

Facts About Elon

Overview

Elon University is a selective, independent, university on a campus of 620 acres in the town of Elon, North Carolina. Elon is renowned as a national model for engaged learning, along with excellence in the liberal arts and sciences and professional programs. For additional information about Elon, go to elon.edu/e-net.

Location

Located in the Piedmont Triad area, 20 minutes east of Greensboro and 30 minutes northwest of Durham and Chapel Hill

Exit 140 on Interstate 85/40

Accessible to airports (Raleigh/Durham and Greensboro) and Amtrak (Burlington)

Visitor information: elon.edu/e-web/visit

History

Founded as Elon College in 1889 by the Christian Church

Sustained a major fire in 1923 and was rebuilt 1923-1926

Became Elon University on June 1, 2001

Elon history: elon.edu/catalogresources

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Students

Fall 2013 enrollment totaled 6,305 students, including 706 graduate students

70 percent of undergraduate students are from outside of North Carolina

Students are from 47 states, the District of Columbia, U.S. Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and 49 other countries

Faculty

394 full-time faculty in 2013-14

88 percent of faculty have terminal degree

Student-to-faculty ratio is 12:1

Programs

132 credit hours required for graduation

Most courses are 4 credit hours

More than 60 majors available

Average class size is 21 students

Co-curricular programs in internships, study abroad, undergraduate research, leadership and service learning

Primarily daytime classes with limited evening offerings

Undergraduate Calendar

Fall semester: four months, late August to mid-December

Winter Term: four-week January term

Spring semester: four months, early February to mid-May

Summer: Session One in June, Session Two in July

Accreditation

Elon University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award bachelor's and master's degrees, the doctor of physical therapy degree and juris doctor degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Elon University.

Elon University School of Law is accredited by The American Bar Association (ABA).

Elon's teacher education program is accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and by the North Carolina State Board of Education.

The School of Communications is nationally accredited by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications (ACEJMC).

Elon's Martha and Spencer Love School of Business is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business-International (AACSB-International).

Elon's physical therapy education program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) of the North American Physical Therapy Association, 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone number: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org; website: capteonline.org.

Elon's physician assistant studies program has provisional accreditation from the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant.

Elon University is included on the list of colleges and universities approved by the American Chemical Society. Students satisfying the requirements listed for the B.S. degree with a major in chemistry will be ACS certified upon graduation.

The university is a member of the following associations:

- American Council on Education
- American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
- Association of American Colleges and Universities
- North Carolina Association of Colleges and Teacher Educators
- North Carolina Independent Colleges & Universities
- National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
- Council of International Schools
- UCC Council for Higher Education
- International Association for Management Education