QUICK FACTS

Nation’s 1st public university – laying of cornerstone of Old East, Oct. 12, 1793

18,350 undergraduates

3,696 faculty

$2.7 billion annual operating University budget (fiscal 2013-14)

8,211 graduate students

2,574 professional students

Over 290,000 alumni living in all 50 states and 146 countries

Record 31,331 applicants for 2014 admissions

WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION

1st among the 100 best U.S. public colleges and universities that offers students high-quality academics at an affordable price, according to Kiplinger’s Personal Finance magazine for the 13th time in a row

- 1st on the “Top 10 Best Value Public Colleges for 2014” list published by The Princeton Review
- 5th best public university in U.S. News & World Report’s 2015 “Best Colleges” guidebook for the 14th consecutive year
- 36th in the world and 27th in the U.S. among global universities according to the 2014 Academic Ranking of World Universities released by the Center for World Class Universities at Shanghai Jiao Tong University
- In top 15 percent of schools nationwide in 2014 on the Victory Media Military Friendly Schools list for supporting military student recruitment
- Kenan-Flagler Business School ranked 12th in Bloomberg Businessweek magazine’s 2013 list of the best executive MBA programs
- UNC School of Medicine ranked 2nd in primary care and 22nd in research by U.S. News & World Report in the 2015 edition of “America’s Best Graduate Schools”

ACCESSIBILITY

- In its 10th year, The Carolina Covenant is UNC-Chapel Hill’s promise to youth from low-income families towards a debt-free opportunity in higher education
- Grants, scholarships, and work-study jobs allow Covenant Scholars to earn a UNC degree without student loans
- Covenant Scholars earn an average 3.0 GPA at Carolina
- Cited by The New York Times as one of the Most Economically Diverse Colleges in 2014.

More than 4,000 high-achieving, low-income students have been supported

84% of Covenant Scholars graduate (2008 cohort)
RESEARCH & INNOVATION

- 7th nationally in university research funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 9th in federal R&D expenditures, 11th overall
- 143 faculty in National Academies and Learned Societies

$777.8 million in total research funding for fiscal 2013; supports more than 10,000 positions in North Carolina

Over $7.9 million in licensing technologies revenue for fiscal year 2014

UNC-Chapel Hill claims 791 patents, 1,573 foreign patents, 857 technology licenses.

UNC-Chapel Hill research creates jobs, attracts talent and industry, spins out business start-ups, and builds North Carolina’s economy

Nearly 1,400 jobs created by UNC Research centers and institutes across North Carolina

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- 48 Rhodes Scholars since the program began in 1904
- 36 Luce Scholars for internship in Asia – highest in the U.S. (as of 2014)
- 41 Goldwater Scholars – including 27 since Fall 2000
- 39 Truman Scholars – including 9 since Fall 2000
- 7 Churchill Scholars since Fall 2000
- 178 Fulbright Student Program Awards for global research and study

89.1% overall undergraduate student body 5-year graduation rate (2008 cohort).

86% overall graduation success rate (GSR) by student-athletes under the NCAA metric (03-06 classes, NCAA calculates this based on 4 years of data for students graduating in 6 years)

- 40 NCAA team championships in 7 different sports
- 238 Atlantic Coast Conference post-season championships
- 93 Tar Heel Olympians

OUTREACH & SERVICE

Recognized in 2013 for the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll with Distinction by the Corporation for National and Community Service

Carolina Center for Public Service supports faculty, students and staff in meeting the needs of North Carolina and beyond through promotion of scholarship and service

GLOBAL IMPACT

325 study abroad programs in 70 countries

$687,000 provided in scholarships, fellowships and program support for 155 undergraduates studying abroad during 2014-2015 academic year

More than one-third of UNC undergraduates study in other countries before graduation – one of the highest study abroad rates among public universities nationwide