



University of Colorado **Denver**



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**[KDI GMP] Information Session**  
**University of Colorado Denver**  
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## Introduction

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# UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER



# AT A GLANCE



- Mid-sized, comprehensive public R1 research university
- 15,000 students; 7% international
- 140+ undergraduate and graduate programs in 7 schools and colleges
- On campus ESL Academy with admissions pathway to the university
- Unique location in the heart of downtown Denver



# STUDENT LIFE

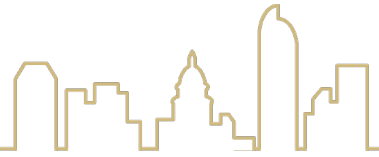


- Diverse student population
- Students from **65+ different countries**
- **120+** student organizations
- Brand new [Student Wellness Center](#) with [Outdoor Adventure Program](#)
- Small class sizes
- Dedicated, **full-service** [police department](#) operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year
- [Student discounts](#) to nearby museums, theatres, and restaurants





# COVID-19 RESPONSE



- There is currently a mix of on-campus, remote, online, and hybrid course formats (see the next slide).
- Vaccine Requirement Issued
- Be aware of your timeline if you plan to get a vaccine in your home country prior to leaving for the U.S.
  - Vaccines are available
  - Get your vaccine on campus!
- Extensive health and safety protocols
  - [Safe Return to Campus Website](#)
  - [Coronavirus Updates and Resources](#)









## [State of Colorado MMR Immunization Requirement:](#)

Colorado State law requires any student enrolled for one or more credit hours in higher education to comply with the State's MMR (measles 홍역, mumps 볼거리, rubella 풍진) immunization policy

# Classify Your Course

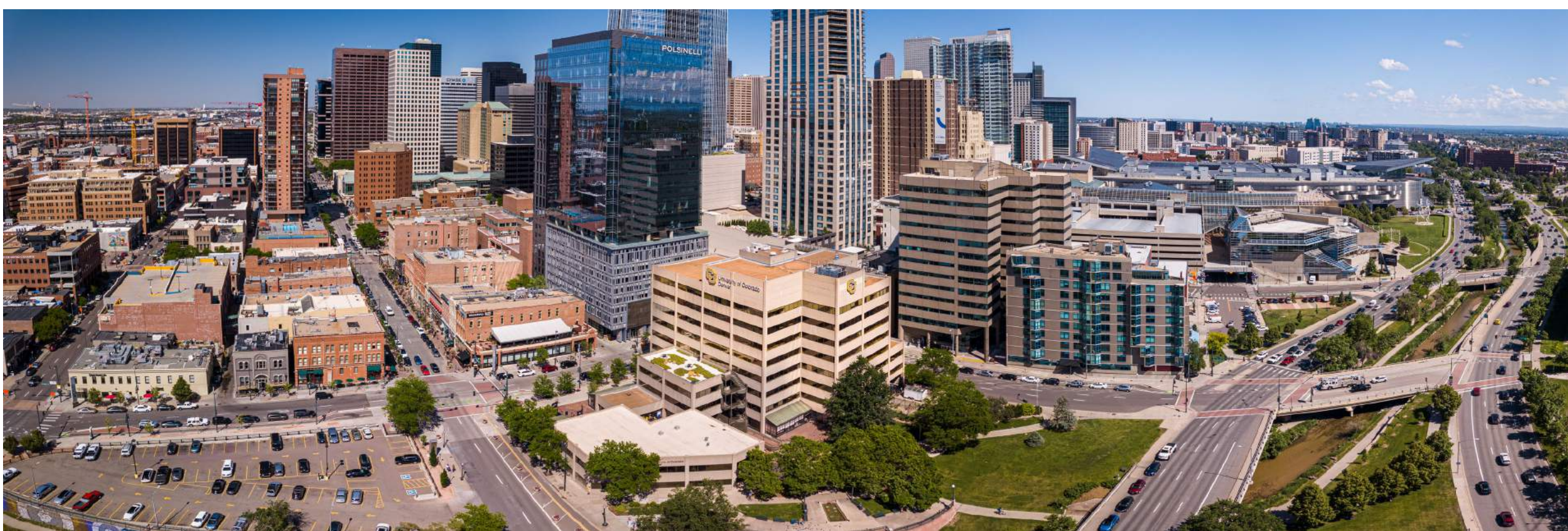
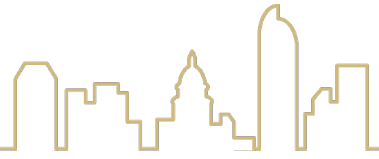


Course features often vary by the type of course you are enrolled in. Understanding the features of your course can help you better plan for success in your course environment. Take a look at the table below for some of the similarities and differences between fall 2020 course formats and their course.

	ON-CAMPUS	HYBRID	REMOTE	ONLINE
Meeting Location 	Taught primarily on-campus at pre-scheduled meeting times. On-campus	Taught with mix of pre-scheduled, on-campus meetings and flexible-schedule online learning components. Zoom & on-campus	Taught virtually (using Zoom) with pre-scheduled meeting times. Other online learning materials provided as well. No on-campus component. Zoom & Canvas	Taught using online learning materials with a flexible schedule. Class takes place entirely online. No on-campus components. Canvas
Time 	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	Scheduled class sessions (i.e. MW 10:00 – 11:00 am)	No scheduled meeting times
Class Delivery 	Lecture, discussion, activities in-person, on-campus	Lecture, discussion, activities in-person and via Zoom	Lecture, discussion, activities in Zoom	Online modules with text, video, discussion, activities occurring virtually
Assignments & Activities 	Delivered and completed in-person and/or via Canvas	Delivered and completed in-person and/or via Zoom and Canvas	Delivered and completed via Zoom and/or Canvas	Delivered and completed using Canvas
Interaction 	Peers & instructor in-person	Peers & instructor in-person and via Zoom & Canvas	Peers & instructor via Zoom & Canvas	Peers & instructor via Canvas
Flex Options 	Recordings of in-person and/or Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	Recordings of in-person and/or Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	Recordings of Zoom sessions at instructor discretion	None

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# School of Public Affairs



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School of Public Affairs  
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# U.S. News & World Report 2023 Best Graduate Schools rankings

**#1 Best Public Affairs Program** in Colorado (*#29 in the nation*)

**#1 in Environmental Policy and Management** in Colorado (*#10 in the nation*)

**#1 in Nonprofit Management** in Colorado (*#16 in the nation*)

**#1 in Public Finance and Budgeting** in Colorado (*#19 in the nation*)

**#1 in Public Management and Leadership** in Colorado (*#21 in the nation*)

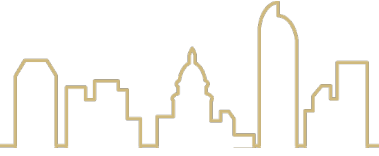
**#1 in Local Government** in Colorado (*#25 in the nation*)

**#2 Best Online Graduate Criminal Justice Programs** in Colorado (*#20 in the nation*)



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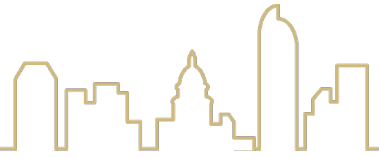


## Doctor of Philosophy in Public Affairs

This program emphasizes scholarship in public administration, public policy, public management, and criminal justice/criminology in preparation for positions in academia and consulting firms, public management and administration, public policy analysis, politics and advocacy, and nonprofits.



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# KDI/SPA Dual-Degree Program





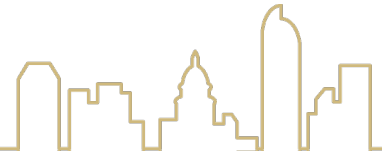
# SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program



- **Program requirements at CU Denver**
    - 36 total credits in "good academic standing"
    - Max 12 credits (4 courses) can be accepted from KDI applied to the SPA dual-degree requirement
  - **Required Courses (7 courses)**
    - KDI students must take at least 4 (or more) of the SPA core classes if they do not complete them at KDI
    - **SPA Core Classes (3 credits hours each )**
      - PUAD 5001 - Introduction to Public Administration and Public Service
      - PUAD 5002 - Organizational Management and Behavior (=KDI Public Organizations and Management)
      - PUAD 5003 - Research and Analytic Methods (=KDI Quantitative Method)
      - PUAD 5004 - Economics and Public Finance (=KDI Analysis Market and Public Policy)
      - PUAD 5005 - The Policy Process and Democracy
      - PUAD 5006 - Public Service Leadership and Ethics
      - PUAD 5008 - Evidence-Based Decision-Making
- ❖ Blue highlights are core classes that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- ❖ Green highlights may be accepted if a similar course (PUAD 5005) was taken at KDI
- ❖ Note: SPA may accept up to three of these classes from KDI



# SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program



- **Elective Courses**

All course descriptions can be found in the [Graduate Academic Catalog](#).

- **Capstone**

With the exception of those pursuing the thesis option, all MPA students must complete the capstone course during the last semester of their degree program. All core classes must be completed before taking the capstone.

- A capstone is a client-based research project that synthesizes competencies gained throughout the course of study for the master's programs of the School of Public Affairs. Students conduct independent research, complete a final written project demonstrating their qualifications and expertise, and orally present findings to a committee of faculty and criminal justice or public affairs professionals.
- PUAD 5361 - Capstone Seminar (3 credit hours)

❖ Thesis is not a preferred option for KDI students





# SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program



## CORE COURSES

### KDI SCHOOL Course

Analysis of Market and Public Policy  
Quantitative Methods  
Public Organizations and Management

### CU DENVER SPA Course

PUAD 5004 Economics and Public Finance  
PUAD 5003 Research and Analytic Methods  
PUAD 5002 Organizational Management and Behavior

## ELECTIVES

### KDI SCHOOL course

Budgeting and Public Financial Mgt.  
Dispute Resolution and Negotiation  
Strategic Management  
Language in Public Policy and Management

### CU DENVER SPA course

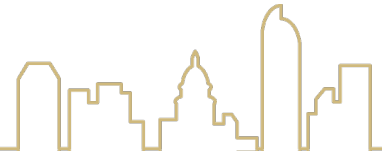
PUAD 5503 Public Budgeting and Finance  
PUAD 5440 Negotiation and Conflict Resolution  
PUAD 5170 Strategic Management for Nonprofit and Public Leaders  
PUAD 5000 level MPA elective course

- ❖ Max 12 credits (4 courses) can be accepted from KDI applied to the SPA dual-degree requirement
- ❖ Blue highlights are core courses that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- ❖ Green highlights are elective courses that have a counterpart in the KDI curriculum
- ❖ Syllabus documentation required and must be submitted to Scott Steinbrecher





# SPA/KDI Dual-Degree Program



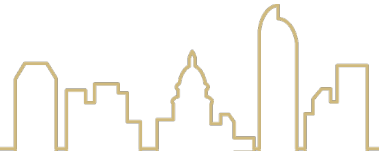
- **Winterim term (January) (If offered)**
  - About 2 weeks prior to the spring semester
  - Starts around January 2nd or 3rd. Classes meet 4 to 5 days per week for roughly 4-5 hours
- **Spring semester (January – May)**
  - Recommend to take 4 core courses and maybe 1 elective course
  - If students have not completed core courses at KDI, it will be 5 core classes (See the previous page for core courses) Sometimes a core course needs to be completed during the summer - can take online.
- **Maymester term (May)**
  - (If offered) It is about 2-3 weeks
  - Elective course to be determined
- **Summer term (June – August)**
  - May take an online course during the summer
  - SPA also offers a few weekend intensives in the summer
  - Good summer class is PUAD 5008 Evidence-Based Decision-Making
- **Fall semester (August – December)**
  - Capstone Seminar and, if necessary, one elective (Note: no core courses concurrent with the capstone)

**\*Arrival information: Per US Government regulations, students may not enter the US until 30 days prior to the start of classes**



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# Application

# APPLICATION

## Application requirements

For Fall 2022/Spring 2023 admissions

- Online application
- \$75 application fee (Application fee will be waived if "KDI Dual-Degree Program" is selected)
- Transcripts (including KDI)
- Proof of English Language Proficiency
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- Resume
- Statement of Purpose
- **Official final transcript required once admitted**

## English Language Proficiency

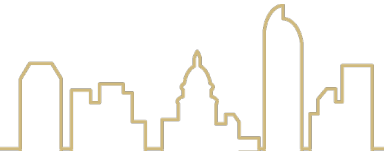
<b>IELTS</b>	6.5 overall 6.0 R, 6.0 L, 6.0 S, 5.5 W [University of Colorado Denver]
<b>TOEFL*</b>	80 overall 20 R, 19L, 20S, 20W [Institutional Code: <b>4875</b> ]
<b>TOEFL*</b>	TOEFL overall score of 85 or higher if one sub-score is 20 or below
<b>Duolingo</b>	105 overall 85 minimum in all sub scores [University of Colorado Denver Graduate Admissions]

\*We accept "TOEFL MyBest Scores"

## Application Deadlines

Term	Preferred	Final
Fall (August)	April 1	May 1
Spring (January)	September 1	October 15

# APPLICATION FAQ



## Academic Interest

Are you interested in applying for a Doctorate or Masters- EdS, Licensures and/or Endorsements? \*

- ☐ Doctorate
- ☐ Licensures and/or Endorsements Only
- ☒ Masters Only, EdS Only, or with Licenses and/or Endorsements

Masters Only, EdS Only, or with Licenses and/or Endorsements\*

Public Administration (MPA) ▼

Are you interested in applying to a Fully Online program?\*

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Please choose a subplan for Public Administration

▼

If you're applying as a 4+1 applicant please choose this option, otherwise do not choose anything

▼

Are you a Korean Development Institute (KDI) student applying to CU Denver as part of your Global Master's Program?

so, please select this prompt.

☒ KDI Dual-Degree Program

What visa type do you  
have/require?

This question is **Required** and failure to answer this question will result in delays in processing your application. If you cannot find your visa type contact [Application@ucdenver.edu](mailto:Application@ucdenver.edu) prior to continuing

F-1-Student ▼

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The sub-plan does not apply to KDI/SPA dual degree program students.

Application fee will be waived if "KDI Dual-Degree Program" is selected. The fee will be waived within 24 hours.

# APPLICATION FAQ



## Program Questions

I plan to pursue the following dual degree (please know that you must apply and be admitted into both programs):

← **Leave Blank**

### Demonstrated Analytical Writing Ability

Degree-Seeking Graduate Students are required to demonstrate their analytical writing ability. It is required that you indicate which of the following options applies to you:

- ☐ I have taken the LSAT and/or the GRE
- ☐ I have previously earned another graduate degree
- ☒ I will upload a writing sample that highlights my writing ability and critical thinking skills.

Analyze an issue and make a well-supported argument for a particular position or decision. Limit to approximately 4-5 double-spaced

pages and use proper citations for all sources.

If your writing sample does not meet these requirements or you may select one of the following options:

- Analyze a public policy issue
- Analyze an issue facing the community

Choose File No file chosen

### Demonstrated Quantitative Competency

Degree-Seeking Graduate Students are required to demonstrate their quantitative competency. It is required that you indicate which of the following options applies to you:

- ☐ I have taken the GMAT and/or the GRE
- ☐ I have previously earned another graduate degree
- ☒ I completed a college-level math class as an undergraduate and earned a B or higher
- ☐ I acknowledge that I am unable to demonstrate quantitative competency and that I will need to demonstrate quantitative competency through an approved alternative route by the end of my first semester of graduate studies.

Insert the Math Course. \*

Insert the semester. \*

Insert the year. \*

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If you don't have a GRE score, a writing sample and college-level math credits will be required

- Writing Sample : A five-page paper on policy or a local government issue
  - KDI school paper related to the subjects can be submitted as the writing sample (4-5 pages double-space)
- Math Course: If you did not take a math course as an undergraduate, you can substitute the KDI course "Quantitative Methods" or "Introduction to Research Methods" in the Math Course section



# WHERE IS COLORADO?

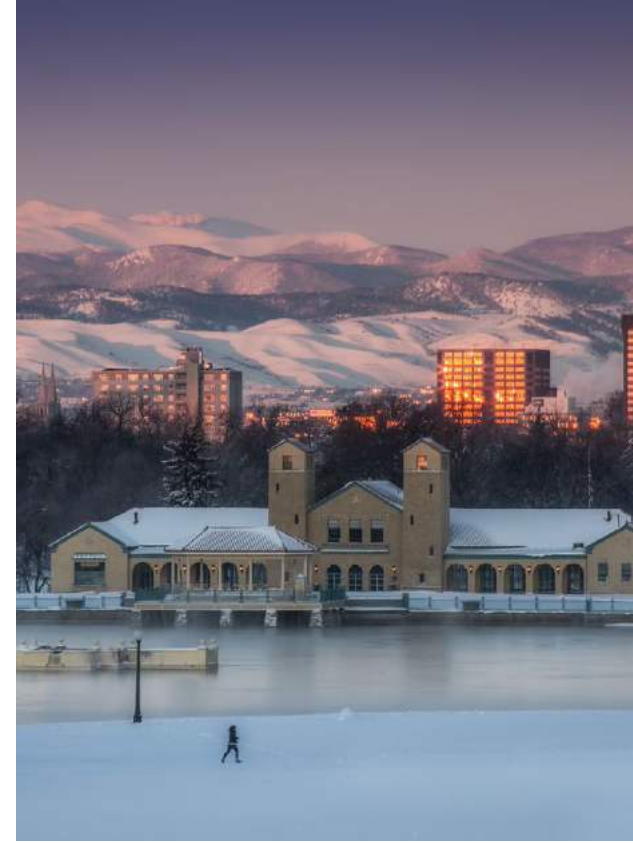




# Colorado: Fast Facts

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- Population: 5.7 million
- [4 cities ranked in the top 20 Best Places to Live in the US: Boulder \(#1\) Denver \(#14\) and Colorado Springs \(#6\) Fort Collins \(#17\)\\*](#)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> most educated state in the US
- [#2 State Economy](#) in the US\*
- Diverse, beautiful geography
- Favorable climate with 4 beautiful seasons
- Affordable living: relatively low cost of living compared to other states
- World-class skiing, snowboarding, and hiking
- Golf, camping, rafting, outdoor recreation
- Healthy living: consistently ranked among the healthiest and fittest states
- #2 State in the Technology and Science Index
- Central for travel to other places such as national parks



## IN ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST CITIES

- ***#14 Best Place*** to live in the US
- ***300 days*** of sunshine a year
- ***Strongest city economy*** in the US

A night-time photograph of the Denver skyline, featuring several illuminated skyscrapers against a dark blue sky. A large, bright full moon is positioned in the upper center of the frame, partially obscured by the city lights. The foreground shows some blurred lights and structures, suggesting a high vantage point.

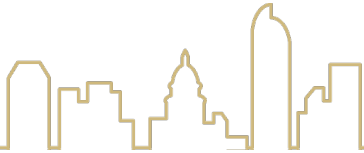
# DENVER, COLORADO

- *Capital of Colorado* and most populous city in the Rocky Mountain Region
- High quality of life; ranked #14 Best Place to Live in the US\*
- Strong Economy; #4 Best Place for Businesses and Careers in the US\*\*
- Denver is the hub for high-tech, commercial, financial, and transportation industries in the Rocky Mountain region. It is also the cultural and educational center of the region.
- Mid-sized city, relatively safe compared to other metro areas of similar size
- Safe and effective public transit system
- Culture & Fun: 7 professional sports teams, 25 museums, dozens of live music venues, and hundreds of restaurants
- Best of both worlds: located at the base of the Rocky Mountains, giving easy access to stunning natural spaces, National Parks, hiking trails, and outdoor activities

\*US News & World Report

\*\*Forbe

# DENVER: A MAJOR Domestic HUB

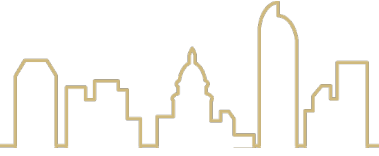


Denver International Airport (DIA)  
is a **major US hub** with flights  
to **205+ destinations**



Destination	Stops	Flight time
Chicago	Nonstop	2.5 hours
LA	Nonstop	2.5 hours
New York	Nonstop	3.5 hours
Seattle	Nonstop	3 hours
Incheon	1 stop	17 + hours

- Voted as the **Best Airport in the US** (Wall Street Journal, 2018)
- Located near the geographic center of the United States
- DIA is easily accessible from CU Denver via public transit, making it quick and affordable to get from campus to your home country
- DIA serves as the gateway into Colorado and the Rocky Mountain West and has direct flights to 12 destinations in Colorado, including popular ski resorts, vacation and business destinations



# Helpful Resources



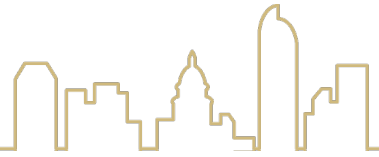
# Important CU Denver Links



Type	Contents
ONLINE APPLICATION	<a href="https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/admissions">https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/admissions</a>
<u>SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS</u>	<a href="mailto:spa@ucdenver.edu">spa@ucdenver.edu</a> +1 (303)-315-2228
<u>INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS</u>	<a href="mailto:intladmissions@ucdenver.edu">intladmissions@ucdenver.edu</a> +1 (303) 315-2382
<u>INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AND SCHOLAR SERVICES</u>	<a href="mailto:isss@ucdenver.edu">isss@ucdenver.edu</a> +1 (303) 315-2230
<u>CU DENVER HOUSING &amp; DINING</u> (On campus & off campus housing)	<a href="mailto:Housing@ucdenver.edu">Housing@ucdenver.edu</a> +1 (303) 315-5272
ARRIVAL IN DENVER (Public Transportation - RTD)	<a href="https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado/travel-and-transportation">https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado/travel-and-transportation</a>
Transportation from Denver International Airport (DEN), Finding Housing in Denver	<a href="https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/pre-arrival/arrival">https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/pre-arrival/arrival</a>
COLORADO DRIVER'S LICENSE	<a href="https://www.ucdenver.edu/docs/librariesprovider190/default-document-library/colorado_dmv_final.pdf?sfvrsn=66314b9_4">https://www.ucdenver.edu/docs/librariesprovider190/default-document-library/colorado_dmv_final.pdf?sfvrsn=66314b9_4</a>
LIFE IN DENVER	<a href="https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado">https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/resources/life-in-colorado</a>
Insurance & Campus Resources for Current International Students	<a href="https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/current/regulations-procedures/health/resources">https://www.ucdenver.edu/services/international-student-and-scholar-services/students/current/regulations-procedures/health/resources</a>
Graduate Certificates, and Graduate Credentials	<a href="https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/programs-of-study/graduate-and-certificate-programs#ft-certificates-credentials-and-others-3">https://graduateschool.ucdenver.edu/programs-of-study/graduate-and-certificate-programs#ft-certificates-credentials-and-others-3</a>



# Other Useful Links



## School Districts

<https://www.greatschools.org/colorado/>

## Housing

[Zillow](#)

[Trulia](#)

[Apartments.com](#)

## [Korean & Asian Grocery Stores in Denver](#)

(H Mart Aurora, H Mart Westminster & M-Mart)

## [Tourist Attractions In Colorado](#)

## [State Parks – Colorado Parks & Wildlife](#)

## [National Forests In Colorado](#)

## [10 Best Places to Visit in Colorado - Travel Video](#)

## [Denver Colorado: Cool Things To Do // Destinations Explained](#)

## [Denver Travel Guide - What to do in The Mile High City](#)

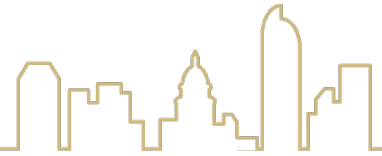
## [Covid-19 travel restrictions state by state \(CNN\)](#)

\*Note on Housing: Most Korean students and their families tend to live just south of Denver in Centennial, Greenwood Village, Lone Tree or Highlands Ranch.

Also, Westminster, Avada, Aurora, Littleton and Lakewood are good places to live where the costs are relatively lower and still have good school districts.



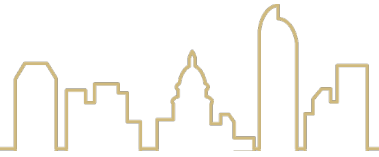
# List of Fun Things to Do in Colorado with Kids



- Children's Museum of Denver
  - <https://www.mychildsmuseum.org/>
- Denver Zoo
  - <https://denverzoo.org/>
- Hammonds' Candy Factory Tour – Denver
  - <https://hammondscandies.com>
- Denver Museum of Nature & Science
  - <https://www.dmns.org/>
- Denver Art Museum
  - <https://www.denverartmuseum.org/en>
- Stanley Hotel Tour – Estes Park
  - <https://www.stanleyhotel.com/tours.html>
- Cheyenne Mountain Zoo – Colorado Springs
  - <https://www.cmzoo.org/>
- Elitch Gardens – Denver
  - <https://www.elitchgardens.com/>
- Garden of the Gods Segway Tour – Colorado Springs
  - <https://www.gardenofgods.com/>
- Colorado Railroad Museum – Golden
  - <https://coloradorailroadmuseum.org/>
- Dinosaur Ridge – Morrison
  - <https://dinoridge.org/>
- Downtown Aquarium – Denver
  - <https://www.aquariumrestaurants.com/downtownaquariumdenver/>
- Rocky Mountain Zipline Adventure Tour
  - <https://www.denveradventures.com/>
- Rocky Top Glide Segway Tours - Denver
  - <https://rockytopglide.com/>



# **CU Denver Health Insurance Plan**



## **United Healthcare**

Most frequently asked COVID-19 related questions: <https://www.uhcsr.com/faqs>

Will testing and physician visits be covered for COVID-19?

Will treatment be covered for COVID-19?

Will the vaccines be covered?

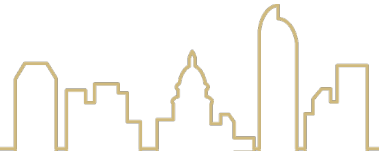
To find a testing center near you, you can  
visit <https://covid19testcenterlocator.uhc.com/ctcl#/CTC-Search>

## **CU Denver International Student & Scholar Services**

[Frequently Asked Questions about International Student Health Insurance](#)



# **Coronavirus Updates and Resources**



## **CDC and CDPHE Resources**

[CDC homepage](#) (most comprehensive sources of helpful guidance)

[CDPHE homepage](#) (a good place to begin search for Colorado Specific resources)

## **Self-isolation, self-quarantine, and self-cared information**

### **Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE):**

[How to Isolate](#)

[How to Quarantine](#)

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):**

[What to Do if You Are Sick?](#)

[Caring for Someone Sick at Home](#)

## **Health Services**

[The Health Center at Auraria](#) Coronavirus Services

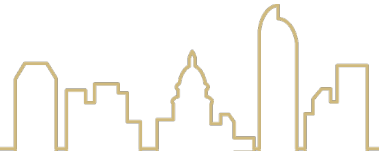
[Telehealth Options and Nurselines](#) (free or low-cost options in Colorado)

[Colorado County COVID-19 Status](#) (CHPHE)



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**THANK YOU!**