

Bethune-Cookman University

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Mission Statement:

The Bethune-Cookman University mission is to serve in the Christian tradition the diverse educational, social, and cultural needs of its students and to develop in them the desire and capacity for continuous intellectual and professional growth, leadership, and service to others. The University has deep roots in the history of America and continues to provide services to the broader community through a focus on service learning and civic engagement.

Message from the President's Office:

Bethune-Cookman University is a four-year, private, and fully accredited institution of higher education that is filled with rich history and beloved traditions with a strong commitment to academic excellence and community service. From its beginnings as a school for young African-American girls to its status as a university, with eight academic schools, B-CU has educated generations of lifelong learners and community leaders. B-CU is one of 11 United Methodist Church-related Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Our College Family: Student Enrollment: 3,578 Student - Faculty Ratio: 16:1

Academics: Academic excellence is the cornerstone of Bethune-Cookman University's mission and the dedicated faculty is committed to education. With eight academic schools offering a wide variety of undergraduate degree programs and two exceptional master's degree programs, there are courses to inspire and challenge students interested in many disciplines. The most popular majors (Fall 2011) include: Nursing - Criminal Justice - Business Administration - Biology - Psychology - Teacher Education

Student Life: Bethune-Cookman was founded by Mary McLeod Bethune, who was a world-renowned educator, civil and human rights leader, champion for women and young people, and an advisor to five U.S. presidents. The campus has seen incredible transformations over the last several decades and is now one of three private historically black colleges in Florida.

Bethune-Cookman University's connection to The United Methodist Church dates back to 1872, when the Cookman Institute of Jacksonville, Florida, was established and named for the Reverend Alfred Cookman, a well-known Methodist minister. Following the merger of the Cookman Institute with Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune's school in Daytona Beach, the school that became known as Bethune-Cookman College affiliated with The United Methodist Church in 1924. It is a rich relationship that guides the values of the institution.

Learning in the classroom is only one part of the Bethune-Cookman experience. B-CU students are part of a community that lives and learns together in the residence halls, cafeteria, on the playing field, at the Performing Arts Center, and in activities organized by a wide range of student organizations.

Financial Assistance: Bethune-Cookman University offers students an unlimited wealth of resources available to finance their education including scholarships, grants and loans, while providing assistance to our students to prepare them to meet the challenges of their professional future. For more information, email financialaid@cookman.edu or call (800) 553 - 9369.

Campus Visit: Tours are available Monday - Friday at 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. Tours can be scheduled ahead of time by calling the B-CU Office of Admissions at (386) 481 - 2600.

Accreditation:

Bethune-Cookman University has received many accreditations for the institution and its programs, including:

SACS (Southern Association of Colleges and Schools)

University Senate of the United Methodist Church

NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association)

NCATE (National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education)

ACPHA (Accreditation Commission for Programs in Hospitality Administration)

NLNAC (National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc.)

Florida Department of Education

