HARRIS-STOWE STATE UNIVERSITY

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Dear Prospective Student,

It is my great pleasure to welcome each of you to Harris-Stowe State University. We are excited to have you join our history of rich traditions. HSSU is a thriving institution of higher education at which you will be exposed to many exciting opportunities – both academic and extracurricular.

Founded more than 155 years ago, Harris-Stowe is one of Missouri’s oldest public institutions of higher education, offering 14 baccalaureate programs in the areas of education, business and arts and sciences. We look forward to hosting you as our new scholars.

Located in the heart of the city of St. Louis, Harris-Stowe has undergone massive campus expansion and is proud of its many recent additions that include both facilities and academic degrees.

We know you will find a degree program at Harris-Stowe that suits your interests and future career plans.

Our graduates have gone on to serve as federal judges, media and military professionals and health care administrators, to simply name a few. Harris-Stowe graduates are represented in numerous industries in various parts of the world, and we are so proud of their contributions to society and accomplishments!

It’s a great time to be a student at Harris-Stowe, and we are eagerly waiting your arrival to our campus. We are happy that you have decided to take an even closer look and even more pleased with the possibility of you joining our student body. With so many options available, we know that choosing a university is a huge decision. We are a unique institution committed to giving our students attentional resources needed to excel in a postsecondary environment. Each of our degree programs is nationally accredited and our dedicated faculty and staff will help you succeed in all of your endeavors. We encourage you to take advantage of all that HSSU has to offer!

Warmest regards,

Dr. Dwaun Warmack
President

Pivotal Years in HSSU History

1857
Harris Teachers College
The St. Louis Board of Education founds Harris Teachers College to prepare white teachers for white elementary schools.

1890
Stowe Teachers College
The St. Louis Board of Education renews the two Colleges, which became Harris Teachers College.

1938
Harris Teachers College
The St. Louis Board of Education changes the name to Harris-Stowe College.

1977
Historically Black College
Harris-Stowe College is named one of the nation’s Historically Black Colleges and Universities under the U.S. Department of Education.

1987
AT&T Library and Technology Resource Center
Construction of this building, formerly the Southwestern Bell Library and Technology Resource Center, begins.

1993
Vashon Community Center
Harris-Stowe receives the Vashon Community Center and its land for just $10 from the city of St. Louis.

1996
Emerson Performance Center
The College completes its fourth building, which houses the Board of Regents Gymnasium, the Bank of America Theatre and the Whitaker Foundation Art House.

2003
US Bank Entryway Arch
The College dedicates its new arch, emblematic of the great things that occur when you enter the arch.

2006
Rev. Dr. William G. Gillespie Residence Hall and Student Center
Harris-Stowe State University becomes a residential campus with the opening of its first-ever residence hall.

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Harris-Stowe opens the state-of-the-art William G. Clay Sr. Early Childhood Development/Parenting Education Center on its campus.

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Harris-Stowe breaks ground on its second residence hall and begins offering Bachelor of Science degrees in Biology and Mathematics.

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1979
The state of Missouri passes legislation that makes Harris-Stowe College a part of the state’s system of Public Higher Education.

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2005
The Anheuser-Busch School of Business opens in a temporary facility in the fall of 2005. On August 26, the College celebrates its official change to Harris-Stowe State University, and the former Vashon Community Center facility is officially listed by the Federal Government in the National Register of Historic Places.

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Academic Majors

As a college student, it is important to experience feelings of accomplishment and well-being. The Harris-Stowe State University family believes in creating an environment in which our students will blossom and gain meaningful experiences. By providing competitive degree options, along with numerous social, academic and athletic activities, Harris-Stowe fulfills its mission of providing an attractive and engaging learning experience for our students.

Like all exceptional institutions, Harris-Stowe State University requires a great deal of commitment from our scholars. Our degree programs are designed to prepare students to be viable on a global scale, thus enabling them to make positive and significant contributions within the metropolitan St. Louis area and beyond.

If you are a first-time freshman, transfer, international student or a professional in pursuit of a bachelor’s degree, we encourage you to explore the affordability, accessibility and diversity of HSSU.

ACCOUNTING
ACCELERATED BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
BIOLOGY
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
Entrepreneurship
Management
Marketing
CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Juvenile Justice
Policing
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
EDUCATIONAL STUDIES
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
HEALTH CARE MANAGEMENT
INFORMATION SCIENCES & COMPUTING
Computer Studies
Management Information Systems
MATHEMATICS
MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION
PROFESSIONAL INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES
SECONDARY EDUCATION
URBAN AFFAIRS
Public Administration
Urban Studies
Since its inception, the ABSB has undertaken many leadership initiatives not only to accommodate its students, but to serve the St. Louis metropolitan community and its surrounding areas. ABSB continues to successfully foster relationships with corporate entities so that students are exposed to real-world business situations and opportunities. Among the key historical initiatives are:

2001
Established the African-American Business Leadership Council (AABLC) as a major financial and program development source;

2006
Established an accelerated baccalaureate program: Adult Pathway to Success in Business, which is an evening/weekend business administration program for working adults with a minimum of four years of business experience and an associate of arts degree meeting the Missouri State General Education requirements or 60 semester hours from an accredited college or university;

2007
Established articulations with regional universities and collaborations with local, regional and national organizations, such as a VITA center/tax clinic on campus; Established several student chapters of national professional organizations, including the American Marketing Association, Financial Management Associations, Health Care Management Club, Accounting Students Association and Delta Mu Delta, the national honor society in business;

2008
Established the Center for Leadership Development and speaker series;

2009
Established the Bob Virgil Center for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development to educate the community on how to become successful in creating small businesses

The Anheuser-Busch School of Business is accredited by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) and International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE).
Originally founded as a Teacher Education institution, Harris-Stowe State University has more than 155 years of experience of preparing students to instruct in the classroom. Students receive a well-rounded educational experience that prepares them to become highly competent well-rounded educators who can adapt to any classroom situation. The nationally and state-accredited HSSU College of Education offers degree programs in Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education, Middle School Education, Secondary Education and Educational Studies.

The mission of the department is to prepare “Effective Teachers for a Diverse Society.” In alignment with the mission of the university and national and state standards, the unit demonstrates its commitment to preparing educators who have content-pedagogical mastery and who possess the knowledge, skills and dispositions to be effective classroom instructors.

The College of Education looks forward to continuing a legacy of excellence in exemplary teacher preparation for the local and surrounding communities, the state, the nation as a whole and a global society all encompassed.

College of Education

EARLY CHILDHOOD
This degree program prepares students to teach children (birth - grade 3) and consists of a general education foundation, a professional studies component and clinical experiences. Candidates will be prepared to enter an exciting profession that uses teaching methods and facilitates the growth and mental development of children.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
This degree program prepares students to teach at the elementary school level (grades 1-6) and consists of a general education foundation, a professional studies component, including content, methodology, clinical experiences and a 21-credit hour area of concentration.

MIDDLE SCHOOL EDUCATION
This degree program prepares students to teach at the middle school level (grades 5-9) in the subject areas of English, mathematics, social science or biology.

SECONDARY EDUCATION
This degree program prepares students to teach at the high school level, specifically grades 9-12. Students may concentrate their studies by selecting one of the following specializations: English, mathematics, social science or unified science: biology.

PROGRAM FEATURES
- Flexible class schedules, which includes evening and Saturday classes to accommodate the needs of students with full-time or part-time jobs;
- A strong curriculum to provide students with the skills necessary for successful teaching in the subject areas;
- Historic partnerships with P-12 schools facilitating practical field experiences;
- Focused class work, combined with mentored student teaching experiences, preparing highly effective teachers for our diverse society.

NATIONAL ACCREDITATION
All Teacher Education programs are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).
The College of Arts & Sciences offers degree programs in three separate departments: Behavioral and Social Sciences, Mathematics and Natural Sciences and Humanities. Harris-Street’s College of Arts & Sciences is making exceptional strides nationally and locally in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Criminal Justice
The program in Criminal Justice (CRI) has two concentrations, Law Enforcement and Juvenile Justice. These degree programs are designed to prepare students to meet the needs of the criminal justice and national security systems. The flexible curriculum provides each student with an understanding of how policies and practices of the justice system relate to our multicultural society. Career opportunities include, but are not limited to, becoming members of state or local police forces, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, private and public securities systems, juvenile officers, criminalists or attending law school.

Urban Affairs
The Urban Affairs (URAF) program provides the student with two areas of concentration, Urban Affairs and Public Administration. The degree program is not designed to provide direct entrance into any area of public education, but instead designed to equip the student with analytic and applied research skills, which are useful within the public, nonprofit and private sectors concerned with urban problems, urban development and community services. Students who major in this degree program have opportunities for entry-level positions in a variety of areas and organizational settings. Among these areas are nonprofit organizations, consulting firms, state and local agencies, policy analysts, staff assistants, urban planner, program developer or in the human service area and community development.

Professional Interdisciplinary Studies
The degree in Professional Interdisciplinary Studies (PRIS) offers students the opportunity to develop a customized plan of study from not less than two or more than three of the academic areas offered at the university. This approach allows the student to create a course of study tailored to their career and academic interests. For example, a student might combine study in psychology and management and organizational behavior in order to pursue an interest in human resource development or occupational counseling. The PRIS degree offers the student the opportunity to follow a variety of academic and occupational interests.

Biology
Students majoring in Biology may select one of three minors: Pre-med, which requires a minimum of 124 credit hours; Urban Ecology, which requires a minimum of 123 credit hours or General Biology, which requires a minimum of 125 credit hours.

Mathematics
Harris-Street’s Bachelor of Science in Mathematics provides an in-depth survey of a breadth of pure and applied areas of mathematics. The degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours and prepares graduates for a multitude of possibilities, including graduate school, actuarial scientific, statistical analyst, investment analyst and security analyst, to name a few.

General Education
By offering many of the general education courses at Harris-Street, the College of Arts & Sciences is the gateway to all degree programs at the university. Additionally, the department, in collaboration with the College of Education, provides course offerings in many areas of content knowledge concentrations, including the arts, computer education/technology, English, mathematics, music and natural sciences leading to B.S. degrees in Early Childhood, Elementary School, Middle School and Secondary Education.
Applicants seeking admission to Harris-Stowe State University must submit the following to be considered for admission:

**New and Transfer Students**
- A completed application for admission;
- $20 nonrefundable admissions application processing fee;
- Official high school transcripts or GED scores;
- Official ACT or SAT scores;
- Official transcripts from all colleges/universities previously attended.

**International Students**
- A completed online application for admission;
- $20 nonrefundable admissions application processing fee;
- Official high school transcripts translated in English;
- Official college/university transcripts translated in English;
- Official ACT or SAT scores;
- Official copy of Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores (required of all students for whom English is a second language);
- Notarized letter of support;
- Money on deposit of funds to the university to cover all tuition and fees for non-Missouri residents for at least two semesters.

To apply online visit the Harris-Stowe State University website at hssu.edu/admissions.

**Campus Visits**
We encourage all interested future students to meet with an Admissions officer and tour our campus. A campus visit can provide an important exchange of information in the admission process.

To schedule a campus visit contact the Office of Admissions at:
3026 Laclede Avenue, HGA 009
St. Louis, MO 63103
(314) 340-3300
Admissions@hssu.edu
Financial assistance is an important factor to consider when selecting a college and when planning how to fund your education. Many students and their families may face financial challenges in regards to being able to fully fund tuition and other costs related to attending college without the option of financial assistance.

The Office of Financial Assistance can provide assistance in completing financial aid applications and providing information about available aid. There are several options to consider such as grants, scholarships, federal and private guaranteed student loans, work study and college employment positions.

Once the need is calculated, the student is awarded and mailed a financial assistance award letter which the student must sign and return to the Office of Financial Assistance.

How Assistance is Determined

Federal financial assistance is awarded based on financial need as defined by Congress. The information you report on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or renewal application is used in a formula that calculates your Expected Family Contribution (EFC). The EFC is an amount you and your family are expected to pay toward your education.

The Cost of Attendance (COA) minus the EFC equals your financial need. The COA includes the cost of tuition, fees, housing and food allowances, books, supplies, child care, costs related to a disability and miscellaneous expenses.

How to Apply

In order to apply and be eligible for financial assistance at Harris-Stowe State University, students must:

1. Must be admitted to the university as a degree-seeking or initial certification student prior to being awarded financial assistance;
2. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a renewal application on the Internet;
3. Complete a Harris-Stowe State University Financial aid application, which may be downloaded online. This form can also be obtained from the Office of Financial Assistance and mailed in;
4. Contact the Office of Financial Assistance three to five days after receiving a Student Aid Report (SAR) from the student aid processing center, Or email us at financialaid@hssu.edu that your FAFSA has been accepted;
5. Comply with all requests for additional documents required by federal regulations;
6. Make satisfactory academic progress.

Scholarships and Awards

Please see the below regarding scholarship and award information for first-time freshmen and transfer students.

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<td>- GPA of at least 3.5 and an ACT of at least a 26 on the ACT Exam</td>
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Continuing students should contact the Office of Financial Assistance for scholarship information.
There are academic clubs to join, such as Math Club and Pre-Law Club, and for those students who shine academically, there are a number of honor societies in which to be inducted such as the honor society for Education, Kappa Delta Pi and Sigma Tau Delta, the international English honor society. Embrace your artistic side by joining the Art Club or the Concert Chorale. Greek life is prominent on campus with nine fraternities and sororities to pledge.

With seven athletic teams, there are plenty of opportunities to cheer on the home team, the Hornets, as well as intramural sports to compete against your peers and even faculty and staff.

Every year, Harris-Stowe celebrates Homecoming with a parade, dance and tailgate party, along with many other festive events. With so many outside events held on campus too, campus life is always exciting.

**Clubs and Organizations**

- African-American Studies Society
- Art Club
- Campus Activities Board (CAB)
- Campus Religious Life
- Collegiate 100
- Concert Chorale
- Dream Team
- Entrepreneurs Club
- Financial Management Association (FMA)
- Freshman Class
- Gospel Choir
- Guitar Club
- Campus Geniuses
- Harris-Stowe Players
- Honda Campus All-Stars
- Hornets Paintball Club
- HSSU Cheerleaders
- HSSU Flag Corps
- HSSU Honeycomb Dance Team
- HSSU Intramurals
- HSSU Marching Hornets
- Internship's Harambee Christian Ministers
- Junior Class
- Majestic Assembly
- Multicultural Association
- President’s Student Advisory Council
- Residence Hall Council
- Sophomore Class
- Student Ambassadors
- Student Community Service Corps
- Student Government Association (SGA)
- Student Investment Club
- Student Recruitment Unit
- Student Peer Support Group
- Student Tutoring Program
- Students Working Against Trauma (SWAT)
- SUCCESS (Students Using Characteristics of Christ to Endure Stressful Situations)
- Welcome Week Committee

**Greek Organizations**

- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.
- Intra Phi Theta Fraternity Inc.
- Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.
- Omega Alpha Pi Fraternity & Ministry
- Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc.
- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc.
- Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity Inc.
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.
- Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc.
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.

**Academic Clubs and Honor Societies**

- Alpha Chi
- American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE)
- American Marketing Association (AMA)
- Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP)
- Delta Mu Delta
- Kappa Delta Pi (International Education Honor Society)
- Math Club
- Missouri Student Teacher Association (MSTA)
- Pre-Law Club
- Sigma Tau Delta (English Honor Society)
- Together Educating Active Community Helpers (TEACH)
- Urban Education Specialists

**HSSU Affiliate Groups**

- HSSU Alumni Association
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- Student Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
- Student United Way

With a student center that includes a game room, gymnasium, workout facility and volleyball court, among many other fun features on campus, there are an abundance of activities and classmates ready to socialize. Through the multitude of student activities also available, there are plenty of opportunities to meet new people and to get involved at HSSU.
Harris-Stowe State University sponsors both intercollegiate and intramural athletic teams and prides itself on boasting many Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athletes and American Midwest Conference (AMC) All-Conference athletes each year. The HSSU Department of Athletics is committed to providing a competitive, culturally diverse, and gender-equitable sports program that operates within the rules and regulations of the university, the AMC and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

The Department of Athletics is housed in the Emerson Performance Center. The facility includes a basketball court and a state-of-the-art fitness center.

### Intercollegiate Teams
- Men’s Soccer
- Women’s Soccer
- Women’s Volleyball
- Men’s Basketball
- Women’s Basketball
- Men’s Baseball
- Women’s Softball
- Cheerleading

### Intramural Leagues
- Men’s Flag Football
- Women’s Flag Football
- Co-ed Basketball
Named for Harris-Stowe State University’s longest-serving regent, the Rev. Dr. William G. Gillespie Residence Hall and Student Center opened in August 2006. Gillespie Hall houses 228 students in four-bedroom suites, equipped with a common living and dining area, kitchenette and two bathrooms. Additional amenities include a workout facility and laundry room.

Many other amenities are just seconds away on the first floor of the residence hall: the dean of Student Affairs, Office of Student Activities, Counseling and Health Services offices, game room, computer lab and university Bookstore, all of which are open to residents and nonresident students of Harris-Stowe.

Harris-Stowe State University’s newest residence hall opened fall 2011 and includes 198 beds for freshmen students. All freshmen will enjoy suite-style facilities, which include a furnished living room, kitchenette, dining area and private bathrooms. Some of the suites are single-bed suites, with a private bedroom for each student, and others are double-bed suites in which two students share a bedroom. Every floor includes a lounge, and two quiet study rooms in each wing.

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Residential Life

Residence Hall Amenities

- Private furnished bedrooms, which include:
  - Bed
  - Dresser
  - Desk
  - Upholstered chair
  - Ceiling fan
- High-speed Internet
- Cable television
- Private phone line
- Full bathrooms
- Furnished living area
- Kitchen furnished with the following:
  - Microwave
  - Refrigerator
  - Garbage disposal
- Roommate matching service
- Fitness facility
- Laundry facility

Student Center Amenities

- Commons area
- Game room
- Health center
- Vending area
- Computer lab
- Spacious lobby
- Conference/meeting area
- Sand volleyball court
- Wireless Internet hotspot
- On-campus parking
- Bookstore
- 24-hour emergency maintenance

The Dr. Henry Givens Jr. Administration Building, which houses most classes and university offices, is only a two-minute walk from both Gillespie and Bosley Hall. For more information about Residential Life, contact us at (314) 340-5300 or at residencelife@hssu.edu.
Career Services

Resources are available in the Office of Career Services to provide students with information about occupations, career fields, resume writing, job search strategies, interviewing techniques, labor market trends and employers. Individual career counseling appointments can be made for assistance with issues such as exploring career alternatives, career transitions, internship opportunities, resume development, interviewing skills and job search strategies.

Each spring, a teacher career fair and a general career fair are held to assist students with meeting employers who are hiring for co-ops, internships and career positions. Because Harris-Stowe was founded as a Teacher Education institution, Career Services also hosts an annual teacher interview day specifically for the students and alumni of its longest-established degree program.

The Office of Career Services schedules employers for on-campus information sessions, recruiting and interviewing.

See for yourself!

See for yourself what Harris-Stowe State University has to offer. The only way to truly determine is to schedule a visit to our campus. You can tour the campus with a current student, visit with faculty or an athletic representative or schedule an appointment with an Admissions officer. Below you will find a list of pertinent numbers and contact information that will help you begin your rewarding journey at Harris-Stowe State University.

Office of Admissions (314) 340-3300
Office of Academic Advisement (314) 340-3307
Office of Financial Assistance (314) 340-3500
Office of the Registrar (314) 340-3900
Athletic Department (314) 340-5721

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