



Cornell University

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Cornell University is a coeducational Ivy League school in Ithaca, New York. The university was founded in 1865. In addition to Cornell's more remote Ithaca campus, it also has a campus in New York City, a campus in Qatar, and a number of facilities around the world. The Qatar campus is home to the Weill Medical College, which was the first American medical school to open in another country. Cornell also has a number of other facilities spread throughout the world including the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico and laboratories in Peru.

One unique thing about Cornell is its use of quarters rather than semesters. Cornell has a strong focus on research and it is the fifth largest producer in the world of graduates who continue their education and earn PhDs in any field. The university has seven undergraduate colleges offering 70 majors in addition to a number of graduate programs.

The university's main campus is located on 745 acres. The Ithaca campus is in a more remote area, and beautiful nature spots can be found around the campus. All of the colleges at Cornell are independent; the colleges define their own academic programs and run their own admissions, but the university bestows all degrees. Research is an essential part of the university's mission. Cornell was a pioneer in the field of crash testing and has been involved in a number of unmanned missions to Mars.

Cornell is ranked among the top universities in the world. Over 60% of undergraduates go on to enter law school, medical school, or graduate programs. Some of its most regarded programs are architecture, interior design, and engineering. Its business school has also been ranked among the top in the country. Cornell has a variety of programs that focus on international studies and specific regions of the world.

Cornell is a member of the NCAA Division I Ivy League and has 36 varsity sports teams that participate in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference. Some of its more well-known sports include football, hockey, and polo. The university also has numerous club sports.

The university has about 13,931 undergraduate and 6,247 graduate students at Ithaca's campus. There are an additional 1,000 graduate student between the New York City and Qatar campuses. Cornell's student body is a diverse one with students from all 50 state and 122 countries. About 30% of undergraduates are minorities and 49% of undergraduate students are female. Cornell admits 19% of undergraduate applicants. The university admits students on a need-blind basis and is dedicated to ensuring students receive the financial aid they need.

Cornell has produced many notable alumni including a number of Congressmen, Dr. Benjamin Spock, a Supreme Court Justice, Toni Morrison, William Strunk Jr., and Keith Olbermann. There are 28 Rhodes Scholars and 41 Nobel Prize laureates associated with the university as alumni, researchers, or faculty. Additionally, affiliates of the university have been honored with numerous other awards. One of the top universities in the country, Cornell is dedicated to being an institution where students can study any subject.