

WELCOME TO BUFFALO

CITY OF GOOD NEIGHBORS

QUICK FACTS

- Located in western NY on the shores of Lake Erie and the Niagara River.
- Population: 261,310 (2nd largest city in NY/69th largest city in USA).
Surrounding area is 1,215,826
- In 1900, Buffalo was the 8th largest city in USA.
- Climate is determined by Lake Erie (snow in the winter and mild in the summer).
 - Snow covers the ground from December to March with 1 or 2 thaws.
 - Highest recorded temp. was 99° F (37° C) in 1910.
 - Lowest recorded temp. was -20° F (-29° C) in 1948 and 1961.
- Delaware Park was designed by Frederick Olmsted, who also created NYC Central Park.
- Universities and Colleges: SUNY-Buffalo, Buffalo State College, Canisius College
- Popular foods: chicken wings and beef-on-weck
- Sports: Buffalo Bills and Buffalo Sabres
- Area attractions: Niagara Falls, Downtown Buffalo, Canalside, Albright-Knox Art Museum, Buffalo Zoo

RISE AND FALL

Buffalo's rise to prominence started with the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825. The Canal connects Lake Erie (Buffalo) to the Hudson River (Albany). It was a major commercial route connecting goods in the midwest with the ports of NYC.

Two US Presidents from Buffalo: Millard Fillmore and Grover Cleveland.

The Canal plus railroads brought manufacturing (food products, soap, steel, etc.)

Decline began in 1960s with manufacturing moving overseas and trade routes bypassing NY State by the St. Lawrence Seaway.

Recently, growth has occurred in education (SUNY-Buffalo) and medical industry (Roswell Park Cancer Institute and Buffalo Medical Campus).



NIAGARA FALLS

- Connects Lakes Erie and Ontario
- Flow rate: $110,000 \text{ m}^3/\text{min}$
- First hydro-electric power in USA, built by Tesla and Westinghouse



CANISIUS COLLEGE

- * Private, Catholic, Jesuit college founded in 1871.
- * Named after St. Peter Canisius
- * Primarily undergraduate with about 60 degrees in Arts/Sciences, Education, and Business as well as Master's degrees in Education and Business.
- * Student population is about 3,500
- * Physics department is small with 3 tenured faculty and 12 majors on average.
- * New Science Hall, which will eventually house Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer Science, Autism Research Institute, and Physics.



*Welcome and enjoy your time here in Buffalo
and Western New York.*