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THE RED CHAIR SYMBOLIZES OUR FOCUS ON THE PERSON FOR WHOM WE DESIGN AND PLAN, BRINGING SMART, UNIQUE IDEAS THAT ENRICH THE EXPERIENCE FOR EACH
We are pleased to provide you this copy of Private Colleges Serving Tennessee. For 57 years, TICUA (Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association) and the 34 member institutions have championed student access and freedom of choice in higher education. As the State moves forward with the education policy established through First to the Top and Complete College Tennessee, TICUA member institutions continue to play a crucial role in educating the State’s citizenry.

Inside you will find highlights of the collective contributions of TICUA member institutions and their commitment to Tennessee’s future. You will read about the many ways private non-profit colleges and universities work collaboratively through TICUA to deliver innovative and cost-efficient solutions to critical issues confronting higher education today. Through initiatives such as three-year baccalaureate degrees, adult degree completion programs, articulation and transfer agreements, and generous institutional financial aid TICUA member schools ensure that students are able to attend the college or university that best meets their academic, financial, and career needs.

TICUA will continue to advocate for student choice by working with our members, the State, neighboring communities, businesses, as well as students and their families. We are confident that our shared commitment to educational opportunity will positively affect the future of all Tennesseans.

Sincerely,

Claude O. Pressnell, Jr.
PRESIDENT, TICUA

Betty Sue McGarvey
CHAIR, TICUA
PRESIDENT, Baptist College of Health Sciences
The Tennessee Independent Colleges and Universities Association (TICUA) has served the State, community, and its membership for 57 years. Founded in 1956 by four institutions, Association membership has grown to 34 private not-for-profit colleges and universities. TICUA is a strong advocate for educational opportunity and freedom of choice in higher education at the State and federal levels as well as internationally.
TICUA membership includes 31 four-year colleges and universities and 3 professional colleges. TICUA campuses and programs provide educational opportunities to **77,750 students**, which is 25% of all students participating in higher education in Tennessee. **TICUA institutions award 33% of degrees in the State**. Students at TICUA institutions come from every county of the State, every state in the nation, and more than 150 countries. TICUA member institutions attract over 34,000 students from other states and countries throughout the world.

In addition to their main campuses, TICUA members educate **over 7,000 students at 75 off-site and satellite campus locations and more than 5,600 students in a variety of on-line educational options including several degree programs offered entirely on-line**. TICUA member institutions dual-enroll over 1,000 high school students from 23 different high schools or school systems in courses for which the students receive both high school and college credit.

Ten TICUA institutions have been **nationally recognized as Colleges of Distinction** (www.collegesofdistinction.com). This identifies that each excels at engaging students through great teaching and vibrant communities. Graduates of Colleges of Distinction are students who can think, write, speak, and reason well and are good citizens and responsible family members.

The students attending 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 12,700 students. The small class sizes of Tennessee’s private colleges and universities provide greater opportunity for faculty-student interaction.

TICUA member institutions have reputations for **academic excellence**. Students can choose from hundreds of different majors leading to a variety of associate’s, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees. Member institutions embrace a range of missions including religiously-affiliated campuses and others dedicated to education in specific professional or academic fields. Some campuses strive to serve low-income, first-generation, or adult students. A focus for undergraduate institutions is **easing the transfer process for community college students**. An increasing number of TICUA members have developed curricula that allow motivated students to **earn a baccalaureate degree in three years**.
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 Tennessee. This translates into an $8.1 billion annual economic impact on the State.

TICUA member colleges and universities also serve as one of the State’s largest employers. The campuses employ more than 30,000 faculty and staff, and their external activities sustain an additional 301,000 jobs in 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 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 5,500 additional students by the 2015-16 academic year.
TICUA member campuses awarded nearly 18,000 degrees last year – graduating more than 3,400 business and management leaders, 3,600 educators, and 3,500 health care professionals. Private institutions also awarded more than 2,000 degrees in STEM disciplines – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

In addition to the significant economic impact, private colleges and universities improve productivity and quality of life through increased levels of education for citizens across Tennessee. Many of the nearly 34,000 out-of-state and international students at TICUA member colleges and universities will remain in the State after graduation using their skills and education in local communities. Tennessee’s independent colleges and universities are major contributors to the economic base of the State.

"It’s never too late to go back to school to advance your career, or change careers. I’m 39 with 3 small children getting my doctorate in Nursing Anesthesia. Private Colleges ensure their students are successful because they can focus their attention on you."
State and local communities benefit from an array of educational, 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, including **nationally and internationally recognized programs**. The Lee University Choir performed at the 2013 Inauguration of the US President. Belmont University students won the 2012 Enactus World Cup (www.enactus.org), a program that allows students to use their entrepreneurial skills for social good.

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. Each year several TICUA member institutions are singled out for recognition of their student volunteer programs through the **U.S. President’s Higher Education Community Service Awards** (www.nationalservice.gov).

In 2012, twelve TICUA member campuses received mention as part of the 2012 Honor Roll including Carson-Newman University, which was one of 5 schools nationally recognized as a Presidential Awardee, and Rhodes College, which was one of 14 Honor Roll Finalists. Campus volunteer activities benefit the neighborhoods and citizens of Tennessee and strengthen relationships between the campus and the community.

**ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

*Bob S., Owner Maple Lane Farms, Greenback, TN, Maryville College, Class of 1978*

“Maryville changed the way I think. I focus on the solution rather than the problem, and that has helped a lot.” What other cattlemen call his ‘crazy way of thinking about things,” Schmidt has realized is the result of his liberal arts education.
A strength of Tennessee’s private colleges and universities is their preparation of health care professionals and teachers. In the past 3 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 the best and brightest in the State, nation, and world.

TICUA Enrollment for the Past Decade

Total undergraduate and graduate headcount for TICUA membership. SOURCES: Data are based on fall enrollment figures from the following sources: “IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey”; TICUA, 2012

Total Degrees Awarded by TICUA Member Institutions

The number of degrees awarded by TICUA member institutions has increased 23% in 5 years. SOURCE: TICUA, 2012

“...initially wanted to go to a big university. While considering what a holistic college experience would really be, I realized that Milligan College was an exceptional fit. This close-knit community has not only uniquely enriched me, but has offered me an abundance of experiences as well; whether through studying abroad in the Middle East, performing on stage, or engaging professors after class, my Milligan experience has been truly transformative.”

Colin B., Elizabethton, TN, Milligan College Class of 2013, Political Science
**PARTICIPATION**

TICUA member colleges and universities educate 77,750 students – an all time high for TICUA members and part of a 10-year upward trend.

- Tennessee’s four-year private colleges and universities enroll a diverse student body - as diverse as the public four-year colleges and universities.

- As enrollment trends shift to an even 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 have the capacity to enroll nearly 5,500 additional students by the 2015-16 academic year.

Tennessee’s private colleges and universities offer an array of opportunities to increase access for all students.

- **Easing the transition for community college transfer students**, private four-year institutions have embraced the Tennessee Transfer Pathway Program and are working to develop reverse transfer policies.

- Campuses match federal scholarships to veterans through the Yellow Ribbon GI Bill allowing those who heroically served our country to attend a private college or university in the State. Ten TICUA member institutions have been named military friendly according to GI Jobs (www.militaryfriendlyschools.com).

- **Adult degree completion programs** at independent institutions assist working adults to complete a college degree in a timely fashion.

- Private colleges offer **three-year baccalaureate degrees**, saving students time and tuition dollars.
AFFORDABILITY

TICUA member institutions remain affordable and accessible to middle- and low-income students and their families.
• Historically, Tennessee students attending the State’s independent four-year colleges and universities have a lower median family income than students attending the State’s four-year public colleges and universities.
• Tuition and fees at private institutions remain 25% below the national average for private institutions.

Affordability continues to play a critical role in determining who participates in college. Nationally, low-income high school students with high academic skills fail to enroll in college at the same rate as their middle- or upper-income peers. Tennessee’s private colleges and universities actively recruit and support these students through generous financial aid packages.
• Approximately 90% 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 15% from the federal government and 14% from the State.
• TICUA member institutions provided more than $527 million in institutional aid to their students in 2012-13.
• 35% of undergraduate students attending TICUA member institutions receive the Federal Pell Grant which targets low-income students.
• 42% of Tennessee residents attending a TICUA member institution receive the Pell Grant.
COMPLETION

TICUA member institutions play an important role in meeting the State’s and the nation’s goals of increasing the number of citizens with a college degree.

• Last year, Tennessee’s private institutions awarded nearly **18,000 degrees** ranging from associate’s to doctoral.
• Tennessee’s private colleges and universities **award more degrees** than any other higher education system in the State.
• TICUA member institutions enroll **25% of students and award 33% 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.
• As more TICUA member institutions adopt **three-year degrees** and transfer pathways with community colleges, students will have the opportunity to complete their degree programs in less time.

### Number of Degrees Awarded by Sector, 2011-12

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SOURCE: Tennessee Higher Education Commission and TICUA, Fall 2012
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 $78 million a year. Without State and campus aid programs, many students would not be able to attend the college or university that best meets their needs.

Students at TICUA member institutions benefit from two State programs in particular: the Tennessee Student Assistance Award and the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship.

THE TENNESSEE STUDENT ASSISTANCE AWARD

The Tennessee Student Assistance Award (TSAA) provides non-payback grant assistance to qualified, low-income, high school graduates and adult learners in the State. The program gives thousands of students the opportunity to attend a private college or university. 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 5,600 private college and university students each year with an average award of $3,497.
Supporting Student Aspirations through Student Aid

**The Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship (TeLS)** is comprised of several scholarships that provide grants to college students. The largest of these, the HOPE Scholarship, provides $2,000 a semester for students to attend a four-year public or private institution in the State. Over 15,000 students attending private colleges and universities receive scholarships through TELS. Supplemental awards are given based on high academic achievement or financial need. The TELS program has promoted college access, allowing thousands of students to realize the dream of attending the college or university that best fits their academic and personal needs.

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT**

*Brooke D., Nashville, TN, Fisk University, Class of 2014, Chemistry*

“As a small town girl who had been homeschooled from pre-K to high school, Fisk has transformed me into the confident young lady I am today. As a Chemistry major, I’ve been privileged to experience everything from student government to rocket launches, yet this is only a small taste of why Fisk is MY University.”
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 choose to work together. Through sharing of ideas, participating campuses are able to improve purchasing power, deliver services more efficiently, and reduce costs. The institutions are then able to pass savings on to their students in the form of affordable tuition and financial aid.

**Yeiner G., Memphis, TN, Memphis College of Art, Class of 2012, BFA Photography**

“Throughout the four years of my undergraduate career, the faculty at MCA provided me with a very personal education. I am very grateful to the education I received at Memphis College of Art and to the faculty members that have pushed their students to their maximum potential.”
**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 discounts on frequently purchased products and services to TICUA member campuses. A range of more than 40 different companies offer discounts on equipment financing, safety and security protocols, instructional technology, furniture, computer equipment, and more. In 2012, member campuses spent more than $25 million through the procurement agreements offered through TICUA.

Building on state-wide success, TICUA became a founding member of the Coalition of College Cost Savings (CCCS). Operating in 31 states and representing 650 individual institutions, CCCS is comprised of a group of organizations similar to TICUA that are 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 agreements including a robust procurement card program.

**TICUA BENEFIT CONSORTIUM**

The TICUA Benefit Consortium (TBC) offers a self-funded health care plan 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 across the nation. Enhancements to the Plan resulted in a rate decrease and a premium holiday in 2012.

**CONNECTING LEADERS**

TICUA further supports its member campuses by offering professional development activities, meetings, and webinars 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 and collective campus issues. In 2012, over 400 professionals attended meetings for presidents, academic officers, administrative professionals, advancement professionals, enrollment officers, financial officers, financial aid officers, information technology officers, institutional researchers, librarians, physical plant employees, and student affairs officers. In addition to face-to-face meetings, TICUA has focused on delivery of just-in-time training through on-line technologies. These timely trainings allow institutional employees to gain the insight and advice of nationally-renown speakers on current topics and issues without leaving campus.

**PROVIDING RESOURCES**

With a dynamic website, TICUA provides its member campuses with a convenient starting point to research important education issues. The easily navigable website contains original materials, synopses of other sources, and direct links to helpful websites and white papers. Topics covered include accreditation, financial aid issues (G.I. Bill, direct lending, State scholarship programs), business continuity, and other policy and administrative issues.
TICUA member institutions’ collaborations with other education sectors, government entities, businesses, and non-profit groups allow member institutions to play an important role in State and federal policy as well as state-wide educational initiatives like *First to the Top* and *Complete College Tennessee* that directly benefit students. Through membership in organizations such as Council on Independent Colleges, Tennessee College Association, Tennessee Student Aid Alliance, Tennessee Campus Compact, and the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, TICUA is able to advocate for issues on students’ behalf, particularly concerning federal and State student aid. Additionally, TICUA’s participation in collaborative projects serves students by directly influencing their collegiate experience.

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Caitlin M., Seymour, TN, Johnson University, Class of 2016, Bible & Management of Non-Profit Organizations

“...because of their focus on Christian living and for the variety of ministry courses available to students. Johnson also has many opportunities for students to get involved outside of class. The campus is beautiful and the faculty and staff that I came into contact with were all very welcoming.”
HEALTHY AND SAFE CAMPUSES

As a founding member of the Coalition of Healthy and Safe Campus Communities (CHASCo), TICUA works with this public-private partnership including Tennessee’s higher education institutions, government 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 Tennessee’s campuses. Employees of CHASCo member institutions participate in training and research to ensure that students have a safe and healthy environment in which to live and learn as they pursue their academic goals. CHASCo, an administrative unit of TICUA, is funded through grants from non-profit associations and federal and State agencies like the Tennessee Division of Substance Abuse Services.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

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 informed campus policy and procedure development as well as public policy discussions. Currently students are examining the efficacy of alternative teacher preparation programs. During the legislative session, TICUA hosts undergraduate students at the Tennessee Legislative Plaza providing students an opportunity to follow the creation of education policy.

TICUA- Community College Articulation

TICUA member institutions are collaborating with the State on the Tennessee Transfer Pathways Project (www.tntransferpathway.org) facilitating community college graduates to enroll in bachelor level programs at private colleges without loss of time or credits. Work is underway to develop reverse articulation agreements that would allow community college students to complete their associate’s degrees at 4-year institutions.

TICUA member institutions actively recruit transfer students from the State’s community colleges. In fall of 2012 over 1,200 students transferred to TICUA member institutions from the State’s community colleges. To enhance transfer, many private colleges and universities offer financial aid specifically for non-traditional and transfer students.
### 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. Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson
10. Bethel University, McKenzie

### Middle Tennessee

11. Martin Methodist College, Pulaski
12. Belmont University, Nashville
13. Welch College, Nashville
14. Fisk University, Nashville
15. Meharry Medical College, Nashville
16. Vanderbilt University, Nashville
17. Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville
18. Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia, Madison
19. Lipscomb University, Nashville
20. Aquinas College, Nashville
21. Watkins College of Art, Design & Film, Nashville
22. Cumberland University, Lebanon
23. Sewanee: The University of the South, Sewanee
TICUA member institutions operate 34 main campuses and 75 satellite and off-site degree programs, including 13 out-of-state programs.

**East Tennessee**

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

**TICUA Enrollment by County**

Students come to TICUA member campuses from every county in the State. In addition, nearly 34,000 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.

**2012 COLLEGIUM MEMBERS**

Affinity LTC
Aramark
CCT Technologies, Inc.
CompView
Contract Furniture Alliance/Workspace Solutions
Dynamic Campus Solutions
Eastman Chemical Co.
Flautt Hare Davis
General Shale Brick, Inc.
Home Federal Bank of Tenn.
HRP
McKee Foods Kingman, Inc.
Millennium Advisory Services
Norfolk Southern Foundation
Pilot Corporation
Purity Foundation
Red Chair Architects
State of Tennessee
Tandus
The Coalition for College Cost Savings
The UPS Foundation
Trane
Trend Micro, Inc.
**2012 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS**

TICUA administers several scholarship programs sponsored by Tennessee businesses. These scholarships award **financial assistance to deserving students**. Many of these scholarships target financially needy Tennesseans who might otherwise be unable to attend college. These community scholarships assist students to attend the college or university that best fits their academic needs and career goals.

**General Shale Brick**

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

**Home Federal Bank of Tennessee**

Home Federal Bank of Tennessee offered five $1,500 scholarships for students in the Knoxville area.

**Pilot Corporation**

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

**The UPS Foundation**

The UPS Foundation funded a generous program of 34 scholarships at $2,700 per institution.

**2012 GRANTS RECEIVED BY TICUA**

In 2012, TICUA received **$225,000 in funding from**

- Higher Education Prevention grant from the Division of Substance Abuse Services in the Tennessee Department of Mental Health
- Enforcing Underage Drinking Laws grant from the Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth
- Young Adult Impaired Driving Prevention grant from the Tennessee Governor’s Highway Safety Office
- FIHE/UPS National Venture Fund grant from the Council on Independent Colleges

**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 serve better the State and its citizens.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Limited to independent, non-profit, regionally-accredited colleges and universities 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.
The 31 four-year college and university and 3 professional school members of TICUA enroll more than 77,750 students.

**PERSONAL**
- Student-to-faculty ratios are lower at private colleges and universities than at State institutions.
- The majority of expenditures at private institutions goes for instruction and academic support, student services, and scholarships.

**INVOLVED**
- In 2011-12, Tennessee’s private colleges and universities had an economic impact estimated at more than $8.1 billion.
- TICUA institutions have nationally recognized student volunteer programs.
- TICUA member colleges and universities serve as one of the State’s largest employers, employing more than 30,000 faculty and staff. Their external activities sustain an additional 301,000 jobs in local communities.

**FLEXIBLE**
- Private colleges and universities are located in every section of the State and in settings that range from urban to rural areas.
- In the fall of 2012, over 1,200 community college students transferred to TICUA member institutions.

**DIVERSE**
- 56% of students attending member institutions are Tennessee residents. TICUA member colleges and universities enroll students from every county in the State.
- Historically, 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.
- Over 26% of the undergraduate students attending TICUA member colleges and universities are minority students.
- Non-traditional students (age 25 or older) comprise 19% of the undergraduate enrollment at TICUA member institutions.

**AFFORDABLE**
- Approximately 90% of first-time, full-time students attending TICUA member institutions receive some form of financial aid – the majority of which comes from the private institutions’ own resources.
- Undergraduate tuition and fees at TICUA member colleges and universities average 25% less than the national average to attend a private college or university.
- In 2011-12, over 15,000 students attending TICUA institutions receive scholarships through the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship Program.
- Tennessee Student Assistance Award (TSAA) grant reaches over 5,600 low-income private college students a year at an average award amount of about $3,500.
- In 2012-13, 35% of all undergraduate students (19,970) attending TICUA member institutions receive the Federal Pell Grant award. The average yearly award amount for these students is $4,469.

**SUCCESSFUL**
- TICUA institutions award nearly 18,000 degrees – more than any other sector in the State.
- Students who earn bachelor’s degrees are able to do so sooner at four-year private colleges and universities than at State institutions. Finishing faster helps students at private institutions avoid extra years of tuition and begin their careers earlier.
Baptist College of Health Sciences

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Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences provides quality education in a Christian atmosphere to prepare health care professionals for diverse practice environments.

Grounded in Christian principles and building on the legacy of education since 1912, Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences is a private, specialized institution focusing on undergraduate health care education. In partnership with Baptist Memorial Health Care, the College prepares health care professionals primarily for the tri-state area of Tennessee, Arkansas, and Mississippi. The College seeks to attract a diverse student population who shares commitments to Christian values and ethics, academic excellence, and lifelong professional development.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,043
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 97%
Tuition and Fees: $366/credit hour
Room and Board: $1,100 double occupancy
No board provided.
Founded: 1994
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 207
Student to Faculty Ratio: 11 to 1
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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 1,376  -  Undergraduate 5,289
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 75%
Tuition and Fees: $26,130
Room and Board: $9,670
Founded: 1890
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 1,611
Student to Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1

Bethel University

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Building on its 170-year-old history and affiliation with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Bethel University provides diverse options with opportunities for face-to-face, online, and blended learning in a Christian environment leading to master’s, bachelor’s, and now associate degrees. Known as a pioneer in forging learning opportunities for adult learners as well as its unique scholarship opportunities in performing arts and in traditional and non-traditional sports, Bethel University constantly explores options for making the education it provides accessible to all. Operating from campuses across Tennessee, Bethel has varied learning platforms and course schedules making the attainment of a college degree possible for many with full-time jobs and extensive family responsibilities. Bethel University also offers a bachelor of science in nursing, a master of science in physician assistant studies, a master of business administration, and bachelor’s and master’s degrees in criminal justice. Whether attending Bethel University’s McKenzie campus or one of its satellite campuses students are provided a tailored learning experience designed to help each reach their specific dreams.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 1,105  -  Undergraduate 4,109
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 88%
Tuition and Fees: $15,520
Room and Board: $8,364
Founded: 1842
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 843
Student to Faculty Ratio: 19 to 1
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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 116 - Undergraduate 1,517
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $20,150
Room and Board: $5,950
Founded: 1930
Degrees Offered: Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 364
Student to Faculty Ratio: 14 to 1

Carson-Newman University

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A Tennessee Baptist Convention-affiliated liberal arts university, Carson-Newman has been cited as a national leader in community service. In 2012, Carson-Newman was named one of only five schools to receive the Presidential Award, the highest distinction possible on the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. It has also been recognized by U.S. News & World Report, Forbes, and Princeton Review.

With a vision to be “the Christ-Centered, liberal arts-based college of choice in the Southeast for education and service,” C-N is intentionally Christian, academically rigorous, student-focused, and future-minded. Carson-Newman offers a solid foundation for personal and spiritual development by helping students reach their full potential as educated citizens and worldwide servant leaders. To that end, C-N’s halls are filled with dedicated scholar-mentors who imbue their students with knowledge and faith, and who instill in them critical thinking that will serve them throughout their lives.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 322 - Undergraduate 1,645
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $22,650
Room and Board: $6,406
Founded: 1851
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's, Master's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 428
Student to Faculty Ratio: 12 to 1
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 always has welcomed people of all faiths. CBU offers undergraduate programs in engineering, business, sciences, liberal arts, nursing, and education as well as graduate programs in business administration, education, Catholic studies, engineering management, and physician assistant studies. CBU is ranked among the Top 25 Southern Universities by U.S. News & World Report.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 361 - Undergraduate 1,237
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $26,995
Room and Board: $5,690 - $10,120
Founded: 1871
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 456
Student to Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1

Cumberland University

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The mission of Cumberland University is to provide a contemporary liberal arts education to students seeking a high-quality, personalized college experience, which will allow them to not only have a successful and productive career, but to thrive intellectually, professionally, personally, and spiritually for a lifetime. Cumberland University has a long and rich history, stretching back nearly 170 years. But Cumberland’s focus is not on its past, it’s on the future. It’s not about the governors who’ve attended – it’s about helping students govern their lives. It’s not about the glorious names of the past – it’s about naming students’ futures. Cumberland is dedicated to doing the little things well, and that’s the biggest and most powerful difference.

Cumberland’s small size means more time devoted to students. Cumberland is big on student success and devoted to the smallest details to equip students to succeed in tomorrow’s marketplace. So think small. Big things await students at Cumberland University.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 265 - Undergraduate 1,237
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 94%
Tuition and Fees: $20,200
Room and Board: $7,400
Founded: 1842
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 413
Student to Faculty Ratio: 14 to 1
Fisk University

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Fisk University is Nashville’s oldest institution of higher education and currently ranks in the top 10% of all liberal arts institutions in the nation and “#1 Liberal Arts HBCU in Research” according to Washington Monthly. Fisk ranked in the top 20 percent of 650 higher education institutions and is the highest ranked HBCU on Forbes’ “2012 Top Colleges List.” The Princeton Review’s “Best Southeastern Colleges” publication has included Fisk in its rankings for twenty consecutive years. Of the 1,400 liberal arts institutions ranked by U.S. News and World Report, Fisk is at #145 in the elite Tier One group and #5 on the list of “The Best Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).” The Fisk/Vanderbilt Masters-to-PhD program awarded five students PhDs in Physics during 2012. According to the National Science Foundation, Fisk produces more African-Americans who go on to earn doctoral degrees in the natural sciences than any school in the nation.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 35 - Undergraduate 579
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $20,014
Room and Board: $9,548
Founded: 1866
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's, Master's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 70
Student to Faculty Ratio: 12 to 1

Freed-Hardeman University

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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 33 states and 20 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 455 - Undergraduate 1,449
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 99%
Tuition and Fees: $20,468
Room and Board: $7,296
Founded: 1869
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's, Master's, Ed.S.
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 475
Student to Faculty Ratio: 15 to 1
King College provides a powerful learning experience that brings together a Christian worldview, passionate teaching, and a reputation for excellence, which stretches back more than 119 years. All undergraduate students major in Bible, engage in a solid core of general education courses, and complement 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 full-time faculty, staff, and students living on campus, King provides a vibrant and deeply connected community where bonds are stronger, purpose is bolder, and possibilities are endless.

**Vital Statistics**

- **Fall 2012 Enrollment:** Graduate 379 - Undergraduate 1,963
- **Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source:** 99%
- **Tuition and Fees:** $24,960
- **Room and Board:** $8,180
- **Founded:** 1867
- **Degrees Offered:** Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
- **Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012:** 762
- **Student to Faculty Ratio:** 16 to 1
Lane College

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Lane College, located on a scenic 53-acre campus in Jackson 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. Historically committed to a small nurturing setting, Lane College upholds the doctrines of access, opportunity, excellence, and affordability for minority and low-income high school graduates. As illustrated in the “Best Colleges”, US News and World Report, Lane College ranked # 4 under the section, “Least Debt: National Liberal Arts Colleges”. This means that graduates of Lane College owe less for student loans than all but three institutions in America. The U.S. Department of Education listed Lane College as one of the few “Private, not for profit, 4-year or above institutions with Lowest Net Prices”. 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. Lane also is committed to preparing students through its liberal arts curriculum to assume meaningful careers or pursue graduate studies. Lane College guides students through programs of intellectual experiences, which help them to identify and develop their Power of Potential®.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,511
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $8,560
Room and Board: $6,040
Founded: 1882
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 290
Student to Faculty Ratio: 17 to 1

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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 students 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 389 - Undergraduate 4,565
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 75%
Tuition and Fees: $13,370
Room and Board: $6,234
Founded: 1918
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Ed.S.
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 891
Student to Faculty Ratio: 18 to 1
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 10 minutes from downtown Memphis and one block from the 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 - all while pursuing the requirements of his or her academic major.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,176
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 86%
Tuition and Fees: $10,680
Room and Board: $5,852
Founded: 1862
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 127
Student to Faculty Ratio: 14 to 1

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 Abraham 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 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 learning sites.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 2,487 - Undergraduate 1,851
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 97%
Tuition and Fees: $18,240
Room and Board: $6,480
Founded: 1897
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 1,677
Student to Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1
Lipscomb University

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Lipscomb University is a Christian community of scholars, dedicated to excellence in learning, leading, and serving where students prepare for success today, tomorrow, and forever. This principle is carried out in the classroom and in the broader community through the service-learning program and numerous humanitarian trips in the U.S. and abroad. Lipscomb offers a bachelor’s degree in 103 fields of study, including majors in the liberal arts, business, biology/pre-med, computer science, education, engineering, and nursing. Master’s degrees are offered in a variety of areas of study including accounting, business, Christian ministry, civic leadership, conflict management, counseling, education, exercise and nutrition science, human resources, psychology, sustainability, and theological studies among others. Doctoral degrees are offered in ministry, pharmacy, and education. Located in Nashville, Lipscomb draws on the city as its campus and the world as its classroom. Study abroad opportunities are offered in Vienna, London, Chile, Beijing, Hong Kong, and Buenos Aires as well as other international destinations. Lipscomb’s intercollegiate athletic teams compete at the NCAA Division I level, and Lipscomb is a member of the Atlantic Sun Conference.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 1,521 - Undergraduate 2,757
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 95%
Tuition and Fees (per semester): Tuition and Fees: $12,377
Room and Board (per semester): $4,612
Founded: 1891
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 1,081
Student to Faculty Ratio: 15 to 1

Martin Methodist College

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Martin Methodist College is a four-year coeducational institution located among the beautiful rolling hills of southern central Tennessee. With more than 30 academic degree programs, 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. Service to the community is a key component to the campus experience as well. Adding to the rich learning environment are international students from 20 different nations enrolled as full-time, residential students. As a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, the competitive RedHawk athletic program fields 14 varsity teams that contribute to the well-rounded educational experience.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,072
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 92%
Tuition and Fees: $20,798
Room and Board: $7,200
Founded: 1870
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 163
Student to Faculty Ratio: 17 to 1
Maryville College

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Maryville College is ideally located between the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Knoxville, the State’s third largest city. Additionally, the 320-acre campus includes 118 acres of College Woods that serve as a natural classroom and recreational haven. Founded in 1819, Maryville is one of the oldest institutions of higher learning in the nation and is a Presbyterian (USA) church-related college, welcoming students of all faiths. Maryville College has been named a 2013 top southeast college by The Princeton Review and is recognized as a “College of Distinction” for its exemplary commitment to the four distinctions: Engaged Students, Great Teaching, Vibrant Communities and Successful Outcomes.

Known for its academic rigor and focus on the liberal arts and sciences, Maryville College offers 60 academic majors and pre-professional programs. Maryville College also is one of the nation’s few colleges requiring seniors to complete a comprehensive exam in their major and conduct an extensive Senior Thesis. This is the capstone of Maryville’s academic rigor, and successful completion signifies that Maryville graduates are ready for that next step in life - their professions or graduate school. Maryville College is where students come to learn how to make a difference in the world.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,093
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $30,522
Room and Board: $9,696
Founded: 1819
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 202
Student to Faculty Ratio: 12 to 1

Meharry Medical College

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Meharry Medical College founded in 1876, is the nation’s largest private, independent historically black academic health center dedicated to educating minority physicians 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 782
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees for Dental Program: $54,660 (average)
Tuition and Fees for Medical Program: $47,726 (average)
Tuition and Fees for Graduate Programs: $19,497 - $31,405
Founded: 1876
Degrees Offered: Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 173
Student to Faculty Ratio: 3 to 1
Memphis College of Art

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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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 55 - Undergraduate 346
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 94%
Tuition and Fees: $26,250 (undergraduate)
Tuition and Fees: $27,450 (graduate)
Room and Board: $8,500
Founded: 1936
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's, Master's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 96
Student to Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1

Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia

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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 a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (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 U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The school also is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and the Tennessee Board of Nursing. The motto of the school is “Reflecting Christ in Anesthesia Education.” A new Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice Degree is planned to be offered as a completion degree beginning in 2013.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 212
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 92%
Tuition and Fees: $59,557 (28-month program)
Room and Board: n/a
Founded: 1950
Degrees Offered: Master's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 71
Student to Faculty Ratio: Academic/didactic 9 to 1
Clinical no more than 2 to 1
Milligan College

Located on 195 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 207 - Undergraduate 957
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 95%
Tuition and Fees: $26,760
Room and Board: $5,850
Founded: 1866
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 320
Student to Faculty Ratio: 13 to 1

Rhodes College

Rhodes is known for excellence in the liberal arts and sciences. Its location in Midtown Memphis gives students access to a variety of internships, internationally recognized research facilities, community service opportunities, and arts and entertainment venues. Surrounded by a beautiful campus of Collegiate Gothic stone buildings, students have access to high-quality facilities and a superb faculty noted for its effective teaching and commitment to scholarship. Rhodes’ well-balanced curriculum allows flexibility for choosing majors. A long-standing honor system binds Rhodes’ diverse student body into a community of trust. The College is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church (USA), but welcomes academically successful students of all faiths and backgrounds. Students at Rhodes are actively involved in campus organizations, community service, and intercollegiate sports.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 12 - Undergraduate 1,915
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $38,092
Room and Board: $9,504
Founded: 1848
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 410
Student to Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1
Sewanee: The University of the South

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The University of the South is among the nation's top liberal arts universities, offering a challenging curriculum with rigorous degree requirements in literature and the arts, history, and social sciences. Its strong literary tradition permeates the curriculum. Strong interdisciplinary programs include International and Global Studies and Environmental Studies. The University encourages students to have an international experience and offers an array of programs around the globe. Service learning courses and opportunities for collaborative research with faculty are widely available. Internships provide support for a range of summer experiences that help prepare students for careers. While honoring its Episcopal heritage, the undergraduate College is nonsectarian in its teaching. The University's 13,000-acre campus on the Cumberland Plateau offers an unparalleled variety of educational and recreational opportunities.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 136 - Undergraduate 1,509
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 80%
Tuition and Fees: $34,442
Room and Board: $9,916
Founded: 1857
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's, Master's, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 379
Student to Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1

Southern Adventist University

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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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 423 - Undergraduate 2,896
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 91%
Tuition and Fees: $18,990
Room and Board: $5,900
Founded: 1892
Degrees Offered: Associate's, Bachelor's, Master's, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 606
Student to Faculty Ratio: 15 to 1
Southern College of Optometry

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Southern College of Optometry is one of only 21 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 498
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 93%
Tuition and Fees: $27,882
Room and Board: n/a
Founded: 1932
Degrees Offered: Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 121
Student to Faculty Ratio: 9 to 1

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 more than 30 undergraduate majors in the traditional liberal arts and is now offering its first graduate program, a Master of Science in Curriculum Leadership, as well as a number of professional and pre-professional programs. TWC 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 16:1 allows faculty to get to know each student as an individual. Students and professors develop strong bonds that extend outside of 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 Athens campus, TWC maintains a campus in Knoxville, providing classroom facilities for its Management Excellence (ME) evening program in business administration and the Fort-Sanders Nursing Department.

Vital Statistics
Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 1,116
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 90%
Tuition and Fees: $20,500
Room and Board: $6,700
Founded: 1857
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 272
Student to Faculty Ratio: 16 to 1
Trevecca Nazarene University

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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. Doctorates are offered in education and clinical counseling. Trevecca’s holistic approach effectively prepares students for lives of service and leadership.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 1,005 - Undergraduate 1,467
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 94%
(Traditional undergraduates)
Tuition and Fees: $20,790
Room and Board: $7,488
Founded: 1901
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 791
Student to Faculty Ratio: 15 to 1

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 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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 213 - Undergraduate 1,915
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 99%
Tuition and Fees: $20,910
Room and Board: $8,000
Founded: 1794
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 466
Student to Faculty Ratio: 17 to 1
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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 1,167 - Undergraduate 2,829
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 98%
Tuition and Fees: $25,650
Room and Board: $8,830
Founded: 1823
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Ed.S., Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 1,099
Student to Faculty Ratio: 11 to 1

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 2012 Enrollment: Graduate 6,042 - Undergraduate 6,817
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 62%
Tuition and Fees: $41,088
Room and Board: $13,818
Founded: 1873
Degrees Offered: Bachelor’s, Master’s, Doctorate
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 3,720
Student to Faculty Ratio: 8 to 1
Watkins College of Art, Design & Film

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Watkins College of Art, Design & Film is a four-year baccalaureate college offering a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Film, Fine Art, Graphic Design, Interior Design, and Photography, a Bachelor of Arts in Art, and a Professional Certificate in Film. The faculty and staff are committed to a learning-centered environment that challenges students to engage the mind, train the eye, and cultivate talent and skill into an active realization of creative potential. Established in 1885 as a community-based learning institution, Watkins became a baccalaureate college in 1997. It continues to shape and positively influence the cultural horizon and economy of our community through studio-based art, design, and film instruction supported by a strong academic foundation, as well as through the year-round Community Education program for youth and adults and free gallery exhibitions, artist lecture series, and film screenings. Watkins’ 13-acre lakeside campus, just minutes from downtown Nashville, includes a 60,000-square-foot academic building, boardwalk, and two residence halls.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 378
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 73%
Tuition and Fees: $21,300
Room and Board: $8,900
Founded: 1885
Degrees Offered: Bachelor's
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 52
Student to Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1 in studio-based classes
15 to 1 in lecture-based classes

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Welch College, formerly 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. Welch 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. Welch students have access to a wide variety of opportunities for recreation, study, and work.

Vital Statistics

Fall 2012 Enrollment: Undergraduate 315
Percent of Students Receiving Financial Aid From Any Source: 84%
Tuition and Fees: $14,250
Room and Board: $6,386
Founded: 1942
Degrees Offered: Associate’s, Bachelor’s
Number of Degrees Awarded Summer 2011 to Spring 2012: 57
Student to Faculty Ratio: 10 to 1
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