FIND YOUR WINGS™

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
Freshman Profile

BRIAHNA FORREST
MAJOR: Biology
YEAR: Sophomore

“Although I have only been at KSU for two semesters, it has already been a life-changing experience. I know that the opportunities that I have available to me here would not have been the same anywhere else. It has been so easy getting involved on campus, and I was even able to get a job as a campus tour guide. Since the first time I stepped foot in Kennesaw, I felt at home, and that amazing feeling is still here!”

SAT
Average Verbal 596
Average Math 585

ACT
Average English 24
Average Math 23

Average High School GPA 3.32

*2018-19 KSU Fact Book info
Dear Future Owl,

Welcome to Kennesaw State University!

This is an exciting time in your life. Finding a college that is the right fit and a place where you can call home is an important decision, so I am thrilled that you are considering Kennesaw State.

Our number one priority at KSU is student success. Here you will find faculty members who are not just experts in their fields, but scholars who are dedicated to helping you find your passion. Our staff is friendly and goes that extra mile to support you. And you will meet a diverse group of talented classmates who want to succeed and who want to make a difference in the world.

Kennesaw State is a relatively young and highly innovative university that continues on a tremendous growth trajectory. KSU is home to 37,000+ students where we offer more than 150 undergraduate and graduate programs, apartment- and suite-style residence halls, a vibrant campus life including 300 student organizations, and 18 NCAA Division I sports teams. Listed among U.S. News & World Report’s nationally ranked universities, Kennesaw State offers students close proximity to Atlanta, named one of the world’s elite tech cities by Forbes magazine and home to 26 Fortune 1000 companies.

Our university has deep roots and partnerships with businesses and other organizations throughout the region. Through these relationships, students have access to an array of extraordinary internships, co-ops and career opportunities.

Kennesaw State is an exciting university where faculty, staff and students believe that anything is possible and where going beyond expectations is in our DNA. I invite you to visit us and discover for yourself just what makes Kennesaw State University so special.

GO OWLS!

President Pamela Whitten

Due to COVID-19, things may have changed, but what hasn’t changed is KSU’s commitment to serving our students and keeping them safe. For the most up-to-date information regarding plans affected by COVID-19, please visit: coronavirus.kennesaw.edu

Visit KSU

VISIT OUR CAMPUSES! SEE WHAT IT IS LIKE TO BE PART OF OWL NATION!

WE OFFER CAMPUS TOURS year-round, including some on Saturdays, and hold special Admissions events all throughout the year. We encourage you to visit the campus that houses your academic area of interest. For a list of campuses and interest areas and to sign up for a tour and other special events, please go to visit.kennesaw.edu.

CAN’T MAKE IT TO CAMPUS?

Experience KSU. Visit our brand new interactive virtual tour at visit.kennesaw.edu/virtualtour.php on your phone, tablet or computer.

OPEN HOUSES are held during both fall and spring semesters. You can see our campus with other prospective Owls and get a glimpse of life at KSU, including academics, residence halls, dining facilities, student life and more. Check our website often for Open House dates and to sign up to see yourself as a future Owl. admissions.kennesaw.edu/openhouse/index.php
AT KENNESAW STATE, we believe that doing is the key to learning and career readiness starts year one. As a student, you will be able to engage in resume-building internships, undergraduate research and service-learning opportunities expanding beyond the classroom. Through these engaging experiences, you will hone your problem-solving, critical-thinking, professionalism and communications skills — all things employers look for when hiring. We engage with a wide range of the region’s most prestigious organizations to help our graduates identify valuable career opportunities and achieve meaningful results.

For more information, please visit: careers.kennesaw.edu

WHAT YOU DO IN COLLEGE MATTERS
A recent study showed that the most successful students are those who participate in undergraduate experiences such as internships, undergraduate research and service learning. These engaged learning opportunities allow you to take what you learn in the class and apply it in the real world. Through these experiences, you will also gain unparalleled opportunities to hone your critical-thinking and communication skills. More importantly, these opportunities pay dividends well beyond graduation, which is why you will find many engaged learning opportunities whether you’re a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior.

engagement.kennesaw.edu

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48,964 INTERNSHIP, CO-OP AND FULL-TIME JOBS POSTED ON THE 2019 KSU JOB BOARD

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720 COMPANIES PARTICIPATED IN KSU CAREER FAIRS IN 2019

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THOMAS CLIFFORD
MAJOR: Computer Science
YEAR: Junior

“As a student at KSU, I am constantly surrounded by a variety of opportunities. There are so many ways to get involved on campus. Working as a tour guide and volunteering as an Honors ambassador have provided me with essential skills of professionalism and the opportunity to meet many influential people.”

#FINDYOURWINGS
KENNESAW STATE OFFERS A VIBRANT CAMPUS LIFE with plenty to get involved in. From our state-of-the-art dining, housing and sports facilities, we’ve got everything you want and more!

LIVE
Kennesaw State offers several on-campus housing options. All of our housing communities provide fully furnished rooms, all-inclusive rates and high-speed WiFi. All communities are close to everything you need on campus. Housing and Residence Life personnel offer support 24/7 and strive to make the on-campus housing experience memorable and meaningful.

Housing and Residence Life is excited to offer newly renovated, traditional-style housing in Fall 2021 with the remodel of Howell Hall on the Marietta Campus. Coming in Fall 2022: a brand-new, suite-style first-year housing option on the Kennesaw Campus. Love where you live. Live KSU!

ksuhousing.kennesaw.edu

EAT
Ranked No. 5 in the U.S. by bestcolleges.com, KSU’s all-you-care-to-eat dining facilities offer fresh farm-to-campus food. You can also enjoy other eateries on campus, including Chick-fil-A, Moê’s, Panda Express, Starbucks and more.

dining.kennesaw.edu

STAY ACTIVE
The Department of Sports and Recreation manages several facilities that will meet your health and well-being needs. Each facility provides programs, services, and drop-in play opportunities for KSU students to incorporate fitness, recreation and/or sports into their daily lives. The Dr. Betty L. Siegel Student Recreation and Activities Center, Owls Nest and The Perch are on the Kennesaw Campus, and the Recreation & Wellness Center is located on the Marietta Campus.

sportsrec.kennesaw.edu/facilities

STUDENT LIFE
AS A KSU STUDENT, you’ll have many opportunities to meet new people, make friends and become part of our community!

Your college experience will be much more fun and successful when you get involved on campus. This is how you make friends, make connections and develop skills you will need for your career. The Division of Student Affairs is dedicated to partnering with you to create an incredible college experience. With over 300 registered student organizations such as student government, fraternities and sororities, student media, and other activities like athletics, Intramurals, club sports and more, you will surely find something that interests you! See yourself in Owl Nation!

kennesaw.edu/campuslife.php
Go Owls!

KENNESAW STATE ATHLETICS is in its 14th year at the NCAA Division I level and sponsors 18 intercollegiate sports and nearly 250 student athletes. In that short span, the Owls have already amassed 45 ASUN Conference titles and two Big South Conference titles since moving up to the highest level of collegiate athletics in 2005.

The Owls boast 10 women’s sports including basketball, cross country, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, indoor and outdoor track and field, and volleyball. The department of athletics sponsors eight men’s sports including baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, tennis, indoor and outdoor track and field.

Competing in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) level and as a member of the Big South Conference, KSU has played phenomenally and just completed the most successful five-year start-up program in college football history, posting 48 victories and surpassing Georgia Southern (47) and Old Dominion (46) during the final two weeks of last season. KSU finished with a final ranking of #8 and has been in the Top 25 for 33 consecutive weeks.

Football is not the only sport to hoist a conference championship over the past year. The women’s volleyball program was able to celebrate after claiming its second ASUN Tournament championship, while women’s golf captured its second straight ASUN title and advanced to NCAA postseason. Individually, Daniel Haugh of track and field won the national championship in the hammer throw.

For our spectating Owls, family and friends, everyone is welcome to attend sporting events to showcase their Black and Gold pride!

ksuowls.com

Hooty Hoo!

VICTORIA VEGA
MAJOR: Political Science
YEAR: Senior

“Kennesaw has become my home away from home. Every day, I find a new thing to love about our campus, the people on it and the opportunities around me.”
An Honors student, Dunn became interested in research during the first semester of his freshman year when he began working with Martin Hudson, a neuroscientist and associate professor of biology in Kennesaw State’s College of Science and Mathematics. Dunn became one of the College’s 10 Birla Carbon Scholar recipients.
WHEN TO APPLY

THE APPLICATION FOR FALL 2021 ADMISSION WILL OPEN ON AUGUST 1.

Prospective students are encouraged to apply for admission in advance of the Priority Deadline to allow the earliest possible access to housing, Orientation sign-up (Orientation includes course registration) and KSU scholarship opportunities.

For the most current application deadlines, please visit admissions.kennesaw.edu/deadlines.php.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

✔ Submit your application and $40 application fee online at admissions.kennesaw.edu by the appropriate posted deadline for your desired semester of entry.

✔ Submit an official copy of your high school transcript electronically or in a sealed envelope.

✔ Request official test scores electronically from the appropriate testing agency. Please check current admissions requirements on our website for details on which tests may be required.

✔ Submit official transcripts from all colleges, universities or schools attended (if applicable).

✔ Check your application status online through admissions.kennesaw.edu. Processing time varies based on number of applicants and time of year.

Small Town, Big City

KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY is located just north of Atlanta, combining a suburban setting with access to one of the country’s most dynamic cities.

KSU offers a unique college experience to students looking for the classic college town feel. While we are located in the suburbs, it only takes about 25 minutes to find yourself on the streets of Atlanta, home to countless opportunities for internships and jobs for our student population. While we all know the main reason you go to college is to earn your degree, another reason is to gain experiences and have fun! When you are not in class or doing homework, you can take advantage of the many great activities and places around our dynamic campuses.

Catch an Atlanta Braves game with friends at Truist Park, or cheer on the Falcons and the Atlanta United at the brand-new state-of-the-art Mercedes-Benz Stadium. While downtown, stop by the Georgia Aquarium, the largest aquarium in the western hemisphere!

Don’t forget to walk the scenic trails and hike up Kennesaw Mountain, or stop for ice cream in the Historic Marietta Square to immerse yourself in the history of our area! When it’s time for a trip home or visitors come into town, Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport is only a 30-minute drive down I-75.

enjoy.kennesaw.edu

CHRIS GARDNER

MAJOR: Exercise Science

YEAR: Sophomore

“Kennesaw State University has given me so many opportunities within and outside of my major. During my first year, I joined Freshmen Parliament, became a tour guide and got very involved with my major through the Exercise Science Club. KSU is the perfect hybrid that has a big university feel and a small campus vibe.”

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FRESHMAN AND TRANSFER FRESHMAN ADMISSIONS

If you have never attended college and have graduated from high school within the last five years, you are a freshman. If you have graduated from high school within the last five years, have attended college, but have earned less than 30 semester hours or 50 quarter hours of college credit transferable to KSU, you are a transfer freshman and you must meet freshman and transfer admission requirements.

Admissions requirements listed below are as of June 2020 and are subject to change per University System of Georgia policy. Please check our website for the most current admissions requirements. admissions.kennesaw.edu

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Kennesaw State University is committed to providing a seamless transfer experience. Transfer Evaluation Services awards transfer credit, applies relevant credit to the degree program, and serves as your liaison between university acceptance and academic advising. transfer.kennesaw.edu

TRANSFER EVALUATION

What Transfers? To see which courses we already have evaluated for equivalency, click on “What Transfers” at transfer.kennesaw.edu.

DegreeWorks is a dynamic web-based tool for transfer articulation, degree progression and program planning after your transfer evaluation is completed.

DegreeWorks provides:
- Real-time advice and counsel to students
- Interactive “what if” scenario planning
- More transparent course and credit transfer
- More personalized advising
- More timely degree completion

For DegreeWorks instructional videos and frequently asked questions, visit the Office of the Registrar’s DegreeWorks web page. registrar.kennesaw.edu/student-resources/degree-works.php

TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS
- 2.0 GPA on all college coursework attempted
- 30 semester or 50 quarter hours of transferable credit, which must include the equivalent of Math 1101 and English 1101 or higher

To view the comprehensive database containing KSU course equivalencies for colleges and universities nationwide, visit transfer.kennesaw.edu.

For the most current application deadlines, visit admissions.kennesaw.edu/deadlines.php.

certain programs at KSU have different admissions requirements

For more information, please follow the links below.

DUAL ENROLLMENT dep.kennesaw.edu

ARCHITECTURE ADMISSIONS cacm.kennesaw.edu/architecture/about/admission.php

NON-TRADITIONAL AND ADULT LEARNERS ADMISSIONS admissions.kennesaw.edu/apply/adult_learner.php

CERTAIN PROGRAMS AT KSU HAVE DIFFERENT ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

For more information, please follow the links below.
THE OFFICE OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID helps students meet the costs of obtaining an education from KSU. If you have questions about the financial aid process, our staff is always here to assist you. Select the Contact Us link on the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid website to find your financial aid counselor’s contact information. financialaid.kennesaw.edu

AFFORDABILITY
In-state tuition in Georgia is considered very affordable compared to other state’s tuition costs. Each year, the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid provides a cost of attendance to be used for determining financial aid eligibility. However, this cost of attendance is an estimate of the charges a student might pay.

For actual costs, students can visit the links provided on the Cost of Attendance page from the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid website.

financialaid.kennesaw.edu/student-resources/cost-of-attendance.php

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP
Georgia’s HOPE Scholarship* is available to Georgia residents who show academic achievement. The HOPE covers approximately 90% of standard tuition costs at KSU. You can qualify as a graduating high school senior with a 3.0 HOPE GPA. If you don’t graduate as a HOPE Scholar, you can earn the HOPE Scholarship by obtaining a 3.0 HOPE GPA in college and attempting 30, 60 or 90 semester hours. Students must maintain a 3.0 HOPE GPA in college.

* You must apply for the HOPE Scholarship by completing the application on GAfutures.org or by completing the FAFSA.

OUT-OF-STATE TUITION WAIVER
OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS with exceptional GPAs and standardized test scores are invited to apply for an Out-of-State Tuition Waiver. Recipients who receive a waiver will have the out-of-state tuition portion waived but are responsible for all applicable fees. There are a limited number of waivers available.

If you would like to be considered for the Out-of-State Tuition Waiver, please go to admissions.kennesaw.edu/waiversandscholarships/state_waivers.php to submit an application.

MILITARY AND VETERAN SERVICES
TRANSITIONING INTO HIGHER EDUCATION AS A VETERAN can be rather daunting. As a token of our appreciation, Kennesaw State University has made this process as smooth as possible. KSU is proud to offer an on-campus Center for Military and Veteran Services, as well as a Veteran Success on Campus (VSOC) counselor; both are firsts of their kind in the state of Georgia.

Kennesaw State’s Military and Veteran Services is fully staffed by experienced veterans and offers a one-stop shop that is easily accessible and widely available to service members, veterans and their dependents. Our goal is to empower our military community with the tools necessary for accomplishing their academic goals. Through benefits counseling, referral services and outreach programs, our team seeks to provide an inclusive and educational environment that fosters student success and achievement. No matter your student type, we will help guide you to the resources you need to make the most of your experience at KSU.

mvs.kennesaw.edu

Thank You for Your Service!
EXPERIENCES THAT LAST A LIFETIME

KSU JOURNEY HONORS COLLEGE is focused on helping you achieve your goals and aspirations without adding time or cost to your degree.

Advantages reserved for Honors students:

- Priority registration
- Competitive scholarships (both academic and study abroad scholarships)
- Small and personalized Honors courses
- Honors study abroad opportunities
- A variety of Honors learning experience options each semester
- Unique learning experiences, including educational opportunities outside of the classroom
- Honors housing options on both campuses
- Specialized Honors advising
- Access to Honors student lounges on both KSU campuses
- Opportunities to earn Honors graduation designations
- 8 Foundations of Honors Learning (Leadership, Appreciation of Diverse Perspectives, Creativity and Innovation, Critical Thinking, Effective Communication, Information Fluency, Interdisciplinary Learning, Professionalism)

After acceptance to Kennesaw State, apply online to KSU Journey Honors College at honors.kennesaw.edu.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

The Office of Undergraduate Research promotes high-quality undergraduate student-faculty collaborative research and scholarship in all disciplines across campus. Resources are available for both students and faculty, including workshops and class presentations. Students can present at KSU’s annual Symposium of Student Scholars and publish in the Kennesaw Journal of Undergraduate Research. The office also provides funding for both student researchers and faculty mentors and supports students at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, held at KSU in Spring 2019. research.kennesaw.edu/our

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS ADVANCED MAJORS PROGRAM (AMP) offers academically talented students the opportunity for intellectual adventure beyond the average college experience. First-year students take part in special activities and innovative science and math courses, ensuring they get the best educational experience possible here at Kennesaw State University. csm.kennesaw.edu/majors

1,400+ KSU HONORS STUDENTS

- AVG. CLASS SIZE: 19
- AVG. INCOMING GPA: 3.75
- AVG. INCOMING SAT: 1280
- AVG. INCOMING ACT: 28

THRVIE PROGRAM creates a community of engaged students who are able to transition easily into their first year of college while successfully maintaining the HOPE scholarship and staying on track to graduate. uc.kennesaw.edu/thrive/index.php

BIENVENIDOS AL PROGRAMA PARA ESTUDIANTES HISPANOS Y LATINOS DE KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY!

The Recruitment, Retention, and Progression to Graduation (RRPG) Program for Hispanic/Latinx Students at Kennesaw State University.

The purpose is to graduate program participants at rates equal to or higher than their non-Hispanic/Latino peers. Participants will be exposed to a variety of academic, peer and non-peer support, financial resources and more. Email RRPGlatinostudents@kennesaw.edu with any questions.

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EDUCATION ABROAD

Education Abroad at Kennesaw State University offers more than 50 faculty-led study abroad programs in over 40 countries, as well as many foreign exchange and international internship opportunities. Regardless of what field of study or country you are passionate about, you can find an education abroad program! DGA.kennesaw.edu/educationabroad

FIND YOUR OPPORTUNITIES
UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT
ccm.kennesaw.edu
Architecture
Construction Management

COLLEGE OF THE ARTS
arts.kennesaw.edu
Apparel and Textiles
Art
Art Education
Art History
Dance
Digital Animation
Music
Music Education
Music Performance
Theatre and Performance Studies

BAGWELL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
bagwell.kennesaw.edu
Early Childhood Education
Elementary Education
Middle Grades Education
Secondary Education

COLES COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
coles.kennesaw.edu
Accounting
Economics
Entrepreneurship
Finance
Hospitality Management
Information Security and Assurance
Information Systems
International Business
Management
Marketing
Professional Sales

COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING
ccse.kennesaw.edu
Computer Game Design and Development
Computer Science
Information Technology
Software Engineering

SOUTHERN POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY
ingeering.kennesaw.edu
Civil Engineering
Computer Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Electrical Engineering Technology
Environmental Engineering
Industrial and Systems Engineering
Industrial Engineering Technology
Mechanical Engineering
Mechanical Engineering Technology
Mechatronics Engineering

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS
csm.kennesaw.edu
Biochemistry
Biology
Chemistry
Environmental Science
Mathematics
Physics

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
hss.kennesaw.edu
African and African Diaspora Studies
Anthropology
Asian Studies
Criminal Justice
English
English Education
Geography
Geospatial Sciences
History
History Education
Integrative Studies
Interactive Design
International Affairs
Journalism and Emerging Media
Media and Entertainment
Modern Language and Culture
Organizational and Professional Communication
Philosophy
Political Science
Psychology
Public Relations
Sociology
Technical Communication

WELLSTAR COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
wellstarcollege.kennesaw.edu
Exercise Science
Health and Physical Education
Human Services
Integrated Health Science
Nursing
Public Health Education
Sport Management

INSTITUTE FOR CYBERSECURITY WORKFORCE
cyberinstitute.kennesaw.edu/academics/bs-cybersecurity_emajor.php
Cybersecurity*
*e-major

Focus Areas
Not ready to choose a major? At KSU, you will select a focus area* that reflects your interests. Choosing your focus area helps you register for first semester courses and introduces you to a range of related majors and career fields.

Arts
Business and Management
Education
Engineering and Math
Health Professional
Humanities
Science, Computing and Technology
Social Science

*Focus areas are subject to change.