Greetings

We are pleased to provide you this copy of *Private Colleges Serving Tennessee*. For more than 50 years, TICUA (Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association) and the 35 member institutions have championed increased student access and freedom of student choice in higher education. Inside you will find highlights of the collective contributions of TICUA member institutions and their commitment to Tennessee’s future. As well, you will read about the many ways private colleges and universities work collaboratively through TICUA to contain costs and discover innovative solutions to critical issues confronting higher education today. As we move forward, TICUA will continue to advocate for student choice by working with our members, the State, neighboring communities, businesses, and students and their families. Our shared commitment to educational opportunity will positively affect the future of all Tennesseans.

Sincerely,

Claude O. Pressnell, Jr.
President, TICUA

Nancy B. Moody
Chair, TICUA
President, Tusculum College

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The Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association (TICUA) has served the State, community, and its membership for over 50 years. Founded in 1956 by four institutions, Association membership has grown to 35 private colleges and universities. TICUA is a strong advocate for educational opportunity and freedom of choice in higher education at both the state and federal levels.
TICUA membership includes 32 four-year colleges and universities and 3 professional colleges. In addition to their main campuses, TICUA members provide 75 off-site and satellite degree programs. TICUA campuses and programs provide educational opportunities to students from every county of the State.

The students who attend TICUA member institutions benefit from personal and academic enrichment opportunities through a variety of educational programs, engaging campus environments, and small-class experiences. Member institutions’ enrollments range from just over 200 to more than 12,500 students. The small class sizes of Tennessee’s private colleges and universities provide greater opportunity for faculty-student interaction. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) named a Sewanee: The University of the South professor the 2009 Tennessee Professor of the Year.

TICUA member institutions have reputations for academic excellence. Students can choose from hundreds of different majors at Tennessee’s private colleges and universities leading to a variety of associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees. TICUA member institutions embrace a range of missions including religiously-focused campuses and ones that are dedicated to education in specific professional or academic fields.

Tennessee’s private colleges and universities educate more than 72,000 students, which is 24% of all students participating in higher education in Tennessee. TICUA institutions award 32% of degrees in the State. TICUA member institutions attract more than 30,000 students from other states and countries throughout the world. Many of these students remain in Tennessee after graduation and contribute to the economic vibrancy of the State.
A strong higher education system is one of the driving forces behind economic development and job growth in a state. TICUA member colleges and universities spend more than $4 billion each year in fulfilling their missions to prepare highly skilled professionals to meet the needs of the State. This translates into a $7.8 billion annual economic impact on the State.

TENNESSEE'S PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

TICUA member colleges and universities also serve as one of the State’s largest employers. Tennessee’s private colleges and universities employ more than 30,000 faculty and staff. The activities of TICUA member campuses sustain an additional 260,000 jobs in their local communities.

Tennessee’s private colleges and universities respond to the educational, economic, and demographic changes taking place throughout the State. As higher education competes for limited state resources, private institutions remain a viable option for education and training at little or no cost to the State. As need increases, TICUA member campuses stand ready to enroll nearly 5,000 additional students by the 2013-14 academic year.
Tennessee’s private colleges and universities awarded more than 15,500 degrees last year – graduating more than 3,100 business and management leaders, 3,600 educators, and 2,500 health care professionals. Private institutions also awarded more than 1,330 degrees in STEM disciplines – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

In addition to the significant, explicit economic impact, private colleges and universities improve productivity and quality of life through increased levels of education for citizens across the State. Tennessee’s independent colleges and universities are major contributors to the economic base of the State.
State and local communities benefit from an array of social, recreational, and cultural activities offered by Tennessee’s private colleges and universities. Academic lectures, athletic competitions, volunteer service, and other programs enhance the community and provide many beneficial outlets to Tennesseans. This includes nationally recognized programs such as the Fisk University Jubilee Singers, who were 2008 recipients of the National Medal of the Arts Award and the Voices of Lee University, who were finalists on the December 2009 NBC program The Sing Off.

The education students receive at TICUA member colleges and universities prepares students for a lifetime of service. Local communities benefit directly from students’ volunteer efforts. Students attending TICUA member institutions support local reading groups for children, assist the elderly, and engage in community service for those less fortunate. Four of Tennessee’s private institutions (Belmont University, Maryville College, Tusculum College, and Union University) have nationally recognized student volunteer programs on the 2008 President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, a national honor that acknowledges the contributions for higher education institutions to their local communities through volunteer service. Another three institutions (Lee University, Lipscomb University, and Rhodes College) earned a place on the 2008 Honor Roll with distinction. Campus volunteer activities benefit the neighborhoods and citizens of Tennessee and strengthen the relationship between the campus and the community.
A strong suit of Tennessee's private colleges and universities lies in the preparation of health care professionals and teachers. In the past five years, Tennessee's private colleges and universities have awarded over 20,000 degrees in these fields.

Students who graduate from Tennessee's private colleges and universities settle in the State's communities, serving and educating fellow citizens. TICUA member institutions and their students, faculty, and alumni are vital and active members of their communities.
Tennessee’s private colleges and universities prepare researchers, educators, and health care professionals to meet the future economic and social needs of the State. Students who attend private colleges and universities are among some of the best and brightest in the State.

**TICUA Enrollment for the Past Decade**

Total undergraduate and graduate headcount for TICUA membership.

**Tennessee’s Independent Colleges Enroll as Diverse a Group of Students as the State’s Public Colleges**

- **All Minorities**: 23%
- **Black**: 18%
- **Hispanic**: 2% 2%
- **Asian**: 2% 2%
- **American Indian**: 0.3% 0.5%

**Source**: Tennessee Higher Education Commission and TICUA, Fall 2009
### Participation

TICUA member colleges and universities **educate more than 72,000 students** – an all time high for TICUA membership and part of a 10-year upward trend. Tennessee’s four-year private college and university students **are as diverse a group** of students as students at the public four-year colleges and universities. As enrollment trends shift to a more diverse set of students, independent colleges and universities stand ready to respond. TICUA member campuses remain committed to education and training. Tennessee’s private colleges and universities will have the **capacity to enroll nearly 5,000 additional students** by the 2013-14 academic year.

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<td>TICUA</td>
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*Source: Tennessee Higher Education Commission and TICUA, Fall 2009*
**AFFORDABILITY**

TICUA member institutions remain **affordable and accessible** to middle- and low-income Tennessee students and their families. The median family income of Tennessee students attending independent four-year colleges and universities is $7,400 less than for those attending the State’s four-year public colleges or universities. In addition, tuition and fees at private colleges remain 28% below the national average for private colleges.

Affordability continues to play a critical role in determining who participates in college. Nationally, low-income high school students with high academic skills do not enroll in higher education at the same rate as their middle- or upper-income peers. Tennessee’s private colleges and universities support these and all students through various financial aid packages. Currently, **approximately 89% of first-time, full-time students attending TICUA member campuses receive some form of financial aid** – the majority provided by the institutions. Institutional aid accounts for 71% of all grant aid given to students attending private colleges and universities, followed by 17% from the State, and 12% from the federal government. TICUA member institutions provided more than **$413 million in institutional aid** to their students in 2009.

In addition, nearly 1 in 3 college students attending TICUA member institutions receive the Federal Pell Grant. This grant primarily targets low-income students. At the same time, 43% of full-time students from Tennessee attending a TICUA institution receive the Pell grant.

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**The Median Family Income of Students at Tennessee’s Independent Colleges is Less Than at State Institutions**

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<td>Median Family Income</td>
<td>$54,700</td>
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**TICUA Distribution of Grant Aid**

**Tennessee’s Independent Colleges Have Higher 4-, 5-, and 6-year Graduation Rates for Their Students**

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<td>4-year</td>
<td>46%</td>
<td>40%</td>
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<td>5-year</td>
<td>56%</td>
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<td>6-year</td>
<td>60%</td>
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**SOURCE:** U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (NPSAS) 2003-04. Statistics are for dependent students who are Tennessee residents.

**SOURCE:** IPEDS, “Student Financial Aid” survey, 2007 (accessed fall 2009)

Last year, Tennessee’s private institutions awarded more than 15,500 degrees ranging from associate’s to doctoral. Tennessee’s private colleges and universities award more master’s, professional, and doctoral degrees than any other higher education system in the State. TICUA member institutions enroll 24% of students, yet award 32% of degrees.

Students, including minority students, enrolling in TICUA member institutions are more likely to graduate in a timely manner than those who attend public colleges and universities.

### Degrees Awarded by Sector, 2008-09

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<td>Associate</td>
<td>391</td>
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<td>6,760</td>
<td>270</td>
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<td>Bachelor</td>
<td>10,044</td>
<td>6,481</td>
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<td>11,894</td>
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<td>Master</td>
<td>4,140</td>
<td>2,246</td>
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<td>3,298</td>
<td>9,684</td>
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<td>First Professional</td>
<td>672</td>
<td>585</td>
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<td>182</td>
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<td>Doctoral</td>
<td>312</td>
<td>460</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>308</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>15,559</td>
<td>9,772</td>
<td>6,760</td>
<td>15,952</td>
<td>48,043</td>
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SOURCE: Tennessee Higher Education Commission and TICUA, Fall 2009
TICUA believes that students deserve an opportunity to choose a college or university that best fits their personal, educational, and financial needs.

Students attending TICUA member colleges and universities have the opportunity to receive generous financial assistance based on financial need and academic performance. Private college and university students’ participation in state aid programs amounts to more than $71 million a year. Without these programs, many students would not be able to attend the college or university that best fits their academic and personal needs.

Students at TICUA member institutions benefit from two State programs in particular: TSAA and TELS.

THE TENNESSEE STUDENT ASSISTANCE AWARD

The Tennessee Student Assistance Award (TSAA) grants financial assistance to qualified, low-income, high school graduates and adult learners in the State and provides thousands of students the opportunity to attend a private college. For every dollar the State spends on higher education, two cents supports students attending TICUA member institutions through the TSAA grant. This funding reaches over 4,300 private college students each year at an average award amount of $4,301.

I never imagined going to college, but the TSAC Grant program helped to make this dream possible. I am the first of two generations to graduate high school and make it to college. Not only do you have my deepest gratitude and appreciation, but you have that of my family and the future generations whose lives will be better thanks to the college education you helped me to receive.

TSAA Recipient
THE TENNESSEE EDUCATION LOTTERY SCHOLARSHIP

Six years ago, the State enacted the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship (TELS) program that provides up to $4,000 for students to attend a public or private college in the State. Currently, nearly 11,750 students attending private colleges and universities in the State receive this merit-based scholarship. Examination of the data from the first five years of the program reveals that the TELS program has promoted college access, allowing thousands of students to realize the dream of attending the college that best fits their academic and personal needs.

I would just like to take the time to say thank you for the funding I received through the Tennessee Lottery Scholarship Program! Because of your generous contribution, I am able to pursue my future career goals more effectively.

TELS recipient

Thank you! The Tennessee Student Assistance Award Grant truly made my education possible! Without this grant assistance I would have had to work more hours outside of class or take out more loans. I can’t thank you enough for the investment you’ve made in my education and ultimately my future.

TSAA Recipient
Collaborating to Reduce Costs

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

The TICUA Go Green! Project is among the first collaborations of its kind in the nation, consisting of multiple learning opportunities and initiatives geared toward increasing environmental stewardship on member campuses through the efforts of students, faculty, and staff. By working together, TICUA member institutions are able to assist each other in reducing each campus’ environmental impact beyond simply meeting regulatory requirements.

In the past years, 26 member campuses have participated in voluntary peer audits to better adhere to the standards of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). During 2009 and 2010, the campuses have focused on developing environmental management systems (EMS). Through a series of training sessions, private college faculty and staff from across the State have come together to learn collaboratively the process and best practices associated with creating an EMS. This will enable campuses to sustain the positive changes they have made for greater environmental stewardship.

Tennessee’s private colleges and universities recognize the need to work collaboratively to reduce costs, share ideas, and improve higher education statewide. To this end, TICUA offers a range of opportunities and programs in which individual campuses can enroll. Through sharing ideas, participating campuses are able to improve purchasing processes, deliver services more effectively, and reduce costs. The institutions are then able to pass savings on to their students in the form of affordable tuition and financial aid.
**PROCUREMENT PROGRAMS**

TICUA consolidates the purchasing power of member campuses to provide greater opportunities in purchasing select products. TICUA has developed relationships and agreements with local and national businesses that offer individual campuses discounts on frequently purchased products and services. A range of more than 30 different companies offer the campuses discounts on equipment financing, instructional technology, furniture, computer equipment, and more. In 2009, member campuses spent more than $23.7 million through the procurement programs offered through TICUA.

Building on statewide success, TICUA became a founding member of the Coalition for College Cost Savings (CCCS). Operating in 20 states, CCCS is comprised of a group of organizations similar to TICUA that are also dedicated to helping institutions improve business processes and contain costs through collaboration. CCCS focuses on the sharing of information and resources so every institution, regardless of size, can have greater negotiating power and more effectively use their lean operating budgets. Through CCCS, TICUA member institutions have access to over 200 cost-saving contracts including a robust procurement card program.

**TICUA BENEFIT CONSORTIUM**

The TICUA Benefit Consortium (TBC) offers self-funded health care plans to member campuses. The Consortium serves to increase efficiencies and consistency in the delivery of health care benefits for those employed by participating institutions. TBC is the only state-licensed, self-funded, multiple employer welfare arrangement in Tennessee. TBC also has the distinction of being the first of several such collaborative efforts around the nation.

**CONNECTING LEADERS**

TICUA further supports its member campuses by offering professional development activities and meetings for the employees of its member institutions. Regular meetings of affinity groups from each campus allow individuals to stay current in their field, to share information about best practices, and to brainstorm solutions for individual campus issues. In 2009, TICUA held meetings for presidents, academic officers, chief financial officers, chief enrollment officers, librarians, information technology officers, physical plant employees, advancement professionals, and institutional researchers. In addition to face-to-face meetings, TICUA has also focused on delivery of just-in-time training through on-line technologies. These timely meetings allow institutional employees to gain the insight and advice of nationally-renown speakers on current topics and issues without leaving campus.

**PROVIDING RESOURCES**

TICUA strives to keep campus employees up-to-date on needed resources. With a dynamic website, TICUA provides its member campuses with a convenient starting point to research important campus issues. The website contains original materials, synopses of other sources and direct links to helpful websites and white papers. Issues covered include the 2010 US Census, accreditation, financial aid issues (G.I. Bill, direct lending, TSAA, TELS), Business Continuity (H1N1), HEA 2008, and other policy and administrative issues.
TICUA institutions’ collaborations with other education sectors, government entities, businesses, and non-profit groups allows institutions to play an important role in state and federal policy that directly benefits students. Through membership in organizations such as the Foundation for Independent Higher Education, Tennessee College Association, Tennessee Student Aid Alliance, and the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, TICUA is able to advocate for issues on students’ behalf, particularly concerning federal and state aid. Additionally, TICUA’s participation in collaborative projects serves students by directly influencing their collegiate experience.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

TICUA administers several scholarship programs sponsored by Tennessee businesses. These scholarships award **financial assistance to deserving students.**

Many of these scholarship programs target financially needy Tennesseans who might otherwise be unable to attend college. These community scholarships assist students to attend the college that best fits their academic needs and career goals.

**COLLEGETRONTN.ORG**

The CollegeforTN.org website offers access to information and applications for Tennessee’s colleges and universities. CollegeforTN gives colleges and universities the opportunity to reach out to students on local, regional, and national levels. CollegeforTN provides an **interactive, easy-to-use medium through which to plan for college,** select a campus, and submit applications.

A partnership with state colleges and universities, community K-12 school districts, and TICUA member campuses, CollegeforTN is a one-stop site to explore postsecondary education options.
HEALTHY AND SAFE CAMPUSES

As a founding member of the Coalition for Healthy and Safe Campus Communities (CHASCo), TICUA works with a public-private partnership including Tennessee’s higher education institutions, governmental agencies, and other non-profit organizations to implement evidence-based, environmental strategies to reduce under-age drinking, high-risk drinking, drug use, and associated violence on college campuses. Employees of CHASCo member institutions participate in training and research to ensure that students have a safe and healthy environment in which to pursue their academic goals. CHASCo, an administrative unit of TICUA, is funded entirely through grant funds from federal and state agencies like the Tennessee Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services and was able to hire its first full-time director in 2009.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

In an effort to engage more fully with individual students, TICUA has served as a practicum site for graduate students in education and public policy. These students have produced original research, which has helped in campus policy and procedure development as well as informed public policy discussions. During the legislative session, TICUA also hosts undergraduate students at the Tennessee legislative plaza providing these students an opportunity to follow the creation of education policy.
West Tennessee

1. Baptist College of Health Sciences, Memphis
2. Christian Brothers University, Memphis
3. Memphis College of Art, Memphis
4. LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis
5. Southern College of Optometry, Memphis
6. Rhodes College, Memphis
7. Union University, Jackson
8. Lane College, Jackson
9. Lambuth University, Jackson
10. Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson
11. Bethel University, McKenzie

Middle Tennessee

12. Martin Methodist College, Pulaski
13. Belmont University, Nashville
14. Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville
15. Fisk University, Nashville
16. Meharry Medical College, Nashville
17. Vanderbilt University, Nashville
18. Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville
19. Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia, Madison
20. Lipscomb University, Nashville
21. Aquinas College, Nashville
22. Cumberland University, Lebanon
23. Sewanee: The University of the South, Sewanee
24. Watkins College of Art, Design & Film, Nashville
TICUA member institutions operate 35 main campuses and 75 satellite and off-site degree programs, including 13 out-of-state programs.

**East Tennessee**

25 - Southern Adventist University, Collegedale  
26 - Bryan College, Dayton  
27 - Lee University, Cleveland  
28 - Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens  
29 - Maryville College, Maryville  
30 - Johnson Bible College, Knoxville  
31 - Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate  
32 - Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City  
33 - Tusculum College, Greeneville  
34 - Milligan College, Milligan College  
35 - King College, Bristol

TICUA enrollment by county:

- **500 to 7,500**
- **200 to 499**
- **100 to 199**
- **50 to 99**
- **1 to 49**

Students come to TICUA member campuses from every county in the State. In addition, nearly 30,000 students from outside Tennessee enroll at TICUA member campuses.
Pursuing shared goals with mutual trust and respect to further Tennessee private higher education is at the heart of the Collegium’s goals. The companies listed below have joined the Collegium to support independent higher education in Tennessee.

Akins Crisp Public Strategies
Cockrill Design & Planning, Inc.
CompView
Conwood Company Charitable Trust
Eastman Chemical Company
Educational Funding of the South, Inc.
Foliot Furniture, Inc.
GCA Services Group, Inc.
General Shale Brick, Inc.
Home Federal Bank of Tennessee
Losee, David
Marsh U.S.
McKee Foods Kingman, Inc.
Microsoft Corporation
Norfolk Southern Foundation
Pilot Corporation
Purity Foundation
The UPS Foundation
Top Flight, Inc.
Trend Micro
Wachovia Corporation

lamp of learning  - $50,000 and above
The UPS Foundation
State of Tennessee

FOUNDERS CIRCLE  - $10,000 - $24,999
CCT Technologies, Inc. ▲
Conwood Company Charitable Trust
First American Equipment Finance
Eastman Chemical Co.

HERITAGE CIRCLE  - $5,000 - $9,999
Cockrill Design & Planning ▲
General Shale Brick, Inc.
Home Federal Bank of Tenn.
McKee Foods Kingman, Inc.
Pilot Corporation

FREEDOM CIRCLE  - $2,500 - $4,999
CompView ▲
Tandus Group ▲

PIONEER CIRCLE  - $1,000 - $2,499
Akins Crisp Public Strategies
e-campus.com ▲
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GCA Services Group, Inc.
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Marsh U. S.
MedAmerica Insurance Co. ▲
Microsoft Corporation ▲
Norfolk Southern Foundation ▲
Purity Foundation
Staples ●
Top Flight, Inc. ▲
Trend Micro ▲
Wachovia Corporation ●

FOUNDATION CIRCLE  - Under $999
CASHNet ●
Citizens Bank
Edmonds Brothers Supply ●
Foundation for California Community Colleges ▲
HST Interior Elements, LLC ●
Interactive Solutions, Inc. ▲
Krueger International, Inc. ▲
MXN Corporation
Regions Insurance ●
RT London ▲
SchoolDude.com
TMC Properties, LP
White Realty and Service Corp.
2009 Scholarship Programs

Conwood Company, L.P.
The Conwood Company Charitable Trust $10,000 scholarship program offered ten $1,000 scholarships to students attending independent colleges and universities in middle and west Tennessee.

General Shale Brick, Inc.
General Shale Brick, Inc. provided five $1,000 scholarships for needy deserving students attending an independent college or university in upper east Tennessee.

Home Federal Bank of Tennessee
Home Federal Bank of Tennessee offered five $1,000 scholarships for students in the Knoxville area.

Pilot Corporation
Pilot Corporation funded five $1,000 scholarships for needy deserving students in the greater Knoxville area.

The UPS Foundation
The UPS Foundation funded a generous program of thirty-five scholarships at $2,700 per institution. These scholarships are directed to needy deserving students.

TICUA Corporate Relations Profile

TICUA

Founded
1956 as a Tennessee non-profit corporation

Mission
TICUA engages Tennessee’s private colleges to work collaboratively in areas of public policy, cost containment, and professional development to better serve the State and its citizens.

Membership
Limited to independent, non-profit, regionally-accredited colleges in Tennessee.

Tax Status
Tax exempt charitable organization under federal and state laws. All contributions are tax deductible in accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service code.

Fiscal Year
January 1 to December 31

Management
Governed by a Board of Directors comprised of member college presidents and corporate leaders.
TICUA in Brief

OVERVIEW
TICUA membership includes 32 four-year colleges and universities and 3 professional colleges.

PARTICIPATION
More than 72,000 students are enrolled in TICUA institutions.

About 58% of students attending member institutions were Tennessee residents.

TICUA member colleges and universities enroll students from every county in the State.

About 23% of the undergraduate students attending TICUA member colleges and universities identify as non-white.

AFFORDABILITY
The median family income of students attending one of the State’s four-year private colleges or universities is less than the median family income of students attending one of the State’s four-year public colleges and universities.

FINANCIAL AID
About 89% of first-time, full-time students attending TICUA member institutions receive some form of financial aid.

For every $1 the State spends on higher education, $.02 goes to students attending private colleges and universities through the Tennessee Student Assistance Award (TSAA) grant. This funding reaches over 4,300 low-income students a year at an average award amount of about $4,301.

In 2009-10, nearly 11,750 students attending TICUA institutions received the TELS award.

In 2009-10, nearly one-third of all undergraduate students (16,591) attending TICUA member institutions received the Federal Pell Grant award. The average yearly award amount for these students totaled over $4,366.

TUITION AND FEES
Undergraduate tuition and fees at TICUA member colleges and universities average 28% less than the national average to attend a private college or university.

DEGREE COMPLETION
TICUA institutions award more master’s, doctoral, and first-professional degrees than any other sector in the State.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
Tennessee institutions have a $7.8 billion annual economic impact on the state of Tennessee.

Several TICUA institutions have nationally recognized student volunteer programs.

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Through a rigorous undergraduate curriculum that emphasizes the dignity of the human person, Aquinas College fosters the intellectual, moral, and professional development of students while preparing them for careers in the professions of education, nursing, and business. Faculty and students engage in a proactive teaching-advising partnership that enables students to cultivate rich interpersonal relationships in a Christ-centered, family-like environment. Personalized instruction in small classes ensures that each student achieves his or her full academic potential. Founded in 1961 by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia Congregation, Aquinas College is located on a scenic 83-acre campus in the heart of Nashville and is the only four-year Catholic liberal arts college in middle and east Tennessee.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 334 Part-Time - 524
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 86%
Tuition and Fees: $17,180
Room and Board: n/a
Number of Residence Spaces: Housing assistance off campus, $1,600 - $2,000/semester
Founded: 1961
Degrees Offered: A.A.; A.S.N.; B.A.; B.S.; B.B.A.; R.N.-B.S.N.

Baptist College of Health Sciences

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Baptist College of Health Sciences is a private, specialized institution focusing on undergraduate health care education. In partnership with Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation, the college prepares health care practitioners for the southern region, particularly the tri-state area of Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mississippi. The college seeks to attract diverse students who share commitments to spiritual values and ethics, academic excellence, and lifelong professional development. The college curriculum, while specialized, reflects the importance of a strong general education foundation for the health care professional. Baptist College of Health Sciences offers programs leading to baccalaureate degrees in nursing (B.S.N.) and the health sciences (B.H.S.).

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 558 Part-Time - 463
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $296/credit hour
Room and Board: $1,600/year. No board provided.
Number of Residence Spaces: 100
Founded: 1994
Degrees Offered: B.H.S.; B.S.N.
Belmont University

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Belmont’s mission is to be a student-centered Christian community providing an academically challenging education that empowers men and women of diverse backgrounds to engage and transform the world with disciplined intelligence, compassion, courage, and faith. A recognized site for higher education since 1890, Belmont brings together the best of liberal arts and professional education in an environment of learning and service, enabling students to achieve their dreams and truly go from here to anywhere.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 4,540  Part-Time - 884
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 70%
Tuition and Fees: $22,360
Room and Board: $8,590
Number of Residence Spaces: 2,180
Founded: 1890

Bethel University

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Bethel University’s mission is to create opportunities for students to develop to their highest potential while they learn in a Christian environment. The 167-year-old school is affiliated with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and has quadrupled enrollment during the last 10 years. Traditional students choose from 28 majors, and scholarships are available through general scholarships, through 24 athletic teams, and through Bethel’s Renaissance Performing Arts group. Bethel University’s College of Liberal Arts programs have been recognized nationally with men’s soccer winning the 2008 NAIA National Championship, with the Renaissance Southern Gospel Quartet winning first place at the 2009 National Quartet Convention and with Bethel’s Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) placing in the top five in the nation in the Goldman Sachs Capital Markets competition – an accomplishment that came with an invitation to present at the 2009 SIFE World Cup. Bethel University’s College of Professional Studies adult degree program offerings include a B.S. in management and organizational development online and on campus at McKenzie, Nashville, Memphis, Clarksville, Jackson, and Chattanooga locations. Bethel University’s College of Graduate Studies offers four degree programs: the master of arts in education, the master of arts in conflict resolution, the master of science in physician assistant studies, and the master of business administration. A unique blend of online and face-to-face class experiences, Bethel’s MBA program is now the second largest in Tennessee.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: 3,394
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 74%
Tuition and Fees: $12,242
Room and Board: $7,286
Number of Residence Spaces: 624
Founded: 1842
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; M.A.Ed.; M.S.P.A.S.; M.B.A.; M.A.C.R.
**Bryan College**

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"Educating students to become servants of Christ to make a difference in today’s world" is Bryan College’s mission statement—a mission students themselves adopt. Each week students touch the lives of hundreds of area residents in voluntary outreach ministries. Bryan College, offering an education integrating a study of the arts and sciences with a clear understanding of the Bible, is rated among the Top Tier of Southern liberal arts colleges by *U.S. News & World Report*. Bryan graduates leaders—making a difference in today’s world.

**Vital Statistics**

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,045  Part-Time - 103  
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%  
Tuition and Fees: $17,740  
Room and Board: $5,354  
Number of Residence Spaces: 628  
Founded: 1930  
Degrees Offered: A.A.; A.S.; B.A.; B.S.; M.B.A.

**Carson-Newman College**

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Carson-Newman, a Tennessee Baptist Convention-affiliated liberal arts college, offers an educational experience built on the twin pillars of academic rigor and Christian excellence. The academic program seeks to teach students to think, write, read well, and to present and enter into the give and take of argument to become educated citizens and worldwide servant leaders. Noted by *Forbes.com* as America’s 110th Best College, Carson-Newman professors employ their gifts and talents daily to help transform students who in turn can help transform the world. Beyond the classroom, faculty and staff members engage students in service projects, missions opportunities, and study trips across the planet.

**Vital Statistics**

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Undergraduate - 1,900  Graduate - 248  
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 95%  
Tuition and Fees: $18,702  
Room and Board: $5,460  
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,400  
Founded: 1851  
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.S.N.; B.M.; M.Ed.; M.A.T.; M.S.C.; M.S.N.
Christian Brothers University

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Christian Brothers University, founded in 1871, is a Catholic institution of higher education in the tradition of the Christian Brothers. It is the largest private, comprehensive university in west Tennessee, emphasizing excellence in teaching and individualized attention to the whole person in a values-oriented interfaith educational community. The University prepares students for professional careers and lives of moral responsibility and constructive community involvement. The first private institution in Memphis to integrate, it has always welcomed people of all faiths. CBU offers undergraduate programs in engineering, business, sciences, liberal arts, and education as well as graduate programs in business administration, education, Catholic studies, and engineering management. CBU is ranked in the Top 20 “America's Best Colleges.”

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,332  Part-Time - 441
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $23,730
Room and Board: $5,260 - $9,800 (avg. $7,530)
Number of Residence Spaces: 576
Founded: 1871

Cumberland University

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Founded in 1842, Cumberland University has a rich history, a dynamic present, and a confident future. Located on a beautiful campus in Lebanon, near Nashville, the University offers a variety of educational, athletic, and social experiences to enhance the learning opportunities of its students. Past alumni include several college presidents, congressmen, governors, judges, two Supreme Court justices, and a secretary of state. Our college provides a relevant and valuable liberal arts education mixed with 21st century concepts. Cumberland offers a variety of educational opportunities through one of its five schools: Education, Nursing, Liberal Studies & Science, Music & the Arts, and Business. Graduate offerings include education, business administration, leadership and human relations, and public service management. Cumberland is non-denominational, serving students from a variety of backgrounds from over twenty countries.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 983  Part-Time - 372
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 96%
Tuition and Fees: $17,430
Room and Board: $6,350
Number of Residence Spaces: 412
Founded: 1842
Degrees Offered: A.A.; A.S.; B.A.; B.B.A.; B.S.; B.S.N.; M.A.E.; M.B.A.; M.S.
Fisk University

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Founded as an institution committed to the liberal arts, Fisk’s mission is to provide a rich academic experience steeped in the liberal arts tradition. Fisk’s faculty, staff, and students exhibit a passion for learning and personal growth and a commitment to ethical leadership and engagement in our local and global communities. Fisk has a proud and strong reputation of educating undergraduate students in the humanities and fine arts, business, social sciences, natural sciences, mathematics, and computer science. In addition, Fisk offers a limited number of graduate programs. Programs in the sciences are nationally recognized and popular among students at the University.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 599   Part-Time - 51
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source:  88%
Tuition and Fees: $17,060
Room and Board: $8,110
Number of Residence Spaces: 904
Founded: 1866
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.M.; B.S.N.; M.A.

Free Will Baptist Bible College

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Free Will Baptist Bible College, located in Nashville’s historic West End, is a four-year Christian college featuring a strong liberal arts core and a Bible-based curriculum. FWBBC emphasizes academic excellence and preparation for Christian service in whatever program the student may engage. In this context, the college offers programs in pastoral ministry, youth and music ministry, missions studies, arts and sciences, business, exercise science, psychology, and teacher education. Owned and operated by the National Association of Free Will Baptists, the College also welcomes and enrolls students from other denominations. FWBBC students have access to a wide variety of opportunities for recreation, study, and work.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 231   Part-Time - 71
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source:  86%
Tuition and Fees: $12,690
Room and Board: $5,700
Number of Residence Spaces: 365
Founded: 1942
Degrees Offered: A.A.; A.S.; A.C.M.; B.A.; B.M.E.; B.S.
For more than a century, Freed-Hardeman University has provided quality education in a Christian environment. Affiliated with the Churches of Christ, the University's five schools offer bachelor's and master's degrees to students from 31 states and 24 countries. The University has earned three specialized national accreditations: National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, Council on Social Work Education, and Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs. Dual degree affiliations with major universities for pre-engineering students, semester-long international travel opportunities, and a widely recognized honors college are among FHU's special features.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,498 Part-Time - 529
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 95%
Tuition and Fees: $14,998
Room and Board: $7,090
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,413
Founded: 1869
Degrees Offered: A.A.S.; B.A.; B.S.; B.B.A.; B.S.W.; Ed.S.; M.A.; M.B.A.; M.Div.; M.Ed.; M.Min.; M.S.

Johnson Bible College provides a powerful learning experience that brings together a Christian worldview, passionate teaching, and a reputation for excellence, which stretches back more than 118 years. All students major in Bible, engage in a solid core of general education courses, and compliment their studies with a second major or a minor. In addition to traditional areas of ministry, fields of study include teacher education, counseling, media communications, and management of nonprofits. With the majority of faculty, staff, and students living on campus, Johnson provides a vibrant and deeply connected community where bonds are stronger, purpose is bolder, and possibilities are endless.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 650 Part-Time - 135
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 90%
Tuition and Fees: $9,100
Room and Board: $5,100
Number of Residence Spaces: 748
Founded: 1893
Degrees Offered: A.A.; A.S.; B.A.; B.S.; M.A.
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King College is a Presbyterian-affiliated, comprehensive college structured on a university model. The College offers more than 80 majors, minors, pre-professional degrees, and concentrations in fields such as business, nursing, digital media, forensic science, education, and humanities. Graduate programs are offered in business administration, education, and nursing. A number of off-campus learning opportunities and travel destinations are also available. King College ensures that students graduate with as little debt as possible by awarding more than $19 million in scholarships, grants, loans, and student campus employment – a commitment that has helped U.S. News & World Report rank King as a Best College for 20 consecutive years.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,547   Part-Time - 257
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $21,880
Room and Board: $7,418
Number of Residence Spaces: 493
Founded: 1867
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.S.N.; R.N. – B.S.N.; B.B.A.; B.Tech.; M.B.A.; M.S.N.; M.Ed.

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A four-year liberal arts university affiliated with the United Methodist Church, Lambuth offers a Christian, person-centered environment in which to prepare students for meaningful careers, leadership, and global citizenship. The community of scholars at Lambuth seeks to educate the whole person through stimulation of free inquiry and critical thinking from close contact between the faculty and students. By giving students the opportunity to lead and excel in the arts, academics, and athletics, Lambuth promotes the philosophy that students who become truly involved in their education are more likely to experience growth, achievement, and success. The beautiful 50-acre campus of Georgian Colonial architecture provides students with a spacious environment in which to pursue their studies.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 584   Part-Time - 70
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 93%
Tuition and Fees: $18,750
Room and Board: $8,015
Number of Residence Spaces: 611
Founded: 1843
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.B.A.; B.S.; B.M.
Lane College

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Lane College, located on a scenic 53-acre campus in Jackson, in West Tennessee was founded in 1882 by Bishop Isaac Lane, a former slave. Lane College is proud to be one of the nation's oldest historically Black colleges, and the first four-year institution established by the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church. While historically committed to a small nurturing setting, Lane College ensures students graduate with as little debt as possible by awarding more than $35 million in financial aid. In 2005, Consumer Digest ranked Lane College as one of the Best Value Colleges in the nation and in the 2010 US News and World Report "America's Best Colleges" Lane College was ranked as the college with highest economic diversity in the nation. The College has internet access in every dormitory room, making it one of the most wired campuses in the nation. The College has a rich heritage dating back to 1882 and several buildings are listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. Lane's beautifully landscaped campus was selected as one of the five most beautiful HBCU campuses in the nation. The college provides a wide variety of activities and campus events that encourage social, cultural, and spiritual growth and is committed to preparing students through its liberal arts curriculum to assume meaningful positions in occupations or professions or to pursue graduate studies. Lane College helps students to identify and develop their "Power of Potential".

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 2,121 Part-Time - 25
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 99%
Tuition and Fees: $8,000
Room and Board: $5,520
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,235
Founded: 1882
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.

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Lee University is a Christian university whose purpose is to provide learning experiences designed to develop in students the knowledge, appreciation, understanding, and ability which will prepare them for responsible living in the world. Students are treated as unique individuals created in the image of God. The Christian world view of the campus gives individuals the chance to reach out internationally through travel and study programs even while they study the major of their choice on the beautiful, modern campus in Cleveland. Lee is a thriving university community where students of many backgrounds and denominations study.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 3,586 Part-Time - 676
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 80%
Tuition and Fees: $11,660
Room and Board: $5,650
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,870
Founded: 1918
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.C.M.; B.M.; B.M.E.; Ed.S.; M.A.; M.C.M.; M.S.; M.Ed.; M.A.T.; M.M.
LeMoyne-Owen College

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LeMoyne-Owen College is a four-year liberal arts institution that prepares students to become critical thinkers, to lead productive and successful lives, and to become contributors to their respective communities. The College has a rich heritage that dates back to 1862 and buildings that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The College occupies a beautifully landscaped campus about ten minutes from downtown Memphis and one block from the new Stax Museum and Academy of American Soul Music. The College promotes diversity in its student body, staff, and faculty. Its core curriculum, which emphasizes a multicultural education, is a national model shown to build student confidence. The student is challenged by a rigorous course of study in English communication, literature, African-American history, humanities, natural science, biological science, mathematics, social science, and lifetime fitness – in addition to his or her requirements for a major.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 990   Part-Time - 93
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $10,318
Room and Board: $4,852
Number of Residence Spaces: 163
Founded: 1862
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.B.A.

Lincoln Memorial University

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Serving as a living memorial to President Abraham Lincoln, LMU is dedicated to providing strong educational programs grounded in the liberal arts and professional studies, which advance the principles exemplified by the life of Mr. Lincoln. The University promotes the concept of service to humanity and is committed to making educational opportunities available to all persons without reference to economic status. The curriculum is based on the belief that graduates must be able to communicate effectively, understand the world around them, and be able to exercise informed judgments. LMU's location in the historic Cumberland Gap enables students to enjoy a scenic natural area as they pursue their studies. In addition to the main campus in Harrogate, LMU offers programs and classes at 11 extended sites.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 2,181   Part-Time - 1,767
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 97%
Tuition and Fees: $15,120
Room and Board: $5,680
Number of Residence Spaces: 760
Founded: 1897
Lipscomb University delivers a complete liberal arts education characterized by an integration of Christian faith and practice with academic excellence. Since 2006, Lipscomb has added six graduate programs to its roster, and debuted institutes for law, justice and society, sustainable practice, conflict management, and corporate governance and integrity. Lipscomb established a campus-wide service-learning program and achieved candidate status for the College of Pharmacy. The University has also constructed almost $21 million in green facilities, which opened for use in fall 2008. Lipscomb offers more than 130 programs of study in 66 majors leading to bachelor of arts, bachelor of business administration, bachelor of music in music education, bachelor of science, and bachelor of science in nursing degrees. The University offers graduate degrees in Bible, business, conflict management, counseling, education, and pharmacy. Semester-abroad programs are available in Vienna and London, and global learning opportunities throughout China and Europe. Lipscomb's intercollegiate athletic teams compete at the NCAA Division I level, and Lipscomb is a member of the Atlantic Sun Conference.

Martin Methodist College is a four-year coeducational institution located among the beautiful rolling hills of southern middle Tennessee. Martin Methodist offers small discussion-based classes with a strong liberal arts curriculum that meets the needs of traditional students as well as working adults. While the College is closely related to the United Methodist Church, more than 25 different denominations are represented on the Martin Methodist campus, providing a stimulating learning community for students and faculty. Also adding to the rich learning environment are international students from 23 different nations enrolled as full-time, residential students. As a member of the NAIA, the competitive athletic program at Martin Methodist contributes to the well-rounded educational experience afforded to all students.

Vital Statistics

Lipscomb University

**Fall 2009 Enrollment:** Full-Time - 2,927  Part-Time - 491
**Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source:** 96%
**Tuition and Fees:** $19,330
**Room and Board:** $7,850
**Number of Residence Spaces:** 1,450
**Founded:** 1891

Martin Methodist College

**Fall 2009 Enrollment:** Full-Time - 873  Part-Time - 128
**Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source:** 93%
**Tuition and Fees:** $18,218
**Room and Board:** $6,400
**Number of Residence Spaces:** 402
**Founded:** 1870
**Degrees Offered:** A.A.; B.A.; B.B.A.; B.S.; B.S.N.
Maryville College

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Maryville College is ideally situated in Maryville, Tenn., between the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Knoxville, the state's third largest city. Founded in 1819, it is the 12th oldest institution of higher learning in the South and maintains an affiliation with the Presbyterian Church (USA). Known for its academic rigor and its focus on the liberal arts, Maryville is where students come to stretch their minds, stretch themselves, and learn how to make a difference in the world. Total enrollment for the fall 2009 semester is 1103.

**Vital Statistics**

- Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,092  Part-Time - 11
- Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 99%
- Tuition and Fees: $27,971
- Room and Board: $8,565
- Number of Residence Spaces: 933
- Founded: 1819
- Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.M.; B.S.

Meharry Medical College

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Meharry Medical College is the nation's largest private, independent, historically black academic health center dedicated solely to educating minority and other health professionals. True to its heritage, it is a United Methodist Church-affiliated institution. The College is particularly well known for its uniquely nurturing, highly effective educational programs, emerging preeminence in health disparities research, culturally sensitive, evidence-based health services, and significant contribution to the diversity of the nation’s health professions workforce. *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*’s ranking of institutions annually lists Meharry as a leading national educator of African Americans with M.D. and D.D.S. degrees, and Ph.D. degrees in the biomedical sciences.

**Vital Statistics**

- Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 786  Part-Time - 0
- Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 90%
- Tuition and Fees for Dental Program:  $44,867 (average)
- Tuition and Fees for Medical Program:  $41,685 (average)
- Tuition and Fees for Graduate Programs:  $8,040 - $20,416
- Founded: 1876
- Degrees Offered: D.D.S.; M.D.; M.D./Ph.D.; M.S.C.I.; M.S.P.H.; Ph.D.
Dedicated to excellence in visual arts education, Memphis College of Art offers students a chance to learn and work in a close-knit community with leading professional artists. The Bachelor of Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts, and Graduate Studies in Art Education degree programs provide professional training for a broad range of careers in fine arts, design arts, and digital media. Undergraduate areas of study include: animation, digital cinema, digital media, drawing, graphic design, illustration, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture. The M.F.A. program offers advanced study and studio practices in traditional and new media. Graduate studies in Education offer M.A.T. and M.A. in Art Education programs. Community education and children’s art programs are offered throughout the year. Set in a 342-acre park in Midtown Memphis, MCA is a unique generative environment where artists flourish.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 357 Part-Time - 95
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 97%
Tuition and Fees: $22,600 (undergraduate)
Tuition and Fees: $23,600 (graduate)
Tuition and Fees: $455/per credit hour (M.A.ArtEd.)
Room and Board: $7,700 (estimate)
Number of Residence Spaces: 165
Founded: 1936

Founded in 1950, MTSA is the only regionally accredited institution in the nation with a facility dedicated exclusively to the training of Nurse Anesthetists and is one of the largest schools of nurse anesthesia in the nation. MTSA provides graduate education in both academic and clinical areas to qualified registered nurses holding a baccalaureate degree. Graduates are eligible to take the certification examination to become Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA) and are qualified to teach anesthesia-related subjects and to assist in the preparation of the next generation of anesthesia providers. MTSA is accredited by the Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Educational Programs, a specialized accrediting body recognized by both the United States Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The school is also accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The motto of the school is “Reflecting Christ in Anesthesia Education.”

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 215 Part-Time - 0
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 94%
Tuition and Fees: $21,138
Room and Board: n/a
Number of Residence Spaces: n/a
Founded: 1950
Degrees Offered: M.S., with a focus in Nurse Anesthesia
Located on 181 acres in northeast Tennessee, Milligan College offers students a liberal arts education in a community of inquiry, responsibility, and caring. The Bible is central to a curriculum that unites the humanities, sciences, and fine arts into a Christian world view. A strong academic program includes major areas of study such as business, nursing, communications, and education. Internships give students hands-on experience and graduates are well prepared for careers or acceptance into graduate or professional schools. The college also provides a wide variety of activities and campus events that encourage social, cultural, and spiritual growth. Affiliated with the Christian Church, Milligan welcomes students from diverse backgrounds.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time: 978 Part-Time: 122
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 93%
Tuition and Fees: $21,860
Room and Board: $5,650
Number of Residence Spaces: 571
Founded: 1866
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.S.N.; M.B.A.; M.Ed.; M.S.O.T.
Southern Adventist University encourages students to balance intellectual development with service to humanity and a growing relationship with Jesus Christ. The 1,000-acre campus is located just east of Chattanooga, along the forested slopes of White Oak Mountain. Biology, business, journalism, nursing, art, and religion are popular choices of study, and many students prepare to teach. Pre-professional programs include several allied health fields and engineering. Southern has a strong record of acceptances into medical, dental, and law schools. A symphony orchestra, concert band, choral groups, and gymnastics team tour internationally.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 2,273 Part-Time - 618
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 90%
Tuition and Fees: $17,112
Room and Board: $5,030
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,817
Founded: 1892

The University of the South is among the nation’s top liberal arts universities, offering a challenging curriculum with emphasis on the mastery of fundamental disciplines. Degree requirements in literature and the arts, mathematics and natural sciences, history and social sciences, and philosophy and religion are rigorous and extensive. While honoring its Episcopal heritage, the undergraduate College of Arts and Sciences is nonsectarian in its teaching and recruiting of students and faculty. The campus’ Gothic architecture reflects Sewanee’s historic ties to Oxford University. The University’s 13,000-acre campus sits on the western face of the Cumberland Plateau, affording the distinctive community of scholars an unprecedented variety of educational and recreational opportunities.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 1,465 Part-Time - 4
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 67%
Tuition and Fees: $34,460
Room and Board: $9,360
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,394
Founded: 1857

Sewanee: The University of the South

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Southern College of Optometry is one of only 20 schools of its type in the U.S. Since 1932, it has been recognized nationally as a leader in preparing men and women for the practice of optometry—an independent primary health care profession specializing in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of diseases and disorders of the eye and associated structures. SCO awards the Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) degree following successful completion of a comprehensive four-year post-baccalaureate curriculum in the basic visual and clinical sciences.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 484  Part-Time - 0
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 93%
Tuition and Fees: $18,044 - $23,844
Room and Board: Off campus only
Number of Residence Spaces: n/a
Founded: 1932
Degrees Offered: O.D.

Tennessee Wesleyan College

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For more than 150 years, Tennessee Wesleyan College has provided its students with an exceptional education and the opportunity to learn, serve, lead, and believe as they build the foundation of their futures. The college offers 35 majors in the traditional liberal arts as well as a number of professional and pre-professional programs and prides itself on providing an academic environment in which students are fully engaged in their education and are intellectually challenged. A student-to-faculty ratio of 15:1 allows faculty to get to know each student as an individual; and students and professors develop strong bonds that extend outside the classroom and beyond graduation. Tennessee Wesleyan encourages involvement in a wide variety of student activities, clubs, and organizations, both on- and off-campus, that provide opportunities for students to explore new interests and develop as leaders. In addition to its main campus in Athens, Wesleyan maintains a site in Knoxville, which provides classroom facilities for evening degree programs in business administration and the College’s Fort-Sanders Nursing Department.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 935  Part-Time - 135
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 95%
Tuition and Fees: $18,600
Room and Board: $6,100
Number of Residence Spaces: 415
Founded: 1857
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.A.S.; B.M.Ed.; B.S.N.
Tusculum College

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Tusculum College is Tennessee's oldest and perhaps most innovative college. A Presbyterian Church (USA) affiliated college founded in 1794, Tusculum College is one of only three colleges in the United States following a “focused calendar” course system. Students take one course at a time in successive 3.5 week blocks, with each semester consisting of four blocks. Tusculum College awards baccalaureate degrees and the Master of Arts degree in education and organizational management. Tusculum College's emphasis on the Civic Arts is a marked distinction, with a curriculum designed to help students become effective citizens who possess the practical wisdom needed to participate in a democratic society. The core curriculum, known as the Commons Program, strives to give students an intellectual common ground and develop students' skills to be engaged learners in both the classroom and community. The College prepares students who are prepared to be engaged in their communities and to know how to effectively achieve the common good and justice in a global context. For non-traditional students, Tusculum offers customized degree programs through its Graduate and Professional Studies Division offered at the Greeneville Campus, as well as at the College's Knoxville Regional Center Campus and off-site centers in the Tri-Cities and in Morristown.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 2,144   Part-Time - 59
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 83%
Tuition and Fees: $19,530
Room and Board: $7,735
Number of Residence Spaces: 629
Founded: 1794
Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.A.Ed.; B.S.; MA.Ed.; M.A.O.M.

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Trevecca Nazarene University, a Christian community providing education for leadership and service, utilizes a holistic approach to education that seeks to educate the whole person—body, soul, and spirit. Trevecca's strong liberal arts program and pre-professional curriculum prepare students to lead and serve in a variety of professions. A strong internship program is offered to expand students' professional training. Four degree-completion programs for adult-learners are available, and master's programs are offered in six different areas. Doctorate degrees are offered in education and clinical counseling. Trevecca's holistic approach effectively prepares students for lives of service and leadership.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 2,150   Part-Time - 326
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 94%
(2,150 traditional undergraduates)
Tuition and Fees: $16,776
Room and Board: $7,348
Number of Residence Spaces: 723
Founded: 1901
Union University

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Union University is an academic community, affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention, equipping persons to think Christianly and serve faithfully in ways consistent with its core values of being excellence-driven, Christ-centered, people-focused, and future-directed. Recognized for more than a decade as a top-tier institution in the South, Union offers more than 100 programs of study. The main campus of Union University, located in Jackson, is home to the traditional undergraduate program as well as a number of adult and graduate programs. Union University also offers select adult and graduate programs in Germantown and Hendersonville.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 3,076 Part-Time - 974
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 92%
Tuition and Fees: $20,940
Room and Board: $6,930
Number of Residence Spaces: 1,214
Founded: 1823

Degrees Offered: B.A.; B.S.; B.M.; B.S.B.A.; B.S.E.; B.S.M.T.; B.S.N.; B.S.O.L.; B.S.W.; D.Min.; D.N.P.; Ed.S.; Ed.D.; M.A.B.S.; M.A.C.E.; M.A.Ed.; M.A.I.S.; M.B.A.; M.C.S.; M.Ed.; M.S.N.; M.S.N.(CRNA); M.S.W.; Pharm.D.

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Vanderbilt is a comprehensive research university, deeply committed to undergraduate teaching. One of a handful of selective universities of medium size, Vanderbilt not only offers world-class faculty and facilities, but also ensures all students access to them. Undergraduate schools include the College of Arts and Science, School of Engineering, Peabody College of education and human development, and Blair School of Music. The University also offers graduate or professional programs in business, engineering, humanities, law, medicine, natural sciences, nursing, religion, social sciences, education, human development, and public policy. Participating in the Southeastern Conference, Vanderbilt athletes compete in Division I sports.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 11,696 Part-Time - 818
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 61%
Tuition and Fees: $39,228
Room and Board: $12,650
Number of Residence Spaces: 5,689
Founded: 1873

Watkins College of Art, Design & Film

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Watkins Institute was founded in 1885 with a $100,000 bequest by Samuel Watkins to be held in trust by the State of Tennessee and used for the educational benefit of Nashvillians. The transition to Watkins College of Art, Design & Film began in 1977, when approval was received through the Tennessee Higher Education Commission to offer associate degrees in fine arts and interior design. Today, Watkins is an independent visual arts institution offering studio-based Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Arts, Associate of Fine Arts degree and certificate programs in Art, Film, Fine Art, Graphic Design, Interior Design and Photography. Community education programs for children, teens and adults are offered year-round, along with public exhibitions, artist lecture series and film screenings that are free and open to the public. Watkins’ 13-acre lakeside campus, just minutes from downtown Nashville, includes a 60,000 sq. foot academic building and two residence halls.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2009 Enrollment: Full-Time - 303  Part-Time -112
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 73%
Tuition and Fees: $17,250
Room and Board: $6,000
Number of Residence Spaces: 96
Founded: 1885
Degrees Offered: A.F.A.; B.A.; B.F.A.; and Certificate in Film (for those who already hold a bachelor's degree)
Individual faculty attention, in and out of the classroom, plays an important role in ensuring students at private institutions graduate in a timely manner.