Ranked #1 Most Innovative University in the World
Introduction

The Next Generation University Education

Minerva University’s undergraduate degree is an accredited university program that prepares students for an ever-changing global future. Students live and learn in seven of the world’s most vibrant cities throughout their time in the program, taking classes exclusively in active learning seminars. The application is free and all students are eligible for need-based financial aid.

Global Experience

Living in cities around the world exposes students to the realities of global society.

The world needs wiser global citizens. Living in up to seven vibrant, cosmopolitan cities, Minerva students engage with a diversity of people and societies, while gaining access to a wealth of educational resources far beyond those available on a traditional campus.

Building upon their coursework, students participate in a range of experiential learning programs with top companies, non-profits, and local governments. Further, the Coaching and Talent Team guides students in a collaborative environment and develops an inquiry-based relationship allowing students to develop and solidify their professional skills and decisions throughout their four years.

Innovative Academics

Four years of rigorous study accelerate student development.

A Minerva education is both fully active and intentionally structured for intellectual growth. Unlike the passive lectures at other universities, Minerva classes are exclusively small, interactive seminars, where expert faculty guide students through discussion and collaborative work. This active learning approach stimulates deep cognition, enhancing their understanding of course material and furthering their ability to apply concepts to new situations.

As students progress from year-to-year, the curriculum becomes increasingly focused and individualized, with courses specific to their selected fields and a variety of independent project work.
Beginning in the first year, Minerva University students gain access to a global network of partner organizations. The Minerva team identifies relevant opportunities for students, providing earned access to corporate, educational, nonprofit, and government organizations.

Students are supported at every stage of their careers, from work-study and internships to full-time employment, giving them professional experiences and connections that will serve them for life. This preparation, together with academic and experiential learning, has enabled a remarkable level of workplace performance, with the majority of students in meaningful roles, as early as the summer after their first academic year.

**International Community**

Collaboration with brilliant peers creates a common sense of purpose.

Minerva University attracts students from varied backgrounds and every part of the globe. Members of this diverse community share a deep intellectual curiosity, global consciousness, and the drive to improve the world.

Living together and exploring each city, tight-knit cohorts establish weekly rituals and build enduring bonds of friendship. Students are encouraged to question their assumptions and contribute new ideas. By negotiating their differences, they learn to collaborate and persevere together, establishing a collective identity with common values.

**86%** of students come from outside the United States

**Professional Experiences**

Unparalleled support & access enables unprecedented student success.

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**90%** of managers rated Minerva University student performance excellent overall relative to other student interns

**12%** of alumni continue their education in master’s programs, doctorate programs, or academic fellowships

**90%** of alumni held an internship role prior to graduation

**95%** of alumni in full time positions or in graduate programs
**Accessible Admissions**

*Admissions reward merit, regardless of geography or socioeconomic background.*

The world needs global citizens, and modern organizations need employees who understand international trends and cultural nuance, with the functional adaptability necessary to thrive in contemporary society.

Minerva University students are an international group with a global outlook. Academic performance is only part of the picture. By identifying students with promising characteristics like curiosity, perseverance, creativity, and drive—Minerva selects only those with great future potential for leadership, innovation, the ability to solve complex problems, and make wise decisions.

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**Applications Open**

**Ambitious students are encouraged to apply & take a series of challenges**

Minerva’s three-part admissions process is distinct from those at other universities. Students are required to complete a series of engaging challenges designed to assess the way they think. Students also have the opportunity to describe achievements they are proud of, allowing a relatively complete view of their interests and passions.

Our commitment to treating every applicant equally, means all admissions decisions are based on merit alone. We do not require SATs or other standardized tests and there is no fee to apply.

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To apply, visit:

[www.minerva.edu/apply](http://www.minerva.edu/apply)
Conversations
An interview with Dilnaz Baltabayeva from the Class of 2024

Why did you choose to attend Minerva University?
Minerva’s international student body stood out to me as I wanted to continue to surround myself with people with different perspectives, beliefs, and life experiences. I attended an international high school, where I had to learn how to communicate, both verbally and nonverbally, with my classmates who came from different cultures. This experience sharpened my emotional intelligence and open-mindedness, and over time, I became more open to change and less afraid of making mistakes. I saw Minerva as an extension of my high school experience, and I chose Minerva for its journey of lifelong learning and professional development. Now, I am building my lifestyle, understanding my values, and digging deeper into my passion. I cannot imagine doing it at any other university where the environment around me would not help me reach my full potential.

How is Minerva University’s pedagogy different from a traditional classroom?
At Minerva, every student must come to class prepared, which makes everyone feel responsible for contributing to the lesson and creating a motivating learning environment. Professors also track how much each student speaks and provide feedback on what we say. I like how I know our opinions matter and that we are learning compared to traditional lectures.

What do you enjoy most about being a part of the Minerva community?
Minerva students are easily approachable, curious, and open-minded. I love that I continuously learn from my peers whether we are buying groceries, exploring the city, or preparing for class. Everyone is passionate about something, and there is no way you leave the discussion without any new thoughts.

How is Minerva University shaping the future, in your own words?
I believe that Minerva, unlike other universities, encourages students to explore themselves, the place they are in, and the people around them. Minerva is shaping the future by continuously encouraging students to get out of their comfort zone, search for a way to make this world a better place, and become global citizens. I feel grateful to be able to get an affordable education at a highly selective university with an international student body with whom I can travel around the world and make a change wherever I am.