

State: Kentucky

Capital City: Frankfort

Major Cities: Louisville, Lexington, Bowling Green, Richmond, Covington

Major Companies: Yum! Brands, Texas Roadhouse, Humana, Kindred Healthcare, Grupo Antolin, Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America, Papa John's International, INOAC USA

Major Sectors/Economy:

- Kentucky's economy—based on manufacturing, trade, mining, agriculture, and tourism
- Manufacturing is the largest single contributor to Kentucky's economy
- Kentucky's top five export products were:
 - Aerospace products and parts
 - Motor vehicles and parts
 - Pharmaceuticals and medicines
 - Resin, rubber, fibers and filament
 - Basic chemicals
- Kentucky ranks 4th among U.S. states in the number of automobiles and trucks assembled which are The Chevrolet Corvette, Cadillac XLR, Ford Escape, Ford Super Duty trucks, Ford Expedition, Lincoln Navigator, Toyota Camry, Toyota Avalon, Toyota Solara, Toyota Venza, and Lexus ES 350 are assembled in Kentucky.

Climate: Temperatures in Kentucky usually range from daytime summer highs of 31 °C to the winter low of -5 °C

University Eligibility and Fee:

University	Bachelors Eligibility	Bachelors Fee Range/yr	Masters Eligibility	Masters Fee Range/yr
University of Kentucky Lexington	GPA – 3.5 SAT– 1010-1250 ACT – 22-28	\$27,750	GRE-305+ GPA – 3.3/70%+ TOEFL -90/IELTS – 7.0	\$32,400
Western Kentucky University	GPA – 3.4 SAT– 900-1050 ACT – 19-22	\$26,280	GRE-295 GPA – 3.2/65% TOEFL -90/IELTS – 7.0	\$17,154
Murray State U, Kentucky	GPA – 3.3 SAT– NR ACT – NR	\$23,340	GRE-288+ GPA – 3.2/65%+ TOEFL -80/IELTS – 6.5	\$14,400

University Key points:

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U of Kentucky Lexington	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded in 1865 • Students 30,720 (2015–16) • The institution comprises 16 colleges, a graduate school, 93 undergraduate programs, 99 master programs, 66 doctoral programs, and four professional programs • The university has over 140,246 alumni in the state of Kentucky, 216,737 in the United States, and 1,119 internationally • The student-faculty ratio is 17:1 • Median starting salary of alumni \$46,500 • 50 percent of full-time undergraduates receive some kind of need-based financial aid, and the average need-based scholarship or grant award is \$5,694.
Murray State U, Kentucky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students 10,495 (Fall 2016) • Bachelor's programs: 63, with 97 specialized track options • Master's and specialist programs: 43, with 54 specialized options • 79% of full-time, instructional faculty has earned the highest degree in their field. • University Libraries provides access to more than 390,000 collections to aid faculty, staff and student research endeavors • Murray State awards over \$125 million annually in financial aid and scholarships. • student to faculty ratio: 15 to 1 • Ranked 11th Top Public Regional University among all public universities in the southern region – 2018
Western Kentucky University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded:1906 • Ranking: #293-#381 in National Universities • During the 2017-18 academic year, WKU earned more than 35 top recognitions for academic programs • U.S. News reported WKU one of the top public schools and within the best colleges for veterans. U.S. News also ranked WKU's MBA program #72. In addition, WKU was named #1 Value College in the Top Best Online Colleges in Kentucky • Endowment: \$125.5 million • At Western Kentucky University, 63 percent of full-time undergraduates receive some kind of need-based financial aid, and the average need-based scholarship or grant award is \$5,597