



# EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

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RICHMOND, KENTUCKY

## FAST FACTS

Eastern Kentucky University, located at the nexus of the Bluegrass Region and the Appalachian foothills in Richmond, Kentucky, is a student-centered comprehensive regional university dedicated to high-quality instruction, service and scholarship. The Richmond campus has long been known as “The Campus Beautiful” for its attractive landscapes. With roots dating back to 1874 and from its establishment in 1906 as a normal school to prepare schoolteachers, the University has a legacy as a “School of Opportunity” and is committed to the belief that high-quality education at all levels is the surest path to a higher quality of life for the region’s citizenry.

The University is currently undergoing the most ambitious campus revitalization in the institution’s history, adding a number of new facilities, including: a student fitness and wellness center, a renovated student center, a state-of-the-art science building – the largest such facility on any college or university campus in Kentucky, two new residence halls, a Scholar House for single parents, and a new dining hall.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**ENROLLMENT:** approximately 16,000 students from almost every state and 43 countries

**PROGRAMS:** More than 100 programs available, from certificates to doctoral studies

**ALUMNI:** More than 140,000 successful alumni worldwide

**FIRST GENERATION:** Approximately 30 percent of EKU freshmen are first-generation college students

**EMPLOYMENT:** Approximately 75 percent of the University’s graduates are employed in Kentucky three years after graduation, the state’s highest percentage among all its public four-year institutions.

## ACADEMICS

- College of Justice & Safety, EKU’s Program of Distinction, which offers renowned programs in Homeland Security, Criminal Justice, Fire and Safety, and Security Management
- Aviation, the only four-year degree aviation program in Kentucky
- Interactive Multimedia/Video Game Design
- Occupational Therapy
- PGA Professional Golf Management
- Forensic Science
- Computer Forensics and Security
- Honors Program, which routinely leads the nation in the number of presenters at the National Collegiate Honors Council

## OTHER POINTS OF PRIDE

“America’s Best Colleges” for 10 consecutive years, according to Forbes

Top tier, Regional Universities in the South, U.S. News & World Report “Best Colleges” survey, six consecutive years

One of 80 institutions nationwide, and the only regional university in Kentucky, to receive the Higher Education Excellence in Diversity Award for 2016, 2017 and 2018 from Insight into Diversity magazine

One of only three institutions nationally to receive the 2014 Award for Outstanding Institutional Practice in Student Learning Outcomes, bestowed by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

One of the Top 125 STEM Colleges and Universities in the U.S. for 2015, according to Victory Media

**A media kit of photos and resources, including the EKU logo, is available at [go.eku.edu/media-kit](http://go.eku.edu/media-kit)**