Reimagine possible







For more than 50 years, Metropolitan State University of Denver has been reimagining what's possible in higher education through its unique purpose and value as a leading public university in Colorado. We empower our students to advance their lives and careers through high-quality, real-world education. And we power the state's industries and economy through our 96,000 work-ready graduates, more than 80% of whom stay in Colorado.

We are reimagining opportunity

At MSU Denver, we see higher education as the foundation of the American dream, and we are committed to ensuring access to excellent, high-value education that advances economic and social mobility. For example, as a newly designated Hispanic-Serving Institution, MSU Denver advances opportunities for nearly 6,000 Latino students – more than any other higher-education institution in Colorado.

We are reimagining excellence

Our real-world programs and blended focus on arts, humanities, civic engagement and career development help students become workforce-ready critical thinkers who want to make an impact in Colorado communities. Those students learn with support from our extraordinary faculty, including the former director of the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, award-winning musicians and writers, and even Colorado's Science Teacher of the Year.

We are reimagining innovation

Great education is always evolving. Through industry- and civic-minded programs, pathways and partnerships; a wide range of relevant degree programs; and an urban-enriched, inclusive culture, we meet the needs of today's students and the needs of our state. Experiential learning opportunities with industry leaders such as Lockheed Martin and York Space Systems provide hands-on skill-building and a workforce pipeline for Colorado. For our cutting-edge work, we were recently named the fifth-most innovative university in the West by U.S. News & World Report.