Creating a Community of Change

Tougaloo College

Over 60% of Tougaloo graduates enter professional and graduate schools immediately after receipt of their undergraduate degrees. Today, Tougaloo College is the leading producer of African American health professionals, including over 40% of the physicians, psychologists, dentists, pharmacists and other health care professionals practicing in Mississippi. It has produced more than one-third of Mississippi’s African American attorneys and educators, including teachers, principals, school superintendents and college/university faculty and administrators.

Campus and Facilities

Tougaloo College’s historic campus, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, sits on 500 acres of prime land. The campus features historic and modern facilities such as Woodworth Chapel, Kincheloe Hall, the Blackmon Administration Building and Holmes Hall. Four student residence facilities house two-thirds of the student body. Recreational facilities include outdoor basketball courts, lighted tennis courts, baseball and soccer fields, and the Kroger Gymnasium in the Owens Health, Wellness, and Human Resources Center.

Library and Information Technology Services

The Zenobia Coleman Library contains 104,172 volumes and provides access to over 58 million external sources through the Interlibrary Loan Service and over 5,000 linear feet of manuscripts and archival materials. Tougaloo College is an Internet2 campus, providing access to email, the Internet and standard software applications through wireless connectivity or the campus fiber optic network.

Athletics

Tougaloo College competes in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division I and the Gulf Coast Athletic Conference, and fields intercollegiate athletic teams in baseball, basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, and tennis.

Location

Tougaloo is located in Madison County on the northern edge of Jackson, Mississippi. Hinds, Madison and Rankin Counties form the Metropolitan Jackson community of 425,000 residents. The Metro area offers commercial, medical, governmental and cultural opportunities and provides a welcoming setting for the College and our students.

Financial Assistance

Tougaloo College offers merit and need-based scholarships and participates in federal and state student aid programs. Over 90% of the students currently attending the College are eligible for and receive some form of financial assistance.

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“Where History Meets the Future”
Tougaloo College is an independent, residential, co-educational, undergraduate liberal arts institution of higher learning affiliated with the United Church of Christ and the Disciples of Christ. Founded in 1869, by the American Missionary Association, it is the only private historically black institution of higher education in the Greater Jackson, Mississippi community.

Tougaloo College is a community of engaged learners, offering a nurturing living and learning environment. Distinguished by its historic significance as a social change agent in the state of Mississippi, the College is commonly referred to as the "Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement". The content and character of the academic curriculum entwines intellectual growth, character development and civic responsibility into classroom preparation.

Tougaloo College emphasizes the development of students as responsible citizens and leaders prepared to effect change in a global economy. It provides extensive opportunities for students to assume leadership opportunities, participate in student exchange programs with collaborative partnering institutions such as Brown University, collaborate with faculty on research projects, study abroad and explore career opportunities through internships and externships at various organizations, helping to foster a vital campus life.

Degrees and Programs of Study
Tougaloo College offers the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Associate of Arts degrees. Twenty-nine majors are offered. In addition to these twenty-nine, five of the majors allow students to add one or more special emphases. Majors are offered in art, art education, biology, biology education, chemistry, chemistry education, child development, computer science, economics (emphases in accounting and business administration available), elementary education, English, English education, health and physical education, health and recreation (emphases in community health and recreation for special populations available), history (emphasis in African American studies), history education, hotel and hospitality management, interdisciplinary career oriented humanities (ICOHM), mass communication (emphases in radio and television, journalism, public relations, and advertising available), mathematics, music, music education, computer science, music education, physics, physics education, political science, psychology, religious studies, and sociology (emphasis in social work available). The Associate of Arts degree is offered in early childhood education, child development, hotel and hospitality management and religious studies. The College offers a pre-nursing program in partnership with the School of Nursing at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

Faculty
The College’s talented faculty members are dedicated teachers and scholars who contribute to the production of knowledge in their disciplines. Full-time faculty, over 70% of whom hold the Ph.D., Ed.D or terminal degree appropriate to their field, teach the majority of classes. The classroom experience is characterized by a student-faculty ratio of 15:1, ensuring personalized attention for students.

Students
Tougaloo College has a student population averaging 970 students from twenty-two states and four international countries. The middle 50% of entering freshmen score between 20 and 24 on the ACT and almost 50% rank in the top quartile of their high school graduating class. Almost 65% of the students reside on campus.

Achievements
Tougaloo College ranks among the top 50 U.S. institutions whose graduates earn Ph.D. degrees in science and engineering disciplines and among the top 15 historically black colleges and universities in the graduation of females with undergraduate degrees in the physical sciences. The College has produced more graduates who completed their Ph.D. degrees through the UNCF-Mellon Doctoral Fellowship Program than any other institution in the nation.

Tougaloo College is listed as one of the Best Colleges in the Southeast by The Princeton Review (2007 edition) and the only Mississippi institution ranked among the top 20 liberal arts institutions in the nation by Washington Monthly, Money magazine’s 2003 ranking of the most affordable private institutions in the nation lists Tougaloo College as number 5.