UNC Charlotte is North Carolina’s urban research university. Since its founding in 1946, UNC Charlotte has transformed from a night school serving World War II veterans into a vibrant research university. This is one of the great success stories of American higher education.

UNC Charlotte leverages its location in the state’s largest city to offer internationally competitive programs of research and creative activity; exemplary undergraduate, graduate and professional programs; and a focused set of community engagement initiatives. The University maintains a particular commitment to addressing the cultural, economic, educational, environmental, health and social needs of the greater Charlotte region. It is the third largest University in the UNC System.

HISTORY

1946 Charlotte Center opened Uptown by UNC

1963 Four-year status conferred

1965 Became the fourth institution of the UNC System

1969 First master’s year program

1993 Doctoral programs authorized

2011 UNC Charlotte Center City opens

Awarded 8,297 degrees

DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

- 28,412 students; 23,037 undergraduates (expected for Fall 2020), 47 states and 105 countries
- No. 1 school in UNC System for transfer students; 88% from North Carolina
- 37% of freshmen are first-generation college students
- 75% receive financial aid
- 41% receive Pell grants; more than $44.4 million
- 115 full merit scholarship packages awarded
- 1,114 annual and endowed institutional scholarships; more than $4.22 million
- 75 bachelor’s, 65 master’s and 24 doctoral programs
- Tuition and fees $7,096 in state; $20,530 out-of-state

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES
- Computer Science
- Communication Studies
- Finance
- Psychology
- Health and Human Services

MASTER’S DEGREES
- Computer Science
- Business Administration
- Information Technology
- Nursing
- Education

DOCTORAL DEGREES
- Engineering
- Computing and Information Systems
- Education
- Applied Mathematics
- Nursing
Exponential: The Campaign for UNC Charlotte is the largest campaign in the University’s history with a goal of $200 million. Exponential is truly transforming UNC Charlotte by providing scholarships and resources for students, research opportunities for faculty and reaffirming the University’s position as an economic engine for the Charlotte region.

ENGAGED FACULTY AND STAFF

- Student to faculty ratio is 19:1
- 3,700 faculty and staff
- 85% of faculty hold terminal degrees
- Research awards totaling $51 million; representing a 27% increase over a four-year period

ENGAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Economic Impact on the Charlotte region is more than $2.1 billion.
- PORTAL: The Partnership Outreach and Research to Accelerate Learning building serves as an innovative center for regional and global business pioneers.
- EPIC: The Energy Production and Infrastructure Center supplies well-educated and highly trained engineers, and provides sustainable support for applied research.
- Second-highest producer of teachers in North Carolina
- Community Engaged University recognized by The Carnegie Foundation

ATHLETICS

- Student-athletes completed 4,295 hours of community service during the 2018-19 academic year
- 62% of student-athletes earn a 3.0 GPA or better
- 18 Division 1 sports; including nationally ranked men’s soccer and women’s golf
- 49ers football made first bowl appearance in the 2019 Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl

EXPOENTIAL CAMPAIGN PILLARS

- Securing faculty support $13 MILLION
- Advancing innovation and knowledge $21.3 MILLION
- Improving the student experience $111.9 MILLION
- Ensuring access and scholarship $72 MILLION

POINTS OF PRIDE

- Top 5 nationally for number of startups per million dollars research funding
- Record 28 U.S. patents in 2018
- College of Computing and Informatics is the largest computing college in North Carolina
- Belk College of Business is one of the largest business schools in the Carolinas
- 150,000 living alumni; 71,113 in the Charlotte region
- Light rail connects UNC Charlotte to the heart of the city
- Awarded the 2019 Degree Completion Award by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities
- Opened the Carolina’s first School of Data Science