



Veteran Resource Packet



Offering support to students who are military veterans



Veterans Checklist

Admissions Procedures

- ___ Complete admissions application Apply to ECU http://www.ecu.edu/ecu/admissions.php
- ____ Apply for Aid

Apply for G.I. benefits http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/financial/veterans.cfm Complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov

- ____ Have military and transfer credit evaluated military transcript request information
 - Air Force transcripts, http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/
 - All other branches of service Complete the Joint Services Transcript request, https://jst.doded.mil/smart/ signIn.do
- ____ Attend Orientation as a new or transfer student http://www.ecu.edu/acad/fyc/
- ____ Meet with advisor and register for classes https://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/registrar/RegSched.cfm
- ____ More information:
 - Freshman checklist -http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/admissions/freshmanchecklist.cfm Transfer checklist - http://www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/admissions/transferchecklist.cfm

Student Veteran Services

- ___ Locate Office in Brewster D107 (252) 737-6542
- ____ Join the Pirate Veterans Organization, Email: pirateveterans@ecu.edu
- ___ Friend us on Face Book , Vets@ecu.edu
- ____ Watch for "Fall-in" dates (SVS meet and greet), in Fall and Spring semesters

You MUST Inform Veterans Affairs If You...

- ___ Change any CONTACT information
- ___ Change your enrollment in any manner
- ____ Change your PROGRAM of study (add/drop/change a major/minor)

Subsequent Semesters

- Certify every semester that you wish to use benefits once you have enrolled. ENROLL & FINALIZE SCHEDULE & CERTIFY WITH STUDENT VETERANS AFFAIRS.
- ____ Must be certified to possibly avoid late fees and dropped schedules for non-payment.
- You are responsible for all fees connected to your account
- ____ Monthly verification of enrollment (Ch. 30/35/1606/1607 only).
- ____ Only classes that apply to your program may be certified.

For more information concerning your student account balance please contact student accounting at halem@ecu.edu



ECU Military Veteran FAQ'S

NOTE! Next to each question and at the end of each answer you will find a contact person's email address. If you need additional information about that specific question/answer, please feel free to contact the corresponding person for extra assistance. If you are not sure where to direct your question after reading these FAQ's, please email vets@ecu.edu.

On this page you will find the following information:

- Office of Student Veteran Services
- Office of Military Outreach

• Veteran Benefits and Financial Aid

Is ECU a Yellow Ribbon school? Does ECU handle my CAA? I want to use the GI Bill. Where do I start? How do I apply for my Veterans benefits? What other documents do I need to provide to your office? How will my GI Bill affect other financial aid? Does the GI Bill pay ECU directly for my tuition and fees? Where do I go to determine the amount of benefits I have remaining?



• Military Transcripts

Will my military credits be counted toward a degree? How do I get my military transcripts?

• Residency For Tuition Purposes

My current state of legal residence as reported on my DD 2058 is not North Carolina, but I'm active duty military stationed in North Carolina. Does this qualify me for in-state tuition?
Does serving in the North Carolina National Guard allow me to rate In-State tuition?
Who should I contact at ECU to determine North Carolina residency for In-State tuition?
Am I still eligible for In-State tuition if I PCS out of NC while enrolled in an Undergraduate or Graduate program?

• ECU ROTC

I would like to inquire about your Air Force ROTC program, whom should I contact? I would like to inquire about your Army ROTC program, whom should I contact?

• UNC Veteran Benefits

Office of Student Veteran Services



• Where is the Office of Veterans Services located?

In Brewster D107 - Campus map Contact Trish Goltermann, Assistant Director of Student Veteran Services Email Address: vets@ecu.edu

Office of Military Outreach

• Where is the Office of Military Outreach located?

In Self Help Building – Downtown Greenville- Campus map Contact Jeff Netznik, Associate Director Email Address: netznikj@ecu.edu

Veterans Benefits and Financial Aid



• Is ECU a Yellow Ribbon school? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

Yes, The Yellow Ribbon Program is designed to help meet the gap in tuition and fee charges for students whose costs exceed the public in-state rate. To be eligible for this program, a student must be eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill at the 100% level. East Carolina University has voluntarily entered into an agreement with the Veteran's Administration to provide Yellow Ribbon awards to students. These awards may not cover the entire difference in costs for some students. In addition, the Student Financial Aid Office (SFAO) will determine eligibility in conjunction with other existing financial aid. In no case will financial need be exceeded when incorporating these awards into the financial aid package. For example, if awarded \$5,000.00 in financial aid and \$1,500.00 in Yellow Ribbon Awards, the financial aid package would be cut to \$3,500.00, maintaining the total award at \$5,000.00. Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu).

• Does ECU handle my CAA?

Please contact Jeff Netznik for this answer at netznikj@ecu.edu.

• I want to use my GI Bill. Where do I start? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

Start by visiting the Admissions website for undergraduate admissions or the Graduate website and apply for admission. Contact the Veteran Affairs Office for the necessary forms to receive VA benefits. (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

• How do I apply for my Veterans benefits? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

Once you are **admitted** complete the ECU Request for Benefits form, then contact the ECU Veterans Affairs Office. First time users of the Guard, Reserves, active duty, veteran or Chapter 1607 should go to the GI Bill Web site, complete Form 22-1990, Application for VA Benefits submit it to the VA and bring a copy to our office in Brewster D-107. If you have used your veterans benefits before but are new to ECU, then print and complete Form 22-1995 (Request for Change of Program or Place of Train-



ing) and submit it to our office to transfer your benefits.

• What other documents do I need to provide to your office? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

We need copy 4 of your DD214 (multiple activations require all copies). Additionally, first-time reservists should provide a copy of their Notice of Basic Eligibility (NOBE). If you paid additional contributions (kicker), submit one of the following: DD Form 2366; LES, if deductions are payroll deducted; or DD Form 1131, Cash Voucher.

• How will my GI Bill affect other financial aid? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

Because the Post-9/11 GI Bill lowers your financial need, it will probably make you ineligible for other types of financial aid.

• Does the GI Bill pay ECU directly for my tuition and fees? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

If you qualify for benefits under Chapter 30, Chapter 1606 or Chapter 1607, a monthly benefits check is deposited directly into your personal bank account. If you qualify for Chapter 35 benefits, the check is issued directly to you. Either way, it is your responsibility to ensure payment is received by the ECU Cashier's Office by the tuition payment or deferment deadline. Check here for the current monthly pay charts: www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/rates.htm.

• Where do I go to determine the amount of benefits I have remaining? (Contact vabenefits@ecu.edu)

The Department of Veterans Affairs considers this confidential information. Please contact their office directly by calling their toll free number, 888-442- 4551.

Military Transcripts

• Will my military credits be counted toward a degree?

You need to provide the Admissions Office with a copy of your military transcript. The Admissions Office will post the amount of credit recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE). It is ultimately up to your department advisor to grant any credit applicable to your major.

• How do I get my military transcripts?

(New for 2013, all branches of the military, except US Air Force, have moved to a joint transcript). More information can be found here:

http://uncserves.northcarolina.edu/degree_programs/military_transcripts

Joint Services Transcript

<u>ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, COAST GUARD: Joint Services Transcript</u> The Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard are now producing a Joint



Services Transcript. Transcripts can be requested online.

Community College of the Air Force Transcripts

AIR FORCE: Community College of the Air Force CCAF/DFRS 100 South Turner Blvd Gunter Annex AL 36114-3011

Residency for Tuition Purposes



 My current state of legal residence as reported on my DD 2058 is not North Carolina, but I'm active duty military stationed in North Carolina. Does this qualify me for in-state tuition? Chanda Johnson johnsonch@ecu.edu.

Yes, provided the student's permanent duty station is in North Carolina. If a student is coded "M" for military, this benefit remains in effect as long as the student maintains continuous enrollment. (Fall, Spring) Should a student decide to sit out a semester, a new waiver will have to be completed. Undergraduate/Graduate: Tarrick Cox – coxta@ecu.edu.

• Does serving in the North Carolina National Guard allow me to rate In-State tuition? (Contact email – admis@ecu.edu).

Yes. They should go to Undergraduate Admissions and they will put in a special code. The student would probably want to provide a letter of their status on letterhead. Contact email – admis@ecu.edu.

• Who should I contact at ECU to determine North Carolina residency for In-State tuition?

The Registrar's website has a detailed information page under the Residency tab. It also contains the North Carolina State Residence Classification Manual in its entirety. Residency applications may be submitted to Chanda Johnson (cas@ecu.edu).

Graduate students should contact Dr. Belinda Patterson, Dean of the Graduate School. (Pattersonb@ecu.edu).

• Am I still eligible for In-State tuition if I PCS out of NC while enrolled in an Undergraduate or Graduate program? (Contact Chanda Johnson – cas@ecu.edu).

ECU ROTC

• I would like to inquire about your Air Force ROTC program, whom should I contact?

Captain Charles Boler - bolerc@ecu.edu or First Lieutenant James Lewis - lewisj@ecu.edu

• I would like to inquire about your Army ROTC program, whom should I contact?





Mr. Mark A. Samuelson - samuelsonm@ecu.edu

UNC Veterans Benefits

http://uncserves.northcarolina.edu/degree_programs/questions_answers http://uncserves.northcarolina.edu/degree_programs/reserve_officers_training_corps

G.I. Bill Benefits Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I have submitted my paperwork to receive Veterans benefits, how long will it take to receive an award letter?

A: Once the school submits your paperwork to the Regional Processing Office, <u>normally</u> there is a 30-90 day waiting period. Once your paperwork is processes you will receive an award letter. Shortly thereafter, you will receive payment. If you are receiving Chapter 30 or 1606 benefits, please make note of the monthly certifications you will need to do. Instructions should be in the award letter.

Q: I receive advance pay, when will my next check come?

A: Advance payment will pay you from the date the school term starts through the next month. Therefore, since VA back pays you by one month, you will not receive payment until the fourth month of the term.

For example: If you receive advance pay for the Fall semester, your check will come to the school in August. This check will pay you for the school days in August and the month of September. You will not receive payment again until November, for the month of October.

Q: Do I have any months of entitlement left?

A: In order to find out how many months of entitlement you have left, you need to call the Regional Processing Office (RPO) in Decatur, Georgia (1-888-4551).

Q: Will VA pay me to retake a class?

A: VA will only pay you to retake a class in the event that your major requires that you make a certain grade in the class. VA will not pay you to retake a class just because you want a better grade. Before retaking a class, check the catalog for the course requirements.

Q: Financial Aid is requesting a copy of my award letter, where do I get this letter?

A: Your award letter will be sent to you once your request for benefits has been processes. Keep in mind this may be 30-90 days from the date the request was submitted by the school.

Q: Must I pursue a degree to receive VA benefits?

A: Yes, in order to receive VA benefits at East Carolina University, you must be pursuing a degree. The only exception is if you are pursuing teaching certification.



Q: How do I know if I am eligible for benefits?

A: To find out if you meet or how to meet eligibility requirements, you may call the Regional Processing Office (RPO) (1 -888-442-4551) or the VA office at ECU (252-328-1731).

For any further questions or more detailed answers, please contact:

VABenefits@ecu.edu



Pirate Veterans

Meeting Every Other Thursday Starting September 10th @ 6PM

Email pirateveterans@ecu.edu for more information

Mission: The Pirate Veterans purpose is to create a home for student veterans at sense of pride in past, present, or future duties through civic engagement, promote empowerment, and provide for the needs of student veterans through social engagement.

East Carolina University; promote a e scholarship through educational avors.



ECU Campus Resources

GI Bill Benefits	328-1731	D107 Brewster
Financial Aid	328-6610	2103 Old Cafe
Cashier	737-6886	G120F Old Cafe
Registrar	328-6747	Whichard Bldg.
Transcripts (ECU)	328-6747	Whichard Bldg.
Admissions/Transfer credits	328-6640	225 Which. Annx
Upon admission		
Admissions/DANTES Credit	328-6640	225 Which. Annx
ITCS HelpDesk	328-9866	N/A
Student Veteran Organization	pirateveterans@ecu.edu	Pirate Veterans
Disability Support	737-1016	138 Slay
Counseling Center	328-6661	137 Umstead
Dean of Students	328-9297	362 Wright
Military Programs	737-1812	214 Spilman
Military Outreach	737-1632	404-D Self Help
Career Center	328-6050	701 E. Fifth St.
Pirate Tutoring Center	737-3009	2300 Old Cafe
Rights and Responsibilities	328-6824	364 Wright
Graduate School	328-6012	107 Ragsdale





Off–Campus Resources

Evaluation of Military Credit

Joint Services Transcript

Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard: Joint Services Transcript (https://jst.doded.mil/smart/signIn.do) The Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard are now producing a Joint Services Transcript. Transcripts can be requested online.

Community College of the Air Force Transcripts

Air Force: Community College of the Air Force CCAF/DFRS (http://www.au.af.mil/au/ccaf/) 100 South Turner Blvd Gunter Annex AL 36114-3011

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American Council on Education (ACE) College Credit for Military Service (ACE's Guide)

http://www.acenet.edu/higher-education/Pages/Military-Students-and-Veterans.aspx

CLEP Transcripts

www.collegeboard.org/CLEP (1-800-257-9558, for additional information)

For Transcript Translation

Call World Education Service 212-966-6311

Funding

FAFSA http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/

Request for GI Bill benefits:

 Go to the Veteran's Online Application website (VONAPP)_https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ ebenefits.portal?_nfpb=true&_portlet.async=false&_pageLabel=ebenefits_myeb_vonapp1 and fill out the application. After submitting the application electronically to the VA, print out a copy to bring into the VA certifying office on campus.



ECU Federal School Code: 002923

- Apply to http://www.ecu.edu/financial/ for grants, loans and scholarship opportunities. If approved, you do not need to accept any of the loans, grants or scholarships. BUT it is important to have those approved and waiting in case you need them.
- There are literally thousands of scholarships available.

TA funding - www.goarmyed.com

More Resources

MILITARY SKILLS TRANSLATON

http://naces.org/members.htm

The Pirate Tutoring Center

Services

The Pirate Tutoring Center (PTC) provides free tutoring services for ECU students, academic skills workshops, study skills coaching, and academic support to enhance student success.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to help ECU students through peer academic tutoring, academic success strategies, individual assessment and consultations, and outreach initiatives in order to enhance academic performance and success.

Location

The PTC is located in the 2300 wing of the Old Cafeteria Complex. Students can contact PTC staff at 252-737-3009 or by emailing tutoring@ecu.edu.

The Pirate Tutoring Center hosted 23,792 visits of which 4,873 ECU students were helped during the 2012-2013 academic year. All of theses services were provided free of charge!

Contact 252-737-3009 for specific semester or summer session course tutoring. Tutoring is available by appointment in most 1000 and 2000 level courses each semester and summer sessions. Lead Tutors work with students at the PTC main office located in 2300 Old Cafeteria Complex. Interested students can call 252-737-3009 or stop by the main office to make a tutoring appointment.

PTC Tutoring at Night- Fall and Spring Semesters

The PTC hosts night tutoring on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30pm to 9:00pm, 2300 Old Cafeteria Complex. Check in for tutoring starts at 6:30pm.

Study Skills Assistance at the Pirate Tutoring Center

PTC staff will meet individually with students who wish to improve their study skills on a one on one basis. Assistance focuses on the following topics: obtaining college success, enhancing test taking skills, improving study habits, learning textbook reading tips, effective note taking in lectures, improving academic time management and motivation, developing course success strategies and referrals to other campus resources if needed.

To meet with a PTC Study Skills Coach, contact 252-737-3009 or tutoring@ecu.edu .

Specialized Workshops

Specialized workshops are sponsored by the Pirate Tutoring Center throughout the academic year. Workshops are designed to focus on specific issues facing ECU students and help provide valuable information and strategies to improve and enhance their academic performance. Check out our Fall Semester Workshop series UNLEASH YOUR INNER NERD!

- Test Preps: offered to prepare students for semester course exams and finals.

- Course Specific Success: staff provide key tips to succeeding in specific subjects each semester.
- Effective Study Skills: offered Fall and Spring semesters to help students improve study skills.
- Preparing for Finals: PTC staff share course specific tips for final exam success.



EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY UNIV 1000 – Military/Veteran Section Student Development and Learning in Higher Education

Instructor:Trish GoltermannOffice:Brewster D 107Email:goltermannp@ecu.edu or vets@ecu.eduPhone:252-737-6542

Required Text

Course Pack: COAD 1000 Freshman Seminar/First Year Programs, East Carolina, ISBN 978-0-7380-6121-4, Published by Hayden-McNeil

Course Description

UNIV 1000. Student Development and Learning in Higher Education. Section for Student Veterans

Introduction to student life at East Carolina University. Focus on development of academic skills, learning processes, career decisionmaking, and personal attributes essential for the student veteran's transition from military life to the academic environment.

Course Goals

The goal of UNIV 1000 is to provide training and experiences to allow students to be successful in their first year of college and beyond. Topics to be covered include understanding the transition from military life to college, student development and motivation, goal-setting skills, learning styles, memory development, listening skills, note-taking skills, study skills, test taking, communication, critical-thinking skills, ECU academic rules and regulations, and career development issues.

Course Objectives

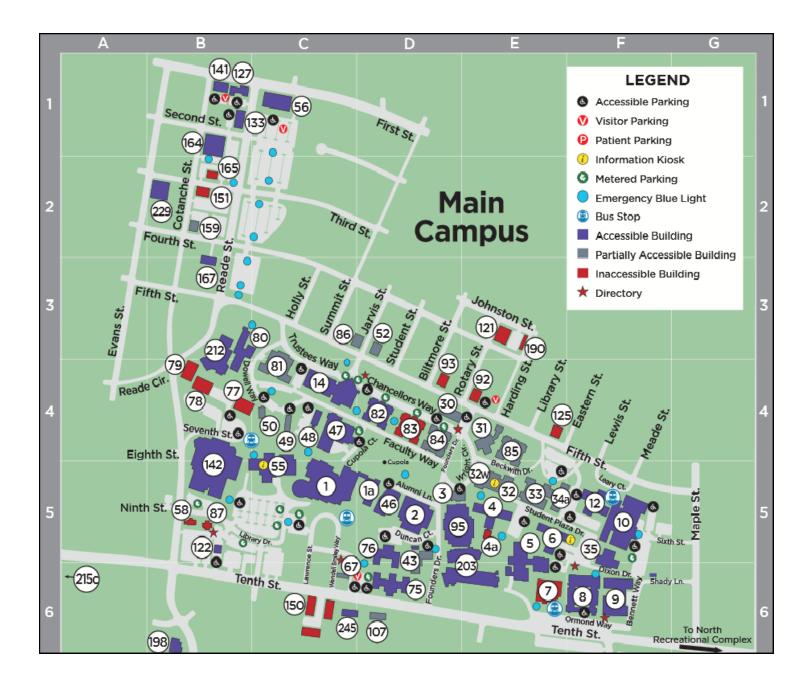
By the end of the semester, you will be able to:

- A. Discuss your responsibility as a student for your own success in college.
- B. Describe ways you can create a successful experience in college.
- C. List, describe, and use specific methods to:
 - 1. To facilitate successful transition from military life to campus life.
 - 2. Improve motivation and goal-setting skills.
 - 3. Understand personal learning style and adapt study skills.
 - 4. Take effective notes and prepare for and take tests successfully.
 - 5. Understand your personality profile and fit to major/career choice.
 - 6. Develop a philosophy of career development.
 - 7. Locate and utilize a variety of services and resource materials at ECU.
 - 8. Be knowledgeable about student opportunities in extra-curricular activities.
 - 9. Understand ECU academic rules and regulations and advising / registration procedures.
 - 10. Develop a support system among fellow student veterans.

Instructional Methodology

This course is designed to be interactive among students and professor. Focus will be on group discussion and group activities. Lecture, guest speakers, field trips to include stress management with bio-feedback demonstration, and exploration activities will be included.

<u>Students with Disabilities</u> East Carolina University seeks to comply fully with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Students requesting accommodations based on a disability must be registered with the Department for Disability Support Services located in Slay 138 (252) 737-1016 (Voice/TTY).



MAIN CAMPUS Alphabetical Listing of Buildings and Other Facilities

- 151. Administrative Support Annex (B2)
- 31. Admissions (E4)
- 13. Allied Health Sciences, School of (C14)
- 14. Art and Design, School of (C4)
- 95. Arts and Sciences, Thomas Harriot College of (D5)
- 39. Athletic Ticket Office (D11)
- 6. Austin Building (E5)
- 95. Bate Building (D5)
- 95. BB&T Center for Leadership Development (D5)
- Belk Building (C14)
- 67. Blount House (ECU Police) (C6)
- 155. Blount Recreational Sports Complex (B14)
- 50. Bloxton House (C4)
- Brewster Building (F6)
- 141. Building #141 (B1)
- 158. Building #158 (C12)
- 159. Building #159 (B2)
- 165. Building #165 (B2)
- 172. Building #172 (C8)
- 189. Building #189 (C10)
- 198. Building #198 (B6)
- 95. Business, College of (D5)
 - Campus Dining
 - 142. Center Court (B5)
 - 35. Croatan Building (F5)
 - 70. Galley, The (F8)
 - 55. Mendenhall Dining Hall (C5)
 - 55. Spot, The (C5)
 - 130. Todd Dining Hall (E7)
 - 212. West End Dining Hall (B3)
 - 32. Wright Place, The (E5)
- 52. Career Services
 - (Student Professional Development) (D3)
- 43. Central Receiving and Stores (D5)
- 86. Chancellor's Residence (D3)
- 7. Christenbury Memorial Gymnasium (E6)
- 59. Communication Sciences and Disorders Building (C14)
- 164. Cotanche Building (B1)
- 123. Developmental Evaluation Clinic (C12)
- 163. Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium (E10)
- 32. Dowdy Student Stores (E5)
- 12. Education, College of (F5)
- 167. Environmental Health and Safety Building (B3)
- 58. Eller House (Maritime History) (B5)
- 49. Erwin Building (C4)
- 190. Facilities Annex (E3)
- 126. Facilities Services Center (F9)
- 126. Facilities Services (Eppes Complex) (F9)
- 100. Facilities Services Grounds Operations (B14)
- 121. Facilities Administration (E3)
- 60. Facilities Services Steam Plant (D8)
- 161. Facilities Warehouse (87)
- 107. Family Therapy Clinic (D6)
- 2. Financial Aid Office (Flanagan Building) (D5)
- 133. Financial Services Building (B1)
 - Flanagan Building (D5)
 - 9. Fletcher Music Center (F6)
 - 3. Graham Building (D5)
- 193. Greenville Centre (D15) 156. Harris Building (G7)
- 37. Health and Human Performance, College of (D10)
- 92. Howard House (E4)
- Howell Science Complex (E6)
- Human Ecology, College of (F5)
- 127. Human Resources (B1)
- 87. International House (85)

- 51. Irons Building (B14)
- Jenkins Fine Arts Center (C4)
- 1. Joyner Library (C5)
- Ia. Joyner East (D5)
- 50. Ledonia Wright Cultural Center in the Bloxton House (C4)
- 43. Mail Services (D5)
- 48. Mamie Jenkins Building (C4)
- 58a. Maritime Conservation Lab (B14)
- 58b. Maritime History Wet Lab (B14)
- 141. Materials Management (B1)
- 33. McGinnis Theatre (E5)
- 55. Mendenhall Student Center (C5)
- Messick Theatre Arts Center (E5)
- Minges Coliseum (D10)
- 174. Murphy Center (D10)
- 9. Music, School of (F6)
- 92. News and Communication Services (E4)
- 10. Nursing, School of (F5)
- 47. Old Cafeteria Complex (C4)
- 122. Parking and Transportation Services (B5)
- 39. Pirate Club Building (D11)
- 67. Police, ECU (Blount House) (C6)
- 150. Professional Center (C6)
- 85. Ragsdale Building (E4)
- 4a. Rawl Annex (E5)
- 4. Rawl Building (E5)
- 56. Regional Development Institute (CI)
- 31. Registrar (E4)
 - Residence Halls
 - 71. Aycock (F8)
 - 73. Belk (E9)
 - 79. Clement (B4)
 - 84. Cotten (D4) 83. Fleming (D4)

80. Fletcher (B3)

81. Garrett (C4)

77. Greene (B4)

82. Jarvis (D4)

70. Jones (F8)

72. Scott (E8)

76. Slay (D5)

74. Tyler (E8)

78. White (B4)

38. Scales Field House (D11)

203. Science and Technology Building (E6)

55. Student Center, Mendenhall (C5)

47. Student Publications (Old Cafeteria Complex) (C4)

203. Technology and Computer Science, College of (E5)

46. Student Health Services (D5)

142. Student Recreation Center (B5) 32. Student Stores, ECU-Dowdy (E5)

93. Taylor-Slaughter Alumni Center (D4)

97. Ward Sports Medicine Building (D11)

31. Whichard Building and Annex (E4) 37. Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum (D10)

10. Rivers Building (F5)

Speight Building (F5)

60. Steam Plant (D8)

30. Spilman Building (D4)

125. Ward Guest House (E4)

212. West End Dining Hall (B3)

56. Willis Building (CI)

32. Wright Annex (E5) 32a. Wright Auditorium (E5)

75. Umstead (D6)



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