

NORTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES



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*Supporting, representing, & advocating for North Carolina
independent higher education*

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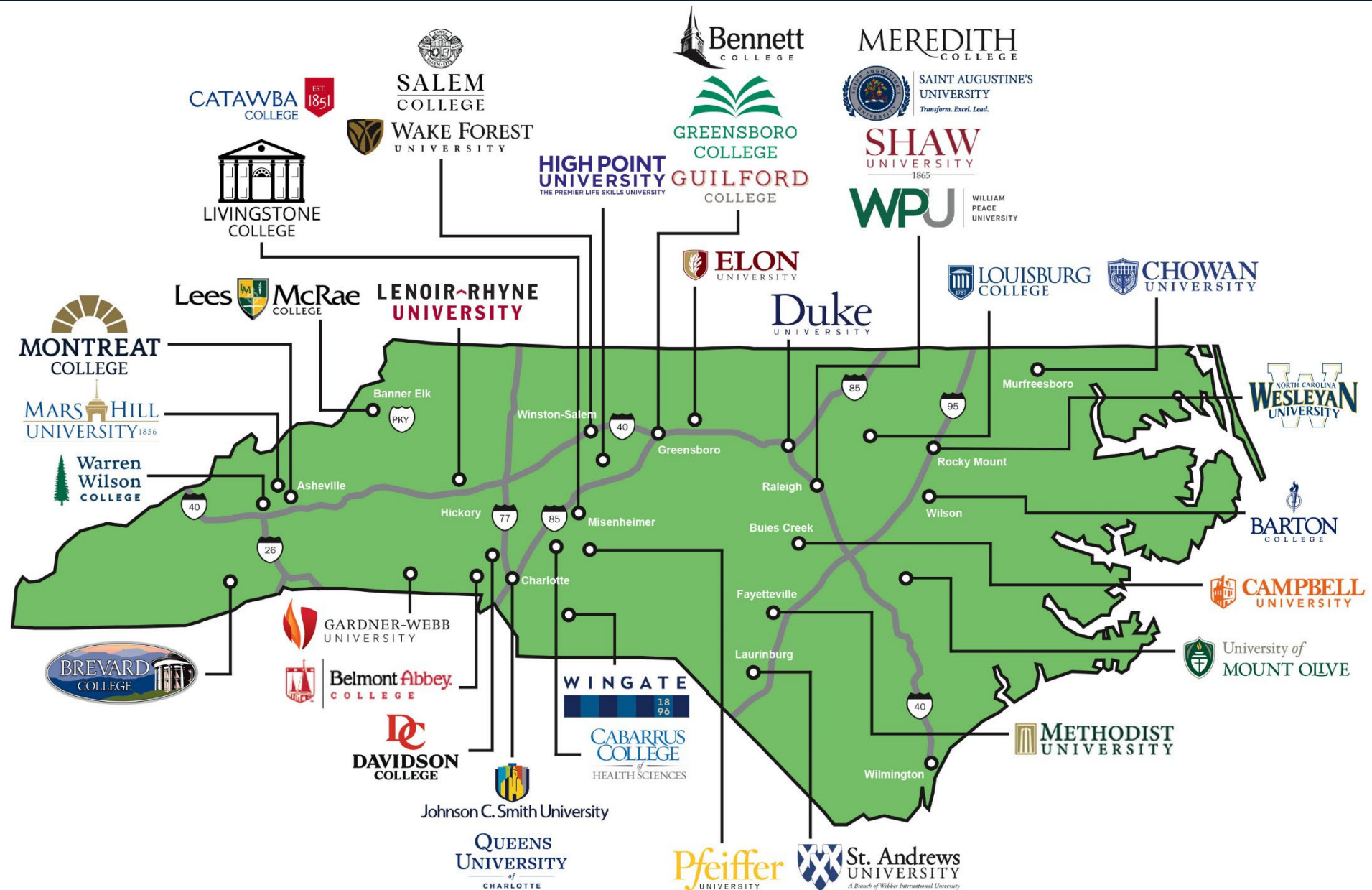
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PRIVATE COLLEGES.
PUBLIC PURPOSE.
SMALL CAMPUSES, BIG IMPACT!

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STUDENTS CAN FIND
THEIR **BEST FIT.**

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6,600

Largest campus
has 6,600
undergraduate
students;

16

14 campuses have
fewer than 1,000
undergraduate
students.

36

Total campuses

5

Historically Black
Colleges/Universities

3

Woman's Colleges

1

Two-year College

NCICU BY THE NUMBERS

NORTH CAROLINA
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83K

students

\$14.2B

Economic Impact

66K

Employees*

\$1.5B

in research

***North Carolina's
private higher
education sector
is the largest private
employer
in the State.**

WE AWARD

1 in **4** Bachelor's
Degrees in NC

1 in **3** Graduate
Degrees in NC

36

Private, Nonprofit
Institutions including:

- **5** HBCUs
- **3** Colleges for Women
- **1** Two-Year College

STUDENTS

61,762

undergraduates

52% from NC

24,363

graduate students

57% from NC

NEARLY 15,000

students received the

NORTH CAROLINA

NEED BASED

SCHOLARSHIP

in 2023-24

ALMOST 50%

of our NC students

receive federal Pell

Grants

(\$97+ Million

distributed in 2023-24)

DEGREES AWARDED – EDUCATION VALUE TO THE STATE

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40%
Nursing
Masters
Degrees

62%
Pharmacy
Degrees

60%
Medical
Degrees

71%
Law
Degrees

90%
PA
Degrees



DEMOGRAPHICS

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46%

of students at NCICU
Campuses are
persons of color.

18%

are Black/
African-American.

5%

are international.

56%

are women.

iBELONG Mentoring Program

provides a variety of types of support to
students of color with the goal of increasing
their college success.

Faculty/Student STEM Mentoring Program

improves student retention and graduation rates
among first generation college students, women,
and students of color majoring in science,
technology, engineering, or math (STEM).

POLICY & ADVOCACY

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\$91M

North Carolina
Need-Based
Scholarship

\$3.5M

Awarded to NCICU
Students Impacted
by Hurricane
Helene

2%

NCNBS represents
less than 2% of the
state budget for
higher education.

North Carolina Need Based Scholarship

provides North Carolina's best return on investment (ROI) in terms of the cost to the state and making it possible for students to attend a four-year college or university and obtain a baccalaureate degree.

Strategic Partnerships

NCICU partners with organizations and agencies supporting independent higher education in North Carolina, including but not limited to MyFutureNC, NC Board of Education, NCSEAA, NC DHHHS, NC Commerce & NCLDS.

INDEPENDENT COLLEGE FUND OF NORTH CAROLINA

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BUSINESS & EDUCATION IN PARTNERSHIP

ICFNC receives funding from corporations and foundations to support the NCICU mission and works with a corporate advisory board.

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Programmatic Support

Ethics Bowl - Signature Event Feb. 7-8, 2025
iBELONG Mentoring Program
Faculty-Student STEM Mentoring Program

Scholarship Support

ICFNC Scholarship Fund
Student Teaching Assistance for Retention
(S.T.A.R) Scholarship
Finish Strong Scholarship
Named Scholarship

\$3.5M

Raised in 2023-24 to
support our 36
institutions. 2nd most
raised in ICFNC's
70-year history

400%

growth in funds
raised from grants
and programs
from the previous
year.

33%

growth in funds
raised for
scholarships from
the previous year.

\$300K

in emergency
assistance for the 8
NCICU campuses
impacted by
Hurricane Helene.

WHAT'S NEW? NCICU DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM

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WELCOME TO YOUR FUTURE

Unlock Opportunities at North Carolina's
Private Colleges and Universities!

**Are you a North Carolina high school senior with a 2.8 (weighted) GPA or above?
You are already on the path to success through Direct Admission to college, and we want
to help you soar even higher. Confirm your acceptance and you will be on your way!**

NCICU DIRECT ADMISSION PROGRAM QUICK FACTS

- Eligible students have the exclusive opportunity to submit the streamlined application for the **2025-26 academic year**.
- Form can be completed in **5 minutes or less** with **no application fee**.
- Students will hear from each of the participating colleges and universities they have selected with information about **individual campus requirements**, their **conditional acceptance**, and the **availability of financial aid**.

NORTH CAROLINA PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES PARTICIPATING IN DIRECT ADMISSION

Barton College
Belmont Abbey College
Bennett College ❖ +
Catawba College
Chowan University
Gardner-Webb University
Greensboro College
Guilford College
Johnson C. Smith University +

❖ Admission limited to women
Lees-McRae College

Lenoir-Rhyne University
Livingstone College +
Louisburg College ♦
Mars Hill University
Meredith College ❖
Methodist University
Montreat College
North Carolina Wesleyan University

+ Historically Black Colleges and
Universities (HBCUs), welcoming applicants
of all races/ethnicities

Pfeiffer University
Saint Augustine's University +
Salem College ❖
Shaw University +
St. Andrews University
University of Mount Olive
Warren Wilson College
William Peace University
Wingate University

♦ 2-year College

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS SUPPORT THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS

\$1.3 Billion	\$91.1 Million	\$92.7 Million
in institutional financial aid awarded!	awarded in 2023-2024 in North Carolina Need-Based Scholarships	<u>Pell aid distributed in 2022-2023</u> 47% of all North Carolina students at NCICU campuses receive federal Pell Grants

1

Answer a few questions about yourself on the form below

2

Select the colleges to apply & click the **SUBMIT YOUR APP** button

**SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT WWW.NCICU.ORG/DIRECT-ADMISSION
TO COMPLETE THE FORM FOR DIRECT ADMISSION**



TRANSFER PATHWAYS

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NCICU Receives \$1.3M Grant to Partner with NCCCS to Streamline Transfer Pathways

NCICU and the [North Carolina Community College System \(NCCCS\)](#) announced a new grant-funded partnership to facilitate the successful transfer of course credits for students moving from two-year colleges to four-year private colleges and universities in the state.

The new initiative will leverage technology from [Acadeum](#) to streamline the transfer process and reduce credit loss, to replicate this technology in other states through the generous support of a \$1.3 million collective grant.

ORGANIZATIONS FUNDING THE COLLECTIVE GRANT:

- [Teagle Foundation](#)
- [Arthur Vining Davis Foundations](#)
- [ECMC Foundation](#)
- [John M. Belk Endowment](#)
- [Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#)

[Lumina Foundation](#) has provided complementary funding to ensure the involvement of NCICU and NCCCS faculty and staff in the development and implementation of this project.



**THE UNIQUE NATURE and
PROGRAMS AT OUR 36
COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES PROVIDES
THE RIGHT FIT FOR
THOUSANDS OF HIGH
SCHOOL GRADUATES.**

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