



# INFACT

## 2018 - 2019

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY BY THE NUMBERS



Colorado State University



Colorado State University is committed to excellence, setting the standard for public research universities in teaching, research, service and extension for the benefit of the citizens of Colorado, the United States and the world.

First

Best 4-year Colleges  
in Colorado  
*schools.com*

Third

Professional Veterinary  
Medicine Ranking  
*US News & World Report*

Fifth

Best for Veterans  
*Military Times*

Colorado State University strives always to be an inclusive, enriching, and high-performing academic community – and that requires consistent focus on outcomes and accountability. This annual InFact update showcases some of the data we use to measure our progress in key areas, from student achievement to statewide impact.

Of course, this brief overview only skims the surface of the data and research available about CSU and its performance. To learn more, visit [www.ir.colostate.edu](http://www.ir.colostate.edu). There, you will find our complete Fact Book and a host of research briefs, surveys, and planning documents that reflect our focus on continuous improvement.

The information in InFact is a reflection of that commitment to excellence in all we do, and we are happy to share it with all those who care about Colorado State.



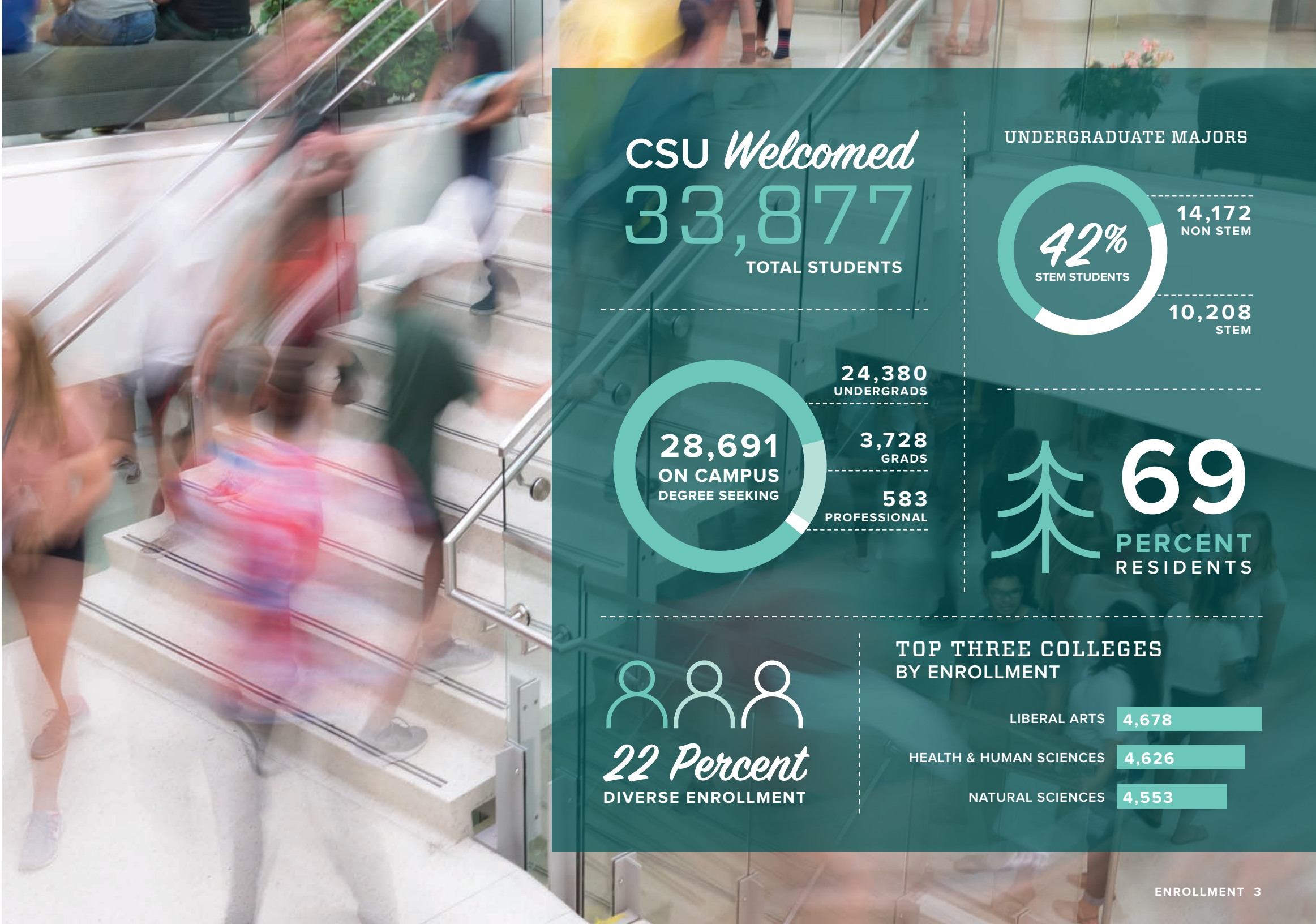
Dr. Tony Frank  
President



# ENROLLMENT

Students are at the core of any university’s purpose. Our growing student body reinforces our knowledge that Colorado State is not just a great place to learn and grow, but also a value to our students.

Colorado State is the school of choice for Colorado high school graduates, who choose CSU over any other in-state campus. Between our in-state student body, growing non-resident interest, and overall increased diversity, our campus community is more authentic and relevant than ever, exposing students to a wide variation of backgrounds and worldviews.





# FRESHMAN PROFILE

Excellence begins with an engaged and capable freshman class. Year after year, Colorado State's incoming freshmen revitalize campus with their spirit and energy. They also bring a lot of knowledge; with an average 3.64 GPA and a 25.6 composite ACT score, their baseline knowledge allows our University to reach higher as soon as they enroll.

5,324  
*New Freshmen*

26%  
OF ADMITTED  
STUDENTS  
ENROLL

1,124  
AVERAGE  
COMBINED SAT

3.64 GPA

69th  
HS RANK

AVERAGE  
CDHE INDEX 115

25.6  
AVERAGE  
ACT SCORE







Departments with the most undergraduate  
**PRIMARY AND SECONDARY MAJORS**

DEPARTMENT		COLLEGE	
BIOLOGY	1642	LIBERAL ARTS	4678
HEALTH & EXERCISE SCIENCE	1149	HEALTH & HUMAN SCIENCES	4626
PSYCHOLOGY	1100	NATURAL SCIENCES	4553
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY STUDIES	943	WALTER SCOTT, JR. COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING	2702
ANIMAL SCIENCES	812	BUSINESS	2415
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	783	WARNER COLLEGE OF NATURAL RESOURCES	1717
COMPUTER SCIENCE	774	AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES	1564
CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING	631	VETERINARY MEDICINE & BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES	920
COMMUNICATION STUDIES	619	INTRA-UNIVERSITY	67
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES	598		



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UNDERGRADUATE FIELDS OF STUDY



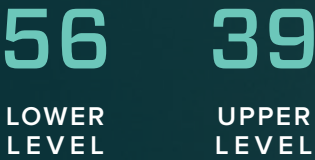
# STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO & CLASS SIZE

There's something magical about the Colorado State experience: students find big university opportunities, but enjoy a small college feel. One reason is our small class sizes. Those intimate lectures and small labs yield huge results in student learning and student-faculty interaction.

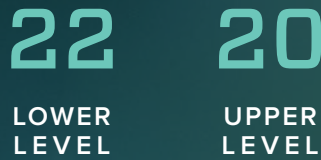


## UNDERGRADUATE CLASS SIZE

### LECTURE SIZE



### LAB SIZE





# STUDENT SUCCESS

At CSU, supporting students through graduation is our primary goal and our nationally recognized “Student Success Initiatives” were implemented to help each of our students reach their full potential.

At all stages and in all initiatives, one guiding principle has been central: Increases in student success are a function of undergraduate engagement and deep learning. To that end, CSU has strategically placed 75 Academic Success Coordinators in colleges and departments to ensure that students are provided with every tool and support necessary to graduate. The Coordinators focus especially on students’ success in their first two years, including support for a successful transition to university academic expectations, exploration and confirmation of a major, and progression toward a degree.

CSU’s Key Communities program, focusing on first-year student success, was cited in 2014 by the Colorado Department of Higher Education and Lieutenant Governor Joe Garcia as one of eight statewide initiatives making a difference in helping students graduate.



**PERCENT**  
FRESHMAN  
RETENTION

**19** LEARNING  
COMMUNITIES

**71%**  
*SIX YEAR*  
graduation rate

**1,188**  
LARGEST NUMBER  
of degrees awarded  
**LIBERAL ARTS**

**79** *PERCENT*  
of those who graduate,  
do so in **4.5 years or less**

**40%**  
**STEM BACHELOR’S DEGREES**



# OUR SENIORS

Nine out of ten recent Colorado State graduates say they would choose CSU all over again. That strong satisfaction comes from an engaging student experience that rewards graduates with real-world knowledge and positive employment outcomes. We call it the CSU Effect.



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GRADUATES WOULD  
CHOOSE CSU AGAIN



OF STUDENTS  
participated in  
community service  
or volunteer work

## Students Worked

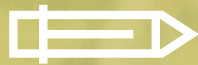
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PERCENT  
on campus



53

PERCENT  
off campus



55%

PARTICIPATED  
IN AN INTERNSHIP



PARTICIPATED IN  
co-curricular activities



DEGREES AWARDED 2017-2018

	ASIAN	BLACK	HAWAIIAN/ PAC. ISLANDER	HISPANIC/ LATINO	MULTI-RACIAL		NATIVE AMERICAN	INTERNATIONAL	NO RESPONSE	WHITE	TOTAL
BACHELOR'S	116	105	8	566	159		27	200	146	3,832	5,159
D.V.M.	11	1	0	12	5		0	1	7	101	138
DOCTORATE	11	0	0	11	1		0	57	13	157	250
MASTER'S	57	30	1	103	37		5	280	72	1,129	1,714
TOTAL	195	136	9	692	202		32	538	238	5,219	7,261



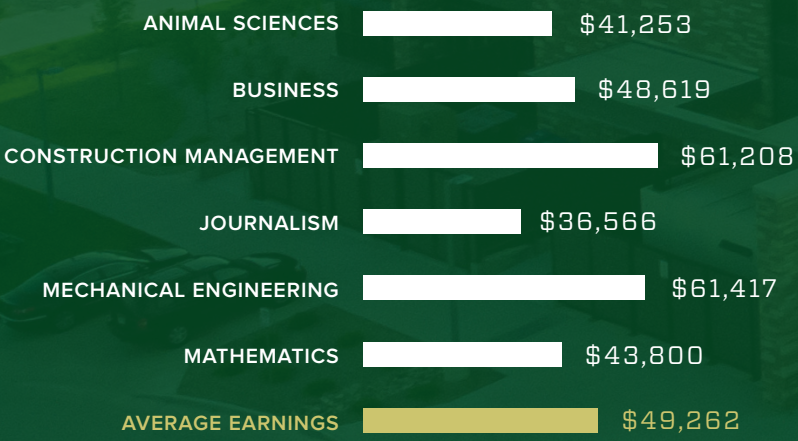
# AVERAGE FIRST-YEAR EARNINGS

CSU graduates are getting the most out of their degrees. Not only have 84 percent secured their first-destination plans within six months of earning their degree, 81 percent of respondents indicated their future plans were related to their major. They work all over the country and internationally, and they use their degrees to get their jobs.

180 unique institutions for further education

1,600 unique organizations hiring

## AVERAGE STARTING SALARY FOR RECENT CSU GRADUATES



84 percent

of CSU graduates secured their first-destination plans by the following December.





# ACCESS

Fulfilling our land-grant mission to serve the people of Colorado and the world is our ever-guiding principle; making sure that every state resident who's qualified has a chance to earn a college degree is a huge part of that mission.

CSU continues to be "Colorado's choice," with more Colorado high school graduates choosing to attend CSU than any other campus. We're offering opportunities to all residents: 24 percent of our undergraduate student population self-identifies as a racial or ethnic minority, and one in four is a first-generation student.

In the 2017-18 academic year, 22 percent of our undergraduates received Pell Grants, and 17 percent benefited from the CSU Tuition Assistance Grant, an institutional initiative that helps ensure income isn't a barrier to higher education for eligible Colorado residents.





# STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

Keeping a college education affordable is just as important as making it accessible. At CSU, we have made a concerted effort to limit tuition increases despite shrinking state support.

While CSU's tuition remains the lowest among the state's research universities, we have created programs to offset the cost of a college education. The CSU Tuition Assistance Grant was designed to help students in homes with an adjusted gross income of less than \$64,000, and 80 percent of our incoming students receive some sort of financial aid.



4,327

number of undergraduates **receiving**  
CSU TUITION ASSISTANCE GRANT

76% **lower** student default rate  
than national average

\$116 *Million*

**Total Grant Aid Received by Undergraduates**

CSU has always been committed to attracting the brightest students to its campus and that means we provide opportunities to every qualified student, regardless of their family's economic circumstances.

Nearly 1 in 5 students receive benefit from the landmark CSU Tuition Assistance Grant. Colorado State connects its students to Pell Grants, Stafford Loans, and hundreds of institutional scholarships. Students who are Pell Grant eligible may receive grant funds to cover 100% of their share of base tuition.

\$4,128 **average**  
**Pell grant**

80 Percent of incoming students  
receive **financial aid**

\$5,397 **average**  
**federal loan**





# GLOBALIZATION

CSU is on the rise and the world is taking note. Our rapidly globalizing student body tells the whole story.

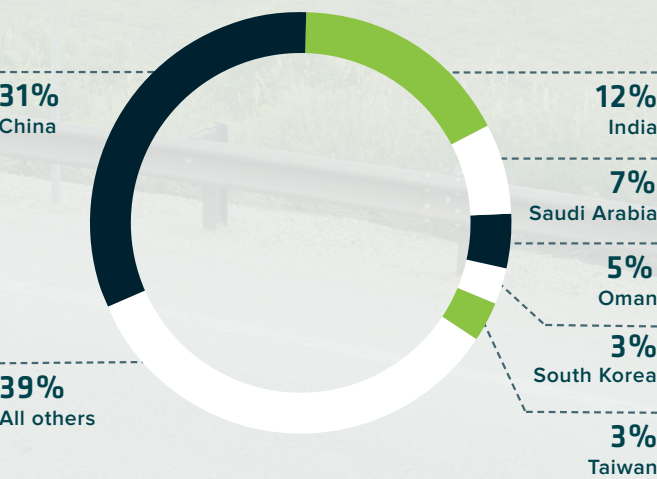
CSU’s continued enrollment growth thrives on international interest. With 2,102 international students representing over 110 countries, our campus continues to adopt an international worldview. When international students arrive, they’re not alone; more than 20 percent of tenure-track faculty are international. As a result, students find an inclusive and open atmosphere at Colorado State.

Domestic CSU students are discovering a global outlook, too. In 2017-18, through our Education Abroad program, 1,537 CSU students studied in 76 countries. Other students participate in one of our 18 foreign university partnerships or practice at CSU’s Todos Santos Center in Mexico. Once they graduate, CSU alumni are leaders in the nation in Peace Corps volunteerism.

Even while at home in Fort Collins, opportunities for cultural exploration are growing with the establishment of a Confucius Institute focusing on water and environmental sustainability on a global scale.

## TOP COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

(for CSU students who are not US residents)





**2,102**  
international students  
enrolled in **Fall 2018**

**RANKED**  
*10th*  
**IN THE NATION**



**Peace Corps' annual Top Volunteer-Producing Colleges and Universities**

**1,537**  
students participated in  
**2017-2018 education abroad**






# FACULTY & STAFF

CSU has 1,884 faculty members, with 1,109 on tenure-track appointments. There are currently 16 University Distinguished Professors and 11 University Distinguished Teaching Scholars.

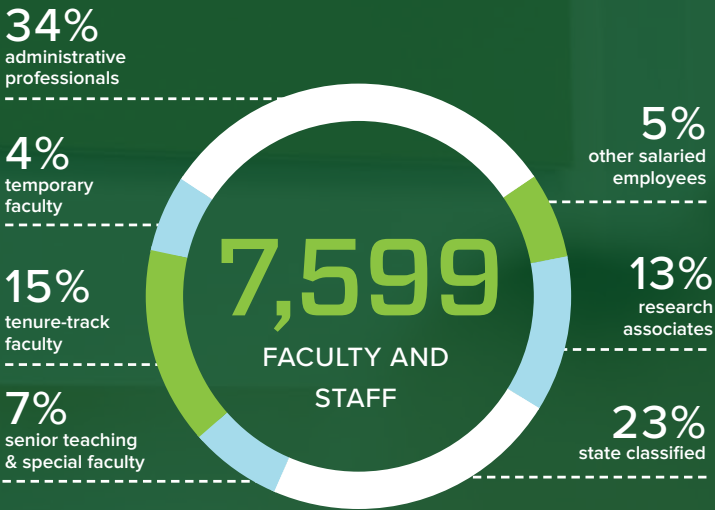
## CSU FACULTY IN NATIONAL ACADEMIES

  
National Academy of Sciences (5)

  
National Academy of Engineering (5)

  
American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2)

## FACULTY AND STAFF EMPLOYED FOR FALL 2018



**1,109**  
tenure-track  
faculty

**16**  
university  
distinguished  
professors

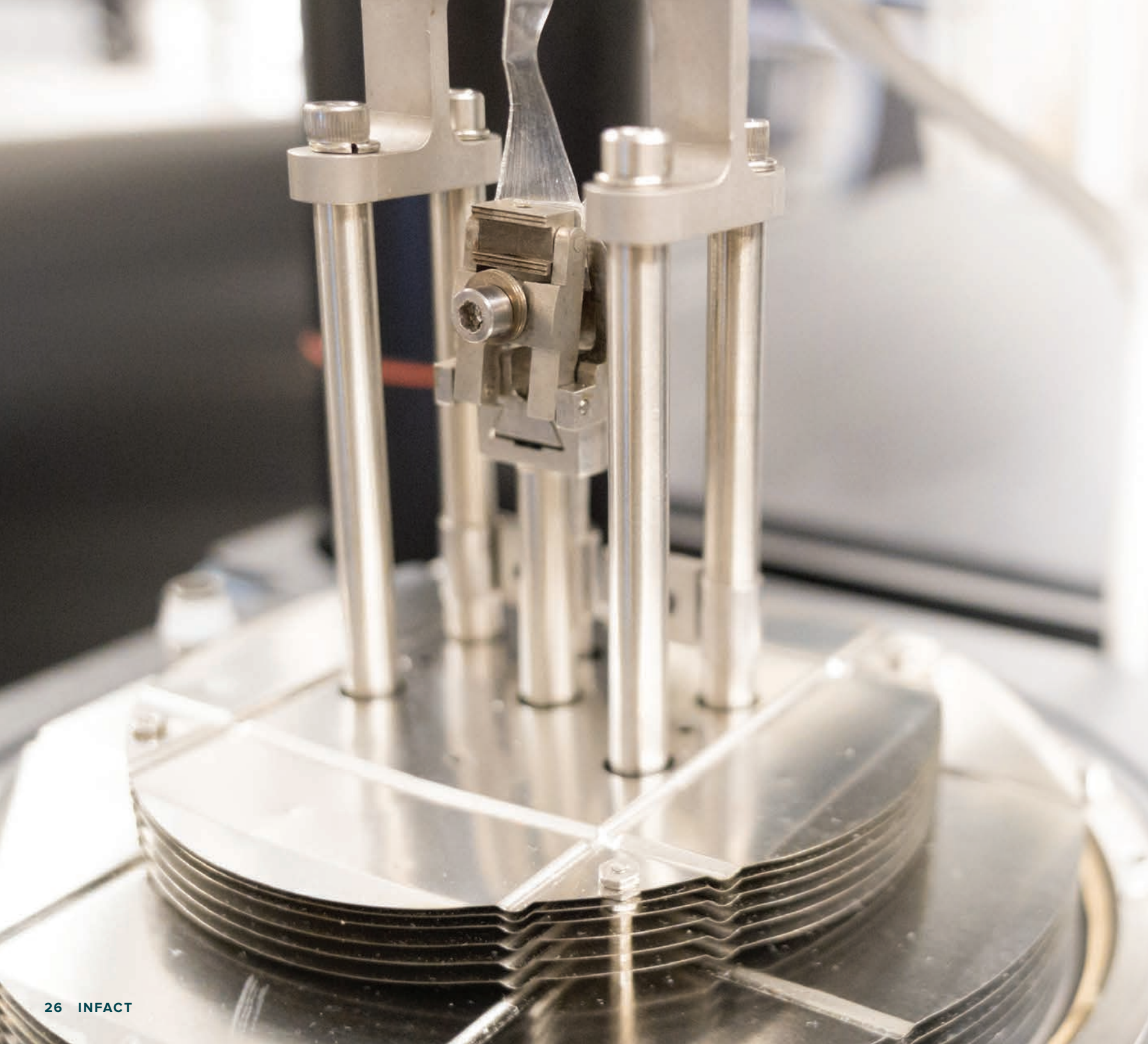
**75**  
new tenure-track  
faculty hired in  
fiscal year 2019

**775**  
faculty on  
non-tenured  
appointment

**99%**  
of tenure-track  
faculty have  
terminal degrees



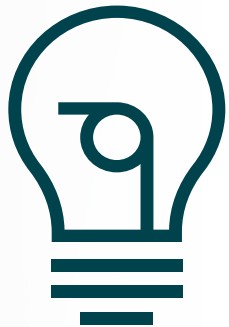




# INNOVATIONS

CSU is one of the world's top research universities and a recognized leader in cancer research, atmospheric science, animal science, climate change, forest and wildlife management, engineering, and water management.

In 2017-18, CSU recorded its tenth consecutive year with more than \$300 million in research expenditures, and received nearly two million dollars in licensing revenue.



36  
LICENSES



112  
Invention disclosures

21  
programs of research & scholarly excellence



\$1.82  
Million  
in licensing revenue

53  
Patents  
Issued



# FUNDRAISING & ADVANCEMENT

Colorado State’s fundraising campaign, State Your Purpose, reached its \$1 billion goal nearly two years ahead of schedule. Over 100,000 individuals and 7,200 organizations supported Colorado State’s scholarships, faculty, research, and facilities.

We’re encouraging our community to reach “Beyond a Billion” with initiatives for endowed faculty positions and scholarships culminating on our 150th anniversary celebration in 2020.



*Billion Dollar*  
“State Your Purpose” Campaign  
at goal **651** days ahead of schedule

FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

*\$153M*  
TOTAL RAISED



*37,314*  
TOTAL DONORS



**9.81%** ALUMNI  
GIVING RATE





# ENGAGEMENT

CSU's main campus is in Fort Collins but its influence extends to every corner of the state. CSU Extension was established in 1912 and has offices which are easily accessible to all 64 counties. Extension offices apply research to local issues such as cutting-edge agricultural production, water quality and conservation, nutrition and food safety, 4-H youth development, gardening, and community economic development. The Office of Engagement connects communities around shared solutions through education, research, and leadership through its five departments including CSU Online, CSU Extension, and the Colorado Water Institute.

3,570  
2018 online students

7 off campus and one on-campus  
Ag Experiment Stations

19 district & field offices of the Colorado State Forest Service



64  
COLORADO COUNTIES  
are provided services by CSU Extension





# COMMUNITY

Fort Collins, which has been home to CSU since the University's inception in 1870, is a vibrant, friendly city of 165,000 tucked against the foothills of the Rocky Mountains in Northern Colorado. The city boasts a lively arts and cultural scene, shopping in historic Old Town, a strong economy, and is a haven for outdoor enthusiasts. With more than 285 miles of bike paths and trails, easy access to the scenic Poudre River and majestic Rocky Mountain National Park, and within easy driving distance of Colorado's iconic ski areas, it is a year-round paradise. Boasting a mild climate, thriving high-tech industry, and some of the best microbreweries in the world, it's no wonder Fort Collins annually ranks among the most livable small cities in the United States.

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(50) PARKS AND  
(44) NATURAL AREAS

165,000  
APPROXIMATE POPULATION OF FORT COLLINS

600+    
BRICK & MORTAR  
RESTAURANTS

 285+  
Miles  
OF BIKE LANES & TRAILS

 one hour  
TO DENVER  
INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT







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