

ABOUT

The University

Case Western Reserve University (<http://case.edu>) is one of the nation's leading independent research universities, with programs that encompass the arts and sciences, engineering, the health sciences, law, management, and social work.

Brief History

Although its origins date to 1826, the university in its present form is the result of the 1967 federation of Case Institute of Technology and Western Reserve University. The two institutions had shared adjacent campuses since the late nineteenth century and were involved in cooperative efforts for many years. Western Reserve College was founded in 1826 in Hudson, Ohio, a town 26 miles southeast of Cleveland. The college took its name from that of the region, which at the time of the American Revolution, was known as the Western Reserve of Connecticut. In 1884, renamed Western Reserve University and boasting a medical school in addition to its undergraduate programs, the institution moved to the Cleveland site that later became known as University Circle. There it joined the Case School of Applied Science, founded in 1880 through the bequest of Leonard Case Jr., a leading benefactor and Cleveland civic leader. The name Case Institute of Technology was adopted in 1947 to reflect the institution's growing stature in the sciences and engineering.