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*Stony Brook University President Samuel L. Stanley Jr., MD (center) welcomes New York State Senate Majority Leader John J. Flanagan (right) and New York State Assembly Speaker and SBU alum Carl Heastie (left) to Homecoming 2016.*

Attendees enjoyed a full spread of backyard barbecue favorites, interactive demonstrations by several University clubs, a special performance by the Stony Brook Marching Band and plenty of carnival rides and games.

The Seawolves beat the visiting Rhode Island Rams 14-3 in front of a record crowd of 12,221 for the homecoming matchup.

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## Wolfstock 2016: Seawolves Take the Win After Week-long Homecoming Extravaganza

***Record number of  
Seawolves fans and  
University alumni attend***

Nearly 1,400 students, faculty, staff, alumni, fans, friends and family members got together before the big 2016 Seawolves Homecoming game for good food and fun activities at Wolfstock.



*Assemblywoman and SBU alumna Latoya Joyner and Assemblyman Fred Thiele at Homecoming.*

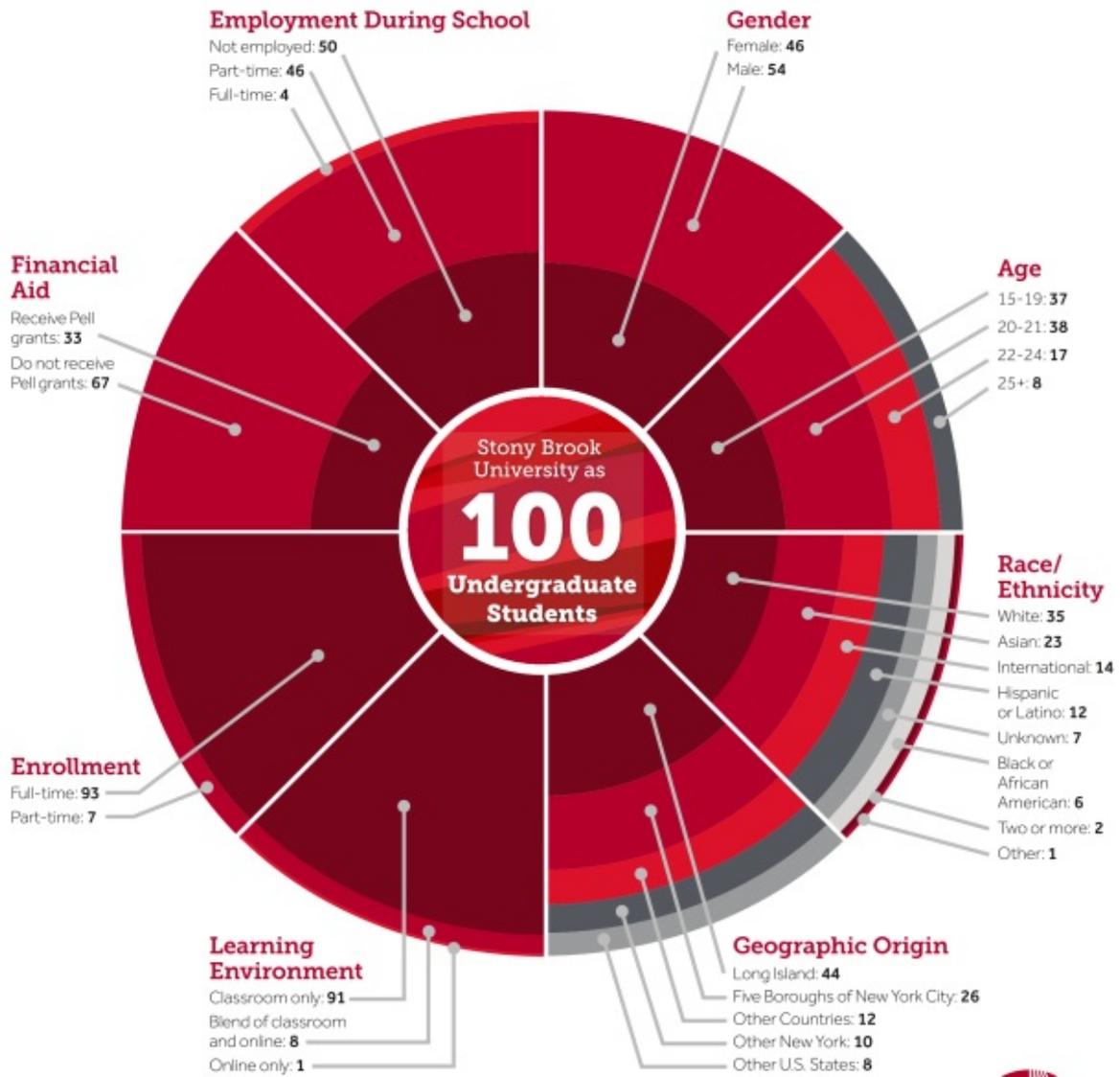
# Stony Brook University as 100 Undergraduate Students

There is a common image of college being a place where 18-year-olds spend their days in lecture halls and nights bunking in dorms on tree-lined campuses. In reality, higher education experiences are a lot more diverse than that. Each campus possesses a unique and complex landscape.

This is Stony Brook's story as represented by 100 undergraduate students.

## Stony Brook University as 100 Undergraduate Students

What would Stony Brook look like as a percentage of 100 students?



**Sources:**  
 Gender, Age, Race/Ethnicity, Enrollment, and Learning Environment: Fall 2016 enrollment data, Office of Institutional Research  
 Employment: SUNY Student Opinion Survey Spring 2015  
 Financial Aid: 2015-2016 Integrated Post-Secondary Education Data System  
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With a third of our students receiving Pell grants (grant aid for the most financially in need students), Stony Brook ranks #6 in the Association of American Universities (AAU). With regard to diversity, Stony Brook ranks #42 overall on the US News Diversity Index and ranks #23 among public universities. The US News Diversity Index is used to identify colleges where students are most likely to encounter undergraduates from

## Up in Albany

### Korean Studies Taking Center Stage



(L-R) Peter Kang, Director of Kang Collection, Assemblyman Ron Kim, President Samuel L. Stanley Jr., Jinyoung Jin, Director of Cultural Programs at the Charles B. Wang Center, Dr. Keum-Jin Yoon, Executive Vice President of Korea Foundation, Ms. Hyang-Joo Park, Head of Culture & Arts Department, Korea Foundation, and Thomas J. Byrne, President of The Korea Society.

[New York State Assemblyman Ron Kim](#), the first Korean-born person to be elected to the New York State Legislature, recently visited Stony Brook University. Assemblyman Kim received an overview of [SUNY Korea](#) by [Dr. Matthew Whelan](#), Stony Brook University Vice President for Strategic Initiatives.

The Assemblyman met with SUNY Korea students studying on Stony Brook's main campus this year, which is a requirement of the program.

Assemblyman Kim also received an overview of Stony Brook's [Center for Korean Studies](#) from [Jun Liu](#), Vice Provost for Global Affairs and Dean for International Academic Programs and Services. Additionally, [Lee Xippolitos](#), Dean of the Nursing School and Chief Nursing Officer, provided an overview of Stony Brook's [Korean Nursing Knowledge](#)

#### [Exchange Program.](#)

President Stanley greeted Assemblyman Kim at the [Wang Center](#) that evening for the opening reception of [The Power and Pleasure of Possessions in Korean Painted Screens](#), where for the first time in the United States, screen paintings dating from the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries are on display. We hope you will [visit](#).

## On the Hill

### Alumni and Congressional Staffers Gather in Washington, DC, for Workshop to Empower Women

[Start Smart: Salary Negotiation for Women](#) brought together Stony Brook alumni from years '99 through '16, who gathered at the United States Capitol Visitor Center in Washington, DC, to gain the skills and confidence to successfully negotiate their salary and benefits packages.

[Marianna Savoca](#),  
Director of the Career



Center and a certified  
facilitator of AAUW's

SBU alumni and congressional staffers attended the Start Smart workshop in  
Washington, DC, on October 20.

Start Smart program, presented the workshop, with opening remarks by Elizabeth Kanick '00, '01, Stony Brook alumna and Deputy Chief of Staff for [Senator Richard Blumenthal](#). Also attending from the office of [Congresswoman Kathleen Rice](#) were Legislative Director Colleen Nguyen and Legislative Assistants Liz Amster and Priscila Abraham. Stony Brook thanks [Senator Kirsten Gillibrand](#) for solidifying the space for this event.

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## NSF Announces Funding for SBU Study Boosting STEM in Schools

Stony Brook University will be the lead institution for a new \$4 million five-year [National Science Foundation \(NSF\)](#) grant designed to increase undergraduate and graduate degrees in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) in underrepresented minority (UREP) student populations.

[Announcing the award](#), [Congressman Lee Zeldin](#) said, "STEM programs in our schools are critical for students in the 21st century; educating and preparing our youth to pursue good paying jobs, which contribute to the growth of our economy, and allowing the U.S. to remain competitive in the global marketplace. This grant will allow Stony Brook University to further research how to best prepare all students for college and help promote the study of STEM in our schools."

Over the next five years, the three leading goals of the project will be to: meet the continuing challenge of preparing UREP students for a successful transition into STEM majors; provide experimental activities that lead to socialization into science; and promote systemic change by broadening participation in research.

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## President Stanley: Fixing Our National Infrastructure Requires Fixing Our Science Infrastructure

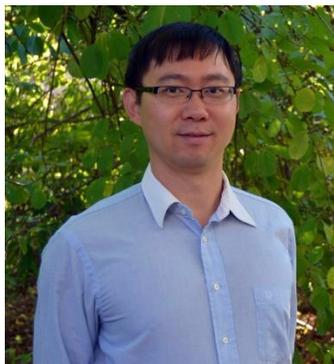
President Stanley quoted in *Huffington Post*:

Congress has finally approved a stop gap spending bill that provides funding - \$1.1 billion - to fight the Zika virus. The money comes at the same time that new Zika transmission zones have been found in Florida and the first group of babies of mothers in Puerto Rico known to have been exposed to the virus in their first trimester are being born.

Beyond the funding, the Zika epidemic has exposed a major national weakness that must be converted to a strength. That can happen, if we now use lessons from Zika to advance our preparedness for this and other infectious diseases that are sure to come.

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## Shan Lin's NSF CAREER Award Focuses on Smart and Connected Hospitals



[Shan Lin](#), an assistant professor in the [Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering](#) at Stony Brook University, has received a [National Science Foundation \(NSF\) Faculty Early Career Development \(CAREER\)](#) award, one of the most prestigious honors given to support junior faculty who exemplify the role of teacher-scholars through research education.

Lin will receive \$450k during the next five years for his research - Safe and Secure Network Control for Smart and Connected Hospitals - which seeks to improve safety and security of networks in a hospital setting.

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## In Our Community

### Stony Brook Again Recognized Nationally for Community Service

Stony Brook University has been named to the [President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll](#) for three categories: General Community Service, Economic Opportunity and Education, and Honor Roll with Distinction for Interfaith Service. Stony Brook continues to provide opportunities for students, faculty and staff to be involved in sustained, lifelong community engagement.



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## Local Businesses Launch Relationships with Stony Brook



More than 50 small businesses attended a breakfast meeting at the Middle Country Public Library on October 11 for a chance to learn how to connect with the Stony Brook campus community and new customers. The event, "How to Tap University Resources," was developed through a partnership with the Miller Business Resource Center, the Greater Middle Country Chamber of Commerce and the Stony Brook University Office of Community Relations.

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*Local businesses learned about ways to tap into the University for business-building resources and new clients.*

## How Trinley Palmo '12 is Changing Tibetan Healthcare

To appreciate her origins, it pays to understand world history. Trinley Palmo considers herself Tibetan, but India is where she was born and is her current home. When Chinese forces occupied Tibet in 1959, her parents escaped the country, along with His Holiness the Dalai Lama and roughly 80,000 fellow Tibetans. She now uses her master's degree in public health to improve the lives of her fellow Tibetans.



*Trinley Palmo (front row, center) at Tibetan refugee settlement, Ladakh, India.*

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## Upcoming Events

**Now through December 23, 2016**

[Wang Center Exhibition: Korean Painted Screens](#)

**Saturday, November 5, 2016**

[Seawolves Football vs William and Mary](#)

**Wednesday, November 9, 2016**

[WolfieTank 2016 Pitch Competition](#)

**Thursday, November 10, 2016**

[Veterans Day Ceremony](#)

**Friday, November 11, 2016**

[Opening Day: Men's Basketball vs Columbia](#)

**Monday, November 14, 2016**

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