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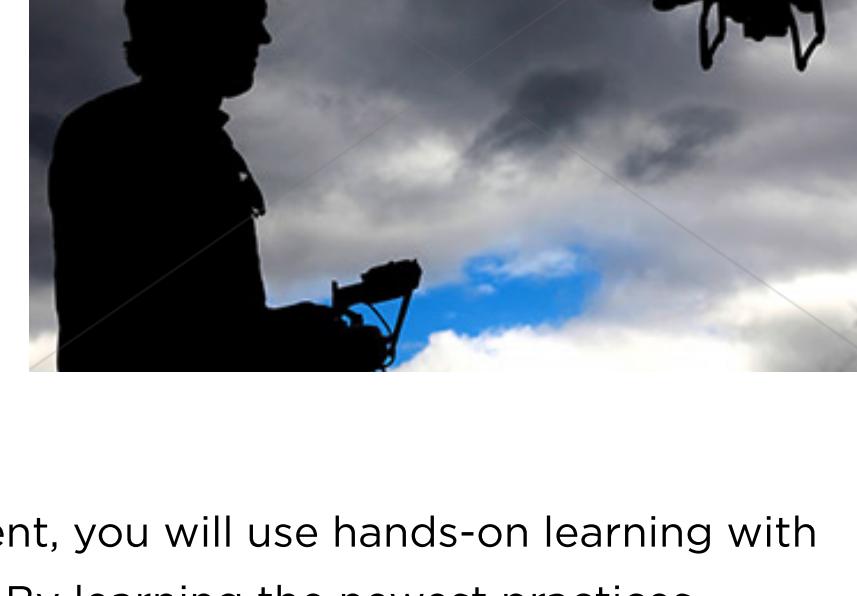
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As a Journalism and Technical Communication student, you will use hands-on learning with the tools and skills necessary for telling your stories. By learning the newest practices combined with traditional methods, journalism students will be well-versed in whichever concentration they pursue. With an emphasis on the latest multimedia practices, Technical Communication students become experts before graduating by becoming versed in the latest technology and practices.

You're already passionate about telling stories; let us teach you how to tell them in a way that best suits your talents. Whether it's online or traditional print, video or audio production, interactive or static digital media, or a combination of several, JTC students are highly skilled and will have ample job opportunities after they've graduated.

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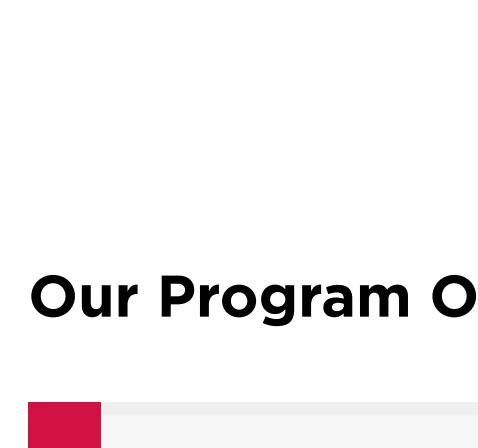
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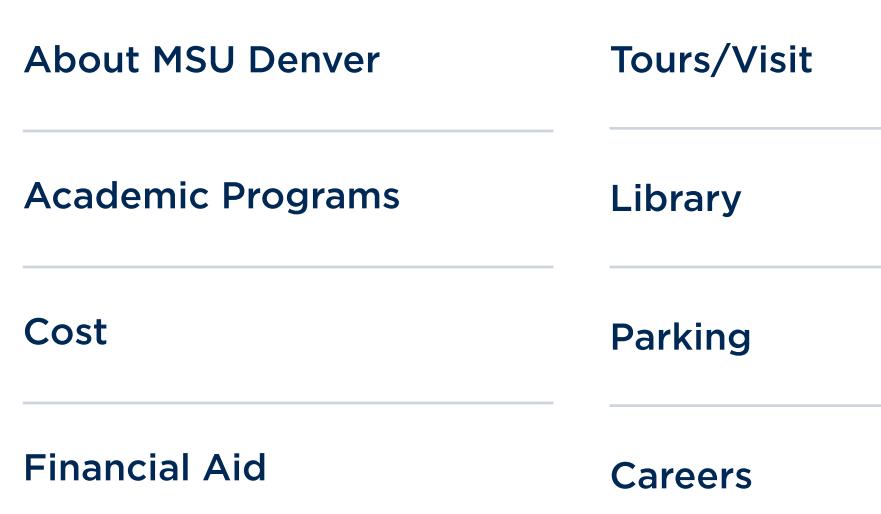
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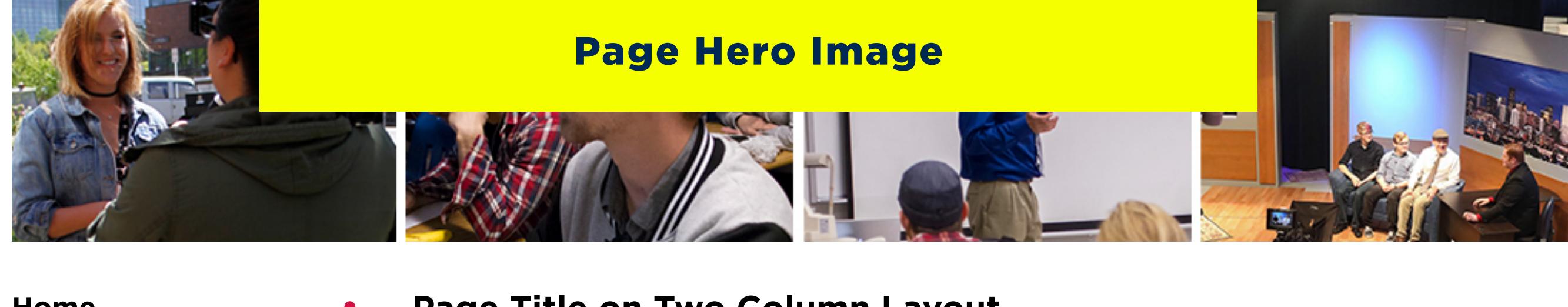


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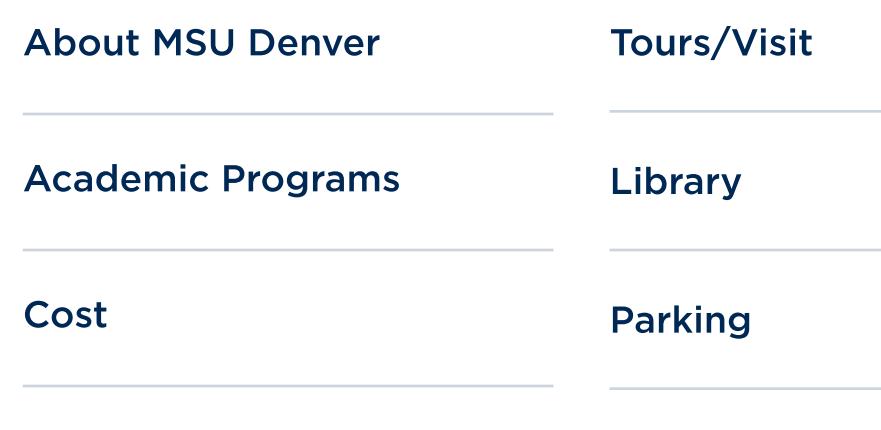
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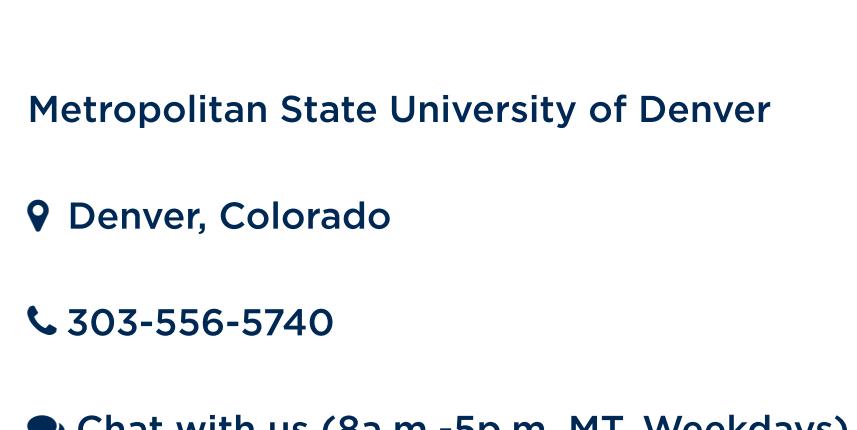
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Studies in Journalism and Technical Communication blend the knowledge of communication practices and technology. Course work focuses on the development of reader-centered, content-driven information products produced in various areas of concentration including video production, interactive media production, mobile and social media communication, and technical writing and editing.

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1. Apply.
2. Submit your official high school transcripts.
Printed: must be in an official sealed envelope from your high school.
Electronically: your high school can send this directly to MSU Denver.
3. Request your standardized test scores (ACT or SAT).
4. Optional: Submit a personal statement and/or letters of recommendation.

Admissions Requirements

At MSU Denver, we review students in a multi-faceted, holistic approach. You're not just one thing!

What we look at:

Academic record: Grades, classes attended, etc.

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Additional Factors: MSU Denver considers other things that may have influenced how you did in high school. We will look at your student and community activities, but feel

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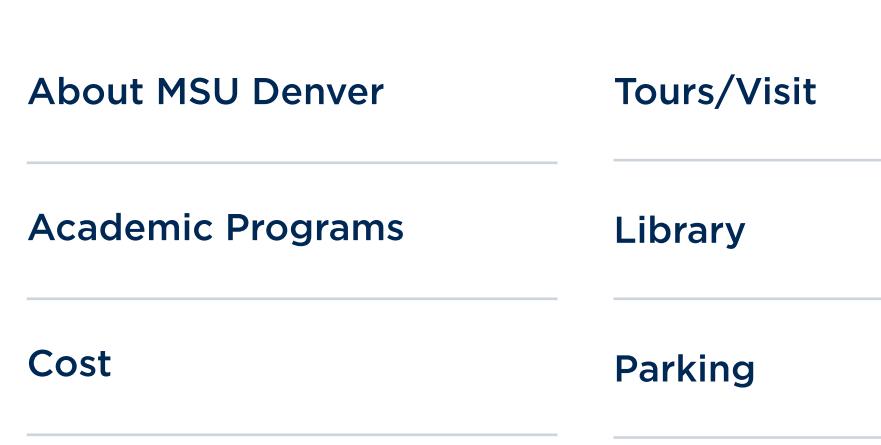
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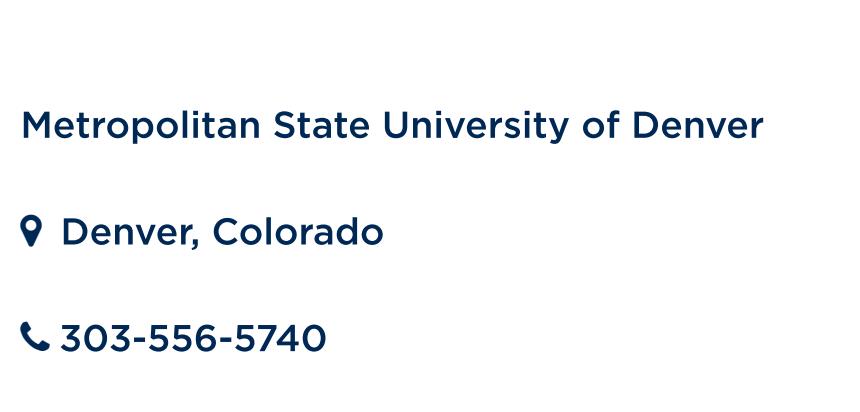
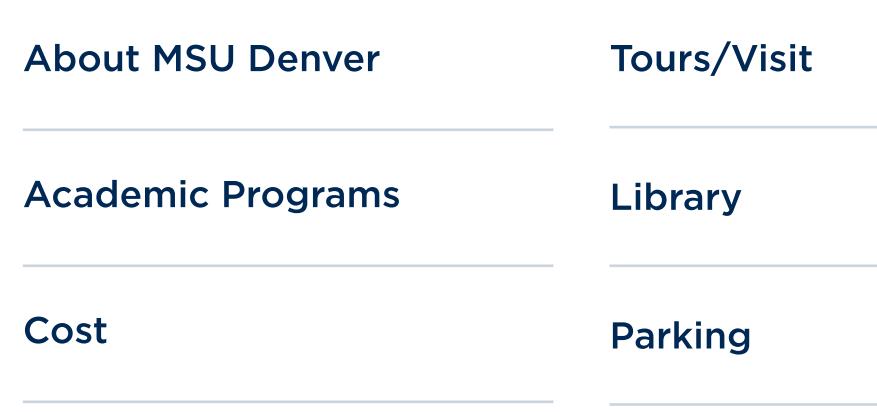
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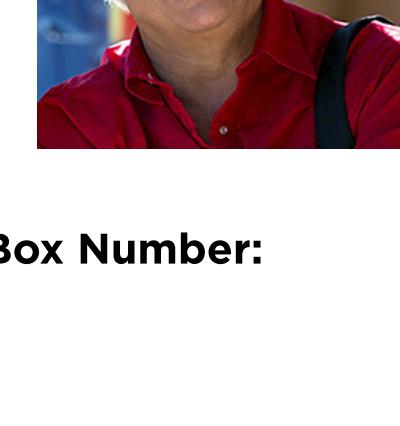


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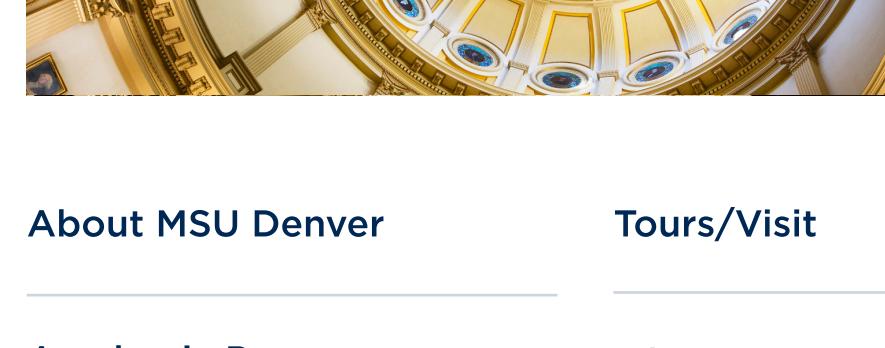
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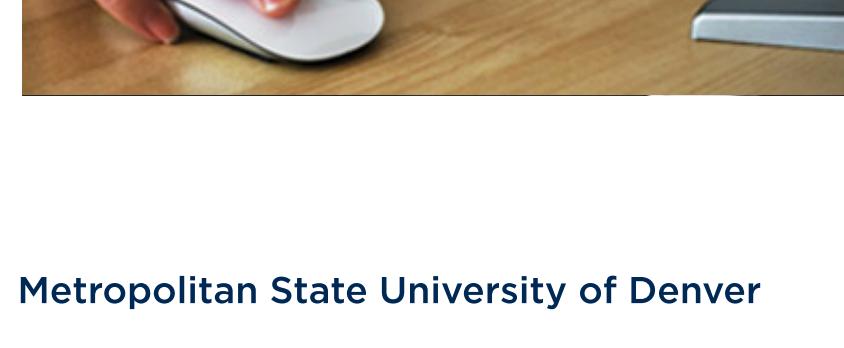
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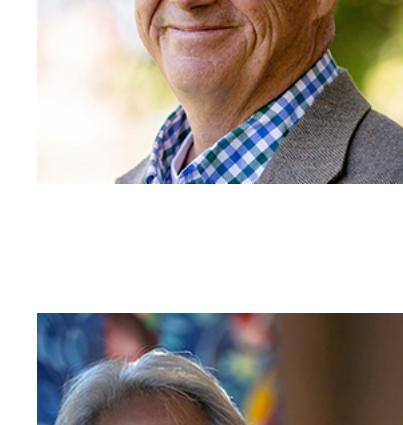
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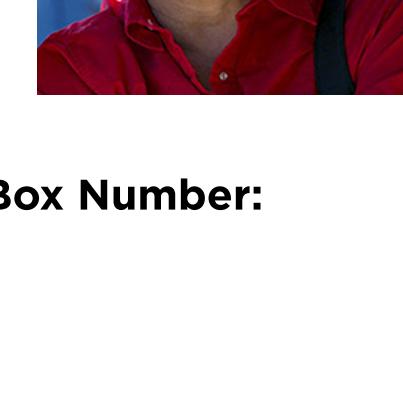
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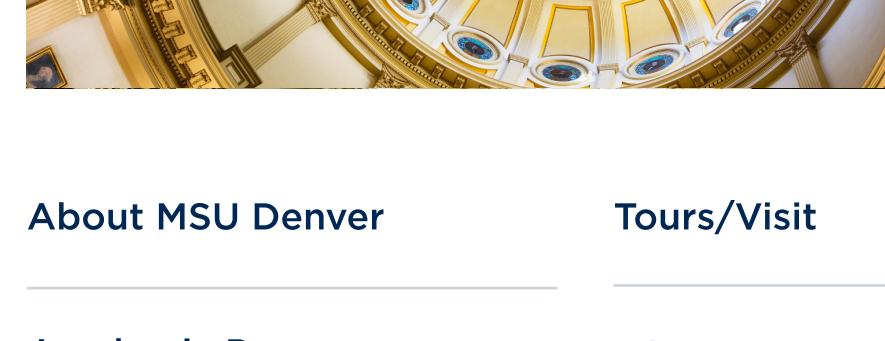
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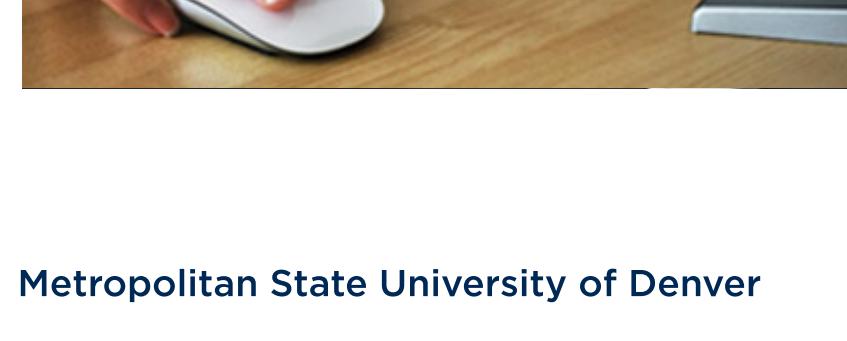
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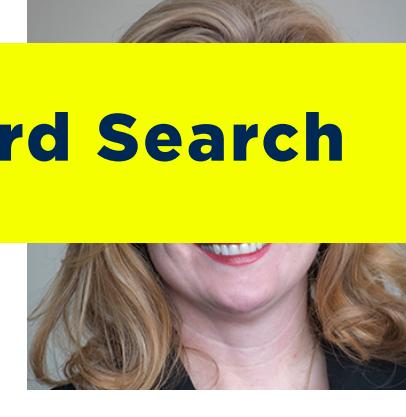
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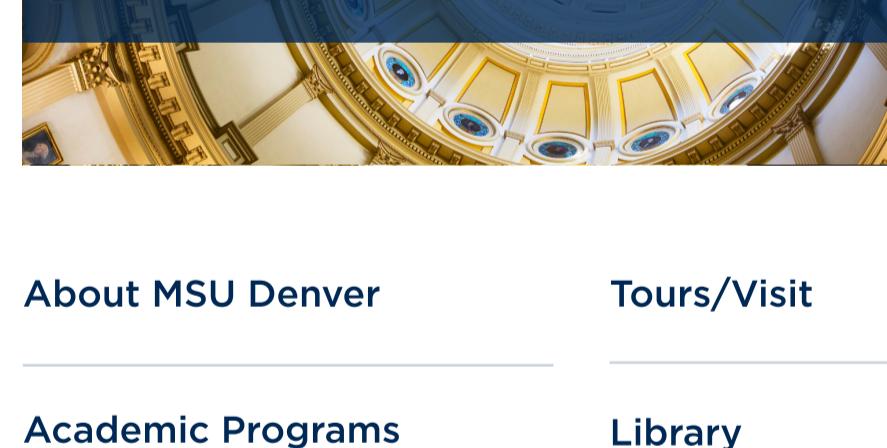
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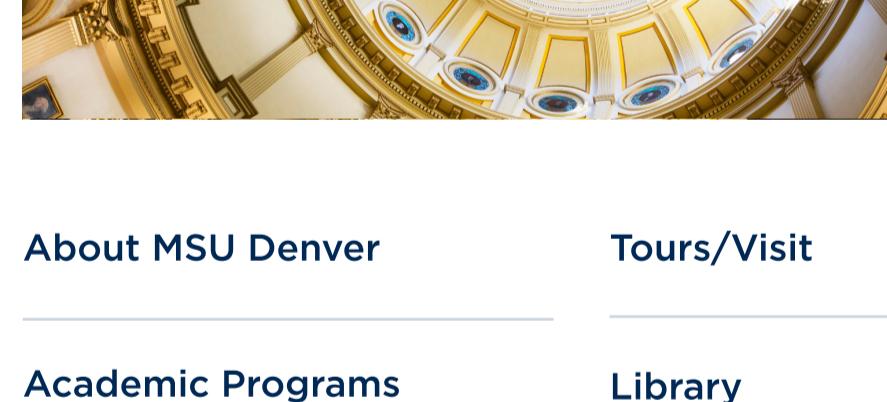
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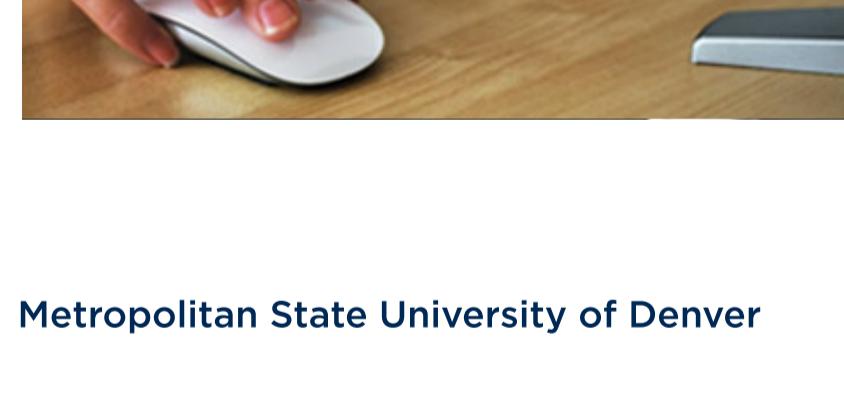
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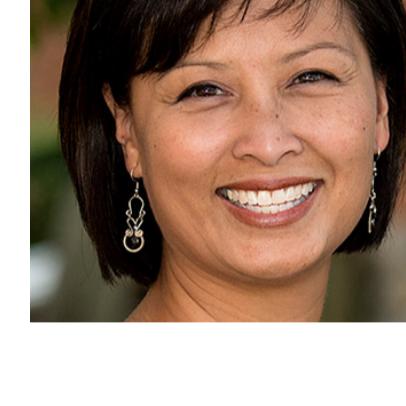
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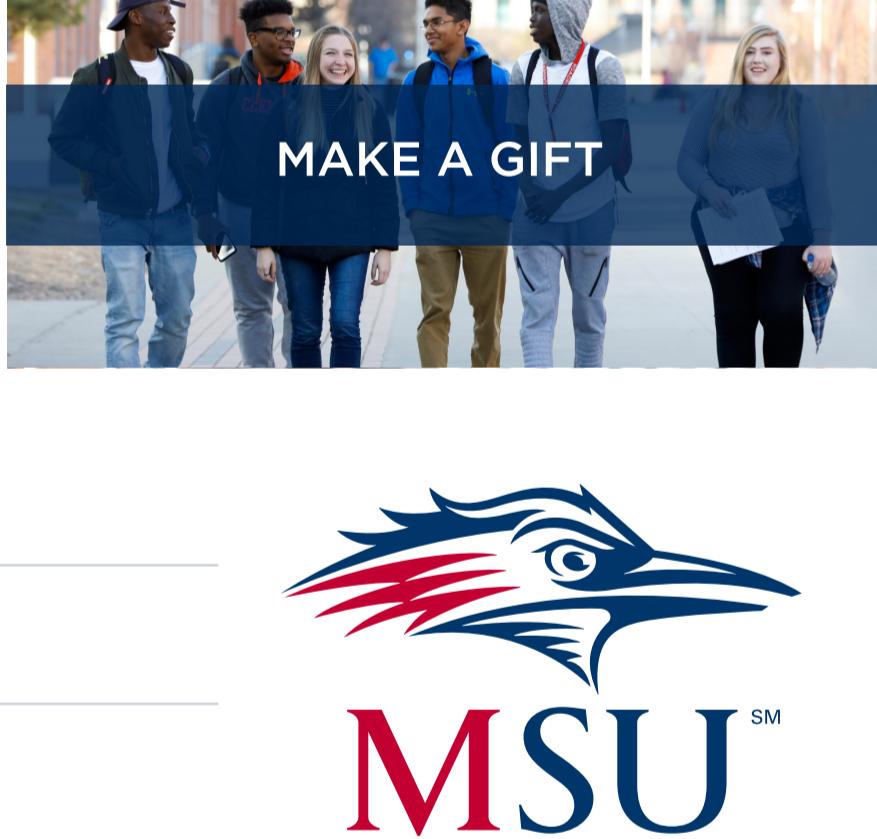
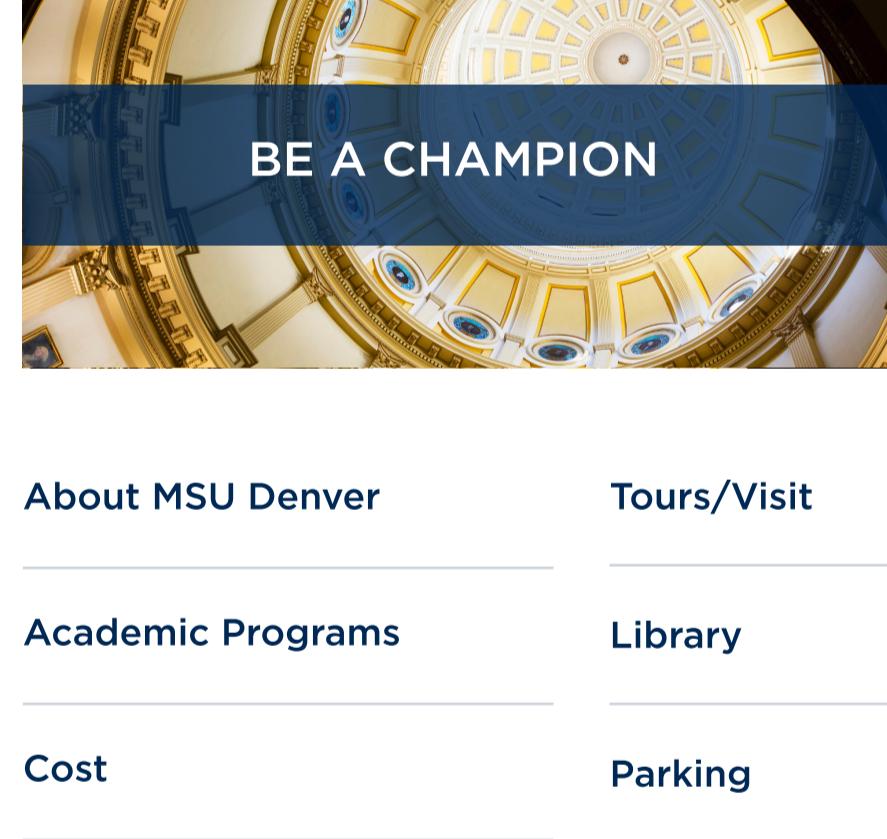
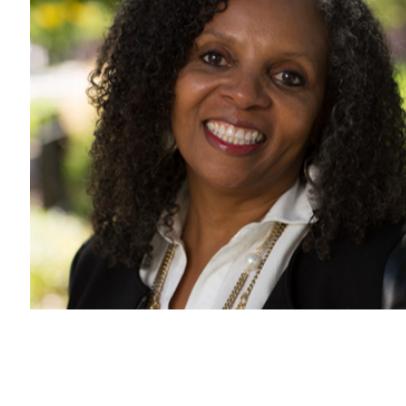
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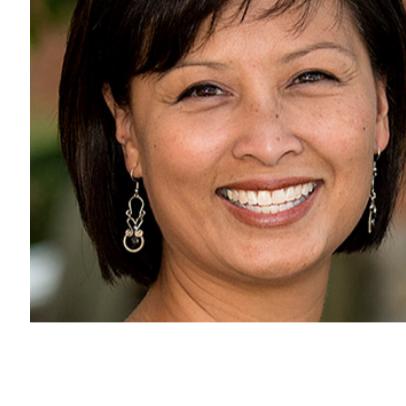
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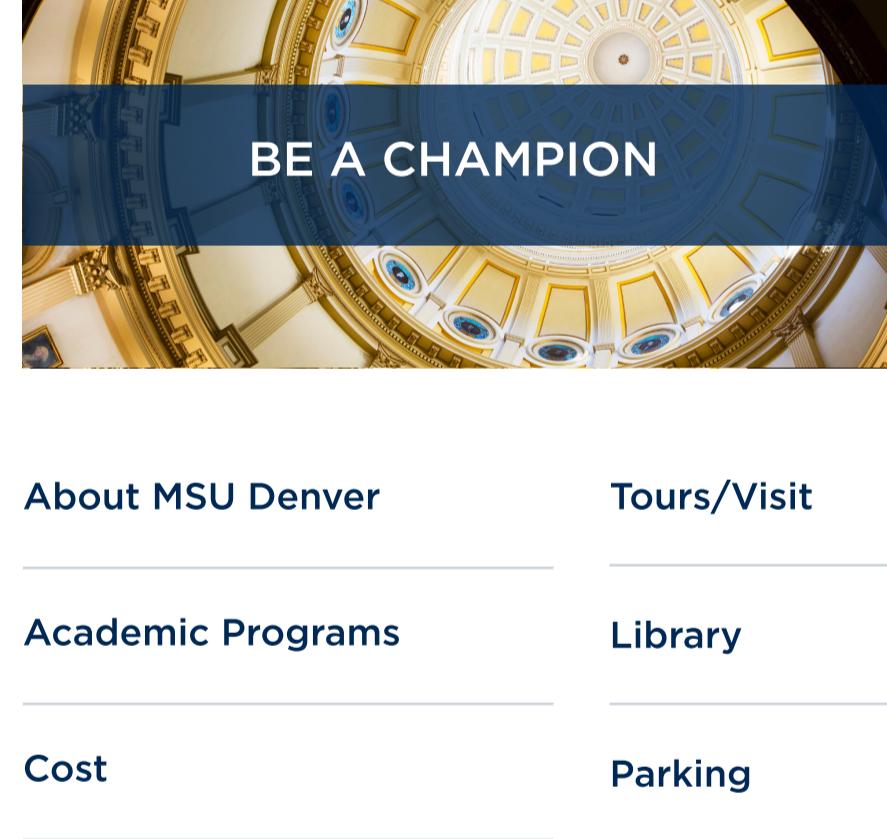
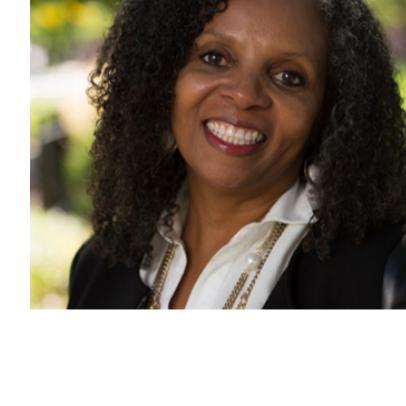
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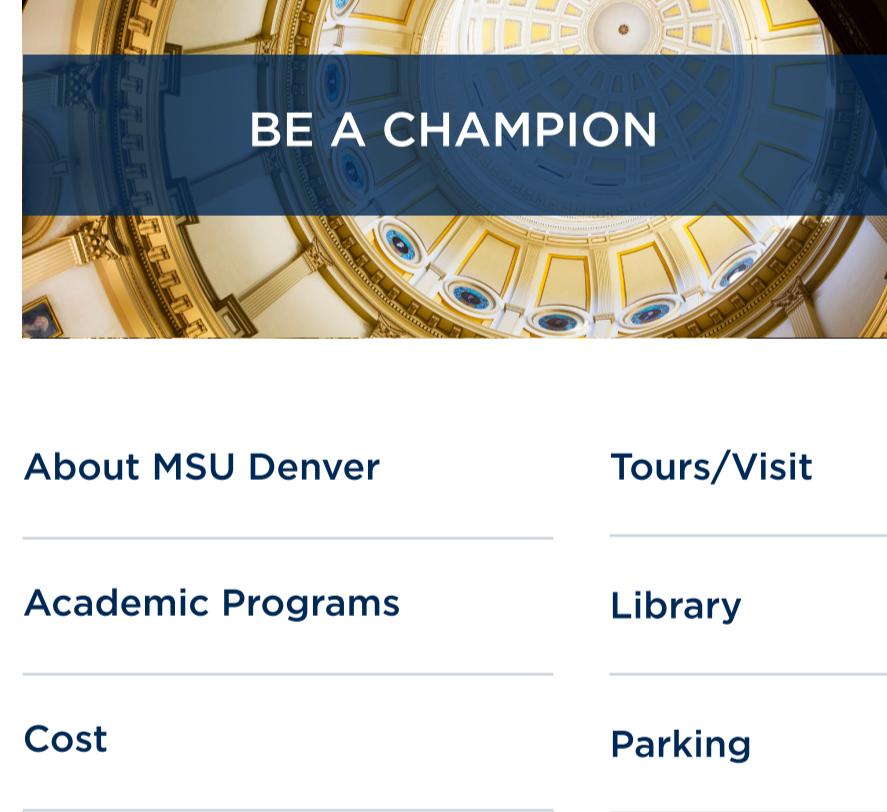
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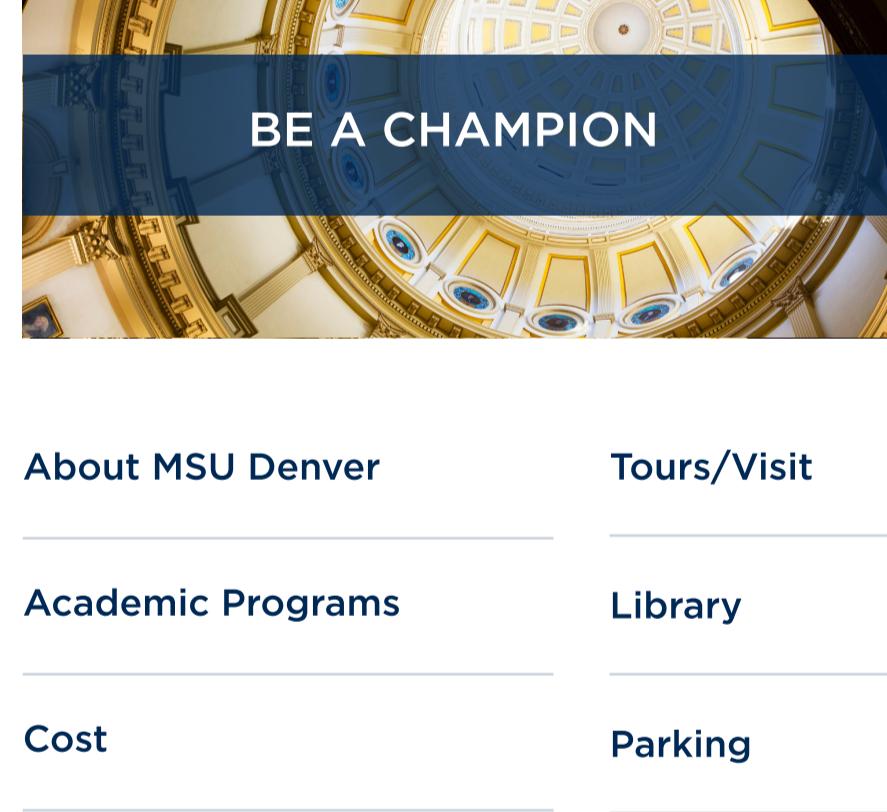
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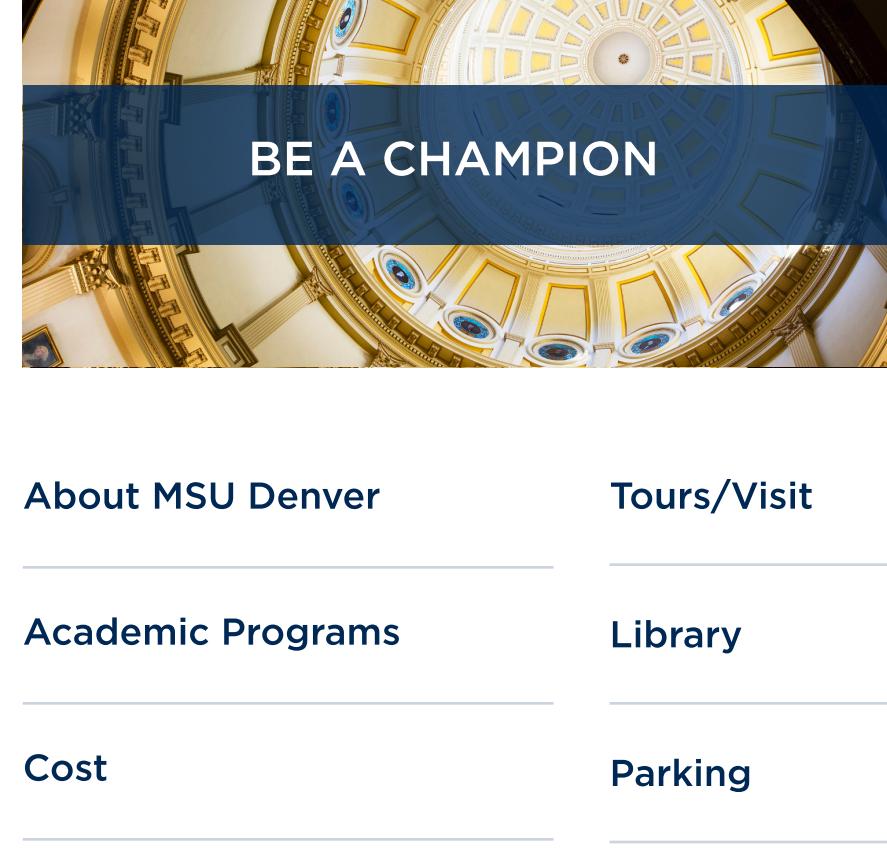


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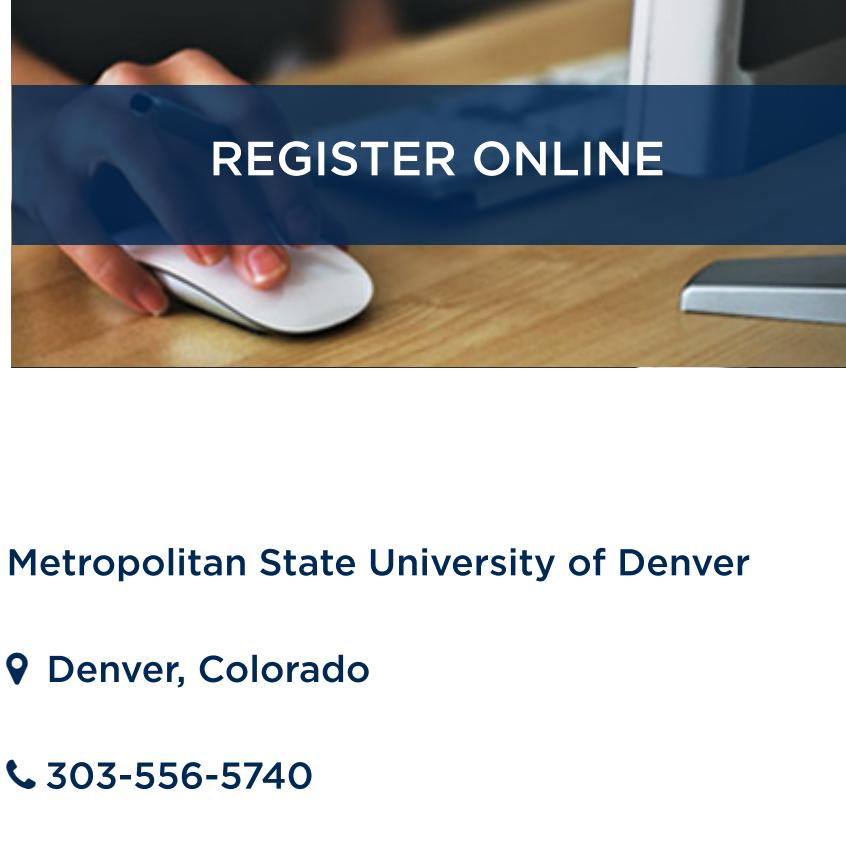
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