

Higher Education Associations

[Association of American Universities \(AAU\)](#)

The AAU is an organization of research universities devoted to maintaining a strong system of academic research and education. It consists of sixty U.S. universities and two Canadian universities. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is a member of this organization.

[National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges \(NASULGC\)](#)

Founded in 1887, the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC) is the nation's oldest higher education association. The following are members of NASULGC:

[East Carolina University](#)

[North Carolina A&T State University](#)

[North Carolina State University](#)

[The University of North Carolina](#)

[University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill](#)

[University of North Carolina at Charlotte](#)

[University of North Carolina at Greensboro](#)

[University of North Carolina at Wilmington](#)

[National Association for Equal Opportunity in Education \(NAFEO\)](#)

The mission of the Association is as follows: to champion the interests of historically and predominantly black colleges and universities with the executive, legislative, regulatory and judicial branches of federal and state government and with corporations, foundations, associations and non-governmental organizations; to provide services to NAFEO members; to build the capacity of HBCUs, their executives, administrators, faculty, staff and students; and to serve as an international voice and advocate for the preservation and enhancement of historically and predominantly black colleges and universities and for blacks in higher education.

[The Science Coalition](#)

The mission of the Science Coalition is to expand and strengthen the federal government's investment in university-based scientific, medical, engineering and agricultural research. UNC General Administration belongs to the Science Coalition on behalf of the entire University. North Carolina State also maintains its own individual membership.

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[Association of American Medical Colleges \(AAMC\)](#)

The Association of American Medical Colleges is a non-profit association founded in 1876 to work for reform in medical education. Both ECU and UNC-Chapel Hill belong to this organization.

[Council for the Advancement and Support of Education \(CASE\)](#)

The Council for Advancement and Support of Education is the professional organization for advancement professionals at all levels who work in alumni relations, communications, and development. All UNC institutions, including General Administration, are members of CASE.

[American Council on Education \(ACE\)](#)

Founded in 1918, the American Council on Education (ACE) is the major coordinating body for all the nation's higher education institutions, seeking to provide leadership and a unifying voice on key higher education issues and to influence public policy through advocacy, research, and program initiatives. All UNC institutions, including General Administration, are members of ACE.

[Student Aid Alliance](#)

The Student Aid Alliance is a coalition of organizations representing students, colleges and universities and others who believe that all qualified students should be able to go to college regardless of their financial resources.

[American Association of State Colleges and Universities \(AASCU\)](#)

AASCU represents more than 400 public colleges, universities and systems of higher education throughout the United States and its territories. AASCU members work to extend higher education to all citizens. Access is a hallmark of AASCU institutions, colleges and universities that embrace students who traditionally have been underrepresented in

higher education as well as those who are first generation college students. UNC Members:

Appalachian State University
East Carolina University
Elizabeth City State University
Fayetteville State University
North Carolina A & T State University
North Carolina Central University
University of North Carolina at Asheville

University of North Carolina at Charlotte
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina at Pembroke
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Western Carolina University
Winston-Salem State University

American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U)

AAC&U is the leading national association concerned with the quality, vitality, and public standing of undergraduate liberal education. Founded in 1915 by college presidents, AAC&U now represents the entire spectrum of American colleges and universities—large and small, public and private, two-year and four-year. AAC&U comprises more than 1,000 accredited colleges and universities that collectively educate more than five million students every year. UNC Members:

Appalachian State University
Fayetteville State University
North Carolina A & T State University
North Carolina State University
University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

University of North Carolina General Administration
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
University of North Carolina at Pembroke
University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Western Carolina University
Winston-Salem State University

American Association for the Advancement of Science

(AAAS) is an international non-profit organization dedicated to advancing science around the world by serving as an educator, leader, spokesperson and professional association. In addition to organizing membership activities, AAAS publishes the journal [Science](#), as well as many scientific newsletters, books and reports, and spearheads programs that raise the bar of understanding for science worldwide.

American Institute of Physics

The American Institute of Physics (AIP) is a 501(c)(3) membership corporation chartered in New York State in 1931 for the purpose of promoting the advancement and diffusion of the knowledge of physics and its application to human welfare. It is the mission of the Institute to serve physics, astronomy, and related fields of science and technology by serving its [Member Societies](#) and their associates, individual scientists, educators, R&D leaders, and the general public with programs, services and publications - Information that matters®

American Libraries Association

The American Library Association is the oldest and largest library association in the world, with more than 64,000 members. Its mission is to promote the highest quality library and information services and public access to information.

Association of Research Libraries

ARL is a nonprofit organization of 123 research libraries at comprehensive, research-extensive institutions in the US and Canada that share similar research missions, aspirations, and achievements.

Coalition for National Science Funding

The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) is an alliance of over 100 organizations united by a concern for the future vitality of the national science, mathematics, and engineering enterprise. CNSF supports the goal of increasing the national investment in the National Science Foundation's research and education programs in response to the unprecedented scientific, technological, and economic opportunities facing the United States.

Council for Higher Education Accreditation

A national advocate and institutional voice for self-regulation of academic quality through accreditation, CHEA is an association of 3,000 degree-granting colleges and universities and recognizes 60 institutional and programmatic accrediting organizations.

Council of Graduate Schools

Over the last four decades, the Council of Graduate Schools (CGS) has been the national voice for the graduate dean community. CGS is the only national organization in the United States that is dedicated solely to the advancement of graduate education and research. Our mission is to advance graduate education in order to ensure the vitality of intellectual discovery and to promote an environment that cultivates rigorous scholarship.

Council on Government Relations

The Council on Government Relations is an association of research universities. COGR's primary function is to provide advice and information to its membership and to make certain that federal agencies understand academic operations and the impact of proposed regulations on colleges and universities.

National Academy of Sciences

The National Academies perform an unparalleled public service by bringing together committees of experts in all areas of scientific and technological endeavor. These experts serve pro bono to address critical national issues and give advice to the federal government and the public.

National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

The National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU) serves as the unified national voice of independent higher education. Since 1976, the association has represented private colleges and universities on policy issues with the federal government, such as those affecting student aid, taxation, and government regulation. Today, through new communication technologies, improved governance structure, and increased participation, NAICU has become an even more effective and respected participant in the political process.

National Humanities Alliance

Founded in 1981, the National Humanities Alliance (NHA) is an advocacy coalition dedicated to the advancement of humanities education, research, preservation, and public programs.