



Samuel Merritt University

Facts 2022-2023

Inception

Current Programs



1991	Bachelor of Science in Nursing
1993	Master of Science in Nursing – Post Professional Family Nurse Practitioner
1994	Master of Science in Nursing – Nurse Anesthesia
1994	Master of Occupational Therapy
1996	Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing – Case Management
1997	Master of Science in Nursing – Post Professional Case Management
1999	Master Physician Assistant
1999	Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner
2002	Doctor of Physical Therapy
2002	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
2005	Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing
2011	Doctor of Nursing Practice
2015	Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner
2016	RN to BSN
2016	Doctor of Occupational Therapy
2022	Doctor of Nursing Practice – Anesthesia
2022	Doctor of Nursing Practice – Psychiatric Mental Health
2023	Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology
2023	Master of Science in Nursing – Clinical Leadership Education
2023	Master of Social Work



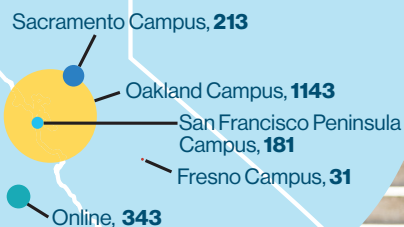
Founded in
1909



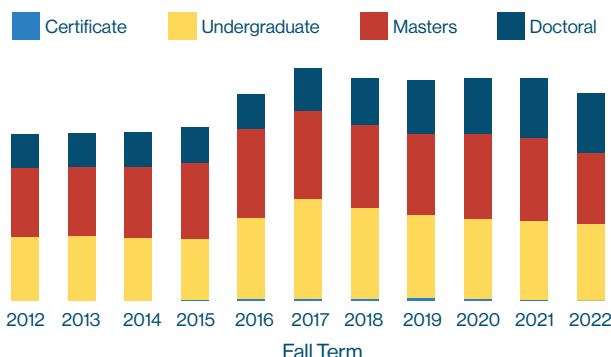


Headcount Enrollment by Campus, Fall 2022

Total = 1911



Headcount By Degree Level, Fall 2012-2022



Year	Certificate	Undergraduate	Masters	Doctoral	Total
2012		584	641	305	1530
2013		589	636	317	1542
2014		574	658	321	1553
2015	7	556	704	326	1593
2016	18	738	820	331	1907
2017	18	919	808	396	2141
2018	15	843	756	440	2054
2019	23	768	736	502	2029
2020	10	736	783	521	2050
2021	4	728	763	553	2048
2022		704	655	552	1911

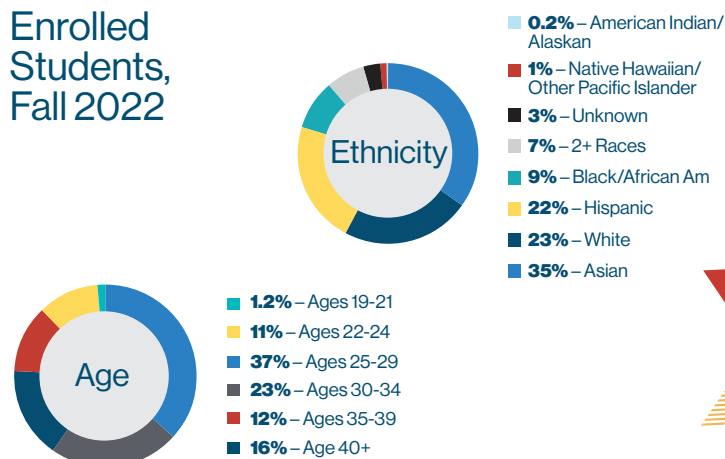
Headcount Enrollment by Program, Fall 2022

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing	328
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	263
RN to BSN	83
Undergraduate non-degree seeking	30
Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing – Case Management	116
Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner	164
Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner	175
Master of Science in Nursing – Nurse Anesthesia	53
Master of Science in Nursing – Post Professional Case Management	2
Master of Occupational Therapy	19
Master Physician Assistant	126
Doctor of Nursing Practice	41
Doctor of Nursing Practice – Anesthesia	27
Doctor of Nursing Practice – Family Nurse Practitioner	84
Doctor of Nursing Practice – Psychiatric Mental Health	8
Doctor of Occupational Therapy	107
Doctor of Physical Therapy	141
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	144
Total	1911

Headcount Enrollment and FTE by Term

	Undergraduate	Masters	Doctoral	Total
Fall 2022 headcount	704	655	552	1911
Fall 2022 FTE	651.40	623.00	526.33	1800.73
Spring 2023 headcount	747	551	534	1832
Spring 2023 FTE	681.30	537.83	470.50	1689.63

Enrolled Students, Fall 2022





56%

Disadvantaged/
Underrepresented
Students

Students with at least one of the categories of economically, educationally, or environmentally disadvantaged or from underrepresented backgrounds in 2021-2022.

Entering Students' GPAs, Fall 2022 (Average)

Accelerated/Bachelor of Science in Nursing	3.36
RN to BSN	3.23
Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing	3.20
Master of Science in Nursing - Family Nurse Practitioner	3.31
Master Physician Assistant	3.35
Doctor of Nursing Practice	3.60
Doctor of Occupational Therapy	3.37
Doctor of Physical Therapy	3.36
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	3.33

Student Satisfaction with Academic Experience

Likert scale 1 to 5 (student satisfaction/agreement)



SMU embraces diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) and takes actions to address DEI issues



Instructors in my program are accessible and supportive



My program is preparing me to succeed in the profession

Source: Student Climate Survey



18%

First in family to attend college



12%

Students with children

Top 5 Reasons to Attend SMU

Academic Program Reputation

Location

University Philosophy

Campus Facilities

Personalized Service

Source: Entering Students Survey



Student Success

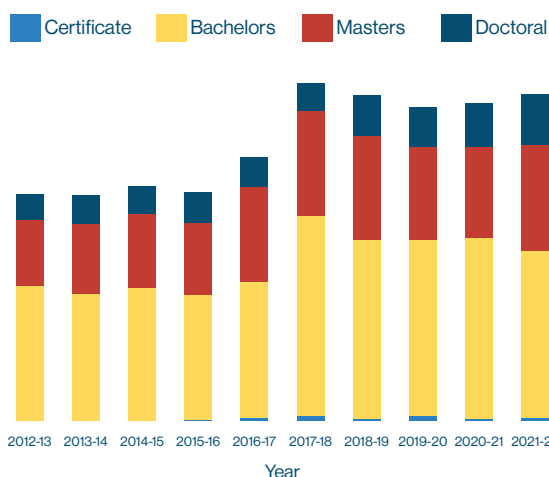
First Year Retention Rates by Program, 2021-2022 Cohort

Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing	98%
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	100%
RN to BSN	86%
Master of Science in Nursing	89%
Master Physician Assistant	95%
Doctor of Nursing Practice	81%
Doctor of Occupational Therapy	100%
Doctor of Physical Therapy	98%
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine	98%
All Programs	95%

Degrees Awarded, 2021-2022

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN)	425
RN to BSN (BSN)	60
Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate (Certificate)	6
Master of Science in Nursing – Case Management (MSN)	45
Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner (MSN)	175
Master of Science in Nursing – Nurse Anesthesia (MSN CRNA)	27
Master Occupational Therapy (MOT)	11
Master of Physician Assistant (MPA)	47
Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)	24
Doctor Occupational Therapy (OTD)	35
Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)	46
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM)	45
Total	946

Degrees Awarded, 2012-2022



Fall Term	Certificate	Bachelors	Masters	Doctoral	Total
2012-2013		390	190	75	655
2013-2014		367	202	84	653
2014-2015		383	213	82	678
2015-2016	1	362	209	87	659
2016-2017	7	392	276	89	764
2017-2018	13	577	306	80	976
2018-2019	4	516	302	119	941
2019-2020	13	510	268	117	908
2020-2021	5	522	264	128	919
2021-2022	6	485	305	150	946

Licensure Pass Rates, First-Time Takers, 2022

	SMU	National
Bachelor of Science in Nursing/Accelerated (NCLEX)	79%	82%
Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing (NCLEX)	86%	82%
Master of Science in Nursing–Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (NBCRNA)	81%	83%
Master of Science in Nursing–Family Nurse Practitioner (ANCC** and AANP)	88%	86%
Doctor of Nursing Practice–Family Nurse Practitioner (ANCC** and AANP)	100%	86%
Master Physician Assistant (PANCE)	87%	92%
Master of Occupational Therapy (NBCOT*)	80%	95%
Doctor of Occupational Therapy (NBCOT*)	97%	98%
Doctor of Physical Therapy (NPTE)	80%	85%
Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (APMLE-PART II)	84%	88%

(*) All test-takers; (**) ANCC National Pass Rates only

3.7

Average GPA for SMU's 2020-2021 graduating class across all programs



93%

Average graduation rate for the past three years

Employment Details

Source: 2021-2022 Alumni Surveys

State of Employment



88 % California
12 % Outside of California

Location of Primary Worksite



68 % Urban



30 % Suburban



2 % Rural

Primary Job Responsibilities



92 % Direct Patient Care



5 % Management



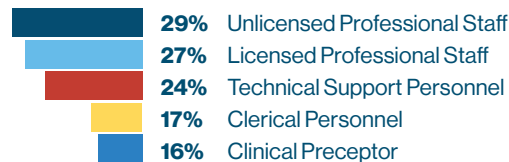
3 % Education

86 %

Employers say that SMU graduates are "Often to Always" preferred among other candidates.
Source: 2020-2021 Employer Survey

Supervisory Role

Types of personnel supervised by SMU graduates:



Note: SMU graduates can have multiple supervisory roles.

19 %

Graduates are employed in Medically Underserved Areas/Populations (MUA/P) designated worksites



19 %

Graduates are employed in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA) designated worksites

Employer Ratings of Graduates

% rating SMU graduates "very good or excellent".

Flexibility and Adaptability **93 %**

Functions as a team member who contributes to the attainment of departmental/organizational goals **93 %**

In comparison with other employees in your organization **86 %**

Dependability and Attendance **79 %**

Source: 2021-2022 Employer Survey

#1



In 2021, Samuel Merritt University was ranked No. 1 in the U.S. for early-career salary prospects for graduates with a bachelor's degree, as reported by Forbes.

#1



In 2021, Samuel Merritt University was named the best college in California for getting a job by the career research website Zippia.

Reasons Why Students Recommend SMU

Excellent Faculty • Academic Programs • Clinical Experiences
Strong Reputation • Supportive Environment

Financials

Over \$44 million in endowment funds available for the benefit of students and university operations

Application Process | Priority filing date for FAFSA: March 2. FAFSA accepted on a rolling basis. Notification of awards on a rolling basis beginning April 1.

Scholarships and Grants (2021-2022)

Types: Federal (Pell, SEOG), State (Cal Grants A and B), college, and private grants; Federal, state, college, and private scholarships; Merit and need-based scholarships

\$500 to \$61,000

Range of undergraduate scholarship and grant aid

\$500 to \$40,000

Range of graduate scholarship and grant aid

\$6,673,789

Total scholarship and grant aid awarded to undergraduate students

\$4,288,591

Total scholarship and grant aid awarded to graduate students

85 %

Undergraduate students who received some form of financial aid/assistance

90 %

Graduate students who received some form of financial aid/assistance

Loans (2021-2022)

Types: Stafford, NSL, PLUS, Perkins, HPSL, state, school, private; deferred payment plans are available

\$1,000 to \$96,000

Range of loans to undergraduates

\$1,000 to \$119,000

Range of loans to graduates

\$27 million

Total loan funds awarded to undergraduate students

\$62.9 million

Total loan funds awarded to graduate students

69 %

Undergraduate students who received loans

75 %

Graduate students who received loans

Student Employment (2021-2022)

10.11 %

Full-time students who worked on campus through Work/Study program

\$1,740

Average amount earned by students through Work/Study program



Donor Spotlight

Samuel Merritt University (SMU) has received a \$10 million gift from the estate of esteemed alumnus and podiatrist Russell Odell Lewis, DPM '65, to fund endowed scholarships for SMU's Doctor of Podiatric Medicine students as well as students in the College of Nursing. <https://smu.pub/3YHj207>

\$10M

Faculty and Staff



65%

Full-time Faculty with Terminal Degree



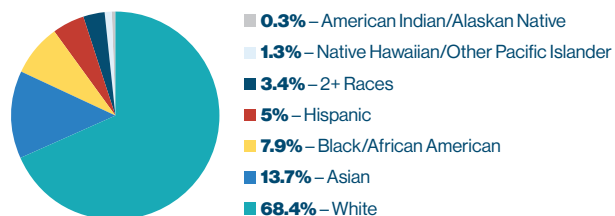
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Faculty-to-student clinical ratio across all programs

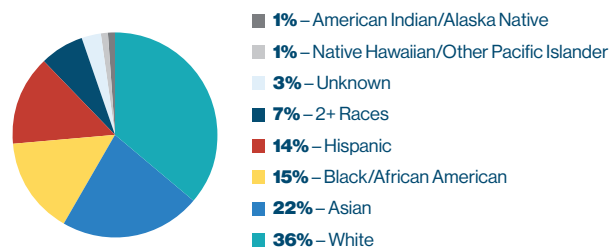
Faculty Profile, Fall 2022

	Professor	Associate Professor	Assistant Professor	Instructor	Adjunct Faculty
College of Nursing	6	8	63	28	130
College of Health Sciences	9	8	26	8	64
College of Podiatric Medicine	3		14		4
Health Sciences Simulation Center	1	1	7		
Total	19	17	110	36	198

Faculty, Fall 2022



Staff, Fall 2022



Recent Student/Faculty Collaborative Work in Clinical and Community Service Settings

1 Dr. Adrienne Martinez-Hollingsworth found that if a provider is engaged and empathetic, it tends to offset a patient's burnout. The more a provider shows they care, the more the patient wants to go the extra mile for their own health and to support the relationship with their provider. <https://smu.pub/3SIYjg6>

2 Surani Hayre-Kwan, DNP '19, was one of four nurses in the country to win the 2021 DAISY Nurse Leader Award in Policy. She was selected for her work to preserve state funding that provides dental care to low-income residents, which provides dental care for more than 32,000 low-income patients, many children, enrolled in Denti-Cal. <https://smu.pub/3kmeFc5>

3 As an African American man entering a specialty where only 12% of practitioners are people of color, and 2% are Black or African American, **Iman Mattox, ABSN '18, MSN-CRNA '23**, is helping to diversify the CRNA field in more ways than one. <https://smu.pub/3EdMEKs>

4 SMU's Community Participant Lab (CPL) is offering free OT services to adult community members to gain increased independence in activities of daily living, while OT students gain skills by applying their prior years of training. <https://smu.pub/419Cd4G>



Other Highlights



Samuel Merritt University to Build Flagship Campus in Oakland City Center

The new campus, to be built on land once part of the Oakland City Center Redevelopment Plan, will act as the flagship campus and central hub of SMU, complementing their already cutting-edge facilities in Sacramento, Fresno, and the San Francisco Peninsula.

<https://smu.pub/3I7Ouhb>

225,000

Number of square feet for the new 10-story high-rise building slated to open in January 2026



41,000

Number of square feet allotted for simulated lab space

Health Sciences Simulation Center

The Health Sciences Simulation Center (HSSC) offers state-of-the-art facilities for simulation-based learning, which is a core part of the SMU curriculum. SMU students consistently rate their HSSC learning experiences as very effective in enhancing their clinical practice.



HSSC Student Survey

Simulation enhances my ...

Agree or Strongly Agree

Ability to prioritize actions	97%
Clinical assessment skills	94%
Awareness of possible patient outcomes	97%
Ability to provide safe patient care	98%
Overall sense of confidence	97%

Technical skills

Medical and surgical procedures

Critical thinking

Decision making

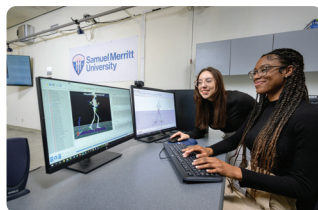
Teamwork

Leadership and communication



Motion Analysis Research Center

The Motion Analysis Research Center (MARC) offers SMU students and faculty opportunities to collaborate in a state-of-the-art research and teaching facility for the study of human motion.



Center for Community Engagement

The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) integrates community-centered research, teaching, and learning to promote a healthy community at SMU and in the broader health sciences field.



300+

Under-represented middle school and high school students visit SMU campuses each year to learn about healthcare careers



50+

Volunteer opportunities each year for students, staff, and faculty



5000+

Under-resourced community members receive health screening and health education each year

SMU Libraries 2022

Books/Monographs	13,342
Bound Journals	16,935
Electronic Journals	4,905
Audio/Video Materials	2,916
Online Subscribed Databases	22
Electronic Books	8,023



Organization	Address	Program/Facility	Last Visit	Next Visit
WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)	1001 Marina Village Parkway, Suite 402 Alameda, CA 94501, 510.748.9795	Institutional Accreditation for Samuel Merritt University	2020	2030
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE)	4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200 Bethesda, MD 20814, 301.652.2682	Entry-level Master's Degree Program in Occupational Therapy (MOT)	2018	2028
		Entry-level Doctoral Degrees Program in Occupational Therapy (OTD)	2018	2023/2024
California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN)	P.O. Box 944210 Sacramento, CA 94244, 916.322.3350	Baccalaureate Program in Nursing (BSN)	2020	2030
		Master's Degree in Nursing (MSN)	2020	2030
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)	One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530 Washington, DC 20036, 202.887.6791	Baccalaureate Program in Nursing (BSN)	2020	2030
		Master's Degree in Nursing (MSN)	2020	2030
		Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)	2017	2027
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE)	American Physical Therapy Association 1111 North Fairfax Street Alexandria, VA 22314, 703.706.3245	Entry-level Doctoral Degree Program in Physical Therapy (DPT)	2017	2028
Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs (COA)	222 South Prospect Avenue Park Ridge, IL 60068, 847.692.1160	Master's Degree Program in Nurse Anesthesia (MSN) and Anesthesia – Doctor of Nursing Program (DNP)	2014	2024
Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARCPA)	12000 Findley Road, Suite 150 Johns Creek, GA 30097, 770.476.1224	Entry-level Master's Degree Program for Preparation of Physician Assistants (MPA)	2019	2029
Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)	9312 Old Georgetown Road Bethesda, MD 20814, 301.581.9200	Doctoral Degree Program in Podiatric Medicine (DPM)	2022	2027
Society for Simulation in Healthcare	2021 L Street, NW, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20036, 866.730.6127	Health Sciences Simulation Center (HSSC)	2022	2027

*The baccalaureate degree programs in nursing/master's degree programs in nursing/Doctor of Nursing Practice programs and/or post-graduate Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) certificate program at Samuel Merritt University are accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (www.ccneaccreditation.org).

Governance & Leadership

Governing Board

Sixteen-Member Board of Regents

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Mission >> Samuel Merritt University educates students to become highly skilled and compassionate healthcare professionals who positively transform the experience of care in diverse communities.

Vision >> Samuel Merritt University will become nationally recognized as a premier, multi-specialty health sciences institution. Expert faculty and staff will shape an inclusive learning environment where all students experience best teaching practices and state-of-the-art learning approaches. The University will select and support students who will flourish in the rigorous academic programs, learn to practice expertly, and pass licensure or certifications examinations on first attempt.

Values >> At Samuel Merritt University, we value:

- a learning environment where we challenge ourselves and our students to think critically, seek mastery, and act compassionately;
- a collegial environment where we are fair, respectful, and behave with integrity;
- a collaborative environment where we partner with one another and with others in the community;
- an innovative environment where we take reasoned risks and move nimbly;
- a results-oriented environment where we provide and expect exceptional performance and service.

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