

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY  
OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

**PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH PROFILE**

**2017**

# Iowa State University is the nation's most student-centered public research university.

Students participate in 800 student clubs and organizations, thousands of internship and co-op opportunities and 80 learning communities. Faculty and staff are dedicated to making the student experience rich in academic and social diversity.

The 1,900-acre Iowa State campus is recognized as one of the most beautiful in the country. *Buzzfeed* identified Iowa State as one of the five most beautiful campuses in the world, and the host community of **AMES >>** is ranked among the Best Places to Live by *Livability.com* and *Money Magazine*. *Livability.com* also selected Ames as No. 1 on its list of Best College Towns. With a population of 63,000, Ames is located in the center of Iowa, just 30 minutes north of Des Moines, the state capital and largest population and business center.

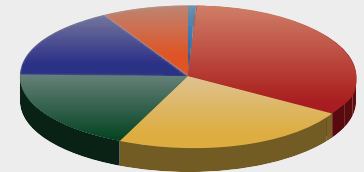
Iowa State's mission is to "Create, share and apply knowledge to make Iowa and the world a better place." In 2017, a new five-year **STRATEGIC PLAN >>** was launched to carry out the university mission.

Iowa State has a budget of nearly \$1.5 billion (FY2017), including state and federal funds, tuition and fees, contracts and grants, and auxiliary enterprises.

Within six months of graduation, more than 94 percent of Iowa State's graduates are employed or continuing their education.

## OPERATING REVENUES | FY 2016

TOTAL \$1,367,556,020



- FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS**  
\$15,366,850 (1.1%)
- TUITION AND FEES**  
\$446,153,980 (32.6%)
- CONTRACTS AND GRANTS**  
\$317,373,406 (23.2%)
- STATE APPROPRIATIONS**  
\$251,782,168 (18.4%)
- AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES**  
\$225,620,896 (16.5%)
- OTHER INCOME**  
\$111,258,720 (8.2%)

## STUDENT SUCCESS

The commitment to student success is reflected in eight years of **RECORD ENROLLMENT >>**. In fall 2016, Iowa State welcomed 36,660 students, and is the state's largest university. The student body represents every Iowa county, every U.S. state and 121 countries.

Iowa State recorded its highest one-year retention rate, 88.1 percent for the fall 2015 freshman class, as well as its highest six-year graduation rate, 74.3 percent for the fall 2010 entering class.

## FIRST-RATE FACILITIES

Research facilities, classrooms and student learning spaces are a priority at Iowa State, which has an inventory of 250 buildings. A five-story teaching and research facility is under construction on the north side of campus, along with a four-story biosciences addition on central campus. Construction on an \$84 million **STUDENT INNOVATION CENTER >>** kicked off this year. Recent projects include the renovation of historic buildings that house the Engineering and Agriculture and Life Sciences colleges, and the south end zone addition to Jack Trice Stadium. Construction and renovations are designed and built to achieve **LEED CERTIFICATION >>** status.

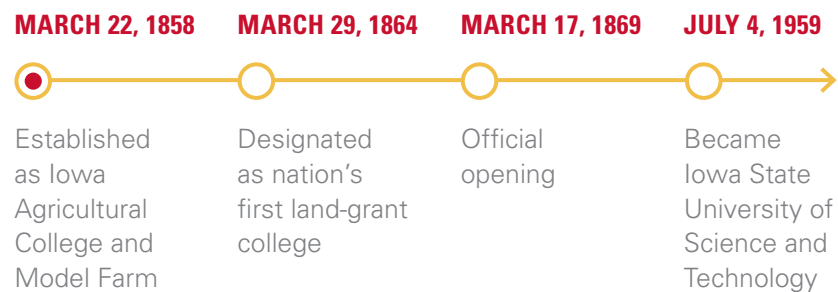
Iowa State maintains the largest residence hall department in Iowa. Annually, more than 12,000 students choose to live in one of 20 residence halls or five apartment complexes.





## LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITY

Iowa State is one of the nation's leading land-grant universities, and has an international reputation for preparing students to apply their knowledge to solve the world's problems and improve quality of life. The record shows that Iowa State graduates become early leaders in business, industry, education and service organizations worldwide.



## NATIONAL PROMINENCE

Iowa State is one of only 34 public institutions invited to membership in the Association of American Universities (AAU). Iowa State also is ranked in the top 30 percent of all U.S. public universities by *U.S. News & World Report*. Many academic programs are ranked among the top 50 in their fields. Iowa State has **EIGHT COLLEGES >>**: Agriculture and Life Sciences, Business, Design, Engineering, Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Veterinary Medicine and the Graduate College.



## RESEARCH

The research enterprise at Iowa State includes nearly 100 centers and institutes, world-class facilities and award-winning researchers and scholars, including seven current national academy members. Discovery and innovation are hallmarks of Iowa State. In 2015-16, Iowa State attracted nearly \$426 million in external funding with 59 percent of that earmarked for research projects.

Iowa State is the only university in the nation to house on its campus a U.S. Department of Energy research laboratory. The **AMES LABORATORY >>**, established in 1947, conducts world-class materials science research, and interfaces with Iowa State in many research areas.

Iowa State excels in putting university research to work in the marketplace. The university has been described as a “powerhouse” in **TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER >>**, ranking among the nation’s most prolific research licensing universities.

The first electronic digital computer was invented at Iowa State in the late 1930s by Professor **JOHN V. ATANASOFF >>** and graduate student Clifford Berry, and is known as the Atanasoff-Berry Computer (ABC). The reconstructed version of the ABC is on display at the Computer History Museum in Mountain View, California.





## ECONOMIC GROWTH

Iowa State promotes economic growth in Iowa by moving research ideas to the market, supporting creation of new companies, assisting existing companies and attracting companies to Iowa. The rapidly expanding Iowa State University Research Park has more than 65 tenants that employ over 1,700 people. Iowa State coordinates its **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT >>** activities out of a new facility in the heart of the research park.

Also housed in Iowa State's economic development center is the headquarters of the **CULTIVATION CORRIDOR >>**, an economic development initiative for Central Iowa focused on growing the region's agriculture, bioscience and technology sectors. Iowa State is a key partner in the Corridor.

## EXTENSION AND OUTREACH

With offices in all 99 Iowa counties, **ISU EXTENSION AND OUTREACH >>** annually provides research-based educational programs to more than one million residents, serving rural areas, small communities and urban areas.

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## DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Iowa State understands that the experiences and perspectives embedded in our differences result in richer and much more relevant outcomes, enhance our interactions and enrich our lives.

Diversity and inclusiveness have been hallmarks of Iowa State's land-grant heritage, as expressed in the university's

**PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY >>**

## ATHLETICS

Iowa State is a member of the Big 12 Conference, and competes in NCAA Division I athletics competition with 11 women's and seven men's **INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAMS >>**

Fans flock to Ames see the Cyclones compete. Football attendance has topped 50,000 in 39 consecutive games, with its season averages ranking among the top six in school history since 2011. Attendance at women's basketball games ranks third in the nation, and attendance at men's games ranks 16th. Fan support in the 14,000-seat Hilton Coliseum provides a distinct home court advantage known as "Hilton Magic."

Iowa State's student-athletes have the highest graduation rate in the Big 12 Conference at 75 percent.





## ALUMNI

Alumni and friends are powerful advocates for the university, supporting Iowa State with their time, talents and financial contributions. The **IOWA STATE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION >>** has nearly 53,000 members. More than 103,000 alumni live in Iowa, the largest number of any college or university in the state.



## ISU FOUNDATION

On September 30, 2016, Iowa State launched its largest-ever comprehensive fundraising campaign, “Forever True, For Iowa State,” with a goal of \$1.1 billion. Its priorities include ensuring an exceptional student experience, addressing global challenges and contributing globally to the social good with expertise, knowledge and values.

The campaign is administered by the **IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION >>**.





## ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Iowa State's commitment to art literacy and visual culture is evident throughout the campus, which boasts one of the nation's **LARGEST CAMPUS PUBLIC ART COLLECTIONS >>**.

The **IOWA STATE CENTER >>**, a three-building complex of performing arts and meeting facilities, annually draws touring orchestras, Broadway shows, dance performances and concerts.

The 17-acre **REIMAN GARDENS >>** serves as the south entryway to Iowa State. This garden masterpiece, which includes a Butterfly Wing and nationally recognized rose collection, reflects Iowa State's long-standing commitment to horticulture education.



# RESOURCES

[IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY >>](#)

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[STRATEGIC PLAN \(2017-2022\), MISSION AND VISION >>](#)

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[DESTINATION 2050 >>](#)

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[FOREVER TRUE, FOR IOWA STATE >>](#)

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[ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES >>](#)

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[BIG 12 CONFERENCE >>](#)

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[IOWA STATE FACT BOOK >>](#)

# AT A GLANCE

## FOUNDED

**1858**

AMES, IOWA  
(POP. 63,000)

## ACADEMICS

**10**

SCHOOLS /  
COLLEGES

**100**

MAJORS

## ENROLLMENT

**36,660**

(30,671 UNDERGRADS)

## FACULTY

**1,969**

MEMBERS

## STAFF

**4,490**

MEMBERS

## ATHLETICS

**BIG 12**

CONFERENCE

## EXTENSION AND OUTREACH

**99**

COUNTIES

## ALUMNI

**248,000**

IN 150 COUNTRIES