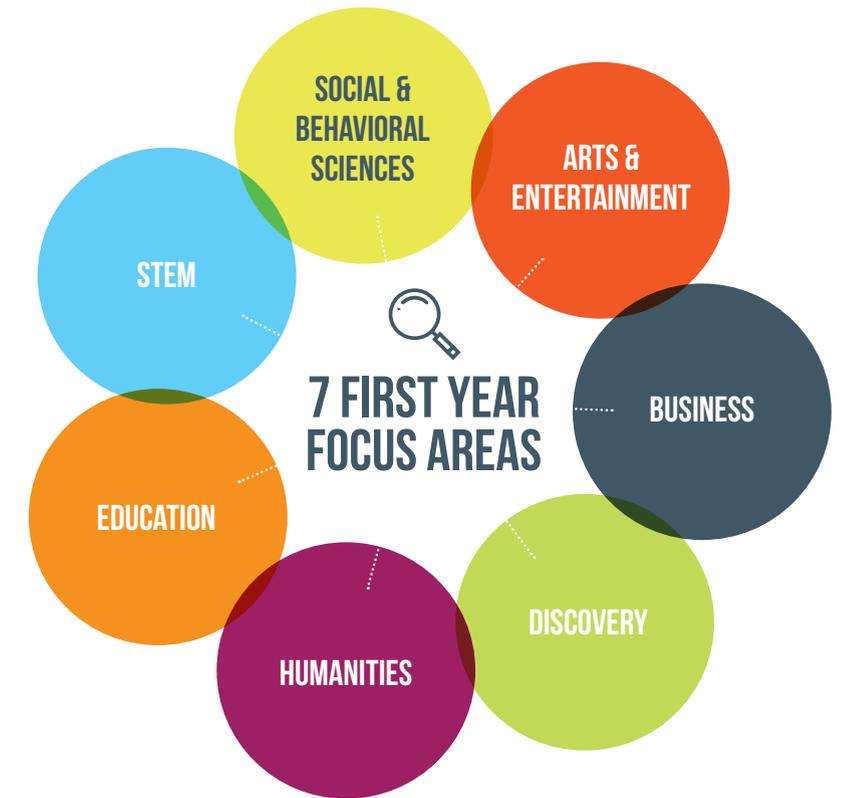
“Being a part of the Health and Life Science Pathway made my transition to college easier. I’ve been able to connect, take classes and work on group projects with students who have similar interests as me.”

Marina

Your Freshman experience at GSU:
as extraordinary as you and as practical as it needs to be so you can be a college grad in four years flat.

As a GSU freshman, you will:

-  Declare an area of **academic interest**
-  Be placed in one of **7 First Year Focus Areas** to complete general education courses
-  Work with an **academic advisor** who will help you develop a full-time schedule structured to ensure you succeed
-  Attend classes **capped at 30 students**
-  Learn with **academic peers**
-  Transition into a program that best meets **your needs**



Guided Pathways to help you transition to grad school or a career:

- » FIVE-YEAR MBA
- » HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCE PATHWAY
- » NURSING PATHWAY
- » GUARANTEED GRADUATE ADMISSIONS PATHWAY for programs like Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Communication Disorders – and many others.

Learn more: govst.edu/pathways



MATE

Political Science Major

FIRST GEN VETERAN
TRANSFER STUDENT

LEADER
CAMPAIGNER
OUTSPOKEN

CHANGE MAKER

A passion for **change** makes my purpose **political**.

Kyle is a former chemical technician in the U.S. Army and a first generation college student. While studying political science at GSU, he had the opportunity to meet with Bill Gates to discuss the complexity of financial aid in higher education, and in 2018, he worked as a field organizer for JB Pritzker's successful gubernatorial campaign. Kyle is a recent graduate eager to launch his own political career.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE CAS





“Once I made the decision, the transition from a community college to GSU couldn’t have been easier for me.” Kyle



GSU was built on the success of our **transfer students**. We know how to help you switch schools seamlessly so you can get on with your goals.

GSU’s Dual Degree Program lets community college students lock in today’s tuition rate. **Apply today and become part of the 85% of DDP students who have graduated or are on track to!**



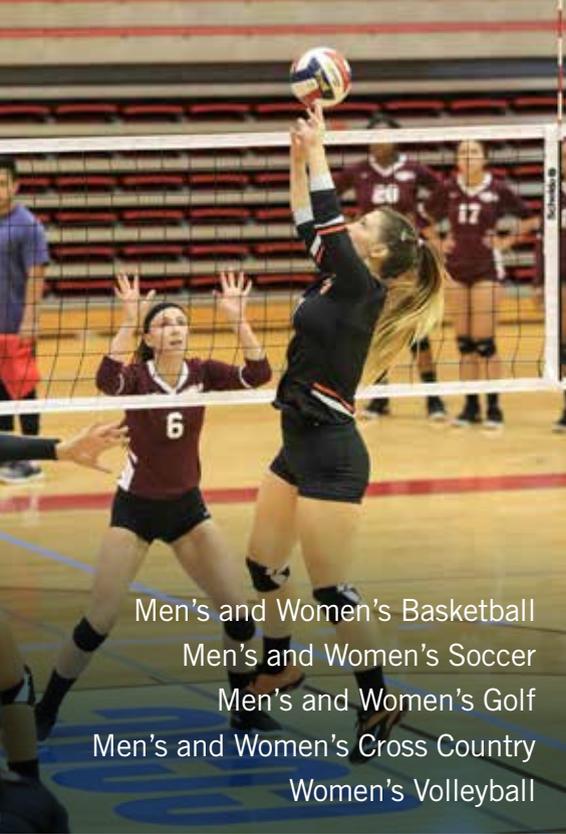
MAKE THE SWITCH EASY AND MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE



TRANSFER

- Tools to help make your transfer easy:
- » Transfer guides: govst.edu/transferguides
 - » Transferology planning tool: transferology.com/school/govst





Men's and Women's Basketball
Men's and Women's Soccer
Men's and Women's Golf
Men's and Women's Cross Country
Women's Volleyball



ON CAMPUS

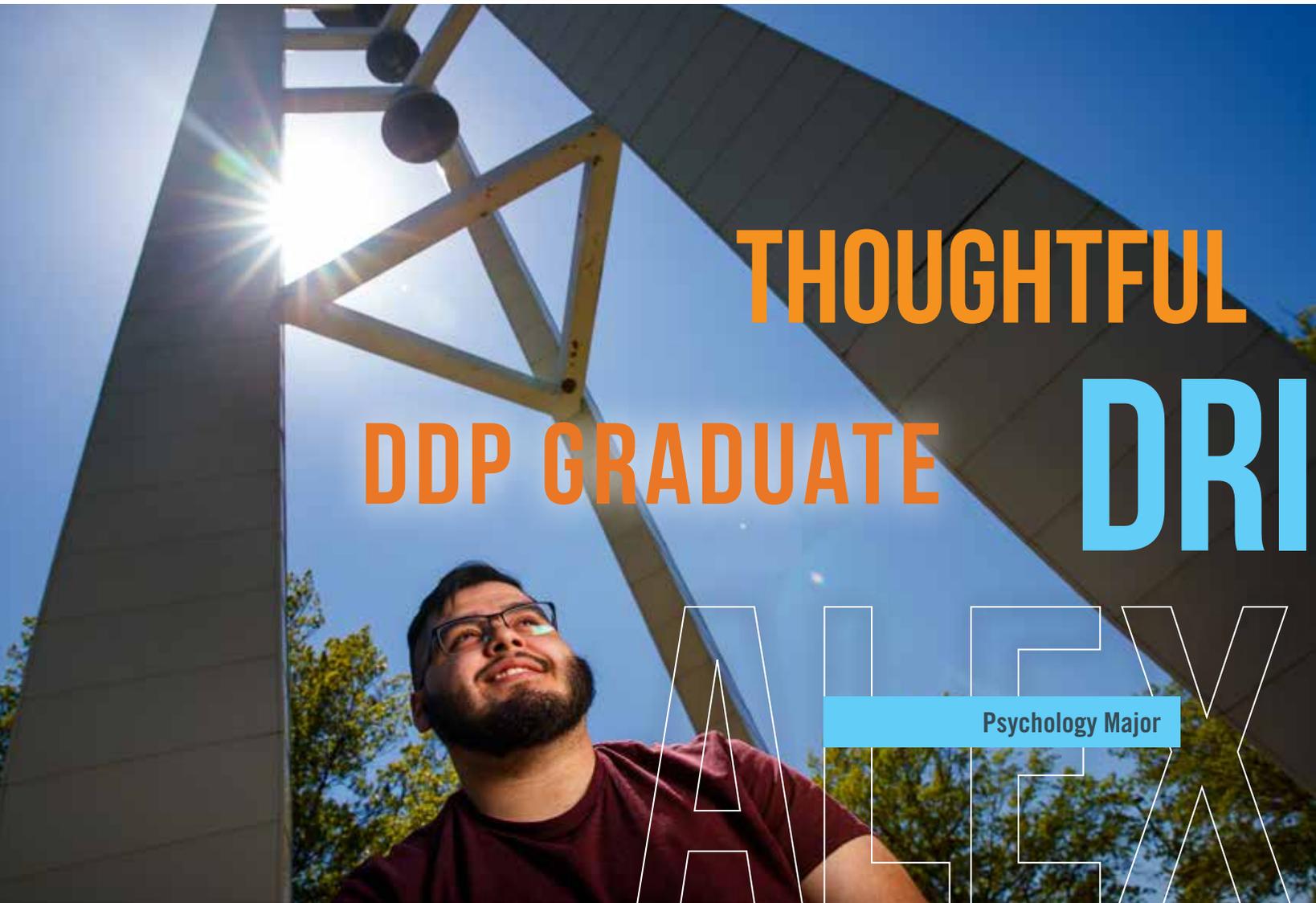
CULTURE

Apply for a creative arts
talent scholarship at
govst.edu/creativearts



-  3 stage productions produced yearly through GSU's Theatre and Performance Studies Program
-  Member of National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)
-  Award-winning Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park boasts 29 public art pieces





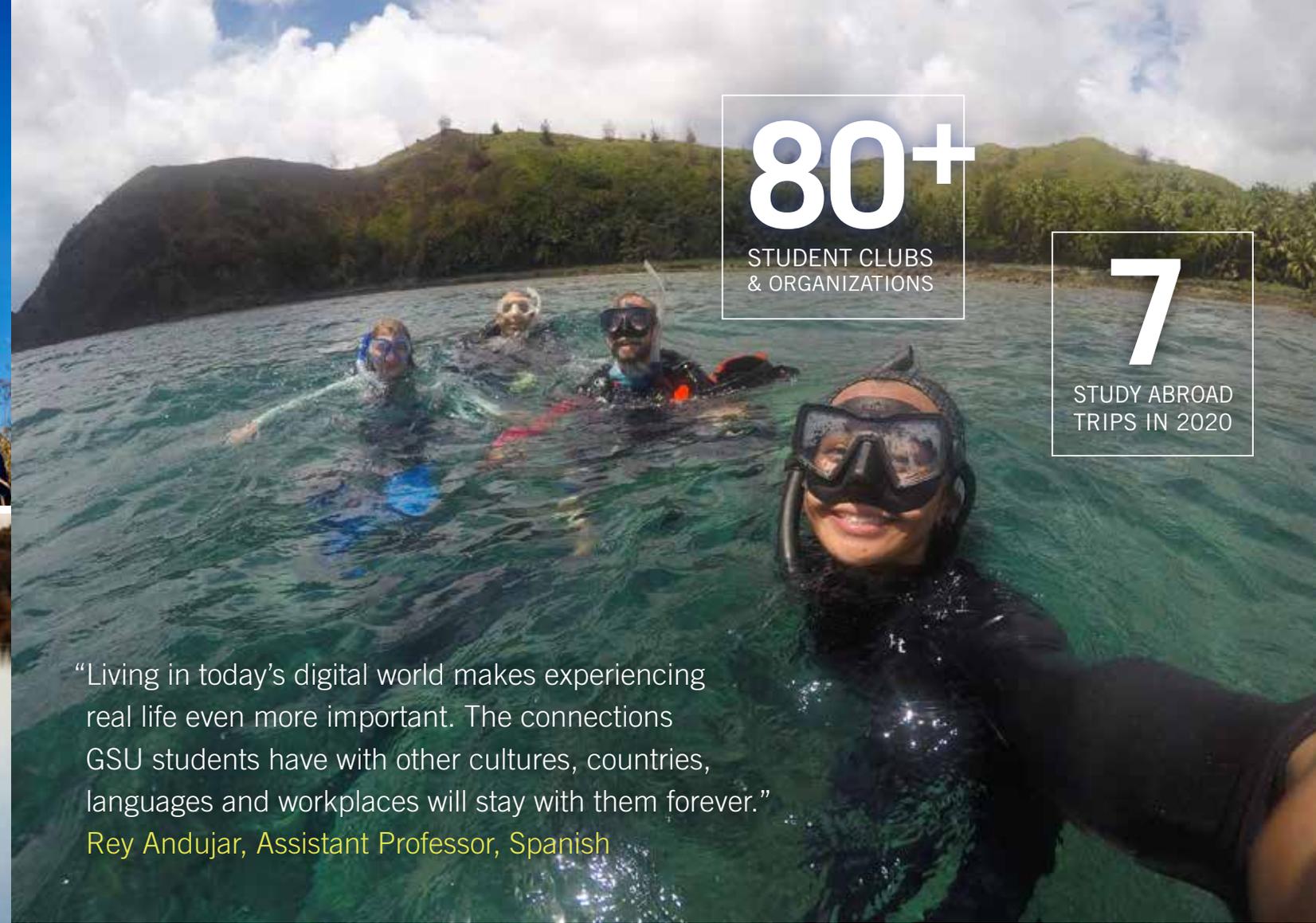
THOUGHTFUL
DDP GRADUATE
DRIVEN COMMITTED
BIG FAMILY

ALEX
Psychology Major

A passion for **learning** drives my purpose in **higher education**.

MSI SCHOLAR

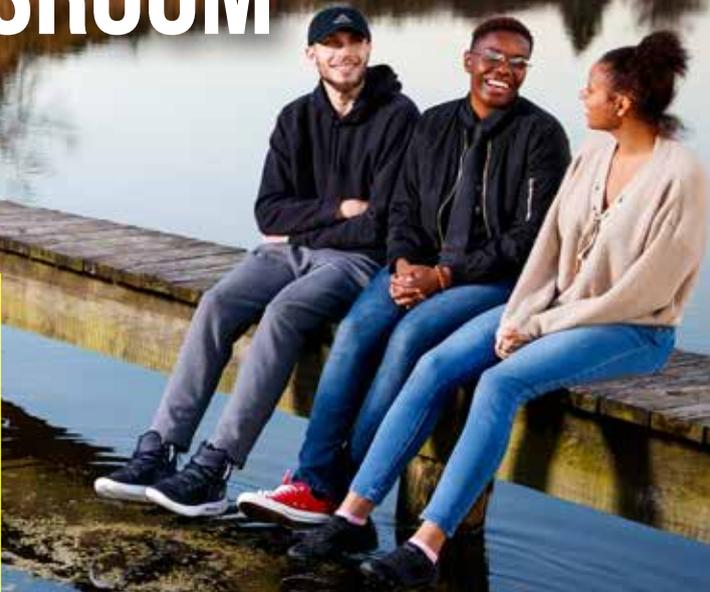
Alex is a first generation college student who comes from a big family and leads with his heart. A Male Success Initiative (MSI) scholar, Alex came to Governors State through the Dual Degree Program. He credits the program with helping him transition into academia and find his true calling. As a student transition assistant, he's helped other men of color do the same. After graduating in Spring of 2019, Alex began working with the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, helping high school students prepare for college.



80+
STUDENT CLUBS
& ORGANIZATIONS

7
STUDY ABROAD
TRIPS IN 2020

PASSION THAT EXTENDS OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM



“Living in today’s digital world makes experiencing real life even more important. The connections GSU students have with other cultures, countries, languages and workplaces will stay with them forever.”
Rey Andujar, Assistant Professor, Spanish

5 AIM HIGH Student Success Programs

Student Success Programs enrich your learning experiences to help you succeed and graduate. These include the Honors Program, Male Success Initiative, Transformational Leadership Program, Career Compass Exploration Program, and Scholar-Athletes.

Learn more: govst.edu/success



1,339 students
placed in
professional
internships



“I felt at home at GSU right away and being close to home helped. It gave me the opportunity to be involved on campus, work outside of school and spend time with my family.”

Alex



Learn about housing costs and options at govst.edu/PrairiePlace

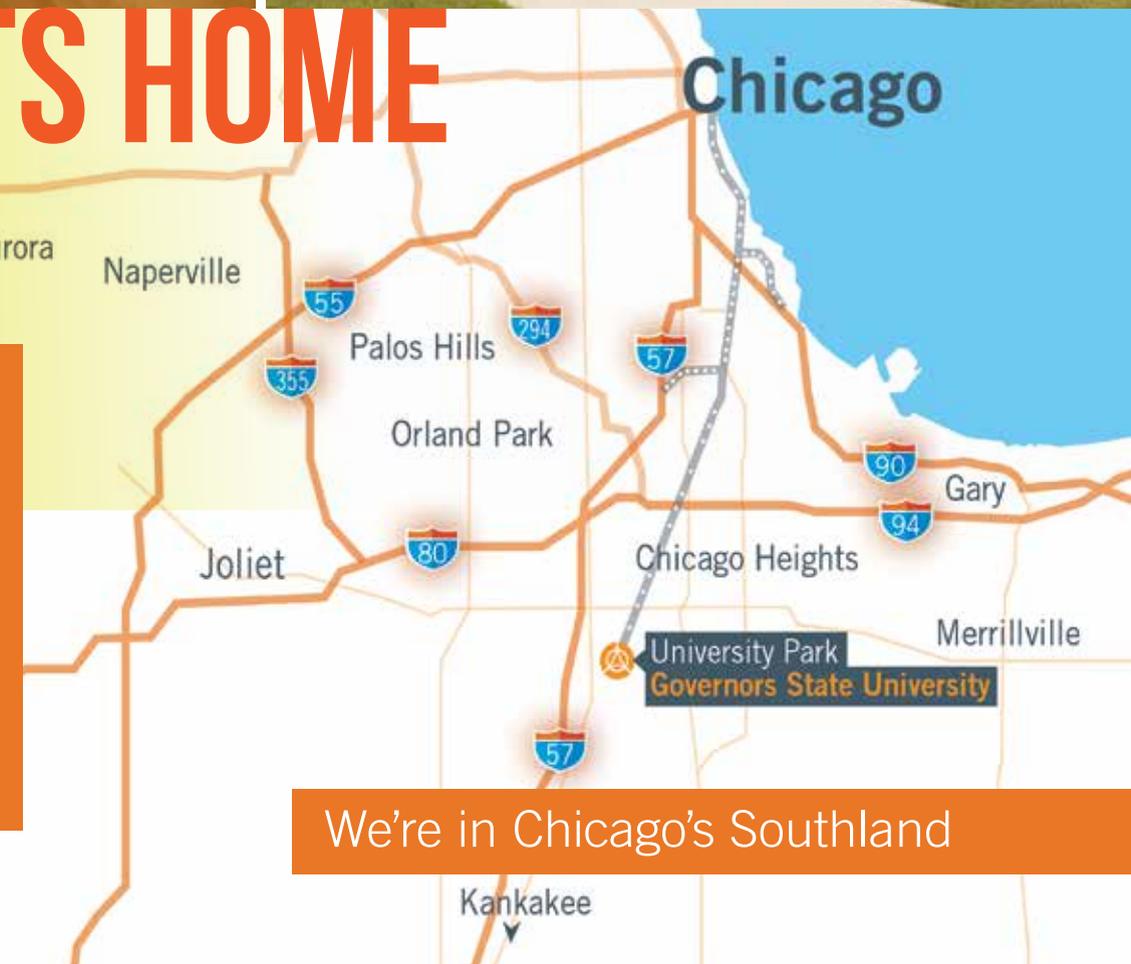
PURPOSE THAT HITS HOME



-  40 miles from downtown Chicago (1-hour Metra ride)
-  750 acre campus with walking paths, ponds & green study areas
-  #1 safest campus in Illinois
-  Neighboring communities with coffee shops, retail, dining, entertainment



- MILES TO GSU:**
- » Aurora (62 miles)
 - » Chicago Heights (7.5 miles)
 - » Downtown Chicago (36 miles)
 - » Gary, IN (31 miles)
 - » Joliet (24 miles)
 - » Kankakee (29 miles)
 - » Merrillville, IN (24 miles)
 - » Naperville (42 miles)
 - » Orland Park (20 miles)
 - » Palos Hills (22 miles)



We're in Chicago's Southland



My passion for **community** led to my purpose in **law**.

Kayla entered Governors State University through the Dual Degree Program. She graduated in 2014 with honors, before going on to obtain an MBA and law degree from the prestigious Emory University in Atlanta. Now an associate at one of Chicago's biggest law firms, Kayla works as a corporate attorney, negotiating deals for a variety of businesses in the city. She also acts as a mentor to students in need of the support and guidance she once craved.

CURIOUS

ADVOCATE
HIGH ACHIEVER
FRIEND
CONNECTOR
MENTOR

2014 Grad | Business Administration

KAYLA



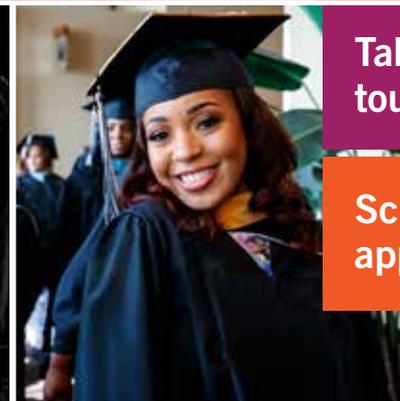


YOU CAN. YOU WILL.

FIND OUT HOW.



“Governors State University celebrates diversity, creativity, and continuity. We want our graduates to show up - not just to be present, but to be engaged and bring passion and commitment into everything they do.” *Elaine P. Maimon, President*



Take an in-person or virtual campus tour: govst.edu/tour. 

Schedule a pre-admission appointment: admission@govst.edu. 

“The faculty and staff at GSU were invested in my future. Professors reviewed my grad school applications. A personal mentor advised me through difficult decisions. They helped shape me, motivate me and make sure I was ready for the next level.”

Kayla



50 YEARS OF INNOVATION, 57,000 TOTAL GRADUATES

- 🌀 Career Services helped 1,181 job seekers in 2018 and hosted 100 programs/events featuring 86 employers
- 🌀 94% of students in jobs or grad school within 6 months of graduating
- 🌀 98% percent of GSU alumni live in Illinois, driving innovation and economic development throughout the state



YOUR CAREER STARTS HERE



Receive an on-the-spot admission decision:
govst.edu/instant-admissions.



In-state – Illinois & Indiana:

Tuition:*	\$9,390
+ Fees:	\$3,226
Total	\$12,616
+ Room & Board:**	\$8,102
Total	\$20,718

*Based on 30 semester hours Fall and Spring Semester

**Based on semi-suite double occupancy option and meal plan

Out-of-State:

Tuition:*	\$18,780
+ Fees:	\$3,226
Total	\$22,006
+ Room & Board:**	\$8,102
Total:	\$30,108

*Based on 30 semester hours Fall and Spring Semester

**Based on semi-suite double occupancy option and meal plan

AIM HIGH and you could get up to \$24,000 toward the cost of your tuition.

- » The freshman AIM HIGH awards range from \$12,000 to \$24,000 based on four years.
- » The transfer AIM HIGH awards range from \$3,000 to \$8,000 based on two years.

OCT 1ST

Apply for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Use GSU's Federal School Code **009145**.

NOV 1ST

Apply by November 1 to be eligible for GSU Presidential, Provost, and Deans scholarships – ranging from a full ride to \$28,000 award.

Learn more at govst.edu/scholarships.

\$1.4M
AWARDED IN
SCHOLARSHIPS

\$43K

AVERAGE STARTING
SALARY FOR A GSU GRAD

AN EDUCATION WORTH YOUR WHILE

Once you crunch the numbers, you'll realize you can't afford not to attend GSU.

Apply for GSU scholarships at govst.edu/scholarships 

READY TO APPLY?

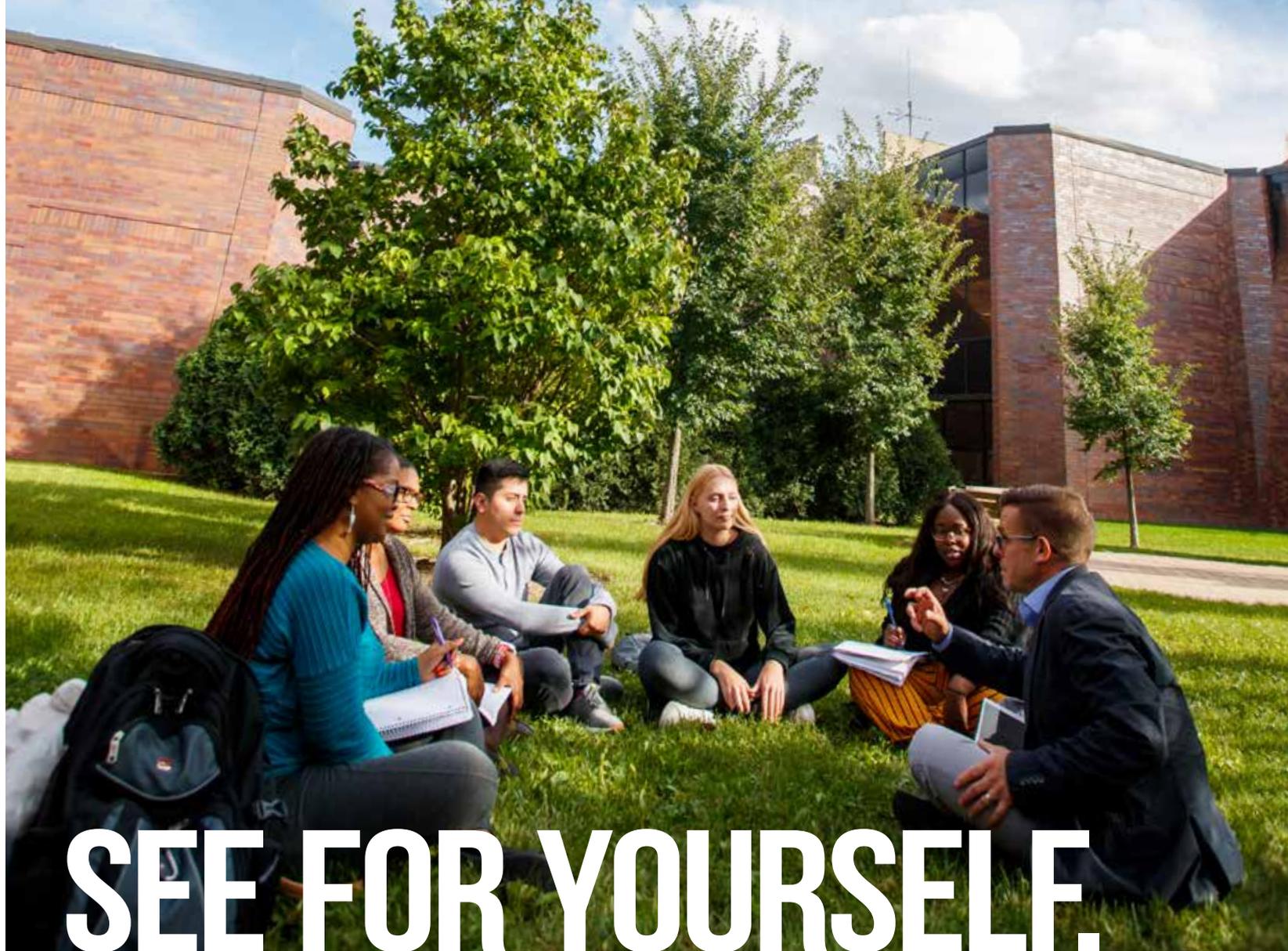


FRESHMAN

- 1 Visit applynow.govst.edu and submit the Freshman application.
- 2 Pay the \$25 application fee or send fee waiver.
- 3 Send official high school transcripts and official test scores to apotranscripts@govst.edu.

TRANSFER

- 1 Visit applynow.govst.edu and submit the transfer application.
- 2 Pay the \$25 application fee.
- 3 Send official transcripts from all colleges/universities previously attended.



SEE FOR YOURSELF



Attend an Open House: govst.edu/openhouse.



October 12	April 22
November 9	June 13
March 21	July 25

