

Black College Fund Schools Supported by the United Methodist Church

These institutions are open to anyone with a dream and the determination to succeed. There are approximately 16,000 students enrolled in these historically black colleges and universities. Asian, Hispanic, white, and international students are enrolling in increasing numbers.

Bennett College <http://www.bennett.edu>



Greensboro, North Carolina

Founded in 1873, Bennett is one of the only two historically black colleges in the U.S. exclusively for women. The college offers 24 areas of study in education, the social sciences, the humanities, natural and behavioral sciences and mathematics. Numerous opportunities to study at other higher education institutions at home and abroad continue the educational enrichment of Bennett's students.

Bethune-Cookman University

<http://www.cookman.edu/>



Daytona Beach, Florida

In 1904, Mary Jane McLeod Bethune founded what is today Bethune-Cookman University. There are 36 stately brick buildings on the main campus and, under the Continuing Education Program, the university operates extension sites in the Florida cities of Bradenton, Fort Pierce, Deltona, Gainesville, Spuds (branch campus), Sanford and West Palm Beach, and a weekend university on campus.

Clafin University <http://www.clafin.edu/>



Orangeburg, South Carolina

Clafin University, founded in 1869 as Clafin College, is the oldest historically black college or university in South Carolina. It was also the first college in the state to welcome all students, regardless of race or gender. The university offers broad-based education in liberal arts and sciences, combined with internships and other career-focused programs. The university currently offers master's programs in business

administration, biotechnology and education, and 33 undergraduate majors.

Clark Atlanta University <http://www.cau.edu>



Atlanta, Georgia

Clark Atlanta University is a comprehensive, private, urban, coeducational institution of higher education with a predominantly African-American heritage. It offers undergraduate, graduate and professional degrees, as well as certificate programs to students of diverse racial, ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds. It was formed in 1988 by the consolidation of Atlanta University, which offered only graduate degrees, and Clark College, a four-year undergraduate institution oriented to the liberal arts.

Dillard University <http://www.dillard.edu/>



New Orleans, Louisiana

Dillard University, founded 1869, is a private, historically black, comprehensive undergraduate institution, having as its purpose the development of graduates who are broadly educated, culturally aware, concerned with improving the human condition, and able to meet the competitive demands of a global and technologically advanced society. To achieve this purpose, the university strives to create and maintain an academic climate that is conducive to the pursuit of scholarship through programs of excellence anchored in the liberal arts.

Huston-Tillotson University <http://htu.edu/>



Austin, Texas

Huston-Tillotson University, founded in 1875, awards undergraduates four-year degrees in business, education, the humanities, natural sciences, social sciences, science and technology. A multicultural, multiethnic and religiously diverse institution, the university welcomes students of all ages, races and religions. The mission of the university is to provide its increasingly diverse student body with an exemplary

education that is grounded in the liberal arts and sciences, balanced with professional development and directed to public service and leadership.

Meharry Medical College <http://www.mmc.edu/>
Nashville, Tennessee



Meharry Medical College, founded in 1876, exists to improve the health and health care of minority and underserved communities by offering excellent education and training programs in the health sciences; placing special emphasis on providing opportunities to people of color and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, regardless of race or ethnicity; delivering high quality health services; and conducting research that fosters the elimination of health disparities. Meharry Medical College offers degrees and majors in medicine, dentistry, graduate studies and research, and allied health professions.

Paine College <http://www.paine.edu>
Augusta, Georgia



Paine College was founded in 1882 as the result of an unusual collaboration between black and white Methodists. The college was initially known as Paine Institute and was established to train preachers and teachers to educate those newly freed from slavery. In 1903, Paine Institute was rechartered as The Paine College. Paine College is a historically black, private, church-related, four-year, coeducational college.

Philander Smith College
<http://www.philander.edu>



Little Rock, Arkansas
Philander Smith College, founded in 1877, grants higher education access to individuals who are, or who have the potential to be academically talented, regardless of their social, economic or educational background. This includes the holistic development of students, the goal of helping them reach their potential as human beings and contributing members of society, the preparation of students for life in this pluralistic, complex, and technological society, and enabling students to understand other cultures.

Rust College <http://www.rustcollege.edu>
Holly Springs, Mississippi



Rust College is an accredited four-year, coeducational, liberal arts college. It is the oldest of the 11 historically black colleges and universities related to The United Methodist Church, the second oldest private college in Mississippi, the oldest historically black college in the state and one of the remaining five historically black colleges in America founded before 1867. It was founded in 1866.

Wiley College <http://www.wileyc.edu>
Marshall, Texas



Wiley College, the first historically black college west of the Mississippi River, was founded in 1873. The college employs a faculty committed to excellence in teaching, advising, scholarship and service. It provides a challenging curriculum, administered in an atmosphere of academic freedom with its corollary obligations, that prepares graduates for work, professional or graduate studies, and viable careers in selected fields.

The Black College Fund does not offer scholarships. Instead, the fund gives the participating colleges the finances they need to help students have a successful college experience. The Black College Fund helps support college staff and faculty who can serve as strong intellectual, cultural, and spiritual mentors. Students can apply for direct scholarships and loans through GBHEM's Office of Loans and Scholarships.
<https://www.gbhem.org/loans-scholarships/scholarships/> ;
phone (615) 346-7400.

In addition to the Black College Fund, scholarships for students who are active, full members of the United Methodist Church for at least one year prior to application are available through the United Methodist Higher Education Foundation for attending other accredited institutions:
<https://www.umhgef.org/scholarships/>; umhgef@umhgef.org
or phone toll-free (800) 811-8110.

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