



POINTS OF PROGRESS & PRIDE 2022-2023

Established in 1891, under the Second Morrill Act of 1890, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University is a land-grant, doctoral high research university. Throughout its 132-year history, North Carolina A&T has maintained a rich tradition in academics, research and outreach. Today, the university is committed to exemplary undergraduate and graduate instruction, scholarly and creative research, and effective public service and engagement. An institution of choice for high-achieving students, N.C. A&T aspires to be recognized as a preeminent land-grant university.

ENROLLMENT

- N.C. A&T's fall 2022 enrollment of 13,487 made it **America's largest historically Black college or university (HBCU)** for the ninth consecutive year.
- Over the past decade (2011-2021), **applications to N.C. A&T grew by 246.33%** – a faster rate than those of any traditional (in-seat vs. online) university in America during that same period. (Chronicle of Higher Education)
- N.C. A&T enrolls **more Black first-year students than the top 14 national universities combined**: Brown, Cal Tech, Chicago, Dartmouth, Duke, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, MIT, Northwestern, Penn, Princeton, Stanford, Vanderbilt and Yale. (U.S. News & World Report's "Best Colleges")

RANKINGS: OVERALL

- No. 13 among U.S. colleges and universities in "Engagement" (Wall Street Journal/THE College Rankings)
- No. 41 among National Universities in "Social Mobility" (U.S. News)
- No. 46 among National Universities in Rehabilitation Counseling Graduate Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 52 among National Universities in "Most Innovative Schools" (U.S. News)
- No. 63 among National Universities in Best MBA Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 75 among National Universities in Industrial/Manufacturing/Systems Engineering Graduate Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 137 among National Universities in Electrical/Electronic/Communications Engineering Graduate Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 138 among National Universities in Mechanical Engineering Graduate Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 150 among National Universities in Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs (U.S. News)
- No. 156 among National Universities in Best Public Universities (U.S. News)

RANKINGS: HBCU SPECIFIC

- No. 1 HBCU in America (University HQ, Degree Choices)
- No. 1 HBCU in STEM Programs (The Hundred-Seven)
- No. 4 HBCU in National University rankings (U.S. News)
- No. 8 HBCU in America (tied) (Wall Street Journal/THE College Rankings)
- No. 9 HBCU (tied) (U.S. News & World Report, Best Colleges 2023 HBCU Rankings)



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RESEARCH

- N.C. A&T ranks no. 3 in the UNC System in sponsored research contracts and grants, with \$97.4 million in awards (FY 2022).
- Contracts and grants have grown by more than 60% over the past two years and are expected to surpass \$100 million in FY 2023—the first time N.C. A&T will have exceeded that milestone.
- N.C. A&T has 66 U.S. patents and another 15 patent applications pending.
- N.C. A&T is home to six Centers of Excellence in areas ranking from cybersecurity to health disparities to advanced manufacturing. They are among 25 centers and institutes and six additional collaborative centers active at the university, all providing research and educational experiences for students.

OUTCOMES

- N.C. A&T bachelor's degree recipients earn a mean starting salary of \$54,900, ranking no. 2 in the 17-campus UNC System in starting alumni pay. The salary analysis is undertaken by U.S. News & World Report and PayScale, the national leader in compensation analysis.
- In a growing number of master's and doctoral degree programs, N.C. A&T graduates emerge with six-figure starting salaries. Our MBA grads earn an average starting salary plus bonus of \$107,000. Master's and doctoral programs in Science Technology Management and in Applied Science and Technology have similar starting salary potential.
- N.C. A&T has the largest in-person career fairs in North Carolina of any university, with more than 800 of the nation's best employers represented. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we had the nation's largest virtual career fairs, hosted in the college career services platform, Handshake. Our Office of Career Services posts nearly 60,000 jobs annually for the ~2,700 graduates now emerging each year.

- Over the past two years, N.C. A&T has produced more Black bachelor's degree earners than any other U.S. university in the following disciplines: Engineering, Agriculture, Journalism and Liberal Arts.
- Graduates from N.C. A&T join an alumni network of 70,000 that includes prominent leaders in business, government and education. Here are some of the most notable:
 - **The Hon. Michael S. Regan**, 16th Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; first Black man and HBCU graduate to lead the U.S. EPA
 - **Janice Bryant-Howroyd**, CEO, The ActONE Group, the nation's largest woman-founded, private HR company created in the U.S.; no. 32 on Forbes magazine's annual list of America's Richest Self-Made Women
 - **U.S. Congresswoman Alma S. Adams, Ph.D.**, currently serving her fifth term representing the 12th Congressional District of North Carolina in the U.S. House of Representatives
 - **The Reverend Jesse Jackson Sr.**, former presidential candidate and civil rights icon
 - **Terrence J**, Oscar-winning producer; actor and TV host
 - **Brandon "Big Stuff" Parker**, offensive tackle, Las Vegas Raiders
 - **Tarik Cohen**, former All Pro return specialist and running back and 2018 Rookie of the Year for the NFC North Division, Chicago Bears
 - **Kayla White**, NCAA national champion in track, women's 200m
 - **Walter Hood**, nationally renowned landscape architect and winner of a MacArthur Foundation "Genius Grant"
 - **Brad Holmes**, General Manager and Executive Vice President, Detroit Lions of the NFL
 - **Dr. Lynn Perry Wooten**, President, Simmons University
 - **Dr. Tomika P. LeGrande**, President, Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical University
 - **Dr. Raheem Beyah**, Dean of Engineering, Georgia Tech
 - **Trevor Stewart**, first N.C. A&T athlete to earn an Olympic medal—a bronze in the inaugural mixed 4x400 relay at the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo; he also earned a gold medal as a member of the men's 4x400 relay team
 - **Randolph Ross Jr.**, 2020 Olympics gold medalist as a member of the men's 4x400 relay team