Facts About Elon

Overview

Elon University is a premier small, private University on a campus of 502 acres in the town of Elon, North Carolina. Elon is the third largest of the 36 private colleges and universities in the state. For additional information about Elon, go to http://www.elon.edu/e-net.

Location

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

Exit 141 on Interstate 85/40

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

Visitor Information http://www.elon.edu/admissions/visit.asp

History

Opened in 1889 as Elon College, affiliated with United Church of Christ

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

Recent construction includes Belk Library, Michael Science Center, Rhodes Stadium

Became Elon University June 1, 2001

For Elon History see: http://www.elon.edu/catalogresources/

Students

Fall enrollment totaled 4,341 students, including 181 graduate students.

70% of students from out of state

Students are from 46 states and 30 foreign countries

Faculty

210 Full time faculty in 2001-02

85% of faculty have terminal degree

Student-to-faculty ratio is 16:1
Programs
132 credit hours required for graduation
Most courses are 4 credit hours
46 majors available
Average class size is 23 students
Co-curricular programs in internships, study abroad, undergraduate research leadership and community service
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 1 in June, Session 2 in July

Accreditation
Elon University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097; telephone number: 404-679-4501) to award bachelor's and master's degrees.

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

The university is a member of the following associations:
• The American Council of Education
• The American Association for Higher Education
• The American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
• The Association of American Colleges
• The Commission of Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
• The North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities
• North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities
• The National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
• The European Council of International Schools
• Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Education
• National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
• Independent College Fund of North Carolina
• The Council of Independent Colleges
• The Council for Higher Education of the United Church of Christ
• The International Association for Management Education
• Associated New American Colleges