

About HBCUs

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) have an excellent academic track record. While only about 17 percent of black undergraduate students attend an HBCU, more than 28 percent of African-Americans who receive bachelor's degrees obtain them from an HBCU. These colleges and universities are also leading institutions in awarding degrees to African-American students in life sciences, physical sciences, mathematics and engineering programs.

Thanks to an agreement signed on March 17, 2015 between the California Community Colleges and numerous HBCUs, California community college students who complete certain academic requirements are guaranteed transfer to a participating HBCU.

HBCUs were established primarily to serve the higher education needs of the African-American community, however they are open to students of all ethnicities. There are more than 100 HBCUs in the country, with most located in the South and on the East Coast. Most award bachelor's degrees in many fields. Some also award master's and doctorate degrees.



DILLARD UNIVERSITY

The goal of the California Community Colleges HBCU Transfer Guarantee Program is to educate students about transfer opportunities at these institutions and develop pathways that will ultimately contribute to an increase in baccalaureate degree attainment.

Participating HBCUs


Alabama State University Montgomery, Alabama	Lane College Jackson, Tennessee
Alcorn State University Lorman, Mississippi	Lincoln University of Missouri Jefferson City, Missouri
Arkansas Baptist College Little Rock, Arkansas	Lincoln University of Pennsylvania Oxford, Pennsylvania
Benedict College Columbia, South Carolina	Mississippi Valley State University Itta Bena, Mississippi
Bennett College Greensboro, North Carolina	North Carolina Central University Durham, North Carolina
Bethune-Cookman University Daytona Beach, Florida	Philander Smith College Little Rock, Arkansas
Bowie State University Bowie, Maryland	Shaw University Raleigh, North Carolina
Central State University Wilberforce, Ohio	Southern University and A&M College Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Claffin University Orangeburg, South Carolina	Southern University at New Orleans New Orleans, Louisiana
Clark Atlanta University Atlanta, Georgia	Stillman College Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Dillard University New Orleans, Louisiana	Talladega College Talladega, Alabama
Edward Waters College Jacksonville, Florida	Tennessee State University Nashville, Tennessee
Fisk University Nashville, Tennessee	Texas Southern University Houston, Texas
Florida Memorial University Miami Gardens, Florida	Tougaloo College Tougaloo, Mississippi
Fort Valley State University Fort Valley, Georgia	Tuskegee University Tuskegee, Alabama
Grambling State University Grambling, Louisiana	Virginia State University Petersburg, Virginia
Hampton University Hampton, Virginia	West Virginia State University Institute, West Virginia
Harris-Stowe State University St. Louis, Missouri	Wiley College Marshall, Texas
Huston-Tillotson University Austin, Texas	Xavier University New Orleans, Louisiana
Kentucky State University Frankfort, Kentucky	

Advantages of This Program

- Guaranteed admission to a participating HBCU and acceptance of completed transfer level community college classes
- Simplified transfer process | Priority consideration for housing
- Eligible for transfer scholarships | Preadmission advisement

To learn more, email:
HBCUtransfer@CCCCO.edu

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Transfer Guarantee to
**Historically
Black Colleges
& Universities**

California community college students at our 114 colleges are guaranteed admission to several Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) throughout the United States.

HBCU Transfer Information

The HBCU Transfer Guarantee Program ensures a smooth transition for students from California community colleges to participating HBCUs. The simplified transfer process can reduce a student's need to take unnecessary courses, and can shorten the time to degree completion, resulting in a significant cost savings.

By completing the general education requirements for the University of California and California State University systems known as the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth (CSU GE) pattern and obtaining a transfer-level associate degree (60 units) with a 2.5 or higher grade point average, students are guaranteed admission with junior standing to participating HBCUs.

Students may also opt to transfer with 30 or more University of California or California State University transferable units and a 2.5 or higher grade point average. Units will be accepted for general education, pre-major or elective units.



WILEY COLLEGE

Did you know HBCUs graduate:

75 percent of African-Americans with doctorate degrees
75 percent of all African-Americans in the armed forces
80 percent of all African-American federal judges

- U.S. Department of Education

Your Pathway to an HBCU

Complete Your Community College Assessment and Orientation

Meet with a Counselor

Visit the Transfer Center and make an appointment with a counselor to discuss your course choices, educational goals and transfer plans.

Develop your Education Plan

Register for Classes

Be sure to begin your math and English courses your first year.

Apply for Financial Aid

Visit the California Community Colleges "I Can Afford College" website at www.icanaffordcollege.com.

Select and apply to a participating HBCU of your choice

To learn more, email:
HBCUTransfer@CCCCO.edu

Historically Black Colleges and Universities are typically much smaller in student size than most California public institutions. The majority of classes are taught by professors rather than teaching assistants, in a nurturing and supportive environment. And, at HBCUs there may be more opportunities for student leadership development.

California Community Colleges Resources:

For financial aid information go to:
ICanAffordCollege.com

For Associate Degree for Transfer information go to:
ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com

A Student Success Story



Ayeisha Gipson is a transfer student from San Diego City College, working toward her Bachelors in Secondary Education at Grambling State University. While attending City College, Ayeisha joined the UMOJA Program, a learning community

designed to help students transfer to four year universities. After learning about the HBCU Transfer Guarantee Program she said, "I always wanted to attend an HBCU, but applying to more than one was a financial burden."

A counselor recommended that she apply on the Common Black College Application. After applying she heard from Grambling State University that she had been accepted. "I wanted to make a positive difference in young people's lives and Grambling has a great education department that can help me utilize my skills and become a great educator."

Today, Ayeisha is on the Dean's and President's list with a 3.63 cumulative GPA. She's involved on campus and is a contributing writer for her school newspaper. "I love my HBCU. Attending Grambling State University has made a tremendous change in my life. I want my story to inspire others at their local community colleges."



GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY

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