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Established in 1839 as the first public university west of the Mississippi River, Mizzou is one of only five universities in the U.S. with law, medicine, veterinary medicine and a nuclear research reactor on one campus.

Town: [Columbia](#) (pop. 108,500)

Enrollment: 33,805

Nickname: Tigers, named after a band of locals who protected Columbia during the Civil War

Colors: Black and gold

Traditions: The Big 'M' of the Midwest, or **Marching Mizzou**, blasts school songs "Fight Tiger" and "Every True Son" at sporting events. The clipped nickname **Mizzou**, used as early as 1905, has inspired decades of fans and alumni to yell "M-I-Z!" Fans within earshot reply with "Z-O-U!"

Eats and treats: Winner of *Good Morning America's* "Best College Eats Contest," **Shakespeare's Pizza** is Columbia's signature place to grab a slice. **Booche's**, a cozy pool hall with a classic wooden bar, has the best burgers in town. Less than a football field from Francis Quadrangle, **The Heidelberg** is a great place for sandwiches, wings and conversation.

M-I-Z, Z-O-U!



Average miles from other SEC schools: **649**

Stop by a tailgate for ...
burnt ends, KC strip, gooey butter cake, Boulevard Unfiltered Wheat



TUITION \$8,989*



NOTABLE ALUMNI:
Brad Pitt, actor
Jon Hamm, actor
Sheryl Crow, musician

Mascot:
Truman the Tiger



*In-state, two semesters' tuition and required fees. Source: U.S. News Best Colleges 2012.

Places and spaces: The Columns are all that remain of Academic Hall, which burned in 1892. The six ionic icons are the centerpiece of **Francis Quadrangle**, which is the heart of the red campus, named for the buildings' classic brick architecture. Built in 1926, **Memorial Union** is a tribute to Mizzou students who died in service to their country.

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