

Life in Manhattan, Kansas

Kansas State University's tree-lined and native limestone campus is located in the midst of the academically rich city of Manhattan, KS. The 50,000-plus community is truly the confluence of the arts and sciences.

Set in the beautiful Flint Hills with four distinct seasons, Manhattan boasts a comfortable lifestyle with the refreshing energy of a college town. Often referred to as a "10-minute town" because that's how long it takes to arrive at your destination. There are:

- Art galleries and museums
- Live theatrical performances
- Collegiate sports
- Golf – Colbert Hills Golf Course designed by legend Jim Colbert, Stagg Hill Golf Course, Manhattan Country Club and a nine-hole course at Wildcat Creek Golf & Fitness.
- Shopping – Specialized shops in historic Aggieville and Downtown or a mix of retail therapy at Manhattan Town Center
- Restaurants – National chains and unique indigenous fare
- National hotel chains, including the Manhattan Conference Center and charming Bed & Breakfasts

Outdoor recreation opportunities abound in the city's 21 parks or its Linear Trail. City Splash Park is where folks can slip and slide or leisurely drift down the lazy river. Boating, fishing and camping enthusiasts will enjoy Tuttle Creek State Park or Kansas' largest lake at Milford State Park, just 30 miles west of Manhattan.

When only a quiet one-on-one with nature will do, hike at the Konza Prairie, an 8,600-acre native tall-grass prairie preserve research oasis six miles outside of town. A peaceful place with stunning sunsets,

this land is largely undisturbed by man and is jointly owned by Kansas State University and The Nature Conservancy.

When work or play in the big city calls, Manhattan Regional Airport offers daily flights to Dallas and Chicago, and Kansas City is only a two-hour drive east on I-70.

Education

Education is fundamentally important in Manhattan. In addition to K-State, the city has a progressive 6A local school district, Manhattan-Ogden USD 383, with an impressive array of activities to meet every student's abilities and interests. The district has nine elementary schools, two middle schools, a 9th grade center, and Manhattan High School (MHS). Manhattan High was one of only ten Kansas high schools that made the High School Challenge List (formerly Newsweek's American's Best High Schools list.)

Manhattan-Ogden USD 383 has partnered with the College of Education for its summer STEM Institute since 2011. The institute is a month-long, half-day program designed to attract/introduce middle school students to careers in science, technology, engineering or math – or STEM – fields. This is just one example of many collaborative partnerships throughout the community and campus.

University for Man Community Learning Center offers a vast array of credit and non-credit courses. For more information, visit tryufm.org.





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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION VISION STATEMENT

College of Education (COE)

The College of Education’s award-winning faculty and programs are housed in three departments: educational leadership; curriculum and instruction; and special education, counseling and student affairs.

The faculty challenges assumptions, conducts research and is nationally recognized—having amassed 12 national awards since 2010. Earlier this year, the American Association for Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) presented the college with its Best Practice Award in Support of Global and International Teacher Education. In 2012, the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) presented the college with its 2012 Best Practice Award for Professional Ethics and Moral Dispositions in Teacher Education. K-State’s professional development program was named the recipient of the National Association for Professional Development Schools 2011 Exemplary Professional Development School Achievement Award. In 2010, the college was awarded first in the nation for the Association of Teacher Educators’ Most Distinguished Undergraduate Program.

The college has been awarded more than \$26 million for research over the last five years.

COE International Programs

The COE staff and faculty are committed to promoting and providing international, life-changing experiences and educational opportunities, that serve as a resource and contribute to the culture of an internationally-minded community. Oftentimes, the perception is that international programs are merely domestic students participating in study abroad opportunities. While these are important educational and cultural experiences for our domestic students, we are also devoted to bringing students from other countries to the U.S. classroom, such as our Go Teacher program. The Go Teacher program is designed for English Language Teachers who wish to improve their teaching skills and practices.

K-State was selected as the lead institution to provide professional development to 3,000 English Language Teachers from Ecuador. Housed in the College of Education’s Center for Intercultural and Multilingual Advocacy (CIMA), the Go Teacher curriculum is grounded in language acquisition pedagogy and universal effective practice for culturally-responsive teaching. Upon completion of the program, Go Teacher participants have a solid foundation and are proficient in reading, writing, listening, and speaking English. The program model is flexible and can be adapted both in content and timeframe to achieve a sponsoring organization’s goals.

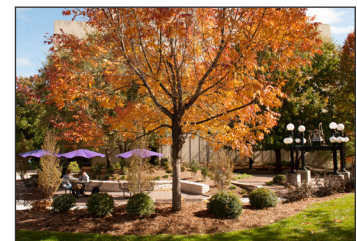
Academic Advising and Accreditation

The K-State College of Education is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), and the Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE).

One-on-one personal advising with content area experts enhances the educational experience at every level of a teacher’s academic and professional career. Working closely together complements academic programs and supports research agendas.

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