

## **NLSC** in Atlanta

The SkillsUSA National Leadership & Skills Conference (NLSC) is the showcase of skilled trades. Quality career and technical education will be the centerpiece of the conference. Thousands of students, teachers, education leaders and representatives from hundreds of national corporations, trade associations, businesses and labor unions will join to engage, prepare and celebrate America's future workforce in Atlanta.

While Atlanta is sprawling with towering buildings made of glass and steel, it is truly a city in the forest, dotted with expansive green spaces. Everyone is buzzing about the destination, including Lonely Planet. The travel experts named Atlanta as the only U.S. city included in its Best in Travel list for 2022. This urban oasis is a multi-cultural haven for residents and visitors alike yet exudes Southern hospitality. Individuals from all walks of life add to the city's charm and personality.



Atlanta began as a railroad terminus and remains a transportation hub, but with a 21stcentury, global approach. Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport is the busiest airport in the world, and 80% of the U.S. population lives within a two-hour flight. Visitors can arrive downtown directly from the airport by riding Atlanta's public rail system, MARTA.

Centennial Olympic Park is downtown's centerpiece, anchored by the Fountain of Rings from the 1996 Summer Olympic Games. Attractions surround Pemberton Place including Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola and The National Center for Civil and Human Rights. Atlanta Streetcar carries passengers from the convention and entertainment district to the east side of the city.



Sports fans have much to enjoy with a multitude of major league teams to see in action. At the state-ofthe-art Mercedes-Benz Stadium, the NFL's Atlanta Falcons "Rise Up" and MLS Atlanta United FC, compete on the soccer pitch. At State Farm Arena, the NBA Hawks take the court. For more football action, collegiate fans congregate at Chick-fil-A College Football Hall of Fame.



Atlanta's rich history comes to life in Sweet Auburn Historic District, once the wealthiest black community in America. The area is a focal point for the civil rights movement, as the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historical Park and Ebenezer Baptist Church are located within the district.

Beyond the city's core, Atlanta's intown neighborhoods are packed with personality. Midtown mixes elegance with culture. The Westside has become a magnet for foodies, design enthusiasts and shoppers. Buckhead offers boutiques, galleries and fabulous dining, while Little Five Points keeps it funky through bohemian shops and music spots.

In Atlanta, chef-run restaurants dish up modern American cuisine in beautiful spaces that run the gamut from cutting-edge eateries to cozy diners, cafes and bistros. The ethnic restaurants along Buford Highway offer lots of flavor.

Atlanta welcomes more than one million international visitors a year. Seventy-one countries have representation in Atlanta through a consulate or trade office, giving it a diverse economy. The city is full of multi-cultural opportunities for everyone.

Southern charm, creativity, and sophistication: it is easy to fall in love with this beautiful city full of world-class attractions and be inspired by the city's endless possibilities. Downtown/Midtown is the city's vibrant downtown convention and entertainment district is home to world-class attractions, while the artsy Midtown neighborhood provides inspiration through food and culture.





## **Atlanta 360 Degree Virtual Tour**

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