# Executive Report: St. Thomas Cares Just Like You Do

### Introduction: The First Stone - Higher Admission Rates

One of the key advantages of the University of St. Thomas is our higher admission rates for international students compared to domestic admission. Our university values diversity and actively seeks to enroll students from around the world, and the top 3 population of international students are Vietnam, Nepal and India (Figure 1).

The admission rate for UST international student is higher than UST overall and Minnesota largest university, UMN (Figure 2). Admission rate indicates an easier application process for your children and our admission team tries to provide a welcoming and inclusive environment.

### Merit-Based Scholarships

Understanding financial factor is the important for the parents and students considering studying aboard, UST provides largest merit-based scholarships among peer universities (Figure 3), not mentioning being smaller student population comparing to UMN. All international students are eligible for our merit-based scholarships and with awards ranging from 30% to 70% off tuition costs, but more significantly, the average scholarship increase since 2018 (Figure 4).

### Small Class Sizes

With an average class size of just 20 students, we provide personalized attention and meaningful interactions that ensure every student gets personalized attention and meaningful interactions in the learning process. UST has substantial number of classes with size of under 29 (Figure 5), so our faculty could help every student.

### Ensuring Safety and Security

As a parent, the bottom line for your child’s life is safety. We maintain a safe and secure campus environment, with low crime rates and effective security measures in place to prioritize your child's well-being. UST campus is located on a nice neighborhood and our on-campus crime incidents stays low (Figure 6), so you can worry less when your child is away from home.

### Conclusion

We understand that as parents, you have concerns and worries about sending your child off to college. From our higher admission rates for international students to our merit-based scholarships, small class sizes, and emphasis on community safety, we offer advantages that reflect our commitment to caring for your child's well-being and academic success.

Figure 1: UST International Applicants Residency 2018-2023

*\*Circle Sizes represent number of applicants*

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Figure 2: St. Thomas International Admission Rate Comparing to Domestic and UMN 2022

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Figure 3: Total Amount of Merit-Based Scholarships By Schools Year 2021-2022

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Figure 4: Trend of Average Merit-based Scholarship Percentages (2018-2023) for Admitted International Students

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Figure 5: St. Thomas Class Size Counts, 2023-2024

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Figure 6: On-Campus Crime Incidents by Types, 2021-2022

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