



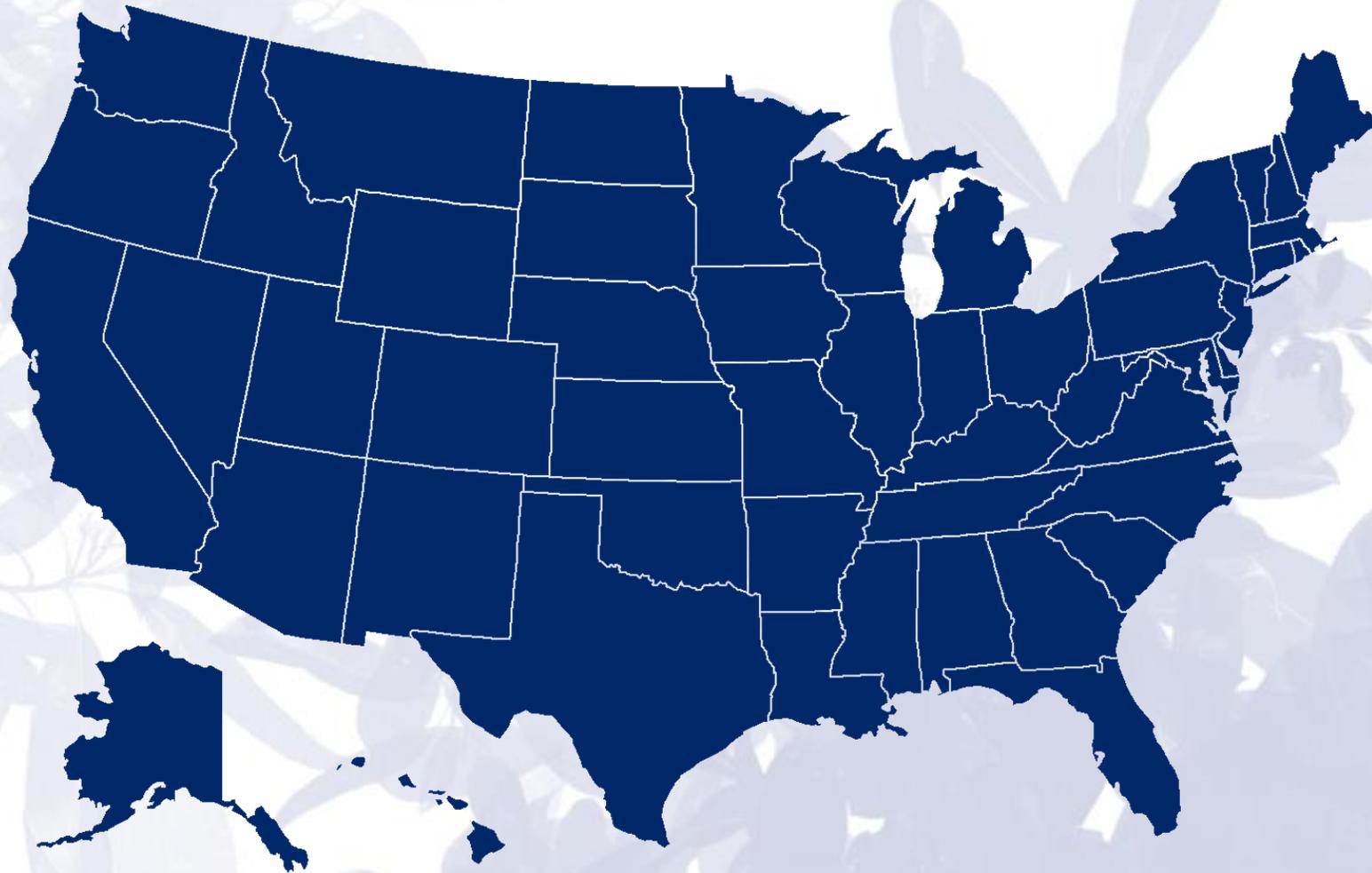
# Graduate School at Auburn University



AUBURN  
UNIVERSITY

# Where is Auburn?

Auburn University is located in Auburn, Alabama.



# City of Auburn

- Auburn is a vibrant, friendly university town located on the beautiful plains of eastern Alabama.
- You will enjoy a smaller community filled with nature areas, restaurants, shopping, and more.
- There are great places to travel around Auburn, too!
  - 50 miles east of Montgomery, Alabama's capital
  - 115 miles southwest of Atlanta, Georgia.
  - About four hours drive from the Gulf Coast of Alabama and Florida.
- The climate is warm and sunny with mild winters.
- We have excellent health and recreational facilities; low crime rate.
- The Auburn-Opelika area has a population of ~100,000.



# Coffee Shops



**Well Read**  
Books, Coffee, and Wine  
0.8 miles from campus

**Ross Coffee House**  
Coffee, Sandwiches, and Pastries  
0.7 miles from campus



**Mama Mochas**  
Coffee and Pastries  
0.6 miles from campus

# Local Restaurants



## Irritable Bao \$

Traditional bao and Asian cuisine & some with an American twist  
0.5 miles from campus



## The Hound \$\$

Rustic-chic eatery with a New American menu  
0.5 miles from campus



## The Depot \$\$\$

Upscale sea-food eatery in a renovated train depot  
0.6 miles from campus

# Nature & Parks



**Town Creek Park**  
Walking, picnics, hammocks  
1.7 miles from campus



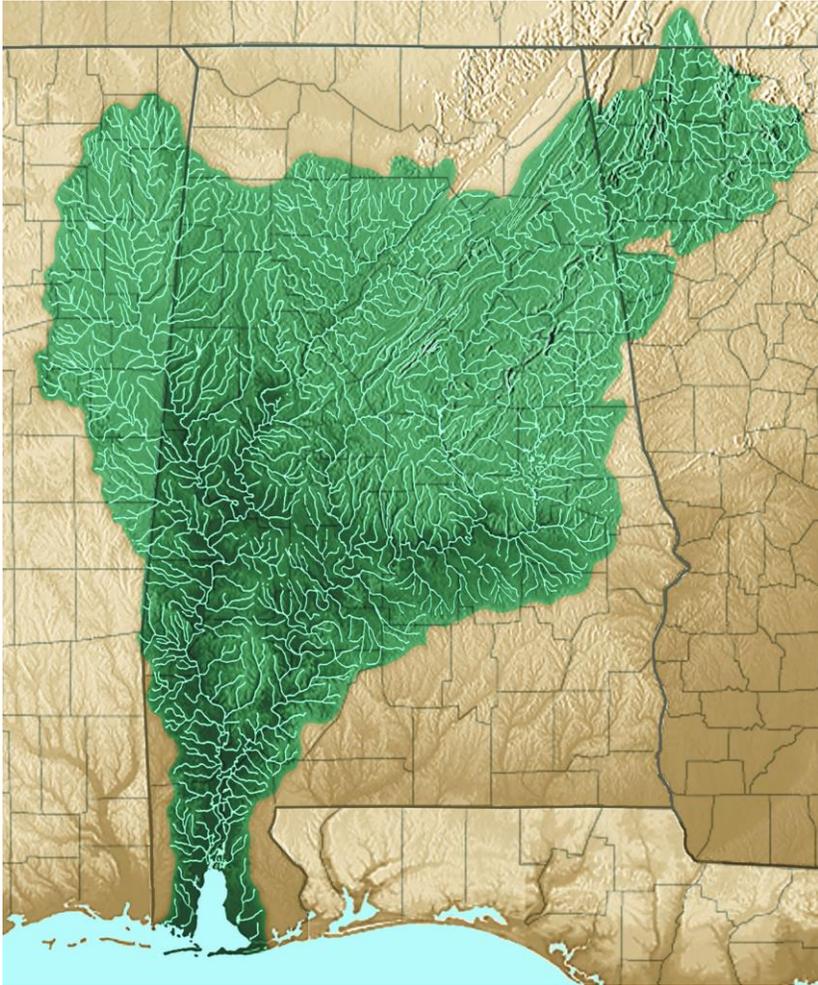
**Providence Canyon**  
"Little Grand Canyon"  
Hiking and camping  
1 ½ hour drive to Lumpkin, GA



**Chewacla State Park**  
Hiking, swimming, mountain biking,  
and camping  
5.6 miles from campus



# Alabama's Biodiversity



**Mobile Bay Watershed**

- Residents have access to one of the largest areas of biodiversity in the entire Southeastern United States. You can relax in Auburn's Arboretum, ride 15 miles of bike trails in Chewacla State Park, and see an array of amazing flora including the exclusive Auburn Azaleas.
- With more than 4,533 documented species, Alabama ranks fifth among states in terms of overall species diversity, and is first among states east of the Mississippi River.
- Alabama harbors 64 types of terrestrial ecosystems, including 25 forests and woodlands, 11 wetlands, and 7 glades and prairies.
- The state also supports more than 132,000 miles of rivers and streams and several dozen marine ecosystems.

# About Auburn University

- AU was Founded in 1856.
- Auburn covers 760 hectares with 81 buildings.
- Auburn offers more than 130 different majors offering bachelor's, master's and doctoral graduate degrees.
- There are currently 30,000+ students (5,800+ post-graduate students) at AU from the United States and around the world.



# AU Campus



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## Student Center

Come here to study, eat, or hang out with friends.

There is a Starbucks, a Chick-fil-a, and much more!



## Recreation Center

Auburn University's gym is free to all students!

It has 3 floors of workout machines, a climbing wall, racket ball, workout classes, and much more to help keep students healthy and active!



## Med Clinic

Students can come here whenever they need medical assistance.

# Biology & Science Buildings



**Rouse Life  
Sciences  
Building**

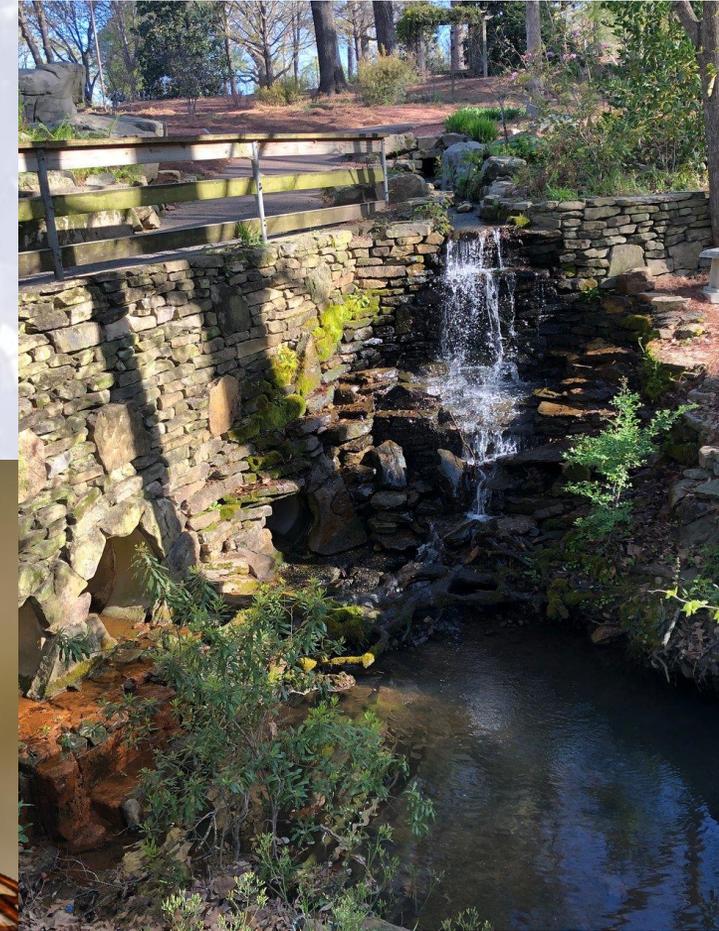
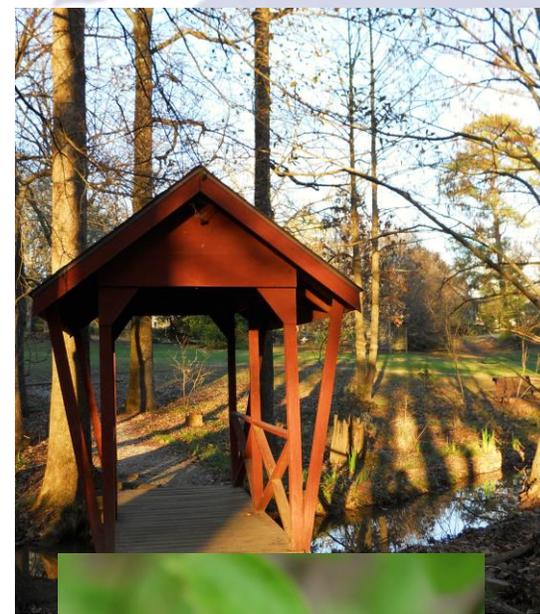


**Science Center Classrooms**



**Funchess Hall**

# Donald E. Davis Arboretum



The Donald E. Davis Arboretum is an arboretum located on the campus of Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama. It is open to the public without charge. The arboretum features native trees, shrubs and wildflowers of the southeastern United States, including 150 different tree species native to Alabama and the Southeast.



# Natural History Museum



The mission of the Auburn University Museum of Natural History is to conduct biodiversity research, preserve and document our region and planet's biodiversity, and to lead and promote activities related to natural history education and outreach for Auburn University and all citizens of the state of Alabama.

Our vision is to emerge as the primary repository for all-natural history collections currently maintained at Auburn University and to function as a center of excellence for biodiversity research, education, and outreach.

We seek to inspire an appreciation of nature and the environment so that we might better conserve it for future generations.

# AU Football Stadium



Auburn's football stadium has a capacity of 87,451.

It is the 10<sup>th</sup> largest football stadium in the nation.

Auburn's scoreboard is the biggest scoreboard out of all college football stadiums. It stands at 190 feet wide and 57 feet tall.



# Notable Alumni



**'94 Octavia Spencer**  
Actress, Author, & Producer



**'82 Tim Cook**  
CEO of Apple



**'86 Jimmy Wales**  
Co-Founder of Wikipedia



**'72 James Voss**  
NASA Astronaut



**'85 Charles Barkley**  
Former NBA Player

# National Rankings of Grad Programs

## Program

## Ranking\*

<b>Fisheries</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Industrial Design</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Physicians Executive MBA Program</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Landscape Architecture</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Industrial and Systems Engineering</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Health and Human Performance</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>College of Engineering (Public)</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Department of Aerospace Engineering (Public)</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Auburn University (Public)</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>MBA Program (Public)</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Civil Engineering</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Electrical Engineering</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Chemical Engineering</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Computer Engineering</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Mechanical Engineering</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Executive MBA (World, Financial Times)</b>	<b>84</b>

\* Rankings include public and private programs/schools unless otherwise indicated

# Strategic Goals

Auburn will expand its role as a partnership university by advancing impactful and transformative research and scholarship.

- 500 new faculty by 2021
- 2000 additional doctoral students by 2023
- Presidential Awards for Interdisciplinary Research
- Presidential Graduate Research Fellowships



# Presidential Research Fellowship



A prestigious award for new students pursuing doctoral or terminal professional degrees, Auburn's Presidential Graduate Research Fellowship Program offers fellows \$30,000 (at minimum) in support of their work in established or emerging areas of excellence. Fellowship recipients are highly motivated and incredibly capable students who bring exemplary scholarship and innovation to the academic departments which host their study and research.

For more information, visit [aub.ie/presidentialfellowships](http://aub.ie/presidentialfellowships).

- Auburn is a comprehensive land-, sea-, and space-granny research university.
- Nearly 6,000 graduate students are enrolled at Auburn.
- There are 1,439 faculty members at Auburn. 92% serve in full-time instructional positions.
- Auburn has been included among the top 50 public universities in the country by *U.S. News & World Report* for 25 years.

# DBS Believes in an Inclusive AU Family

One of the priorities in the Department of Biological Sciences (DBS) is fostering diversity and inclusion among undergraduate and graduate students, faculty, and staff. We work to create an inclusive environment and are committed to improving the representation of groups that have been historically underrepresented in the sciences. We do this through multiple fronts – from the college-level and departmental-level Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion taskforce, to seminars and professional development opportunities, to conducting research into barriers in undergraduate biology. The overarching goal of the department is to foster and encourage diversity at all levels, including but not limited to: race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status, gender identity, ability, age, religion, and sexual orientation. We do this through proactive development of historically-, socially-, cognitively-, and culturally-informed practices implemented in laboratories and classrooms in order to create equitable research and learning opportunities for everyone. We encourage students from a diverse range of backgrounds to apply to our undergraduate, MST/MSNT, and PhD programs.



# COSAM Diversity Resources

- **STEM Summer Bridge Program**  
(<http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/summer-bridge/index.htm>)
- **Research Experience for Undergraduates**  
(<http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/reu.htm>)
- **Auburn's Association for Women in Science**  
(<https://auburn.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/awis>)
- **Cross-cultural center for excellence: student organizations**  
(<http://www.alumni.auburn.edu/inclusion-and-diversity/student-organizations>)
- **Spectrum: Auburn University's Gay-Straight Alliance**  
(<https://auburn.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/agsa>)
- **COSAM DEI Resource page**  
(<http://www.auburn.edu/equitytaskforce/diversity-resources.php>)
- **Auburn LGBTQ+ Resources and Initiatives**  
(<https://auburnlgbtqresources.weebly.com/>)
- **COSAM Office of Inclusion, Equity and Diversity**  
(<http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/>)
- **TIGR: The Initiative for Graduate Recruitment Program**  
(<http://aub.ie/TIGR>)
- **Inclusive Excellence in STEM (IES) Award**  
([http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/ies\\_award.htm](http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/ies_award.htm))
- **Ben Barres NOGLSTP**  
(<https://www.noglstp.org/programs-projects/ben-barres-fellowship/>)
- **Student Organizations List (AU Cross Cultural Center for Excellence)**  
(<http://diversity.auburn.edu/cross-cultural-center-for-excellence/>)

# COSAM Diversity Resources

## Auburn Based Outreach Programs

([see full list here](#))

### STEM High School Visitation Day

([http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/minority\\_visitation\\_day.htm](http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/diversity/minority_visitation_day.htm))

### Center for Educational Outreach and Engagement

(<http://www.auburn.edu/outreach/ceoe/>)

### COSAM Office of Outreach

(<http://www.auburn.edu/cosam/departments/outreach/>)

### Science Cafe Auburn

([http://www.auburn.edu/academic/cosam/departments/outreach/programs/science\\_cafe/](http://www.auburn.edu/academic/cosam/departments/outreach/programs/science_cafe/))

### Science in Motion

(<https://cws.auburn.edu/asim/Home/Home>)

### Científico Latino Graduate Student Mentorship Initiative (GSMI)

(<https://www.cientificolatino.com/gsmi>)

### Greater Alabama Black Belt Region (GABBR) STEM Initiative

(<https://cws.auburn.edu/apspi/pm/blackbeltstem>)

## Fellowships

### McNair Scholars Program: Database of graduate funding opportunities

(<http://mcnairscholars.com/funding/>)

### OEDb: Open Education Database

(<http://oedb.org/financial-aid/>)

### Undergraduate scholarship, fellowship, and summer research opportunities

(full list <https://cws.auburn.edu/apspi/pm/fellowships>)

# Student Support Resources

## AU Cares

Auburn Cares provides the following types of services:

- Help students find campus and community resources
- Support students with mental health matters and connect them with mental health providers
- Support students during times of sickness or injury
- Assist students during times of financial difficulty
- Work with students to solve problems and help with crisis management

### Contact Information

**Room:** 115 Student Center

**Email:** [auburncares@auburn.edu](mailto:auburncares@auburn.edu)

### Auburn University Medical Clinic

- 334-844-4416, [aumcmedrecords@eammc.org](mailto:aumcmedrecords@eammc.org)

### Accessibility

- 334-844-2096, [accessibility@auburn.edu](mailto:accessibility@auburn.edu)

### Safe Harbor

- 334-844-7233, [safeharbor@auburn.edu](mailto:safeharbor@auburn.edu)

### Student Conduct

- 334-844-1305, [conduct@auburn.edu](mailto:conduct@auburn.edu)

### Student Counseling & Psychological Services

- 334-844-5123

### University Career Center

- 334-844-4744, [aucc@auburn.edu](mailto:aucc@auburn.edu)

### Academic Support

- 334-844-5972, [academic\\_support@auburn.edu](mailto:academic_support@auburn.edu)

### Financial Aid

- 334-844-4634, [finaid7@auburn.edu](mailto:finaid7@auburn.edu)

### Housing and Residence Life

- 334-844-4580, [housing@auburn.edu](mailto:housing@auburn.edu)

### Registrar

- 334-844-2544, [registrar@auburn.edu](mailto:registrar@auburn.edu)

### Title IX

- 334-844-4794

# Student Support Resources

## AU Graduate Student Council

The Graduate Student Council serves the unique needs of Auburn's graduate and professional students through a network of support and encouragement. We operate as a collective voice for our members, acting as the official graduate student representation in university affairs and the Student Government Association (SGA). We encourage all graduate and professional students to become active in our organization.

### Contact Information

**Room:** 3148 Student Center

**Email:** [gsc@auburn.edu](mailto:gsc@auburn.edu)



**GSC Executive Board**

# Student Support Resources

## Black Graduate and Professional Student Association

The Auburn University Black Graduate and Professional Association is an academic and professional organization that exists to address the unique needs and concerns of minority graduate and professional students, and to promote diversity within the Auburn community.

The mission of the Auburn University Black Graduate and Professional Association is to advance the scholarly activity of minority students and to improve the conditions of the social environment.

Through the use of consistent social interaction and multi-cultural programming geared largely towards scholarship, career and community assistance, the Black Graduate and Professional Association fosters academic achievement, understanding of and respect for differences, and, ultimately, the development of future minority leadership.



### Contact Information

**Room:** 1330 Student Center

**Email:** [ajh0076@auburn.edu](mailto:ajh0076@auburn.edu)

**Phone:** 240-429-0066 x899063

# Student Support Resources

## African Student Association

### Goals:

To help newly arriving international students from the continent of Africa transition to academic life in Auburn.

To help with airport pick up for newly arriving students

Organize recreational and social events for ASA members and make their study in AU more productive

To help people going to Africa for field trips, missions and internships; connecting them to people we know from those countries to serve as guides.

To promote diversity on AU campus by showcasing the culture of different parts of Africa, through cultural events,

To be ambassadors of AU in our respective countries and encourage more international students to choose AU when considering choices of grad school.

To establish mentoring relationships between student and Faculty members

To be a family for international students from Africa, who have been away from home for years.

To serve the Auburn community in our own little special way



### Contact Information

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**Email:** asa.auburn@gmail.com

**Phone:** 678-799-5296

<https://auburn.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/asa>

# Student Support Resources

## Latino Student Association

Our purpose is to educate all Auburn University students and the Auburn community on values of the Latin American heritage through community service, social events and mentoring opportunities. We are here to unite all students of Auburn and to develop a crucial understanding of Hispanic heritage and what it means to be Latino or Latina!

We aim to celebrate the Latino culture with fun social events throughout campus such as our Hispanic Heritage Month event, Día de los Muertos celebration, Latino countries' Independence Day festivities, and much more!

With our mission, we plan to outreach to the community by supporting Latino businesses, volunteering at public schools and encourage participation in state events that involve the Latino community. LSA ultimately stands to unite all Auburn University students through education and celebration of diversity and friendship.



### Contact Information

**Room:** 3130 Student Center

**Email:** mam0232@auburn.edu

# Student Support Resources

## Chinese Student Organization

Chinese Student Organization in Auburn University (AUCSO) is an independent, non-profit student organization with the mission of:

- To serve the common interests of Chinese students and scholars in Auburn University and facilitate communications between international students and the university
- To enrich campus experience of Chinese students and scholars and encourage them to involve in various local activities
- To help Chinese students and scholars relieve their homesickness by holding extracurricular activities
- To introduce Chinese culture to American students and facilitate cultural exchange between international students and local communities.



### Contact Information

**Phone:** 334-844-3175

**Email:** [officeaucso@gmail.com](mailto:officeaucso@gmail.com)

<https://auburn.campuslabs.com/engage/organization/cso>

# Student Support Resources

## AU InterConnect

The goal of InterConnect is to enhance the Auburn experience for international graduate students, visiting scholars, and post-doctoral fellows (i.e., all international visitors) by helping them become better integrated into local American culture. InterConnect helps organize events throughout the year so that international visitors have a more satisfying experience while at Auburn. We try to connect the local “know how” of Auburn residents with “want to know how” of our international visitors at Auburn University.



### Contact Information

**Phone:** 334-844-2143