

# About the Health Institute at MSU Denver

The Health Institute at Metropolitan State University of Denver is a one-of-a-kind initiative to reimagine health education and meet Colorado's demand for highly skilled health professionals with the most holistically trained, diverse job candidates in the state.

## Why it's possible at MSU Denver

For more than 50 years, Metropolitan State University of Denver has pushed the boundaries of what is possible in higher education.

## Of Colorado, for Colorado

MSU Denver partners with local organizations to provide interns, research capacity, workforce training and highly skilled employees.

## Breaking down barriers among people and professions

At MSU Denver future nurses, psychologists and dietitians learn alongside firefighters, health care technologists and social workers in classes that train them to work in 360-degree, culturally responsive ways.

## Centering Colorado's people of color

MSU Denver supports students of color to become Colorado's next generation of health professionals. Studies show that when health providers are the same ethnicity as patients, patients do better.

**5th-most  
innovative  
university  
in the  
West**  
U.S. News &  
World Report

## How MSU Denver is Transforming Colorado's Health Workforce



### Innovation

We are leveraging simulation technology and digital advances to train future workers and scale health care delivery.



### Interdisciplinary Collaboration

We are training the next generation of health-industry leaders to work together across disciplines to improve care and reduce costs.



### Health Career Navigation

We are guiding students to choose health-related careers that are right for them through strategic life-design advising and real-world experiences.



**Nearly 80%**

Students Working While Pursuing Their Education



**25**

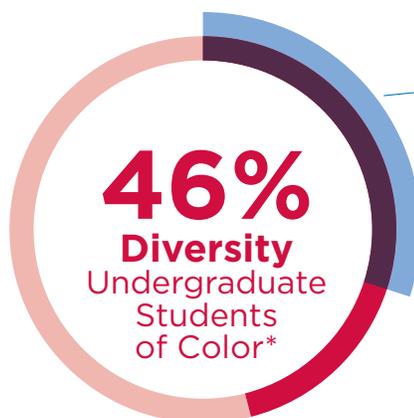
Average Age of Undergraduates

**96.5%**

Undergraduate Students from Colorado

**80%**

Alumni Living in State and Contributing to the Economy

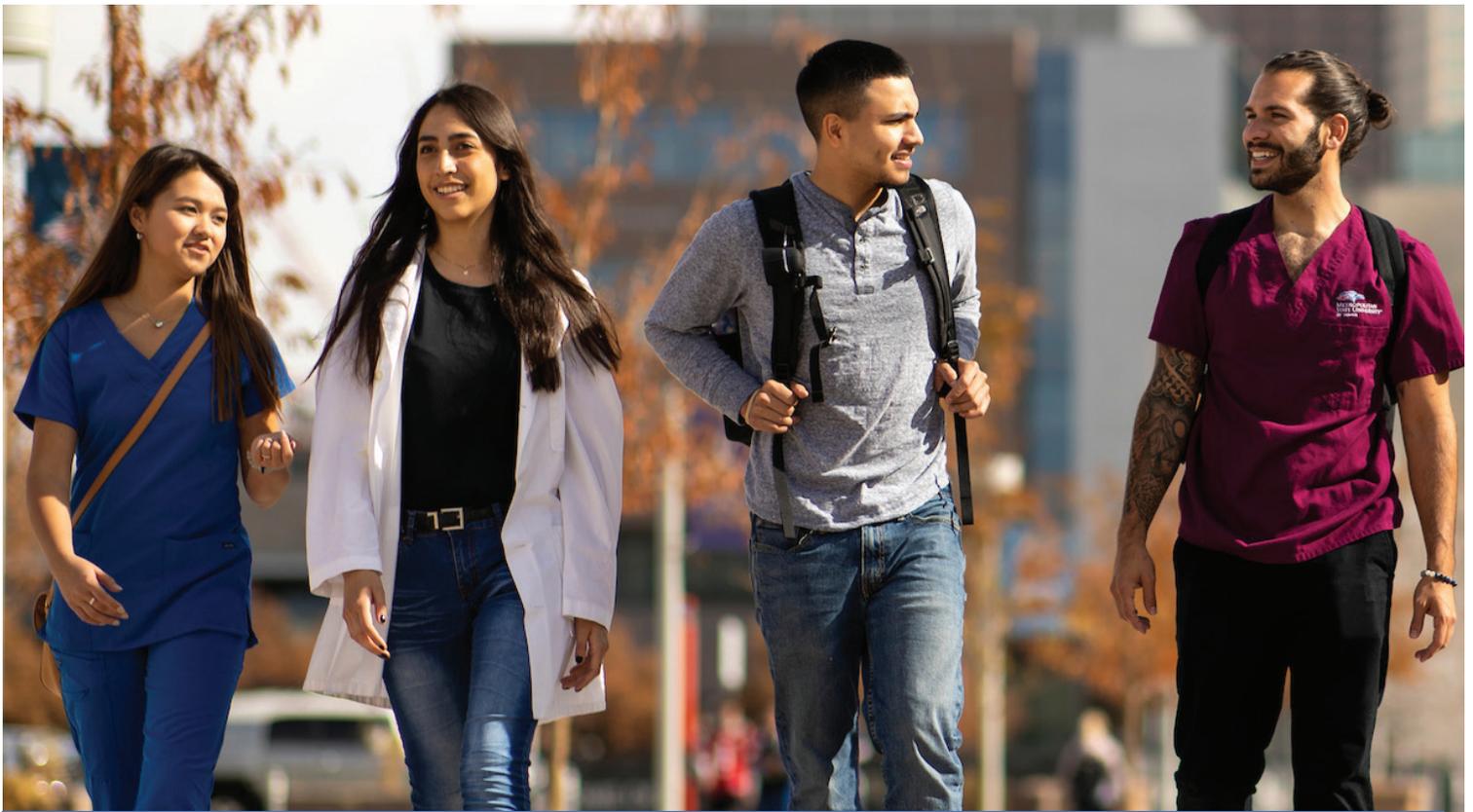


**30%**

Latino Undergraduate Students

Colorado's most recently designated Hispanic-Serving Institution





### **Culturally Inclusive Curriculum**

We are training future leaders in health-related fields to serve diverse communities.



### **Whole-Person Wellness**

We are using evidence-based lifestyle interventions such as nutritious food, exercise and behavioral health strategies to help communities improve wellness.



### **Industry/Community Partnerships**

We are collaborating with government, corporate and nonprofit organizations to produce workforce-ready leaders, resource efficiencies and better health outcomes in Colorado communities.

*MSU Denver has launched the first lifestyle medicine major in the country. Lifestyle medicine aims to prevent and treat chronic disease through healthy lifestyles.*

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