



DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

INTERNATIONAL VIEWBOOK

DSU.EDU | MADISON, SOUTH DAKOTA





DAKOTA STATE QUICK FACTS

- Founded in 1881
- Total Student Population: 3,509
- Placement in a job or graduate school after graduation from DSU 99.7% (class of 2022)
- Located in Madison, SD
- Madison Population: 6,097





ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

TECHNOLOGY

Artificial Intelligence, B.S. ■□

Computer Science, B.S. ■□

Artificial Intelligence-Machine Learning Specialization ■□

Software Engineering Specialization ■□

Cyber Leadership and Intelligence, B.S. ■□

Digital Forensics Specialization ■□

World Affairs and Human Behavior Specialization ■□

Cyber Operations, B.S. ■□

Network & Security Administration, B.S. ■□

HEALTH

Exercise Science, B.S. □

Health Informatics & Information Management, B.S. ■□

BUSINESS

Artificial Intelligence in Organizations, B.S. ■□

Business, B.B.A. ■□

Accounting Specialization ■□

Business Technology Specialization ■□

Finance Specialization ■□

Management Specialization ■□

Marketing Specialization ■□

Computer Information Systems, B.S. ■□

Application Development Specialization ■□

Business Analytics Specialization ■□

Project Management Specialization ■□

DIGITAL MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS

Computer Game Design, B.S. □

Digital Arts and Design, B.S. □

Computer Graphic Specialization □

Digital Sound Design Specialization □

Production Animation Specialization □

English, B.S. □

MATH & SCIENCE

Biology, B.S. □

Integrated Biology Specialization □

Mathematics, B.S. □

Information Systems Specialization □

Cryptography Specialization □

List of Fast-Track (4+1) programs and Education
Endorsements can be found online at dsu.edu/majors.

■ Online | □ Main Campus

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PRE-PROFESSIONAL TRACKS

Accelerated Nursing □

Allied Health ■□

Athletic Training □

Chiropractic □

Dentistry □

Medicine □

Occupational Therapy □

Optometry □

Pharmacy □

Physical Therapy □

Physician's Assistant □

ASSOCIATE

Business Analytics, A.S. ■□

Business Management, A.S. ■□

Digital Accounting, A.S. ■□

General Studies, A.A. ■□

Health Informatics & Information Management, A.S. ■□

Network & Security Administration, A.S. ■□

Project Management, A.S. ■□

Software Development, A.S. ■□

Web Development, A.S. ■□

MASTERS

Analytics and Applied Artificial Intelligence, M.S. ■□

Computer Science, M.S. ■□

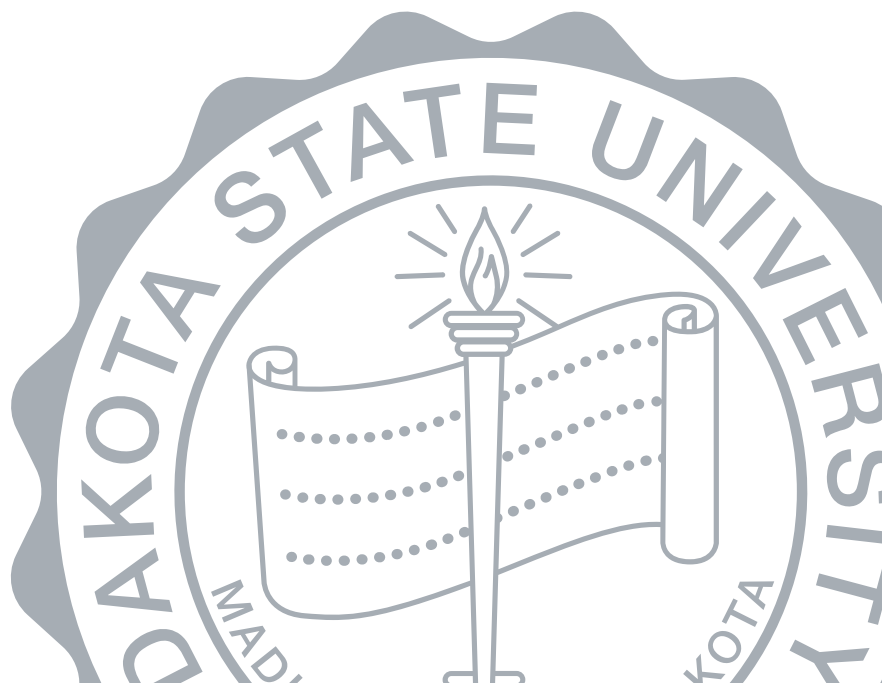
Cyber Defense, M.S. ■□

Information Systems, M.S. ■□

DOCTORAL

Computer Science, Ph.D □

Information Systems, Ph.D. ■



DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY CLUBS &

13 COMPETITIVE SPORTS

Men's

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Football
Indoor Track & Field
Outdoor Track & Field

Women's

Basketball
Cross Country
Softball
Indoor Track & Field
Outdoor Track & Field
Volleyball

Co-Ed

Esports

CO-CURRICULAR

DSU Association for Information Systems Club (AIS)
Computer Club
CybHER Club
English Club/Sigma Tau Delta
Exercise Science Club
Game Design Club
Math Club
Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Business Club
Teachers of Tomorrow

HONOR SOCIETIES

Beta Beta Beta (TriBeta) Biological Honor Society
Delta Mu Delta
Kappa Sigma Iota (KSI)
National Society of Leadership and Success

INSTITUTIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

DSU Live
Music @ DSU
Student Activities Board
Student Ambassadors
Student Association Senate

STUDENT MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS

KDSU (Campus Radio Station)
Trojan Times (Campus Newspaper)



ORGANIZATIONS

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Cornhole
Spikeball
Coed Volleyball
5v5 Football
Kickball
Gaming
Ultimate Frisbee
Wiffle Ball
Ping Pong Double
Ping Pong Single
Boardgames
Pool Double
Pool Singles
Coed 4v4 Basketball
Coed 5v5 Basketball
5v5 Soccer
4v4 women's basketball
4v4 women's volleyball

SPECIAL INTEREST

The Alliance (Gender & Sexuality Alliance)
American Association of University Women (AAUW) Club
Art Club
Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU)
Collegiate Entrepreneurship Organization (CEO)
DSU Esports Club
Fellowship of Christian Athletes
DSU Flight Zone
Gaming Club
Gardening Club
International Club
Lights, Camera, Action (LCA) Film Club
Malware Club
Native American Student Association
Newman Club
Photography Club
Powerlifting Club
DSU Soccer
DSU Space Club
Stomp Out Stigma (S.O.S.)
Student Veterans of America
Swimming Club
Tennis Club
DSU Theatre Club
DSU Trojans Cricket Club
World Languages Club





The International Club is an all-inclusive organization that welcomes everyone, whether your home is local or outside of the U.S. The club's programs and activities are focused around increasing cultural exchange and providing opportunities for students, faculty, staff, and the Madison community to better their cultural understanding.

As a member of this club, you will help shape and form its' future.





2025-2026

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE

Main Campus Undergraduate Estimated Tuition and Mandatory Fees for Non-Resident F-1 students:

CREDITS	TUITION
1	\$409.25

*You are required to take a minimum of 12 credits each semester but can take up to 18 credits.

- » 12 credits= \$4,911.00
- » 15 credits= \$6,138.75
- » 18 credits= \$7,366.50

Main Campus Graduate Tuition and Mandatory Fees for Non- Resident F-1 students:

CREDITS	MASTERS	PHD
1	\$681.85	\$713.55

* You are required to take a minimum of 6 credits each semester.

- » 6 credits= \$4,091.10 (Masters)
- » 6 credits= \$4,281.30 (PhD)

Off Campus/Online Rates:

CREDITS	UNDERGRAD NR CSC COURSES	GRADUATE NR CSC COURSES
1	\$480.70	\$623.75

* There are strict requirements regarding how many online/distance courses F-1 student visa holders can enroll in.

UNDERGRADUATE	12 credits (3 can be online)	15 credits (3 can be online)	18 credits (3 can be online)
GRADUATE	9 credits (3 can be online)	12 credits (3 can be online)	15 credits (3 can be online)

ON CAMPUS UNIVERSITY FEES:

General Activity Fee\$41.65

OTHER MANDATORY FEES AND CHARGES

FEES CHARGED PER CREDIT:

Art, Music, & Theater\$16.70
Business\$30.90
Computer Science\$74.10
Math\$16.70
Science\$22.25
Physics\$21.60

FEES CHARGED PER CLASS/SEMESTER:

Wireless Computing Fee..... \$426.00
Soph/Jr Field Experience \$179.00
Senior Field Experience \$358.00
International Student Fee/semester \$200.00
(excludes summer)

ON-CAMPUS RESIDENCE HALLS:

Double Occupancy-Room.....\$2,430.00
Single Occupancy-Room\$3,043.00
Apartments 8 plexes Double.....\$2,941.00
Apartments 8 plexes Single.....\$3,323.00
Courtyard Double.....\$2,563.00
Courtyard Single\$3,175.00
Courtyard Suite Double\$2,857.00
Courtyard Suite Single\$3,223.00
Residence Village Suite\$3,295.00
Residence Village Apartment\$3,531.00

MEAL PLANS:

Trojan Basic Plan (\$400 in flex) \$1,576.00
Dakota 145 (\$250 in flex) \$1,823.00
Dakota 225 (\$150 in flex) \$2,151.00
Big Blue (\$100 in flex) \$2,251.00
Trojan Upper Class (\$500 in flex)..... \$1,147.00
Little Blue Univ. Apts. (all flex) \$ 402.00

Additional fees may be assessed for special services or courses. Fines may be assessed for failure to comply with University policies as stated in the DSU catalogs, student handbook, or other publications. This schedule does not include all rates set by the Board of Regents. Special rates may apply to certain students. Remedial Courses charged at the self-support rate are MATH 021, 093, 095, and ENGL 033. Other remedial courses may be created as needed. All incoming degree-seeking students must take the Enhanced ACT or ACT COMPASS exam to evaluate math, reading, and writing skills. Students will be placed in remedial courses as needed based upon these exams.

Undergraduate International Student Application Instructions

For priority consideration, all completed certified true application materials must be submitted to Dakota State University's International Programs Office by June 15. Documents should be accompanied by official English translations if they appear in another language. Please read all information carefully and call us if you need better explanation of anything. **denotes transfer student information.

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Term (application deadline)	Undergraduate
Fall admission (June 15)	Yes
Spring admission (November 15)	Yes

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION:

The online application form must be completed (<https://apply.sdbor.edu/login.cfm>) and the non-refundable application fee of \$20 must be paid before an application can be reviewed. You can submit your payment using a debit or credit card at the end of the application.

OFFICIAL SECONDARY OR HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS/RECORDS/TRANSCRIPTS:

Official academic records, such as transcripts or diplomas, attesting to the applicant's secondary or high-school education must be sent directly to Dakota State University if they are recorded in English. Secondary or high-school academic records in any other language must be sent from the institution attended to an evaluation service used by Dakota State University as listed below. Admission requires a GPA of 2.6 on a 4.0 scale.

NOTE: DO NOT SEND THE EVALUATION APPLICATION FEES TO DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY.

Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. (ECE)
PO Box 514070
Milwaukee, WI 53203-3470 USA
Tel: 414-289-3400 Fax: 414-289-3411
www.ece.org

World Education Services (WES)
P.O. Box 745 – Old Chelsea Station
New York, NY 10113-0745
Tel: 212-966-6311 | Fax: 212-739-6139
www.wes.org

****OFFICIAL POST-SECONDARY/COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY CREDENTIALS/RECORDS/TRANSCRIPTS:**

Official academic records, such as transcripts or diplomas, attesting to the applicant's post-secondary or college/university education from outside the United States must be evaluated by ECE. A catalog match evaluation must be sent directly to Dakota State University. Admission requires a GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. Official transcripts must be sent directly from post-secondary or college/university to Dakota State University, as well.

OFFICIAL SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test) and ACT (American College Test) SCORES:

Achieve an ACT composite score of 18 or above OR the SAT Reasoning Test Math and Critical Reading sub-scores total 870 or above.

To locate an SAT Testing Center, click here: <http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/find-representatives>
To locate an ACT Testing Center, click here: <http://www.actstudent.org/regist/outside/>

National Exam Reports

National Exam Reports must be accompanied by Examination and Scratch Card Details for score verification. We require an average score of C4 for admission.

English Language Proficiency

To study at Dakota State University, you must be able to understand lectures in English from the first day of classes. Because of this expectation, if your native language is not English, you are required to submit one of the following test scores. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS), PTE Academic, or provide alternative evidence of English language proficiency.

For Admission

TOEFL	Undergraduate	Graduate
Internet-based (iBT)	71	76
Paper-based	525	
IELTS		
Overall Band	6.0	6.0
PTE Academic		
Overall Score	52	

For Registration

TOEFL: www.toefl.org

IELTS: www.ielts.org

PTE Academic: www.pearsonpte.com

Alternatives to TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE Academic

While a valid, TOEFL, IELTS, or PTE Academic score can satisfy Dakota State's English language proficiency requirement, this requirement can also be met through the following alternatives:

You have earned at least one of the following:

- An associate or bachelor's degree from a U.S. institution of higher education within the past two years.
- Course equivalency of Dakota State's first-year (freshman) sequence, English 101 and 201, at another US university or community college (not English as a Second Language courses). You must provide an official transcript showing a minimum grade of C or better on BOTH subjects. You must not have been absent from the US for more than one year from the time you finished English 201 and your first semester at Dakota State University.
- Graduation from a US high school following three years of continuous enrollment.

Proof of English proficiency is not required of applicants from the following countries:

Anguilla	Ghana	South Africa
Antigua/Barbuda	Grenada	St. Helena
Australia	Grenada	St. Kitts & Nevis
Bahamas	Guam	St. Lucia
Barbados	Guyana	St. Vincent
Belize	Guyana	Trinidad & Tobago
Bermuda	Ireland	Turks & Caico
British Guyana	Isle	United Kingdom
Canada (Except Quebec)	Jamaica (other West Indies)	Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands	Liberia	
Dominica	Montserrat	
Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)	New Zealand	

You have earned a minimum score from one of the following tests:

Test/Program	Minimum Score
SAT Critical Reading & Writing	870 Combined Score
ACT English	18 or above
*General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) or *International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) Examinations	C English language (not English as a Second Language)
WAEC, NECO	C4 or better in English (not English as a Second Language)
*Arrange to send the official examination result directly from the examination council to Dakota State University in a sealed envelope. Or, the official document may be attested and verified by the high school principal, headmaster, or an administrator at the US Education Centers in your country (www.educationusa.state.gov). Unattested photocopies or documents that have been faxed or scanned are not acceptable.	

The following documents must be submitted before an I-20 is issued:

- Immunization Records showing 2 MMR's
- Official bank statements and a completed Certificate of Financial Responsibility (CFR)

To avoid any delays in receiving your I-20 and admission package, please send ALL documents at once.

Food Service At DSU

The Marketplace (cafeteria/dining hall)

The University Marketplace, located in the Trojan Center and operated by Sodexo, is the campus dining room and is just a short walk from the surrounding residence halls. It features an all-you-can-eat style of dining, which allows you to pick and choose a variety of options with one payment upon entering. To meet your diverse interests, the Marketplace offers an expanded style of service including comfort, exhibition station, deli, soups, salads, pizza, grill, and fresh baked goods.

Hours of Service (Friday close at 7 p.m.)

Monday-Friday: Breakfast 7:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. | Lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. | Light Lunch 1 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. | Dinner 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Lunch 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. | Dinner 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Sunday: Lunch 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. | Dinner 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

We accept Trojan Silver, Meal Plan Flex, Cash and Credit Card.

The Queue & Bits N' Bytes Convenience Store

Also available in the Trojan Center is The Queue, a made to order grill with along with brewed coffee, espresso, and non-coffee specialty drinks. Also located in the Trojan Center is Bits N' Bytes convenience store. Bits N' Bytes offers a wide variety of food, drinks, and other miscellaneous items.

How to Pay

Meal Plan

A meal plan is a pre-paid account for your on-campus meals. At the start of the term, you pay for all the meals you will eat in the dining hall. You'll then swipe your student ID card every time you enter a dining area, and the value of your meal will be deducted from your account. Your student ID can also be on your phone, please visit dsu.edu/trojancard for more information.

Meal Plan Flex Dollars

Flex is a pre-paid debit card plan that is designed to eliminate the need to carry cash with you all the time. This is the perfect plan if you live in the halls and want to supplement your meal plans, or, if you commute but want to enjoy a convenient meal or snack before class. Your student ID card is encoded with the appropriate account information, which makes it easy to purchase any item from food services at any DSU dining location. Your Flex account balance is automatically reduced as purchases are made.

Trojan Silver

Trojan Silver is a prepaid, stored-value debit program. The money loaded onto your University Card is the funds you actually spend; there are no hidden fees or costs. Your student ID can also be on your phone, please visit dsu.edu/trojancard for more information. Your balance will carry over from semester to semester and year to year. Trojan Silver is accepted at the following locations:

On Campus:

- Bits N' Bytes Convenience Store
- Concessions
- The Queue
- Marketplace
- Production Center
- Trojan Zone Bookstore
- Vending machines
- Other DSU vendors

Off Campus Merchants

- Classic Corner
- Dairy Queen
- Sundog Coffee
- Prime Time Tavern
- Pizza Ranch
- Scooter's Coffee
- Stadium Sports Grill
- The Office Bar and Grill
- Taste and See

You may put money on your card by using cash, check, debit or credit card at the Student Services Center. Otherwise, you may access the online e-Accounts free service to put money on your card, check your funds, add to your funds, or deactivate/reactivate your card. To do this, please visit <https://sdeast-sp.blackboard.com/DSU/AnonymousHome.aspx> and register yourself as a user.

Resident Life

The department of residence life respects the well-being and individuality of each student by providing a safe community that enhances social, educational, and leadership opportunities.

We fulfill this mission statement by:

- Providing renovated facilities in all residence halls that enhance the living and learning environment
- Establishing student run hall councils designed to develop leaders in a dynamic and interactive community
- Hiring professional live-in staff and student staff members with exceptional knowledge and training, who are committed to assisting students in developing life skills that compliment academic success
- Working cooperatively with support services designed to assist students in their ability to succeed

Development of Residents

Our goal is to help make the transition to our campus as seamless as possible, so that students don't feel overwhelmed or unprepared. Our First Year Residence Experience (FYRE) will help students transition into college life.

The Department of Residence Life engages students in out-of-class learning opportunities and partners with academic counterparts to influence their success within the classroom. We define the social, educational, and leadership objectives of our residents through the seven concepts of leading, engaged, respectful, prepared, independent, sensible, and well.

Encouraging a sense of community within the Residence Halls is important and helps establish a support system and place of belonging. Making students feel that they have a voice and a community is an essential part of our residence halls. Community can only be effectively established if there is respect for all parties involved. We define the social, educational, and leadership objectives of our residential community through five concepts: just, purposeful, governed, respectful, and celebrative.

Residence Halls

Emry Hall

- Built in 1968
- Houses upper-class students and is a co-ed hall
- One floor dedicated to students in FYRE program
- A/C, kitchens, laundry facilities, lobby, vending machines

Higbie Hall

- Built in 1965
- Kitchens, laundry facilities, lobby, and vending machines

Richardson Hall

- Built in 1971, Richardson is the largest hall on campus
- Houses upper-class students and is a co-ed hall
- A/C, Kitchens, laundry facilities, lobby, and vending machines

Zimmerman Hall

- Built in 1964
- Houses male students, FYRE students and first-time college students
- A/C, Kitchens, laundry facilities, lobby, and vending machines

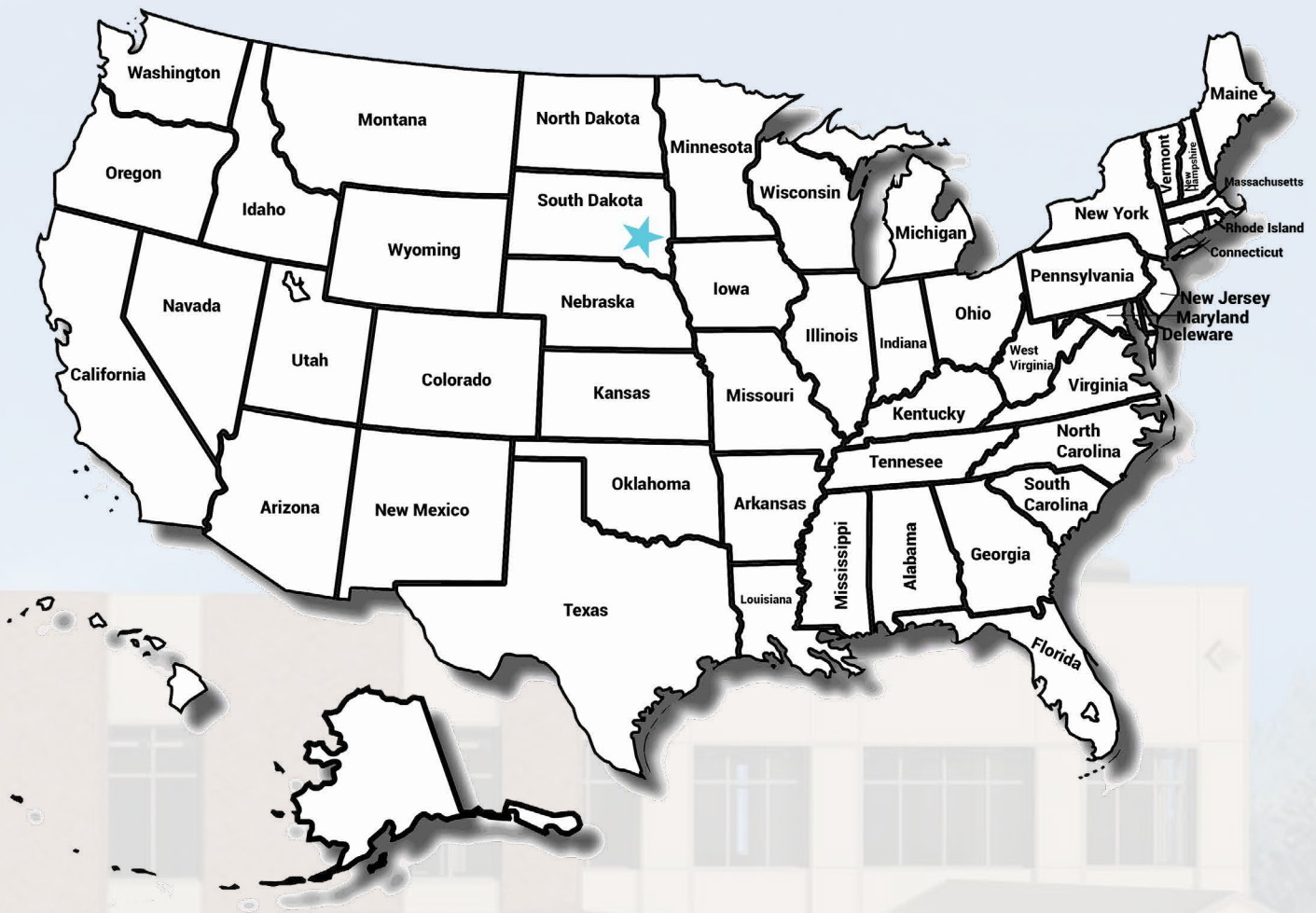
The Courtyard

- Renovated in 2017
- Community restrooms-private toilet and shower units
- Kitchens, laundry facilities, lobbies, outdoor courtyard

8-Plexes

- Built in 2001
- Each apartment complex has eight 3-bedroom units, units may be co-ed
- Kitchens, laundry facilities, living rooms, WI-FI, cable, alcohol privileged if all occupants are 21 or over

View more about DSU housing at <https://dsu.edu/student-life/housing/index.html>



A safe place
to call home

Madison is a town of approximately, 6,097 people. It's nestled between two lakes and is 50 miles northwest of Sioux Falls – South Dakota's largest city. Madison is vibrant, safe, and is full of small town charm, with the amenities of a big city. Making Madison your new home couldn't be easier.



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