

MISSION

Preparing diverse students for success in the 21st Century, Winston-Salem State University offers quality educational programs at the baccalaureate and graduate levels. Students are engaged in active and experiential learning and have access to education through flexible delivery modes. The university is dedicated to the development of students through excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service. As a comprehensive, historically black constituent institution of The University of North Carolina, Winston-Salem State University contributes to the social, cultural, intellectual, and economic growth of the region, North Carolina and beyond.

CAMPUS DESCRIPTION

Winston-Salem State University is a master's level public institution that develops the skills and values students need to contribute and succeed in the changing economy of the 21st Century. Its degree programs in growing fields such as health sciences, information technology, financial services and teacher education, offer the flexibility to accommodate diverse life situations of both traditional and non-traditional students ranging from recent high-school graduates to working adults. The university's curriculum also prepares students to use the latest technologies as powerful tools for continuous learning, career advancement and personal enrichment. Beyond technical skills, the WSSU educational experience inspires individual commitment to community service through classroom and field experiences that develop civic leadership and prepare students to make lifetime contributions to society.

VOLUNTARY STANDARDS OF ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT (VSA)

<http://www.collegeportraits.org/NC/WSSU>

CAMPUS WEB SITE

www.wssu.edu

MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNC TOMORROW

The university continues to focus on its historical mission of serving minority and economically disadvantaged populations, but also has leveraged its assets in the broader region that includes many rural and economically disadvantaged communities. The Accelerated Nursing Baccalaureate Program, underwritten by a local hospital, is an example of a public-private partnership addressing regional access and workforce issues in 11 counties through Distance Learning Sites. To better equip students with the "soft skills" necessary for success in the 21st Century, the university's Quality Enhancement Plan of our SACS reaffirmation focuses on improving writing in the major. The university, through a new Strategic Plan, is also reviewing and re-defining its curriculum to provide more support for student learning in the areas of critical and analytical thinking.

Link to UNC Tomorrow report: <http://www.wssu.edu/nr/rdonlyres/vault/homepage/documents/WSSU%20Responds%20to%20UNC%20Tomorrow.pdf>

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

From Donald J. Reaves, chancellor since August 2007

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“As one of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the UNC System, Winston-Salem State has a strong track record of providing African American students with a quality education. Consistently ranked among the top southern public colleges in the bachelor’s category by U. S. News and World Report, we continue to focus on improving the only real product we have to offer – our graduates. A new Strategic Plan is providing direction that will serve as a catalyst for the first major reform of our curriculum in more than 50 years. We are expanding opportunities for our students to be involved in research, global studies, the arts and community service. We strive every day to support the university’s motto of “Enter to Learn. Depart to Serve.”