Welcome to UNC Charlotte

We hope you enjoy this self-guided walking tour, which offers a general overview of our beautiful, modern campus. We invite you to stop at any building, classroom, residence hall, campus dining area or recreational facility, even those not directly on the walking tour path. If you are visiting on a typical class day, you will get a better idea of student and campus life.

Daily Campus Tours

- Student-guided daily campus tours are available Monday through Friday and select Saturdays with an advance reservation on our website.
- For more information about student-guided tours and other campus visit experiences, go to admissions.charlotte.edu/visit.

BEGINNING YOUR SELF-GUIDED TOUR

- This walking tour has been designed to take approximately one hour.
- Start your tour at the Gage Undergraduate Admissions Center and follow the numbered stops.
- Return back to the Gage Undergraduate Admissions Center using the Gold Niner Transit Bus Stop #34 across from the light rail station.
- On your way out, we encourage you to drive along the perimeter of campus to see additional residence halls, academic buildings and the football stadium.

Our History

- UNC Charlotte is one of a generation of universities founded in metropolitan areas of the United States immediately after World War II in response to rising education demands generated by the war.
- Originally started in 1946 as an evening college center named The Charlotte Center, the institution later evolved into Charlotte College in 1949, offering the first two years of college classes.
- In 1961, Charlotte College moved its growing student body into two new buildings on what became our current 1,000-acre campus.
- In 1965, the North Carolina legislature approved bills making Charlotte College a four-year, state-supported college, creating the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. UNC Charlotte is now the fastest growing university in the UNC System.

Getting Around Campus

Most students walk, bike or skateboard to class, but Charlotte also offers a variety of quick transportation across campus.

- Charlotte’s Niner Transit buses are free of charge and operate every day, except when the University is closed. Download the UNC NextRide mobile app or visit nextride.charlotte.edu.
- Zipcar rentals offer on-campus car rentals by the hour or by the day.
- Gotcha Mobility provides affordable, short-term bike and e-scooter rentals.

Campus Safety

- UNC Charlotte Police & Public Safety is a fully authorized state police agency, providing 24/7 police and security service to the campus.
- Blue Light emergency phones are placed strategically throughout campus providing the student community with an easy, reliable way to report a crime.
- The LiveSafe App provides access to campus emergency resources and a direct line of communication with students and the police via text and phone services.

New Additions

Charlotte’s growing student population also brings exciting additions to our campus.

- UNC Charlotte Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
  - The full-service hotel and conference center provides a welcoming space for families, visitors and Charlotteans. The hotel features more than 210 hotel rooms and 24,000 square feet of conference space.

The Science Building

- This state of the art facility features instructional and research laboratories, classroom space and is home to the chemistry, biology and physics departments.

Explore the Queen City

Our proximity to the city of Charlotte gives students many opportunities to explore, study and research in one of America’s fastest growing economies. Whether you’re interested in the arts, music, sports, history, dining, shopping or just sightseeing, there’s something for you in Charlotte.

- Shopping: Several area malls (including Concord Mills, Northlake Mall and SouthPark Mall), IKEA, shopping centers, art galleries and antique villages
- Major League Sports: Carolina Panthers (NFL), Charlotte Hornets (NBA), Charlotte Checkers Hockey (ECHL), Charlotte Motor Speedway (NASCAR), Charlotte Knights (MiLB) and Charlotte Football Club (MLS)
- Outdoor Attractions: Carowinds Amusement Park, Blumenthal Performing Arts Center, Great Wolf Lodge & Waterpark, Topgolf Charlotte, U.S. National White Water Center, museums and more.

Live on the Pulse of the City

We’re just a light rail ride away! Check out our favorite stops:

- Charlotte Knights Baseball (MiLB), Charlotte Football Club (MLS), Charlotte Checkers Hockey (ECHL), Charlotte Motor Speedway (NASCAR), Charlotte Knights (MiLB), Charlotte Hornets (NBA), Carolina Panthers (NFL), Charlotte Checkers Hockey (ECHL), Charlotte Motor Speedway (NASCAR), Charlotte Knights (MiLB), Charlotte Hornets (NBA), Charlotte Checkers Hockey (ECHL), Charlotte Motor Speedway (NASCAR), Charlotte Knights (MiLB)

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