Duke University

About College

1. Establishment year, vintage of the univ, some historical perspective

Duke University was founded in the year 1838 by Quakers and Methodists in the present-day town of Trinity. It is a private research university situated in Durham, North Carolina. It shifted to Durham in the year 1892.

The campus of Duke University covers over 8,600 acres of land of three adjoining campuses in Durham and a marine lab in Beaufort. Julian Abele designed the main campus incorporating Gothic architecture with Duke Chapel at the center of the campus. The east campus of Duke University displays Georgian-style architecture while the west campus shows gothic style and is located next to the Medical Center. The university administers 12 institutes and schools among which only three host undergraduate programmes including Trinity College of Arts and Sciences, Duke Kunshan University and Pratt School of Engineering.

3 Turing Award Winners and 13 Noble Laureates have been associated with the university. Moreover, the alumni of Duke include 25 Churchchill Scholars and 40 Rhodes Scholars.

uke offers 46 arts and sciences majors, four engineering majors, 52 Minors (including two in engineering) and Program II, which allows students to design their interdisciplinary major in arts & sciences, and IDEAS, which allows students to design their engineering major.[[100]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-Majors-100) Twenty-four certificate programs also are available.[[100]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-Majors-100) Students pursue a major and can pursue a combination of a total of up to three including minors, certificates, and/or a second major. Eighty-five per cent of undergraduates enrol in the [Trinity College of Arts and Sciences](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Trinity_College_of_Arts_and_Sciences), while the rest are in the [Pratt School of Engineering](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pratt_School_of_Engineering).[[](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-101)

Duke Libraries includes the Perkins, Bostock, and Rubenstein Libraries on [West Campus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University_West_Campus), the Lilly and Music Libraries on [East Campus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University_East_Campus), the Pearse Memorial Library at the [Duke Marine Lab](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University_Marine_Laboratory), and the separately administered libraries serving the schools of [business](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fuqua_School_of_Business), [divinity](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_Divinity_School), [law](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University_School_of_Law) and [medicine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_Medical_School).

Duke's student body consists of 6,994 undergraduates and 8,898 graduate and professional students (as of fall 2018).[[4]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-Quick_Facts_about_Duke-4)

The university has produced the 5th highest number of [Rhodes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhodes_Scholars), [Marshall](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marshall_Scholars), [Truman](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Truman_Scholars), [Goldwater](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barry_M._Goldwater_Scholarship), and Udall Scholars of any American university between 1986 and 2015.[[10]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-autogenerated1986-10) As of 2018, Duke also holds a top-ten position in several national rankings.[[11]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-11)[[12]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-12)[[13]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duke_University#cite_note-13)

b. Any distinguishing feature of the univ-what is it known for?

c. Structure of the univ-no of colleges, schools, departments, academic units

d. Nature of student body w.r.t diversity, UG-PG split, national/international split

e. Campus snapshot-if having multiple campuses, highlights of the city where located in

(important in the case of major cities)

f. Any awards or academic achievements that are noteworthy, ranking by various agencies

g. Employment prospects/placement highlights, salary highlights if any

h. Faculty related information-how many PhDs? How many notable faculty? How many

publishing research papers?

i. Alumni related information-How many top CEOs? How many notable/well-known

alumni?

j. Monetary health of the univ-size of endowments/grants given by the government?

k. The research focus of faculty and students and academic programmes

provide a place for self-education and discovery

promote scholarship and good citizenship through information literacy

acquire, organize, preserve and deliver information resources and assist users in their effective use

create a great library for a great university