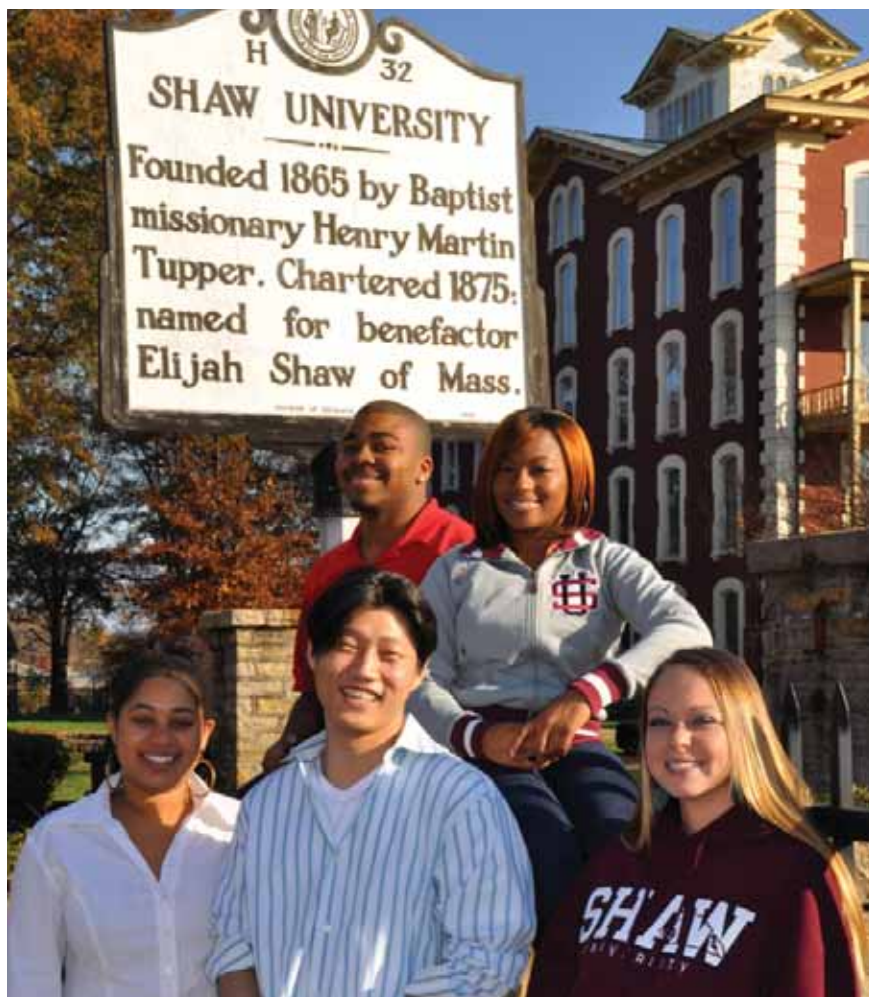


A GUIDE TO NORTH CAROLINA'S HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

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Often denied even basic literacy as African-American slaves, newly emancipated men and women after the Civil War more than ever needed education to function and prosper in a free society. The institutions which became North Carolina's 11 historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) arose to meet that need.

They range from small, private institutions enrolling hundreds to sprawling constituents of the University of North Carolina system enrolling thousands. Today they prepare students of all races for careers in teaching, social work, Christian ministry, business, the sciences, medicine, engineering, computer science and more. Some are private, four-year liberal arts colleges, others are comprehensive universities offering the full range of programming culminating in master's and doctoral degrees.

What they have in common is that each sprang from humble circumstances with a handful of students and a vision to educate and enlighten. Their goal: to offer new possibilities to a new generation of U.S. citizens. Almost all began under the auspices of a church. One was the first publicly chartered HBCU in the South.

BARBER-SCOTIA COLLEGE

*"For Head, Hand and Heart;
Total Student Development"*

A private, co-educational liberal arts college affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), it was founded in 1867 as Scotia Seminary by the Rev. Luke Dorland, who was commissioned by the church to train Negro women. In the early 1930s it merged with Barber Memorial College of Anniston, Ala., and the name changed to Barber-Scotia College. It has been co-ed since 1954.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts. B.A. in Religion (general or pastoral care emphases). Full- and part-time programs with day, evening and weekend classes available.

New or Noteworthy: The institution has recently come through a reorganization and is rebuilding with two new degree programs through the Energy Institute renewable energy curriculum with emphasis on the bio-fuels industry in North Carolina: B.S. in Bio-Energy and B.S. in Business Entrepreneurship.

Tuition: \$14,400

Enrollment: 20

Barber-Scotia College

145 Cabarrus Avenue, West
Concord, N.C. 28025
704-789-2900
www.b-sc.edu

BENNETT COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

"Educate, Celebrate, Oasis"

One of only two all-women HBCU in the nation, Bennett College is a private, 4-year, liberal arts college affiliated with the United Methodist Church located on 55 acres in Greensboro. More than two-thirds of enrollment comes from out of state. Originally co-educational, it was founded in 1873 in the basement of the Warnersville Methodist Episcopal Church (now St. Matthew's Methodist Church).

Within five years, a group of former slaves purchased the land for the present site, and in 1926 it became a college for women.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts. Degrees offered in 24 areas in education, social sciences, humanities, natural and behavioral sciences and mathematics. Dual degree programs with North Carolina A&T State University in chemistry/chemical engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering. Collaborative degree program with Howard University in nursing.

New or Noteworthy: The Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) reaffirmed accreditation in July 2009 for the next 10 years. \$21 million in new construction, the first in 20 years.

Tuition: \$21,126

Enrollment: 689

Bennett College for Women

900 East Washington St.
Greensboro, N.C. 27401
336-517-2100
www.bennett.edu

ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY

"Elevate Higher. Emerge Stronger."

Founded in 1891 by an act of the North Carolina General Assembly as a two-year teacher's school, Elizabeth City State became a 4-year teacher's college in 1937. Today it is a public, comprehensive university and constituent institution of the University of North Carolina system offering a full range of degree programs.

Academic Emphasis: 37 baccalaureate degrees, four master's degrees in four schools (arts and humanities; business and economics; education and psychology; and mathematics, science and technology) and one doctoral degree. The Aviation Science Program educates and trains students for careers and opportunities in aviation and space science. The UNC-Chapel Hill/ECSU Pharmacy Partnership Program prepares students for a career as a practicing pharmacist or a pharmaceutical scientist.

New or Noteworthy: This year, ECSU is ranked second among Top Public Baccalaureate Colleges in the South and 11th among the nation's Historically Black

Colleges and Universities by U.S. News and World Report magazine's "America's Best Colleges."

Tuition: \$9,323 (in-state)
\$18,372 (out-of-state)

Enrollment: 3,264

Elizabeth City State University

1704 Weeksville Rd.
Elizabeth City, NC 27909
252-335-3400
www.ecsu.edu

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

"Deeds Not Words"

Founded in 1867 by seven black men who paid \$136 for two lots on Gillespie Street and eventually built the Howard School, Fayetteville State University today is a constituent of the University of North Carolina system. It has evolved over the years from a teacher's college to a public, comprehensive, regional institution with a diverse enrollment and offering a full range of degree programs.

Academic Emphasis: 43 baccalaureate, 23 master's and one doctoral degree programs in arts and sciences, business, economics and education. Some of the newest programs include biotechnology, communications, fine arts, forensic science and information management. The MBA with a healthcare management focus is a joint program between FSU and Cape Fear Valley Health System.

New or Noteworthy: \$45.5 million in campus construction and renovation is underway to accommodate additional students. Beginning in fall 2009, students can transfer lower-division credits from the North Carolina Community College System and complete remaining upper-division credits for the general business administration degree entirely online.

Tuition: \$9,254.52 (in-state)
\$19,598.16 (out-of-state)

Enrollment: 6,301

Fayetteville State University

1200 Murchison Rd.
Fayetteville, NC 28301
910-672-1111
www.unccfsu.edu

JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY

"Surround Yourself with Success at JCSU"

Founded in 1867 as the Biddle Memorial Institute by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), with which it is still affiliated, Johnson C. Smith University underwent the change to its current name in 1923 with donations and an endowment by Smith's widow. It was originally founded to prepare men for the Presbyterian ministry; it became co-ed in 1942. Today it is a private, 4-year, liberal arts school.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts, with programs in education and business. Bachelor's degrees offered in 27 areas, including education, business administration, economics, social work and health and human performance (physical education teachers, school health, sports management and community health).

New or Noteworthy: The school focuses heavily on service learning. The new Metropolitan College offers flexibility and evening classes in a variety of disciplines and full completion of a criminology degree. JCSU has co-operative learning or internship relationships with more than 90 companies.

Tuition: \$22,340

Enrollment: 1,500

Johnson C. Smith University

100 Beatties Ford Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28216
704-378-1000
www.jcsu.edu

LIVINGSTONE COLLEGE

"The Total Learning Environment"

Founded in 1879 as Zion Wesley Institute by a group of African Methodist Episcopal Zion ministers to train new ministers in Concord, N.C., the college closed after three years and reopened in Salisbury in 1882 with one building on 40 acres of land. Today, it is a private, 4-year liberal arts school still affiliated with the A.M.E. Zion church offering degrees in business, education, math and science.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts, with baccalaureate degrees in business, education and social work.



New or Noteworthy: The new Holistic College is a comprehensive academic and social program being integrated into the curriculum to change student behavior and improve student learning outcomes. It focuses on 10 areas, ranging from academics, such as technology and Spanish as a second language, to personal health and fitness, debt management and personal responsibility, to encouragement of public service and political action.

Tuition: \$21,200

Enrollment: 1,082

Livingstone College
701 West Monroe St.
Salisbury, NC 28144
800-835-3435
www.livingstone.edu

NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY

"High Research Activity"

North Carolina A&T began in 1891 by act of the North Carolina General Assembly as an agricultural and mechanical school to separately serve black students and spent its first three years as an annex of Shaw University in Raleigh. A group of Greensboro citizens donated 14 acres and raised \$11,000 to locate it at its permanent home. Today, it is a public, land-grant constituent institution of the University of North Carolina system located on 200 acres in Greensboro offering baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees.

Academic Emphasis: Engineering, science and technology, with programs also in business, education and liberal arts. 117 baccalaureate and 58 master's degree programs. One of North Carolina's three engineering schools, it offers the Ph.D. in mechanical, electrical and industrial engineering; energy and environmental systems; and leadership studies. It has the

Carnegie Classification of a "high research activity" institution.

New or Noteworthy: A&T is the first HBCU to receive the prestigious Engineering Research Center grant awarded by the National Science Foundation for biomedical engineering and nano-bio applications research. It totals \$18 million over five years with a 10-year life span. In 2007, A&T entered into a collaborative partnership with the University of North Carolina at Greensboro to establish Gateway University Research Park that will house academic research, corporate and community service agencies in life and physical sciences, engineering, technology and other applied science areas, as well as the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering offering master's and doctoral degrees in nanoscience.

Tuition: \$9,425 (in-state)
\$18,867 (out-of-state)

Enrollment: 10,554

North Carolina A&T State University
1601 E. Market St.
Greensboro, NC 27411
336-334-7500
www.ncat.edu

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

"Truth and Service"

Founded in 1910 by Dr. James E. Shepard as the National Religious Training School and Chautauqua, the North Carolina General Assembly appropriated funds for its purchase and maintenance in 1923. Originally an institution for liberal arts and preparation of teachers and principals of secondary schools, today North Carolina Central University is a constituent of the University of North Carolina system offering a range of degree

programs, a School of Law and School of Library Science.

Academic Emphasis: Bachelor's degrees in more than 100 fields of study and graduate degrees in approximately 40 disciplines, including pre-med, pre-dentistry, pharmaceutical sciences and nursing. A biotechnology research institute collaborates with pharmacy and biotech companies in the Research Triangle Park area. The Law School offers the Juris Doctorate degree, the Business School offers the MBA, and a number of joint graduate degrees are available in business and law, law and library science and business and information systems. NCCU is the first among the state's public universities to require community service for graduation and one of only 10 programs in the country requiring a set number of volunteer community service hours for graduation.

New or Noteworthy: Its Marching Sound Machine band was recently selected to participate in the 2011 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Ca. The National Jurist Magazine ranks NCCU's Law School the "Best Value Law School" in the nation. A 65,000-square-foot, \$25 million nursing facility is scheduled for construction that will enable doubling of nursing enrollment from 125 to 250 students.

Tuition: \$6,567 (in-state)
\$16,311 (out-of-state)

Enrollment: 8,501

North Carolina Central University
1801 Fayetteville St.
Durham, NC 27707
919-530-6100
www.nccu.edu

ST. AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE

"Transform, Excel, Lead"

Affectionately known as "St. Aug's," the college opened its doors in the heart of Raleigh in 1867 under the auspices of the Episcopal Church, with whom it remains affiliated today. It is a private, 4-year, liberal arts college with about half of its enrollment coming from out of state. It was the first HBCU in the nation to have its own on-campus commercial radio and television stations.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts, with additional bachelor's degree programs in business, computer science, teacher

education sports management, communication, Christian ministry, biology, mathematics, engineering (including a dual degree program with North Carolina State University), and criminal justice. Students in the Center for Real Estate Management and Development can fulfill educational requirements for the North Carolina broker's pre-licensing course and the Accredited Residential Manager certification awarded by Institute of Real Estate Management of the National Association of Realtors.

New or Noteworthy: The track and field program, under the leadership of coach George Williams, has produced 33 Olympians, including three gold medalists. The track and field teams have won more than 30 NCAA championships and more than 150 CIAA championships. Williams was head coach for the men's 2004 Olympic track team.

Tuition: \$22,608

Enrollment: 1,535

St. Augustine's College

1315 Oakwood Avenue
Raleigh NC 27610-2298
919-516-4000
www.st-aug.edu

SHAW UNIVERSITY

*"Strides to Excellence:
Only the Best!"*

Founded in 1865, Shaw was the first HBCU in the South. It is referred to as "the mother of" HBCUs in North Carolina because its graduates founded North Carolina Central, Elizabeth City State and Fayetteville State universities. The founder of Livingstone College spent his first two college years at Shaw, and what is now North Carolina A&T State University was located on Shaw's campus during its first year of existence. It has been co-ed since 1873. Today it is a private, liberal arts institution affiliated with the Baptist Church that grants both baccalaureate and master's degrees and has a divinity program.

Academic Emphasis: Liberal arts, with undergraduate programs in business and public administration, education, military science, allied health and computer science. The Divinity School offers the Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Religious Education degrees. Shaw also offers the M.S. degree in curriculum and

instruction with a concentration in early childhood education.

New or Noteworthy: The Center for Alternative Programs in Education (CAPE) allows students in nine cities across the state to pursue an academic degree through flexible course scheduling, independent study and credit for prior learning experiences. CAPE sites are: Ahoskie, Asheville, Durham, Fayetteville, High Point, Kannapolis, Raleigh, Rocky Mount/Wilson and Wilmington.

Tuition: \$18,896

Enrollment: 2,440

Shaw University

18 East South St.
Raleigh N.C. 27601
919-546-8200
www.shawu.edu

WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY

"Enter to Learn, Depart to Serve."

Founded in 1892 as Slater Industrial Academy in a one-room school with 25 students, today it is a public, co-educational constituent institution of the University of North Carolina system spread across 110 acres in the heart of Winston-Salem. In 1925 the North Carolina General Assembly changed its name to Winston-Salem Teachers College. It became the nation's first HBCU to grant degrees in elementary education. The Nursing School was established in 1953 and today it is the

only program in a North Carolina HBCU granting the nurse practitioner degree.

Academic Emphasis: 47 baccalaureate programs in health sciences, business and economics, education, and the arts and sciences; 10 master's degrees in computer science, business, education, nursing, allied health and healthcare administration. Students can complete an MBA entirely through evening classes. The Center for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education, established in 2003, focuses on strengthening the quality and increasing the number of teachers in mathematics and science education.

New or Noteworthy: WSSU offers several unique degree programs, including one in music business to prepare students for the business side of the music recording industry. It offers the nation's first B.S. degree in motorsport management with emphases in either motorsport operations or motorsport marketing and event planning.

Tuition: \$10,332 (in-state)

\$19,318 (out-of-state)

Enrollment: 6,442

Winston-Salem State University

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Winston-Salem, NC 27110
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www.wssu.edu

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