Binghamton University, a highly selective, mid-sized public institution, is one of four research university centers in the State University of New York system. Known for the excellence of its students, faculty, staff and programs, Binghamton enrolls more than 16,000 students in programs leading to bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees (more than 13,400 students are undergraduates; about 3,200 are graduate students). Its curriculum, founded on the liberal arts, has expanded to include selected professional and graduate programs.

Academic programs
The University offers more than 100 major degree programs across its six academic divisions and is recognized as the most selective and prestigious university in the SUNY system. Undergraduate students may choose from a variety of majors – including unique programs such as language translation and rural nursing and health policy – or tailor their own area of study. Graduate students select from more than 60 degree programs, including biomedical anthropology, literacy education and materials science. Binghamton also offers many accelerated, combined-degree programs that let students complete a bachelor’s and master’s degree in just five years.

Schools and colleges
- Harpur College of Arts and Sciences
- College of Community and Public Affairs
- Decker School of Nursing
- Graduate School of Education
- School of Management
- Thomas J. Watson School of Engineering and Applied Science
- Graduate School

Student life
Students actively take part in internships, study abroad, honors programs, Division I athletics and many of the 280+ student organizations on campus. They enjoy attractive, comfortable living and learning residences, and they give faculty high marks for being approachable and inspirational.

Accolades and recognition
The 2014 Fiske Guide to Colleges rated Binghamton a Best Buy and one of the premier public universities in the Northeast. “With a four-year graduation rate that is among the highest of any public university, Binghamton has a reputation for an excellent education at a reasonable price.”

U.S. News & World Report has ranked Binghamton one of the top 50 public universities in the nation for 17 consecutive years. Kiplinger’s Personal Finance consistently places Binghamton among its top schools for both in-state and out-of-state students, currently ranking Binghamton #4 for out-of-state and #15 overall.

The Princeton Review places Binghamton #10 on its “Best Value Colleges” list for 2014, and Binghamton is also included in its “Best 378 Colleges” publication.
Campus and facilities
Binghamton’s faculty and students come from more than 115 countries and 47 states, bringing with them many different cultures and backgrounds and representing a wealth of ideas. The main campus is spread over 930 acres in Vestal, N.Y., and includes an excellent research library, outstanding computer facilities, a five-building science complex with a multi-climate teaching greenhouse, the superb Anderson Center for the Performing Arts, a 190-acre forest and wetland area (the Nature Preserve), the University Art Museum, a state-of-the-art fitness center, and extensive athletic facilities including the Events Center and the Bearcats Sports Complex.

The University Downtown Center in the city of Binghamton is where the College of Community and Public Affairs makes its home. The Innovative Technologies Complex is home to the Bioengineering Building, the LEED Platinum-certified Engineering and Science Building and the new Center of Excellence in Small Scale Systems Integration and Packaging Center. These buildings feature state-of-the-art, modular labs; clinical research space; and a start-up suite for new companies. Construction of a fourth building at the ITC — the Smart Energy Research and Development Facility — is scheduled for completion in 2017.

Binghamton is a highly regarded research university; yet, is as accessible as a smaller school. Retention is well above national averages, and more undergraduates are admitted into nationally ranked, rigorous graduate programs than is the norm nationally for public research universities.

Faculty
Students find great minds in every program, learning from faculty who are at the top of their fields. Faculty include a Presidential Early Career Award winner; a National Science Foundation Early Career Award winner; Fulbright, Ford and Guggenheim scholars; and more than 60 distinguished professors. Nearly all of our faculty hold the highest degrees available in their fields. They guide students to their passions, preparing them for successful professional lives that serve today's global society well.

Economic impact
Binghamton University powers the vitality of the entire region and the state at large. As a full participant in public and private partnerships and alliances, Binghamton delivers solutions that create and sustain jobs. Investments in the University deliver powerful and productive returns to the community and state. The annual economic bottom line: $1 billion to the region and over $1.28 billion to the state. Every dollar the state invests in Binghamton is returned nine-fold to the state.

Research
Advanced research is being conducted across every discipline and every school. From work developing biofilm technology to the study of human trafficking, students collaborate with distinguished faculty and thrive in a diverse community that promotes the vigorous exchange of innovative ideas.

Despite the challenging national climate for research funding, the campus reported expenditures of $31.7 million in 2013–14. That represents an increase of nearly 25 percent in the last 10 years.

Global perspective
Our international curriculum has garnered seven national awards for excellence. Students may study subjects in different languages, earn a minor in global studies, study abroad or celebrate the essence of world cultures right on campus.