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

Charlotte Center opened Uptown by UNC
1946

Became the fourth institution of the UNC System
1965

Four-year status conferred
1963

First master’s year program
1969

Doctoral programs authorized
1993

UNC Charlotte Center City opens
2011

Awarded 8,297 degrees
2019

DIVERSE STUDENT BODY

- 30,146 students; 24,146 undergraduates, 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
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

**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.

EXPOSITIONAL 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 Carolinas **first School of Data Science**