About Queens

Nestled in a historic tree-filled neighborhood just minutes from Uptown Charlotte, Queens has provided students with transformational experiences for more than 155 years.

A private, co-ed, masters-level university, Queens serves 2,400 undergrad and graduate students in academic programs across the liberal arts and sciences as well as the professional fields of business, communication, nursing, health and education. All degree programs are grounded in a liberal arts core to help students hone their critical thinking, problem solving and communication skills.

With a 13:1 student-faculty ratio, the university is known for its student-centered mentality, welcoming southern hospitality and talented and caring faculty. Queens values the factors which foster student success: an intimate learning environment, excellence in teaching and intellectual curiosity.

In keeping with its Presbyterian heritage, responsibility and service to society are also critical parts of Queens’ culture, as expressed in its motto “Not to be served, but to serve.”

Queens emphasizes active, collaborative learning with a focus on a 21st century global curriculum that takes students beyond the classroom and into the Charlotte community and world at large. With the city of Charlotte as an extended campus, students have the opportunity to launch into abundant internships, community service and academic partnerships. All undergraduate students must complete at least one internship. In addition, the majority of Queens’ undergraduates study internationally in hundreds of countries via faculty-led study tours, international internships, language-immersion programs and semester exchange opportunities.

The university’s academic quality has been affirmed by numerous rankings and awards:

- A ranking in the top 10 percent for academic challenge and active learning, according NSSE.
- Five North Carolina Professors of the Year among our faculty, present and former.
- A Pulitzer Prize winner, a Fulbright Scholar, and North Carolina’s Poet Laureate on our faculty.
- Recognized as “Best College to Work For” by the Chronicle of Higher Education and “Best Place in Charlotte to Work” by Charlotte Business Journal.
- A top 20 ranking in U.S. News & World Report’s Southern Master’s category.

By graduation, students have obtained a comprehensive education grounded in the liberal arts and filled with opportunities to ready them for both successful careers and meaningful lives.

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Our Mission
Queens provides transformative educational experiences that nurture intellectual curiosity, promote global understanding, encourage ethical living and prepare individuals for purposeful and fulfilling lives.

Our Vision
Queens will be recognized as a leading comprehensive university, distinguished by its commitment to transforming the lives of its students and enhancing the intellectual and cultural fabric of its community.

Our Values
To fulfill its mission and its vision, Queens acts upon the following values:

Focus on Students: We value factors that foster student success: an intimate learning environment, excellence in teaching and intellectual curiosity. At Queens, education is grounded in the liberal arts tradition, one which develops critical thinking, creativity, communication, commitment to ethical behavior and responsible citizenship. This foundation leads to successful and fulfilling lives.

Integrity and Respect: We value a sense of caring and community; seek to promote diversity and a respect for all people; and recognize the importance of personal integrity and ethical action.

Stewardship: We value, and are committed to, those who learn and work at Queens, and we are proud of our university. We will responsibly manage our heritage, resources and reputation in the community to ensure we remain a source of pride for students, faculty, staff, donors and alumni.

Creativity and Innovation: We value creative, as well as innovative thinking and acting, both in the classroom and in the community to advance Queens toward its vision to be a leading comprehensive university and a community asset.

Service: We value responsibility and service to the society at large in keeping with our Presbyterian connection and as expressed in our motto, “Not to be served, but to serve.”