

WELCOME TO

A photograph of three students and the Missouri S&T mascot, Joe Miner, sitting on concrete steps in front of a brick building. The mascot is a large, smiling figure with a yellow hat, a brown beard, and a red shirt under a brown jacket. He is holding a large, curved pickaxe. The student on the left is a young woman with long brown hair, wearing a blue t-shirt. The student in the middle is a young man with short brown hair, wearing a blue t-shirt with "MISSOURI S&T" printed on it. The student on the right is a young woman with dark hair, wearing a green t-shirt with "MISSOURI S&T" printed on it. The background shows a brick building and some yellow flowers.

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NEW GRADUATE STUDENT SUCCESS GUIDE

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BEFORE YOU ARRIVE - CHECKLIST



- ☐ **ACTIVATE YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNT:** This is a prerequisite to register for class. Visit [IoeSS](#) to access your account. Having trouble signing in? Contact registrar@mst.edu for help.
- ☐ **CONTACT YOUR ADVISOR:** Email or meet with your advisor to plan what classes to take your first semester.
- ☐ **REGISTER FOR CLASSES:** Do this as soon as possible after you activate your student account. Visit the [Registrar's webpage](#) for more details about important dates and deadlines.
- ☐ **ATTEND ORIENTATION(S):** The [orientation webpage](#) has updated information regarding the New Graduate Student Orientation. For a program specific orientation, contact your program department.
- ☐ **KNOW YOUR CLASSES:** Review the [Missouri S&T Graduate Catalog](#) for your program year.
- ☐ **LEARN FINANCIAL AID:** Information regarding financial assistance can be found on the [Student Financial Assistance](#) webpage (domestic students only).
- ☐ **CHEK YOUR HEALTH:** Review the [Student Health Services](#) webpage for details concerning vaccination and student health requirements.
- ☐ **TOUR CAMPUS:** Tour Missouri S&T through our interactive [virtual tour](#).
- ☐ **COMPLETE YOUR DOCUMENTATION:** If your acceptance letter outlined missing or incomplete documents such as official transcripts, diplomas, or test scores, please have these uploaded to your application account or email these to [Graduate Studies](#) as soon as possible. Incomplete documentation will result in a registration hold on your account until the required documentation is received.
- ☐ **OBTAIN A PARKING PERMIT:** Visit the [University Police Department](#) page to learn more about parking on campus.
- ☐ **MAKE HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS:** There are several housing options. Please see our housing and dining section for more information.
- ☐ **GET YOUR BOOKS AND SUPPLIES:** Visit the [S&T Store webpage](#) for textbooks, supplies, clothing, and many other items.
- ☐ **ACCESS CANVAS:** Visit mst.instructure.com in order to access and set up your Canvas homepage. This is how you will access content, syllabi, and other resources for a large portion of your classes.

TRAVEL OPTIONS

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Airport Options

St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL)

- Air Canada
- Air Choice One
- Alaska Airlines
- American Airlines
- Cape Air
- Charter Flights
- Contour
- Delta
- Frontier Airlines
- Southwest
- Sun Country Airlines
- United Airlines
- Volaris

[Book your flight.](#)

Kansas City International Airport (KCI)

- Air Canada
- Alaska Airlines
- Allegiant Airlines
- American Airlines
- Delta Airlines
- Frontier Airlines
- Icelandair
- Southwest
- Spirit Airlines
- United Airlines
- Vacation Express/Miami Air

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Columbia Regional Airport (COU)

- American Airlines
- United Airlines

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Springfield-Branson National Airport (SGF)

- American Airlines
- Allegiant Airlines
- Delta Airlines
- United Airlines

[Book your flight.](#)

Driving Options

Driving from St. Louis, Missouri (1 Hr, 45 Min)

- Take Interstate 44 West to Exit 186 to Rolla, MO

Driving from Kansas City, Missouri (3 Hrs, 30 Min)

- Take Interstate 70 East to Exit 128A
- Using US-63 S get on US-54 W/US-63 S
- Using US-54 W/US-63 S get on US-50 E
- Using US-50 E get on US-63 S towards Rolla, MO

Driving from Columbia, Missouri (1 Hr, 45 Min)

- Take US-63 S to US-54 W/US-63 S
- Using US-54 W/US-63 S get on US-50 E
- Using US-50 E get on US-63 S towards Rolla, MO

Driving from Springfield, Missouri (1 Hr, 45 Min)

- Take Interstate 44 East to Exit 184 to Rolla, MO

GRADUATE STUDENT SERVICES



Graduate Studies

SEMINARS & EVENTS

Seminars

Each fall and spring semester, the Office of Graduate Studies hosts the New Graduate Student Orientation. The purpose of this seminar is to provide information, answer questions, and guide new graduate students as they begin their graduate studies at Missouri S&T.

To attend the orientation, register [here](#).

Events

The Office of Graduate Studies hosts several events each semester. From Thesis and Dissertation Writing Camps to professional development workshops, each event is catered to help our students achieve success in their graduate program at Missouri S&T.

[See our full listing of upcoming events.](#)

EDITING & WRITING SERVICES

The Office of Graduate Studies is pleased to provide [free editing services](#) to graduate students both currently enrolled and on-campus at Missouri S&T. You are invited to submit your paper to the editor (whether you're still working through the first draft of your document or putting the finishing touches on the final draft) who will work with you to help you produce the strongest communication possible.

GRADUATE FUNDING MANAGEMENT

For any assistance with funding management, questions, or problems, the Office of Graduate Studies has a Financial Manager on staff to help. Through email, phone, and/or one-on-one sessions, they are here to help you properly use all of the funding available to you.



FUNDING OPTIONS



GRADUATE FUNDING

Missouri S&T is proud to offer graduate teaching assistantships, graduate research assistantships and graduate assistantships. Students on these appointments will be considered in-state/Missouri residents. To learn how to apply for any of these positions, contact the graduate staff person in your department. Visit the [external funding](#) webpage for more information on funding opportunities outside the university.

Graduate Teaching Assistants

GTAs teach undergraduate courses in their discipline or assist with labs and teaching. The department usually awards these positions.

Graduate Research Assistants

GRAs perform research alongside a faculty member. The department or an individual faculty member may award these positions.

Graduate Assistants

GAs perform a combination of GTA and GRA duties.

Please visit the [Graduate Assistant funding](#) webpage for more information.

THE GAANN PROGRAM

The Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) is a grant program sponsored by the United States Department of Education. This program provides fellowships through academic departments and programs of institutions of higher education to assist graduate students with excellent records who demonstrate financial need and plan to pursue the highest degree available in their course study at an institution in a field designated as an area of national need.

The award covers full tuition, gives resources to conduct research, and provides a stipend of up to \$34,000 (subject to change according to the U.S. Department of Education).

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Demonstrate financial need (FAFSA)
- Be both academically strong and research-oriented
- Have strong GPA & GRE scores (90th percentile recommended)
- Be accepted into the department Ph.D. program providing the grant
- Meet individual departmental criteria for GAANN

Please visit the [GAANN](#) webpage for more information.

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A PLACE TO CALL HOME

Realtors and Rental Agencies in Rolla

[Brown Rentals, LLC](#)

603 Kingshighway
(573) 364-2787

[Burrell Rentals](#)

1019 Kingshighway, Suite 1
(573) 341-2444

[Century 21 First Choice](#)

603 Kingshighway
(573) 364-5050

[EXIT Realty](#)

2077 Old St. James Road
(573) 426-394

[Investment Realty](#)

1703 North Bishop Ave
(573) 364-8111

[Williams Real Property, LLC](#)

218 West 8th Street
(573) 202-6399

Local Landlords with Multiple Properties

[ACE Property Solutions, LLC](#)

1000 N Pine St, Suite A
(573) 364-2787

[Dale Wands](#)

dwands@fidnet.com
(573) 341-8388

[Frueh Investments, LLC](#)

11725 County Road 8070
(573) 308-6888

[Green Bean Properties](#)

1015 Kingshighway
(573) 201-3695

[Larry Woolf Rentals](#)

larryw@fidnet.com
(573) 465-3020

Other Individual Listings

[Missouri S&T Rides and Roommate Connection Facebook Page](#)

[Student Life Roommate Listings](#)



[Rolla Classifieds](#)

OVERNIGHT STAY ACCOMMODATIONS



 Wifi  Breakfast

Hotel Accommodations:



[Baymont Inn & Suites](#)

1801 Martin Springs Dr
(573) 364-7000  



[Best Western Coachlight](#)

1403 Martin Spring Dr
(573) 341-2511  



[Budget Deluxe Motel](#)

1908 N. Bishop Ave
(573) 364-4488  



[Comfort Suites](#)

1650 Old Wire Outer Rd
(573) 368-4300  



[Econo Lodge](#)

1417 Martin Spring Dr
(573) 341-3130  

[Hampton Inn](#)

2201 N. Bishop Ave
(573) 308-1060  


[Holiday Inn Express](#)

1610 Old Wire Outer Rd
(573) 308-1060  


[Morningside Village — Extended Stay](#)

1307 California Dr
(573) 465-4026


[Motel 6](#)

2001 N. Bishop Ave
(573) 364-1333 


[Pear Tree Inn](#)

2006 N. Bishop Ave
(573) 364-4000 

[Rustic Motel](#)

812 S. Bishop Ave
(573) 364-6943 

[Sunset Inn](#)

1201 Kingshighway
(573) 364-4156 

[Super 8](#)

1641 Martin Spring Dr
(573) 426-6688  

University Accommodations:

Overnight accommodations are available to visiting scholars, alumni, and guests of currently-enrolled students.

Residential Commons I & II — 2 and 3 bedroom guest apartments available for \$50.00/night* (minimum of three nights). Fully furnished; includes kitchen, bath, living room, laundry and linen. Contact Residential Life at (573) 341-4218.

Thomas Jefferson Hall — Guest rooms are available for \$25.00/night* (minimum of three nights). Extra long twin bed, bath and linen are provided. Reservations are managed at the front desk; call (573) 341-4895.

*Rates are subject to change at the discretion of [Residential Life](#).



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DINING OPTIONS



 Close to Campus  Inexpensive  Delivers

ALEX'S PIZZA PALACE

122 W. 8th St.

(573) 364-2669  **AMERICAN TACO COMPANY**

1732 N. Bishop Ave., Suite D




(573) 426-5550  **DICKEYS BARBECUE PIT**

1040 Kingshighway



(573) 426-2271

DOMINOS PIZZA


1732 N. Bishop Ave

(573) 364-7110   **DONUT KING**


1809 N. Bishop Ave.

(573) 341-3995  **GIDDY GOAT COFFEE**


704 N. Bishop Ave, Suite 2

(573) 426-6750 **HOPPERS PUB**




723 N. Pine Street

(573) 426-2905 **IMO'S PIZZA**


632B S. Bishop Ave

(573) 341-8484 **JIMMY JOHN'S**


1051 N. Bishop Ave

(573) 341-9009   **KOI SUSHI AND HIBACHI**



1808 N. Bishop Ave.

(573) 426-5551 **LOS ARCOS**



1119 Kingshighway

(573) 426-4388 **LUCKY HOUSE**



1119 Kingshighway

(573) 368-5535  **O'DOGGY'S**



1005 N. Rolla St, Suite B

(573) 201-0277  **PANERA BREAD**


1651 N. Bishop

(573) 368-4499  **PAPA JOHN'S PIZZA**


500 N. Bishop Ave.

(573) 341-5500  **PIZZA HUT**


1024 Kingshighway

(573) 364-7213 **PUBLIC HOUSE BREWING Co.**

600 N. Rolla St, Suite B

(573) 426-2337 **SIDNEY'S**

707 N. Pine St.


(573) 426-3707 **SLICE OF PIE**

634 S. Bishop Ave


(573) 364-6203

SODA & SCOOPS ON ROUTE 66


819 N. Pine St

(573) 578-0866 **THE LOCKER ROOM SPORTS BAR & GRILL**

609 Rolla St.

(573) 426-5200 **PUREST COFFEE**

1007A N. Pine St

(573) 426-3121 

GROCERY OPTIONS

 Close to Campus
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*International Options 



DOLLAR GENERAL



I-44 Surplus Discount Grocery



BANKING OPTIONS

Walking Distance from Campus



OTHER BANKS IN ROLLA



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HEALTH CARE

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STUDENT HEALTH

For all NON-EMERGENCIES:

The Student Health Complex
910 W 10th St
Rolla, MO 65409

Student Health is open Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM and can be used for Urgent Care Services when open. FOR ALL EMERGENCIES see the emergency section.

Student Health offers:

- Allergy Injections
- STI Testing
- Well Woman Exam
- Vaccines
- Travel Consultations
- Orthopedic Clinic

These services are offered at little to no cost to students of Missouri S&T.

Please see studenthealth.mst.edu for more information on services, restrictions, and benefits.

EMERGENCY & OTHER SERVICES

FOR ALL EMERGENCIES:

Phelps Health Hospital Emergency Room
1000 West 10th Street
Rolla, MO 65401
(573) 458-7800
24 Hours, 7 Days a Week

Mercy Emergency Room
1605 Martin Springs Drive
Rolla, MO 65401
(573) 458-6763
24 Hours, 7 Days a Week

OR

Call 911 or University Police at (573) 341-4300 or extension 4300 from any UNIVERSITY phone.



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Primary Care

For all primary care for non-students (such as family members), please visit:

Phelps Health Medical Group Rolla
600 Blues Lake Parkway
Rolla, MO 65401
Office/Appointments: (573) 364-8822
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00AM—5:00PM

See phelpshealth.org for more locations and services.

OR

Mercy Clinic Family Medicine
1605 Martin Springs Drive
Rolla, MO 65401
Office/Appointments: (573) 458-6763
Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:00AM—5:00PM

See mercy.net for more locations and services

Specialty Care

For all specialty care needs:

- Students: consult Student Health and acquire a referral to determine the best course of action
- Non-Students: consult Primary Care Physician and acquire a referral to determine the best course of action

Health Insurance Options

Refer to Student Health for all health insurance questions and concerns, including non-student coverage.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: you are required to get Student Health Insurance through Student Health. More information found at studenthealth.mst.edu.



RECREATION & ACTIVITIES

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RECREATION & ACTIVITIES IN ROLLA

[4th Dimension](#)

607 N. Rolla St
(573) 426-4999

[Kaleidoscope Discovery](#)

612 N. Pine St
(573) 308-9082

[Popeye's Putt & Play](#)

604 N. Pine St
(573) 465-1493

[Acorn Trail](#)

[Kokomo Joe's Family Center](#)

10450 State Rt V
(573) 341-5656

[S&T Mineral Display](#)

McNutt Hall
(573) 341-4573

[Audubon Trail Nature Center](#)

550 Meriweather Ct

[Lane Spring Recreation](#)

Highway 63 S
(573) 364-4621

[Splash Zone Waterpark](#)

14 & Holloway St
(573) 364-8222

[Ber Juan Park](#)

Between 10th & 18th St
(573) 341-2386

[Leach Theatre](#)

400 W. 10th St
(573) 341-4219

[Stonehenge Replica](#)

N. Highway 63

[Blue Bonnet Steam Train](#)

Schuman Park
(573) 364-4278

[Lions Club Park](#)

1061 S. Bishop Ave
(573) 364-4386

[The Centre](#)

1200 Holloway St
(573) 341-2386

[Coachlite Lanes Bowling](#)

1038 Kingshighway
(573) 364-4124

[Maramec Spring Park](#)

21880 Meramec Spring Dr
(573) 265-7387

[The Fugitive Beach](#)

16875 County Road 5285

[Forum 5 Cinema](#)

1101 E. 18th St
(573) 341-2418

[Oak Meadow Country Club](#)

10700 County Rd 3110
(573) 341-2363

[The Zone](#)

555 Blues Lake Pkwy
(573) 341-5700

[Hands on STEAM Studio](#)

908 N. Pine St
(573) 324-7168

[Ozark Actors Theatre](#)

701 N. Cedar
(573) 364-9523



WEATHER

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SEASONS OF ROLLA

Summer

Temperature can range from 80°F—100°F (27°C—38°C) in the day to around 70°F (21°C) through the night. Humidity is normally 50%—100%. Hot sunny days, rain showers, thunderstorms, or severe thunderstorms are possible (refer to severe weather page for safety instructions).

Fall

Temperature can range from 40°F—80°F (4°C—27°C) thorough the day and 30°F—60°F (0°C—16°C) through the night. Humidity is normally 50%—100%. Thunderstorms or severe thunderstorms are possible (refer to severe weather page for safety instructions).

Winter

Temperature can range from 10°F—35°F (-12°C—2°C) through the day and can drop as low as -5°F (-21°C) in the night. Humidity varies depending on the forecast, which when low will feel colder and when high will feel warmer. Snow fall can reach up to 6 inches (15 cm) with the record at around 12 inches (30 cm). Ice is more troublesome, as this causes slippery road and sidewalk conditions (refer to snow and ice page for safety instructions).

Spring

Temperature can range from 40°F—70°F (4°C—21°C) through the day and can drop as low as 30°F (-1°C) in the night. Humidity will start to reach 50%—100% as the season goes on. Snow and ice are still possible with severe storms, and tornadoes, are also possible (refer to snow and ice page as well as the severe weather page as needed). Rain showers, sunny days, and/or overcast days are more common.



SEVERE WEATHER GUIDELINES

Please refer to these pages and local news in order to stay safe in severe weather.

Watches vs Warnings

Severe Thunderstorm Watch — issued when severe thunderstorms are possible in and near the watch area. It does not mean that they will occur.

Severe Thunderstorm Warnings — issued when severe thunderstorms are occurring or imminent in the warning area.

A Tornado Watch — issued when severe thunderstorms and tornadoes are possible in and near the watch area.

A Tornado Warning — issued when a tornado is imminent. When a tornado warning is issued, seek safe shelter immediately.

SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS DO NOT MEAN TORNADOES.

What to Do in a Severe Thunderstorm

During a thunderstorm watch, seek shelter as soon as you can. Avoid sheds and storage facilities.

During a thunderstorm warning, seek shelter immediately. DO NOT seek shelter under a tree, as it could fall on you and put you at greater risk of being struck by lightning. If in a vehicle, remain inside the vehicle and try to drive to the closest secure structure for shelter if there is sufficient time.

What to Do in a Tornado

During a tornado watch, seek shelter immediately. Listen/watch local news for updates.

During a tornado warning, move to a low lying/interior/basement room or a building made of material such as stone and brick. Go to tornado shelters if available. ALWAYS cover your head and neck area, avoid windows, and DO NOT GO OUTSIDE.

If no physical shelter is available (such as in your car), try to get to the closest shelter, get low in your vehicle and cover your head/neck, or abandon your vehicle and seek a ditch or ravine if available.

For more information, please visit weather.gov/safety

Emergency Alert Systems

Missouri S&T uses a RAVE Alert System in order to warn students, faculty, staff, and others on campus of emergencies on or near the S&T campus. Learn more about types of alerts and sign-up to receive them at <https://mstalert.com/about-emergency-alerts/>

Feel free to also follow the [Phelps County Emergency Management Facebook Page](#) to receive broad alerts for the Rolla, MO area.



SNOW & ICE GUIDELINES

Please refer to these pages and local news in order to stay safe in winter weather.

Key Terms

Freezing Rain—rain that freezes when it hits the ground, creating a coating of ice on roads, walkways, trees and power lines.

Sleet—rain that turns to ice pellets before reaching the ground. Sleet also causes moisture on roads to freeze and become slippery.

Wind Chill—a measure of how cold people feel due to the combined effect of wind and cold temperatures; the [wind chill index](#) is based on the rate of heat loss from exposed skin.

Black Ice—patchy ice on roadways that cannot easily be seen. It is often clear (not white) with the black road surface visible underneath.

Advisories

Winter Weather Advisories—issued when snow, blowing snow, ice, sleet, or a combination of these wintry elements is expected, but conditions should not be hazardous enough to meet warning criteria. Be prepared for winter driving conditions and possible travel difficulties. Use caution when driving.

For all other winter advisories, watches, and warnings please visit weather.gov/safety/winter-ww

What to do During Inclement Winter Weather

Monitor your S&T email as to whether the university will close due to the weather forecast. Remain indoors as much as possible. Only go outside if absolutely necessary. If going outside, wear multiple layers as well as a hat and gloves.

If inclement winter weather is forecast, it is advised to stock up on basic groceries. Drive with extreme caution due to icy road conditions. Overpasses and bridges are the first to freeze. Walk carefully on sidewalks and concrete. If you fall, drop everything in your hands so you are able to catch yourself.

For more information, please visit weather.gov/safety



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SCHOOLS IN ROLLA

Public Schools



Rolla Public School System

rolla.k12.mo.us

Find new student registration [here](#)

Private Schools



St. Patrick's Catholic School

school.stpatsrolla.org

DAYCARE AND BABYSITTERS

Babysitting

Care.com for babysitting

Daycare

[Child care center options](#) (preschools & daycare)

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