



Global ENGAGEMENT

AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

Meliora

(Latin: Ever Better)

is the University of Rochester's motto and the foundation of our mission: ***Learn, Discover, Heal, Create—and Make the World Ever Better.***

The University of Rochester is a leading US private, non-profit research university. It consistently ranks as a top institution of higher education in areas such as finance, science, engineering, medicine, and others. As a member of esteemed consortia such as the Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) and the American Association of Universities (AAU), the University actively promotes researcher mobility, innovation, and scholarly excellence.

Along with academic rigor, Rochester also offers exceptional opportunities for student research, close work with faculty, and interdisciplinary study.





BY THE Numbers



12,000+

TOTAL STUDENTS



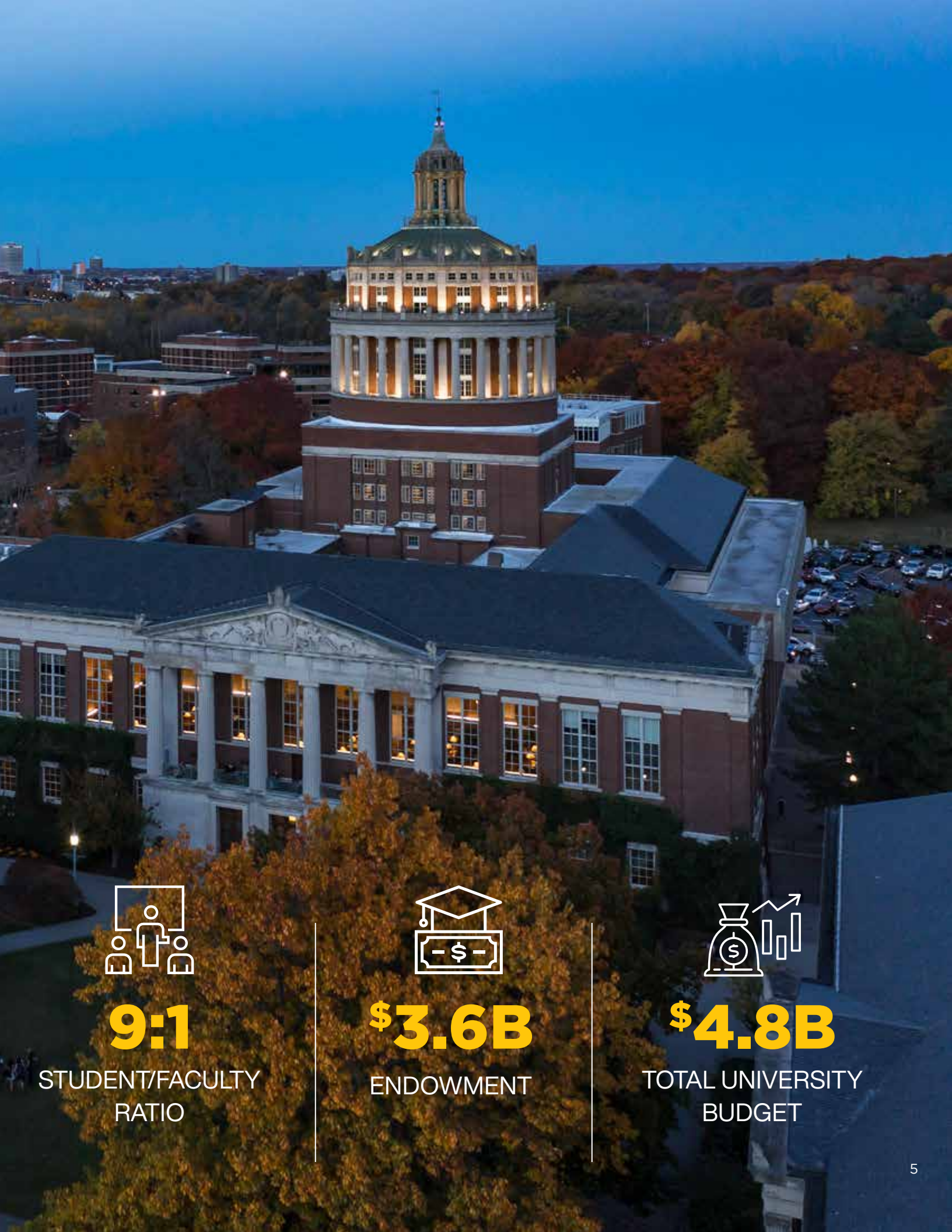
6,700+

UNDERGRADUATES



5,400+

GRADUATE
STUDENTS



9:1

STUDENT/FACULTY
RATIO



\$3.6B

ENDOWMENT



\$4.8B

TOTAL UNIVERSITY
BUDGET

International HIGHLIGHTS

3,800+

INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS FROM
130+ COUNTRIES

Top 10

COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED BY
INTERNATIONAL
STUDENTS

BRAZIL BANGLADESH

From its founding in the mid-19th century to its establishment of formalized structures for global engagement in the 21st century, the University of Rochester has always nurtured a diverse community of international students.

By prioritizing partnerships and engagement, promoting cultural exchange, and nurturing a diverse and inclusive community, the University of Rochester strives to shape future generations of global leaders and contribute meaningfully to solving the world's most pressing challenges.

120,000+

ALUMNI AROUND THE WORLD

PARTNERSHIPS
WITH

100+

INSTITUTIONS IN
30+ COUNTRIES

CANADA CHINA INDIA MEXICO PAKISTAN SOUTH KOREA TAIWAN VIETNAM

Groundbreaking RESEARCH



THE LABORATORY FOR LASER ENERGETICS (LLE)

is the largest university-based Department of Energy program in the US. It is also home to the largest and most powerful laser systems found at any academic institution in the world.

In 2022, scientists at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, supported by the University of Rochester's LLE, produced a nuclear fusion reaction with a net energy gain—a major milestone in the fight against climate change and the initiative to create clean power.

THE INSTITUTE OF OPTICS

was the nation's first optical science, engineering, and design program and has granted more than half of all degrees in optics ever awarded in the United States. It has produced many high-tech optics, laser, photonics, and imaging innovations and companies.





Association
of American
Universities



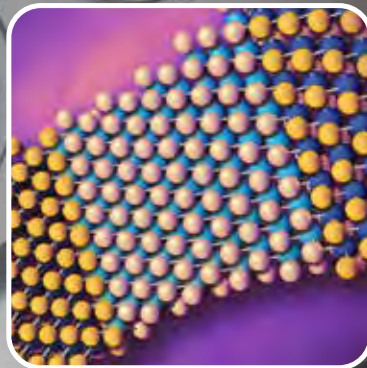
WUN
WORLDWIDE
UNIVERSITIES
NETWORK

The University of Rochester
is a member of the Association
of American Universities
and the Worldwide
Universities Network.



**\$476
Million**

Research Expenditures



30

US GRANTED
PATENTS

66

FOREIGN GRANTED
PATENTS



37

DIFFERENT
TECHNOLOGIES
PATENTED

*(Health, Biomedical,
Bioengineering, Laser,
Optics, Energy, and more)*

School of ARTS & SCIENCES

Unique undergraduate and graduate research opportunities abound at the School of Arts & Sciences. Our students have explored high-energy-density physics, art, cancer research, neutrino studies, public health, and literary history, to name a few examples. These experiences facilitate invaluable hands-on learning and contribute to significant advancements in various disciplines.

Our **“Rochester Curriculum”** allows undergraduates in the School of Arts & Sciences to build their own program of study. With only one required course, students have plenty of room to double major in varied disciplines—from the arts and humanities to the social sciences to the natural sciences and engineering.



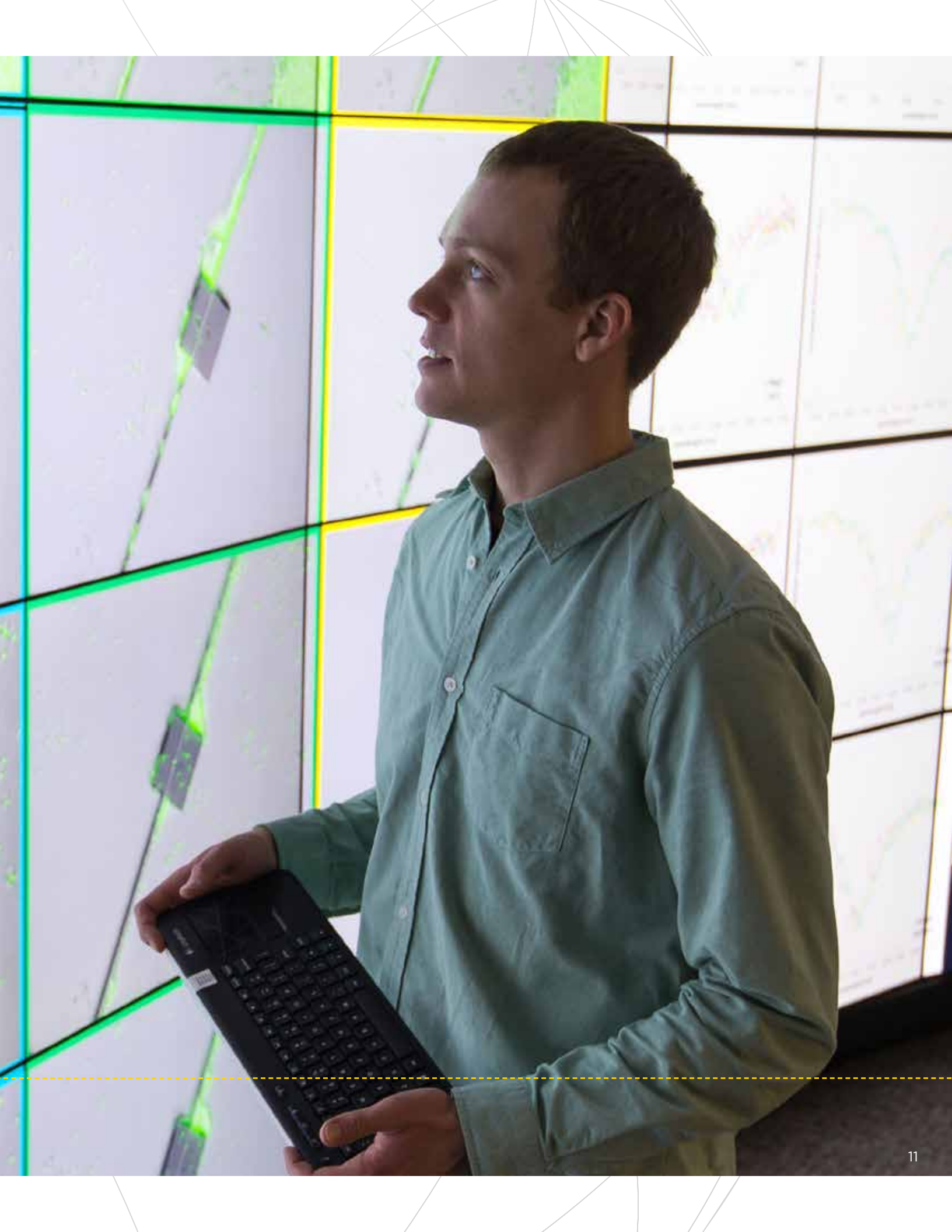
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UNDERGRADUATE
MAJORS IN
THE SCHOOL OF
ARTS & SCIENCES



19

DEPARTMENTS IN
THE SCHOOL OF
ARTS & SCIENCES



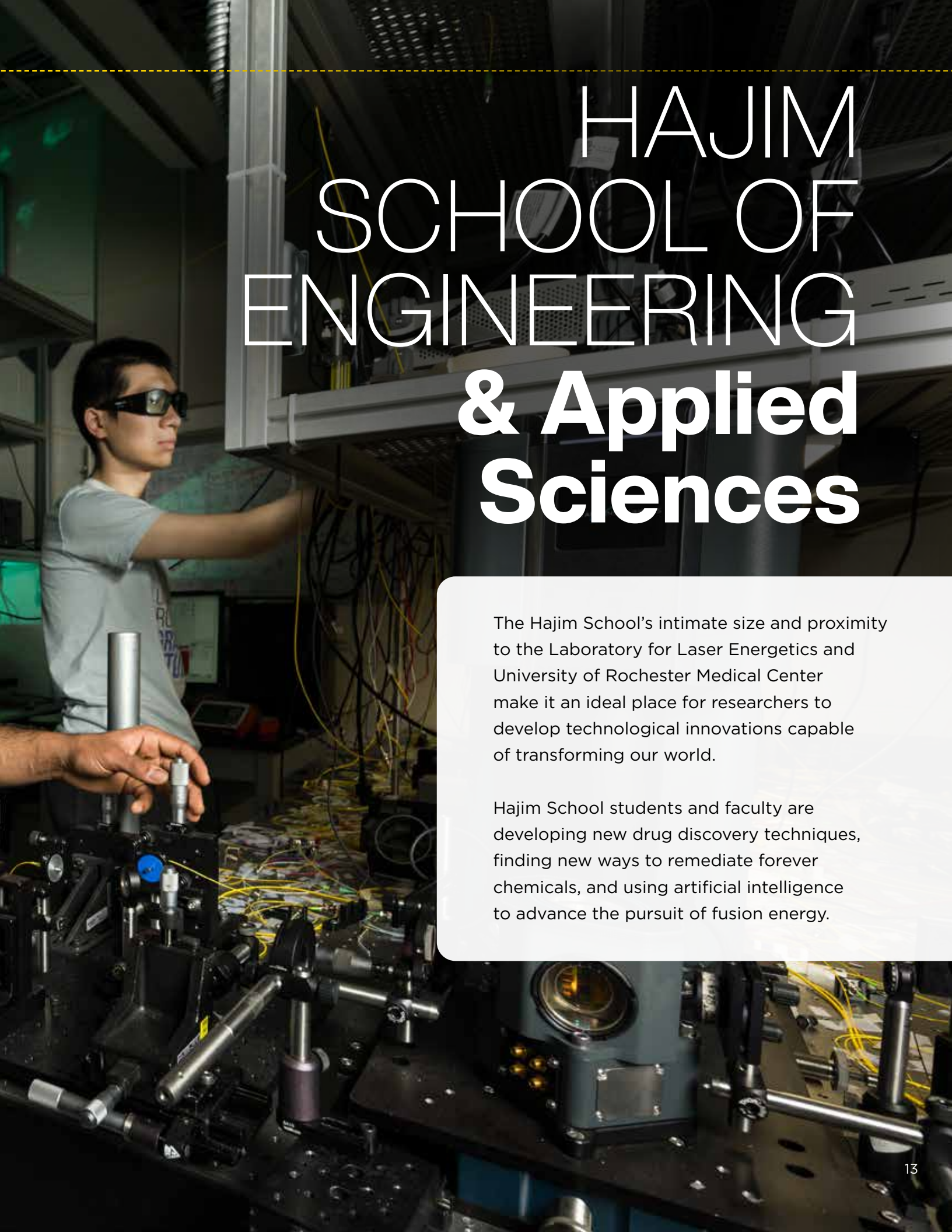


96%

OF HAJIM STUDENTS
ARE EMPLOYED OR
CONTINUING STUDIES
AFTER GRADUATION

**\$33.5
MILLION**

IN RESEARCH
EXPENDITURES



HAJIM SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & Applied Sciences

The Hajim School's intimate size and proximity to the Laboratory for Laser Energetics and University of Rochester Medical Center make it an ideal place for researchers to develop technological innovations capable of transforming our world.

Hajim School students and faculty are developing new drug discovery techniques, finding new ways to remediate forever chemicals, and using artificial intelligence to advance the pursuit of fusion energy.



EASTMAN School of Music

#11

BEST MUSIC
SCHOOL
IN THE WORLD

*QS World University
Rankings 2024: Music*

For a hundred years, the Eastman School of Music has been a beacon of musical excellence, dedicated to nurturing artistry at the highest level. Celebrating a prestigious legacy, Eastman is built on four foundational pillars: **Artistry**, **Scholarship**, **Leadership**, and **Community**. With a strong global presence, the school attracts students and faculty from around the world, fostering a diverse and inclusive environment that enriches both the local and international music scene.

800+
PERFORMANCES
A YEAR



PERFORMANCE TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Eastman School of Music's faculty and alumni are consistently recognized with Emmy and Grammy nominations and awards for their achievements in musical performance and composition.



STUDENT INNOVATION

The school's Sibley Music Library is the largest and most comprehensive academic music library in North America and third largest among US music collections overall.



RENOWNED PERFORMERS

The University of Rochester's School of Medicine and Dentistry has a rich history of groundbreaking research and medical advancements that have significantly improved global health.

Cancer Vaccine

A Rochester team developed the first known vaccine against cancer, protecting millions of women from cervical cancer.

Hib and Prevnar Vaccines

University pediatric researchers developed the Hib vaccine, virtually eradicating a leading cause of meningitis in preschoolers. This technology also led to the development of Prevnar, a vaccine that guards against pneumococcal bacteria.

Surfactant Therapy

University researchers were pioneers in administering calf lung surfactant to premature infants, proving its safety and effectiveness in improving survival rates. This therapy is now used worldwide.

Cardiac Defibrillator

Rochester doctors revolutionized heart disease treatment by demonstrating that an implantable cardiac defibrillator can significantly reduce death rates.

RNA Biology

The Center for RNA Biology at the University of Rochester is home to one of the nation's strongest groups of RNA biologists. Their work focuses on RNA molecules as therapeutic targets and tools, achieving breakthroughs like reversing symptoms of myotonic muscular dystrophy in mice.

Clinical & Translational Sciences Institute (UR CTSI)

One of the first NIH-funded institutes, the UR CTSI advances innovative technologies and methods to quickly bring treatments to patients and communities.

High-Performance Computing

The Health Sciences Center for Computational Innovation (HSCCI), a collaboration with IBM and New York State, supports health-related research with one of the most powerful university-based supercomputers in the nation.

Orthopaedics and Musculoskeletal Research

Ranked No. 1 in NIH funding, this department focuses on preventing MRSA infections post-surgery and promoting bone repair using mesenchymal stem cells.

Respiratory Pathogens Research

The only NIH-funded center in the U.S. dedicated to respiratory pathogens, focusing on the etiology, impact, and prevention strategies for viral respiratory infections.

30,000+

RESEARCHERS CALL THE
UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER
MEDICAL CENTER HOME

School of MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY



\$1.18
BILLION

IN BIOMEDICAL
RESEARCH
FUNDING

Eastman Institute for ORAL HEALTH



The Postdoctoral Dental Education and Residency Training Programs are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, ensuring high standards of education and clinical practice.

The Eastman Institute for Oral Health (EIOH) is internationally recognized for its postdoctoral residency programs, master's in dental science program, vibrant research in oral and craniofacial fields, and comprehensive clinical services spanning all dental specialties with a strong community focus.

EIOH's high-quality, multi-disciplinary research consistently ranks among the most funded by the National Institutes of Health/ National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research. This research is conducted across all EIOH departments.





SIMON Business School

#25

BEST
BUSINESS
SCHOOL
IN THE US

*Bloomberg
Businessweek
2023*



Simon Business School is renowned for revolutionizing the study of economics and business. It hosts the world's leading pricing center and three of the top academic business journals. Simon has been recognized for having the most diverse MBA program among the country's top 50 business schools. As the first to offer a STEM-designated MBA program, Simon provides a unique blend of analytics-based academics and hands-on opportunities.

The school's emphasis on quantitative, economics-based education equips graduates to understand, explain, and predict business behaviors in the global marketplace.

With a commitment to innovative research, teaching, and a focus on diversity, Simon Business School stands as a leader in business education, making it an ideal choice for students seeking a comprehensive and globally-oriented business education.

#31

IN FUNDING FROM THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH AMONG NURSING PROGRAMS IN THE US

91%

OF SCHOOL OF NURSING FACULTY ACTIVELY PRACTICE IN A CLINICAL SETTING





The School of Nursing at the University of Rochester is a national leader in the discipline of nursing. The School of Nursing seeks to build on its pioneering tradition of unifying nursing education, research, and practice in the pursuit of excellence in clinical and scientific learning, discovery, and nursing care within an environment of diversity and inclusion.

The School of Nursing is recognized as an Apple Distinguished School for its innovations in teaching, learning, and creating a digital learning environment.

The Redefining Our Classroom Initiative (iROC)

Leveraging technology to shift the traditional classroom into a dynamic learning environment, this initiative aims to better prepare nursing students for successful careers in health care by honing their critical thinking and clinical judgment skills to ensure success in a complex and evolving health care environment.

SCHOOL OF **Nursing**

WARNER School of Education

The University of Rochester's Warner School of Education and Human Development is dedicated to transforming education and fostering human development. Known for its commitment to innovation, collaboration, and research, Warner prepares graduates to address today's educational challenges and lead change globally.

Center for Learning in the Digital Age

As digital technology continues to revolutionize education, the Center for Learning in the Digital Age (LiDA) helps individuals and organizations harness the power of digital technologies in educational settings.

Center for Professional Development and Education Reform

To bring cutting-edge resources and ideas to the field of education, the center merges policy, scholarship, and practice to build capacity among its partners while fostering a vibrant intellectual community for collaboration on the most pressing educational challenges.





99%

OF WARNER GRADUATES
PASS THEIR 'SCHOOL
LEADERSHIP ASSESSMENT'
CERTIFICATION EXAM

16+

ACTIVE
RESEARCH
GRANTS

University Rankings



#1

Top Full-Time MBA Programs
The Economist 2022

(ROI Based on % Increase on Pre-MBA Salary)

#26

AMONG U.S. COLLEGES
Financial Times 2023

#25

BUSINESS SCHOOL

Best Overall

Bloomberg Business Week 2023-24

#16

Macroeconomics

#20

Microeconomics

#27

Economics

#47

National Rankings

BEST COLLEGES 2023-24

U.S. News & World Report

ECONOMICS

GRADUATE SCHOOLS

U.S. News & World Report 2022-23

3rd
HIGHEST

% OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
among all US universities

U.S. News & World Report
National Rankings

#21

**NURSING SCHOOL
MASTER'S**

U.S. News & World Report 2023-24

#11

**Eastman School of Music
RANKED GLOBALLY
QS World University rankings 2024**



#2

**MS in Finance Pre-Experience
Among US colleges**

#42

**Business Education Global MS in Finance
Pre-Experience**

#45

**Global Master of Business Administration
(MBA)**

FINANCIAL TIMES 2023

#21

Biostatistics

#40

Statistics

STATISTICS

U.S. News & World Report 2022-23

#30

**Best Value 2023-24
U.S. News & World Report**

#7

Political Methodology

#27

Overall Business School

#32

Medical School-Research

#40

Medical School-Primary Care

#42

Overall Engineering School

GRADUATE SCHOOLS RANKING

U.S. News & World Report 2023-24

AUSTRALIA

University of Western Australia
Australian National University
University of Sydney

BRAZIL

University of Brasilia
Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora

CANADA

University of Alberta

CHINA

Beijing Jiaotong University
Central Conservatory of Music
China Conservatory of Music
Chinese University of Hong Kong
Chinese University of Hong Kong,
Shenzhen
Henan University
Nanjing University of Science and
Technology
Ningxia Medical University
Peking University
Qingdao Stomatological Hospital
Renmin University of China
Shandong University
Southwest University
Wuhan University
Xi'an Jiaotong University
Xinxiang Medical University

DENMARK

Royal Danish Academy of Music

ECUADOR

Universidad San Francisco de Quito

EGYPT

American University in Cairo

ESTONIA

Tallinn University

FINLAND

Sibelius Academy

FRANCE

University of Rennes
Paris Conservatory
Centrale Méditerranée
Atomic Energy and Alternative
Energies Commission

HUNGARY

Aquincum Institute of Technology

INDIA

L V Prasad Eye Institute
Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee
Post Graduate Institute of Medical
Education and Research
Manipal Academy of Higher
Education

IRELAND

University College Dublin
Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

ISRAEL

Galilee Medical Center
Israel Ministry of Health
Barzilai Medical Center

ITALY

University of Siena
Istituto Giannina Gaslini

JAPAN

Waseda University
Meiji Gakuin University
Kyoto University

KOREA, REPUBLIC OF

Seoul National University
Yonsei University
Gwangju Institute of Science
and Technology
Korea Research Institute of
Chemical Technology

MEXICO

Tecnológico de Monterrey

MACAU

University of Macau

PERU

National University of Saint Augustine
Pontifical Catholic University of Peru
National University of San Marcos

POLAND

Jagiellonian University

PORTUGAL

Luso American Development
Foundation

ROMANIA

Polytechnic University of Bucharest

RWANDA

University of Rwanda

SINGAPORE

Nanyang Technological University

SPAIN

University of Navarra
Spanish National Research Council
University of Barcelona

TAIWAN

National Cheng Kung University
National Taiwan University

UGANDA

Lira University
Makerere University

UNITED KINGDOM

Birmingham City University
Imperial College London
Kingston University
Queen Mary University of London
Rutherford Appleton Laboratory
University College London
University of Bristol
University of Leeds
University of Liverpool
University of Southampton
University of York



Global Partnerships

FORMAL INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

Academic Programs

SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES

Actuarial Studies | certificate
Black Studies | minor, BA
American Sign Language | minor, BA
American Studies | minor, BA
Anthropology | minor, BA
Applied Mathematics | BS
Arabic | minor
Archaeology, Technology, and Historical Structures | minor, BA
Art History | minor, BA
Astronomy | minor
Bioethics | minor, BA
Biological Sciences | minor, BS
Biological Sciences:
Biochemistry | BS
Cell and Developmental Biology | BS
Computational Biology | BS
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology | BS
Microbiology | BS
Molecular Genetics | BS
Neuroscience | BS
Biology | BA, MS, PhD
Biophysics | certificate
Biotechnology | certificate
Brain and Cognitive Sciences | minor
BA, BS, PhD
Business | minor, BA, BS
Chemistry | minor, BA, BS, PhD
Chinese | minor
Classical Civilization | minor
Classics | BA
Climate Change Science | minor
Clinical and Translational Sciences | BS
Clinical Psychology | minor, PhD
Comparative Literature | minor, BA
Computational Biology | minor
Computational Linguistics | MS
Dance | minor, BA
Data Science | certificate, BA, BS, MS
Developmental Psychology | PhD
Digital Media Studies | minor, BA
Earth and Planetary Sciences | minor
East Asian Studies | minor, BA
Economics | minor, BA, PhD
English | MA, PhD
English:
British and American Literature | BA
Creative Writing | minor, BA
Language, Media, and Communication | BA
English Literature | minor
Environmental Geology | minor
Environmental Health | BS
Environmental Science | BS

Environmental Studies | BA
Epidemiology | minor, BA
Film and Media Studies | minor, BA
Film and Media Studies: Selznick Film Preservation | MA
Financial Economics | BA
French | minor, BA
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies | minor | BA
Geological Sciences | minor, BA, BS
Geomechanics | BS
Geosciences | MS, PhD
German | minor, BA
Greek | minor
Health, Behavior, and Society | minor, BA
Health Policy | minor, BA
Health Psychology | minor
Hebrew | minor
History | minor, BA, MA, PhD
Interdepartmental Studies | minor, BA
International Relations | minor, BA
Italian | minor, BA
Japanese | minor, BA
Jewish Studies | minor
Journalism | minor
Language Documentation and Description | MA
Latin | minor
Latin American Studies | minor
Legal Studies | minor
Linguistics | minor, BA, MA, PhD
Literary Translation | certificate, MA
Mathematical Modeling in Political Science/Economics | certificate
Mathematics minor | BA, BS, PhD
Mathematics and Statistics | BA
Medical Anthropology | minor
Medical Physics | certificate
Movement Studies | minor
Music | minor, BA
Music Cognition | minor
Music and Linguistics | minor
Organizational Psychology | minor
Philosophy | minor, BA, PhD
Physics | minor, BA, BS
Physics and Astronomy | BA, BS, PhD
Polish and Central European Studies | certificate
Political Science | minor, BA, BS, PhD
Politics, Philosophy, and Economics | BA
Psychology | minor, BA, PhD
Psychology as a Natural Science | minor
Psychology as a Social Science | minor
Religion | minor, BA
Research in Visual Science | minor
Russian | minor, BA
Russian Studies | minor, BA
Social-Personality Psychology | PhD
Social and Emotional Development | minor

Spanish | minor, BA
Stage Management | certificate
Statistics | minor, BS
Studio Arts | minor, BA
Sustainability | minor
Theater (English) | minor, BA
User Experience (UX)/User-Centered Design | certificate
Visual and Cultural Studies | PhD
Visual Science | minor
Writing Studies | minor

HAJIM SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING & APPLIED SCIENCES

Audio Arts Technologies | BA
Audio and Music Engineering | minor, BS
Biomedical Engineering | minor, BS, MS, PhD
Chemical Engineering | minor, BS, MS, PhD
Computer Science | minor, BA, BS, MS, PhD
Diagnostic Imaging | MS
Electrical Engineering | MS, PhD
Electrical and Computer Engineering | minor, BS
Engineering and Applied Sciences | BA
Environmental Engineering | minor
Interdepartmental Engineering | BS
Materials Science | minor, MS, PhD
Mechanical Engineering | minor, BS, MS, PhD
Optical Engineering | BS
Optics | minor, BS, MS, PhD

EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Applied Music Performance | BM
Composition | BM, MA, MM, DMA, PhD
Conducting (Choral) | MM, DMA
Conducting (Contemporary) | MM, DMA
Conducting (Wind) | MM, DMA
Contemporary Media/Film
Composition | MM
Early Music | MM, DMA
Ethnomusicology | MA
Jazz Studies and Contemporary Media
BM, MM, DMA
Music Education | BM, MA, MM, DMA, PhD
Music Leadership | MA
Musicology | MA, PhD
Opera (Stage Directing) | MM
Pedagogy of Music Theory | MA
Performance and Literature | MM, DMA
Piano Accompanying and Chamber Music
MM, DMA
Theory | BM, MA, PhD

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

Analytic Epidemiology | certificate
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology | PhD
Biomedical Genetics and Genomics | PhD
Biophysics, Structural, and Computational Biology | PhD

Biostatistics | MS
 Cell Biology of Disease–Pathology | PhD
 Cellular and Molecular Pharmacology and Physiology | PhD
 Clinical Bioethics | certificate
 Clinical Investigation | MS
 Clinical Research Methods | certificate
 Clinical/Medical Technology | certificate
 Dental Sciences | MS
 Epidemiology | MS, PhD
 Experimental Therapeutics | certificate
 Genetic Counseling | MS
 Health Humanities and Bioethics | MS
 Health Services Research | certificate
 Health Services Research and Policy | MS, PhD
 Immunology, Microbiology, and Virology BS/MS, PhD
 Marriage and Family Therapy | certificate, MS
 Medical Education | MD
 Medical Technology and Innovation | MS
 Medical Pharmacology | MS
 Medical Physics | MS
 Microbiology | MS
 Neuroscience | PhD
 Pathology | PhD
 Pharmacology | MS
 Physiology | MS
 Public Health | certificate, MPH
 Statistics | MA, PhD
 Toxicology | PhD
 Translational Biomedical Science | PhD

EASTMAN INSTITUTE FOR ORAL HEALTH

Advanced Education in General Dentistry advanced certificate
 Dental Public Health | advanced certificate
 Dental Sciences | MS
 General Practice Residency | advanced certificate
 Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Residency
 Orofacial Pain | advanced certificate
 Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics advanced certificate
 Periodontics | advanced certificate
 Prosthodontics | advanced certificate
 Surgical Implant Fellowship in Prosthodontics | advanced certificate

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Accelerated Bachelor’s for Non-Nurses ABPNN
 Accelerated Master’s for Non-Nurses AMPNN
 Advanced Certificates in Nursing | certificate
 Care Management Education | certificate
 Clinical Nurse Leader | MS
 Doctor of Nursing Practice | DNP
 Leadership in Health Care Systems | MS

MS-PhD Nursing Combined Accelerated MS, PhD
 Nursing and Health Science | PhD
 Nurse Practitioner | MS
 Nursing Education | MS
 Online RN to BS Completion | BS
 RN First Assistant Program | RNFA
 RN to BS to MS | MS

SIMON BUSINESS SCHOOL

Accountancy | MS
 Accounting | PhD
 Business Analytics and Applied AI | MS
 Business Analytics for Managers (online) | MS
 Finance | PhD
 Finance full-time | MS
 Information Systems | PhD
 Marketing | PhD
 Marketing Analytics | MS
 Master of Business Administration MBA full-time | MBA
 Master of Business Administration MBA part-time | MBA
 Master of Business Administration MBA executive | MBA
 Medical Management part-time | MS
 Operations Management | PhD

WARNER SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Accelerated Degree in Education | BA, BS, MS
 Accelerated Degree in Teaching and Curriculum (Math) | BA, MS
 Addictions Counseling | certificate
 Applied Behavior Analysis | certificate, MS
 Counseling | EdD, PhD
 Digitally-Rich Teaching in K-12 Schools certificate
 Educational Leadership | certificate, MS, EdD
 Education Policy | MS, PhD
 Elementary Mathematics Specialist (K-6) certificate
 Higher Education | MS, EdD, PhD
 Human Development | MS, EdD, PhD
 K-12 School Building or District Leaders certificate
 Leadership in Disability and Inclusive Practices | certificate
 Mental Health Counseling | MS, certificate
 Mind/Body Healing and Wellness | certificate
 Online Teaching | certificate, MS
 Program Evaluation | certificate, MS
 School Counseling | MS, certificate
 Teaching | MS
 Teaching and Curriculum | EdD, PhD
 Teaching English as a Foreign Language certificate, MS
 Teacher Leadership | certificate
 Urban Teaching and Leadership | certificate

Awards & RECOGNITION

79
GRAMMY AWARDS

23
GUGGENHEIM FELLOWS

13
NOBEL PRIZES

13
PULITZER PRIZES

2
MacARTHUR FELLOWS

1
KYOTO PRIZE

Our Global Story:

The University of Rochester's Journey of Internationalization



In 1950, the University of Rochester hosted a landmark Human Rights Conference as part of its centennial celebrations. The event featured keynote speakers like Eleanor Roosevelt, the first U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, and Ralph Bunche, a Nobel Peace Prize laureate and diplomat. This conference marked a pivotal moment in the University's enduring commitment to global engagement.



1850–1960

Establishing Foundations

As early as its founding in 1850, the University of Rochester began laying the groundwork for becoming a globally engaged institution. Under the leadership of Martin Brewer Anderson, the University's first president, the early academic programs were established with a focus on liberal education.

As the University grew, it began to attract international faculty and students. Henry A. Ward, an early faculty member and founder of Ward's Natural Science Establishment, brought global natural history collections from his travels to Rochester, enhancing the University's academic standing. Language

instruction in French and German was introduced early on, reflecting a commitment to global education. Notable international students during this period included Simon Tuska (Poland, Class of 1856), William Harkness (Scotland, Class of 1858), and Theodore Thanbyah (Burma, Class of 1871).

The early 20th century brought further growth and international exposure. David Jayne Hill, the University's second president, who later became the U.S. Ambassador to Germany, significantly influenced the University's international relations. Theodore Roosevelt, a close friend of Hill, visited the University in 1900 to deliver an address during its 50th-anniversary celebration.

The Eastman School of Music, founded in 1921, quickly became an international beacon, attracting faculty and students from around the world. The school's influence

extended globally, with its performing groups touring Europe, the USSR, and the Middle East in 1961-62.

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In 1967: 42 students in France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Switzerland and the UK



PRESIDENTIAL PODIUM: Speaking in 1959 to a standing-room-only audience in Strong Auditorium, then Senator John F. Kennedy was one of several presidents and presidential candidates to visit campus.



U.S. President Richard Nixon on the University of Rochester campus in 1966



Photo of U.S. President Bill Clinton during Meliora 2011

1967-2003 Growing International Presence



The post-war era and the civil rights movement in the U.S. opened new doors for international students, and the University of Rochester embraced these changes. 1967 marked the formal inauguration of the Foreign Students Office, which was later renamed the International Services Office (ISO). This office played a crucial role in providing comprehensive support for international students and scholars, ensuring their integration into campus life.

In addition, the University welcomed its first students from the African continent in the 1961-1962 academic year. These students, such as Payne Masuku and Tonye Erekosima, who arrived through the African Scholarship Program of American Universities and the Nigerian-American Scholarship

Program, respectively, shared their insights on the decolonization and nation-building processes in Africa, enriching the campus with their perspectives.

By 2003, the University of Rochester was home to 1,326 international students from 86 countries, making up 15.88% of the student body. This diverse community was a testament to the University's growing global reach. Additionally, the expansion of study abroad programs provided transformative educational experiences, with more students engaging in international exchanges.

2003-2013 Transition and Growth

The early 21st century was marked by a significant increase in the University's international student population, driven by enhanced global recruitment efforts. The diversity of the student body expanded, with students coming from countries like Brazil, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and regions across Africa, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia.

During this period, the University also placed a greater emphasis on international engagement events. International Education Week, for example, became a pivotal event that showcased films, cultural exhibitions,

and discussions promoting global awareness and intercultural understanding. These events provided opportunities for students to engage with global issues, explore study abroad options, and learn new languages.

International students became well-integrated across all major schools and disciplines at the University, contributing significantly to its academic and cultural richness. Their presence was particularly notable in fields like engineering, business, and the arts.

Worldwide Universities Network (WUN): The University of Rochester joined WUN, a global consortium of 24 universities. WUN facilitates interdisciplinary research groups, supports overseas research visits, and organizes various academic events.



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2014 to Present Formalization and Expansion

The University of Rochester's commitment to global engagement was solidified with the establishment of the Office for Global Engagement (GLOBAL) in 2014. This office provided strategic leadership and coordination for the University's international initiatives, further enhancing its global presence and influence. Under the leadership of Jane Gatewood, the first Vice Provost for Global Engagement, the office expanded its initiatives, focusing on significantly enhancing services for international students, faculty, scholars, and staff, broadening education abroad services for students and faculty, and establishing new international partnerships.

By 2018, the international student population had grown to over 3,200, representing nearly 30% of the total student body and over 130 different countries. The University's global partnerships also flourished, including collaborations with over 100 international institutions, student exchanges, joint research projects, and other global initiatives.

The Office for Global Engagement also played a crucial role in expanding



The University of Rochester Office for Global Engagement 2024 Global Photo Contest



The University is home to more than 4,000 international students and scholars from over 130 countries.

The University of Rochester's Office for Global Engagement has developed a strategic plan that outlines the institution's global engagement priorities, focusing on four major areas:

- 1 International Partnerships and Engagement
- 2 Global Education and Mobility Pathways
- 3 International Diversity and Campus Climate
- 4 Global Profile and Reputation

support services for international students, faculty, scholars, and staff, ensuring they had the resources they needed to thrive at the University.

These priorities support and align with the broader goals outlined in the University of Rochester's Boundless Possibility: 2030 Strategic Plan. This visionary framework guides the institution toward strengthening research excellence and global reputation, reimagining exceptional undergraduate and graduate education, expanding and transforming health care delivery,



The University of Rochester offers extensive opportunities for students and faculty to engage in global education through education abroad programs, including faculty-led initiatives, internships, and immersive experiences that enhance student mobility and deepen understanding of global cultures and issues.

fostering faculty and staff success, and ensuring sustainable growth. This alignment ensures that the University is well-positioned to frame and solve the greatest challenges of the future.

This period also saw several significant initiatives that further solidified the University of Rochester's global footprint:

- **Global Partnership Fund (GPF):** Administered by GLOBAL, the GPF advances research and scholarly collaboration worldwide. It supports University faculty in international research and teaching collaborations, either at Rochester or abroad, focusing on building scalable and sustainable

relationships that lead to joint publications, grants, and other academic outputs.

- **Global Emergency Response**

Initiatives: The University established the Global Emergency Response Fund (GERF) to support global crisis response, demonstrating its commitment to global humanitarian efforts.

- **Commitment to Academic Freedom and Support for**

At-Risk Scholars: The University of Rochester is a distinguished member of the Scholars at Risk (SAR) Network and the New University in Exile Consortium (NUEC), reflecting its dedication to protecting threatened scholars and promoting global academic freedom. As part of the SAR Network, Rochester collaborates with institutions worldwide to provide refuge and support to scholars facing persecution due to their research or advocacy. Through its involvement in the NUEC, Rochester offers temporary academic positions and fosters a network dedicated to safeguarding at-risk scholars.

Additionally, as an institutional member of the Institute of International Education (IIE), the University of Rochester participates in the IIE's Scholar Rescue Fund® and the Artist Protection Fund (APF), providing fellowship grants to threatened scholars and artists globally. These affiliations collectively underscore the University's commitment to creating a safe and inclusive environment for scholars and artists in need.

This period also marked the launch of the University's first Global Awards in 2024 and the formalization of plans for Global Celebration Week in 2025, alongside an expanded International Education Week. These landmark initiatives have significantly advanced the University's internationalization efforts, strengthening engagement



Vice Provost Jane Gatewood meeting with members of the diplomatic community and launching the University's Global Engagement Award.



Over 1,000 international delegations from higher education, government, and civil society have engaged with the University during this period, meeting with our experts to gain insights and learn about our leading research and programs.



The University of Rochester has in-country representatives in India, China, and Vietnam.

with both internal and external partners and reinforcing our commitment to expanding our global footprint and enhancing collaboration across borders.

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