UK is an R-1 research-intensive university. What does that mean for you? The faculty teaching your classes are doing cutting-edge work in laboratories, libraries, and fields across Kentucky and around the world. You can partner with scientists, scholars, and clinicians on national and international research projects the moment you arrive on campus. You will learn how to communicate, present, and publish your work – skills that matter in any career.

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At UK, we pride ourselves on challenging our students as they learn, and we make sure each student is supported along the way.

Our community cares about every student, regardless of who you are, where you’re from, or what you believe. This is a place where all students matter and where every voice is important. And, because of that, anything is possible here.

It’s pretty easy to see why Lexington is a great college town. Nestled in the heart of Kentucky’s bluegrass region, Lexington is a vibrant, friendly community. With a population of a little more than 330,000, it has the amenities of a bustling city, wrapped in small-town charm surrounded by rolling hills and beautiful horse farms. Our hometown has a culture that students describe as close-knit, eclectic, opportunity-rich, and supportive.

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