

North Louisiana's 11 Colleges and Universities

North Louisiana's 11 colleges and universities partner with business and industry to create a workforce pipeline that supply qualified and skilled workers. Our institutions of higher learning also provide the intellectual capital and R&D to foster innovation in our region.

They generate the innovations necessary to increase productivity and produce top quality graduates needed to sustain business growth and expansion. More than 60,000 students are enrolled in our four year, two year and technical schools in key fields such as allied health, pharmacology, engineering, manufacturing, process technology, and business. Our higher education partners work readily with business and industry to create a workforce pipeline to fill demand fields.

North Louisiana institutions of higher learning are recognized nationally and globally for their top quality programs and research. They work readily with employers to customize curricula to address workforce needs.

- Louisiana Tech University in Ruston is the largest four year university in North Louisiana. It was recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as a Tier 1 National School.
- The University of Louisiana at Monroe is also ranked as a Tier 1 National School by *U.S. News & World Report* and has the only public Pharmacy School in the State.
- Centenary College ranks as a top tier liberal arts college in North Louisiana.
- Northwestern State University and LSU-Shreveport are recognized as top Regional Universities by *U.S. News & World Report*.
- Grambling State University and Southern University at Shreveport are well known Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU).
- LSU Health Shreveport is home to the only medical school in north Louisiana and one of only three in the state.
- Louisiana Delta Community College offers bridges to careers through studies like nursing, business technology, computer/networking support and process technology.
- Bossier Parish Community College and Louisiana Delta Community College offer employer-focused academic degree and certificate programs.
- Northwest Louisiana Technical College system provides vocational education in everything from nursing to automotive.

Enrollment Details in Our Colleges and Universities:

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Enrollment at North Louisiana Schools (Fall 2017 Enrollment)

2 Year Institutions	Location	Enrollment	Primary Program(s)**
Bossier Parish Community College	Bossier City	6,734	Business, Industrial Technology, Engineering, Oil & Gas Production, Technology, Information Systems, Construction Technology, Recording Arts, Respiratory Therapy
Louisiana Delta Community College	Monroe	3,676	Process Technology, Nursing, Education
Northwest Louisiana Technical College	3 campus sites	1,137	Administrative Assistants, A/C, Auto Mechanics, Carpentry, Construction, Instrumentation Technician, LPN, Nurses Aide, Welding
Southern University-Shreveport	Shreveport	3,013	Airframe & Powerplant Maintenance, Allied Health, Business, Nursing
4 Year Institutions	Location	Enrollment	Primary Program(s)**
Centenary College of Louisiana	Shreveport	585	Biology, Business, Communications, Geology; MBA, Music, Psychology
Grambling State University	Grambling	5,208	Business, Criminal Justice, Engineering, Mass Comm., Nursing, Social Work, Technology Education
LSU Health-Shreveport	Shreveport	1,451	Medical Doctorate, Medical Technology, Physical & Occupational Therapy, Clinical Lab Science

Louisiana State University-Shreveport	Shreveport	5,996	Animation & Visual Effects, Biology, Business, Computer Information Systems, Health Administration, Energy, Land Management, Psychology
Louisiana Tech University	Ruston	12,839	Biology, Business, Cyber Security, Education, Engineering, MBA, Micromanufacturing, Marketing, Nursing, Sociology
Northwestern State University	Natchitoches	10,761	Biology, Business, Computer Information Systems, Education, Engineering Technology, Nursing, Psychology
University of Louisiana of Monroe	Monroe	9,234	Business, Education, Computer Information Systems, Construction Management, Nursing, Pharmacy, Radiology, Toxicology
Total Enrollment		60,722	

Sources: Louisiana Board of Regents, Fall 2017

* LSU Health Shreveport enrollment includes residents and fellows not reported by the La. Board of Regents

** Primary programs are based on the numbers of degrees/certificates awarded.

FOUR YEAR UNIVERSITIES

CENTENARY COLLEGE OF LOUISIANA

Centenary College is a small, private liberal arts and science school in Shreveport, recognized as one of the top colleges in the South. Centenary boasts 22 majors in the arts and sciences, numerous academic concentrations, a variety of pre-professional programs, and two graduate programs (MBA, MAT). Its pre-med program has a long and distinguished history and has a medical school acceptance rate of 93%.

- Listed among the “Best 376 Colleges” and “Best Southeastern Colleges” (Princeton Review, 2011)
- Ranks among the Tier 1 schools (U.S. News & World Report, 2011)

GRAMBLING UNIVERSITY

As a noted historically black college, Grambling State University continues the tradition of bettering the lives of its students. Grambling University offers more than 800 courses and 68 degree programs at its five colleges: College of Business; College of Education; College of Arts and Sciences; College of Professional Studies and College of Graduate Studies & Research.

Grambling is well-known for its excellent nursing and teacher education programs. GSU is a member of the University of Louisiana System (ULS), and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY HEALTH - SHREVEPORT

LSU Health - Shreveport is North Louisiana's only medical school and teaching hospital, offering multi-disciplinary research opportunities through its School of Medicine. Disciplines in basic and clinical sciences offer students and faculty unlimited research potential and provide an inextricable link between education, patient care services, research, and community outreach. LSU Health Shreveport is home to state-designated Centers of Excellence including the Feist-Weiller Cancer Center and a Center of Excellence in Arthritis and Rheumatology. On its main campus you will also find an accredited Children's Hospital, a regional Burn Center and a Level One Trauma Center.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY - SHREVEPORT

Louisiana State University - Shreveport offers nearly 40 undergraduate degree programs and a dozen master's degree programs to the more than 4,500 student enrolled at the region's urban university. Located in the Shreveport-Bossier metropolitan area, LSUS works closely with local and regional employers to develop programs that will meet workforce needs.

LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

As the largest university in North Louisiana with more than 12,500 students enrolled, Louisiana Tech University rose into the top tier of the "Best National Universities" as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*. The magazine also recognized Louisiana Tech's graduate programs in its 2012 Best Graduate School Report.

Louisiana Tech's College of Engineering and Science ranked in the top 125 nationally of all engineering schools, and the College of Education ranked in the top 150 of all education graduate schools.

Tech's nationally recognized Institute of Micro-manufacturing acts as an incubator for innovation and research. The cross-disciplinary research developed by faculty and students is then commercialized by companies located at the school's newest research park, Enterprise Campus. Its Cyber Security program is the first of its kind in the nation and was developed in partnership with the U.S. military.

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Northwestern State University is a four-year public university primarily situated in Natchitoches, Louisiana with a nursing campus in Shreveport and general campuses in Leesville/Fort Polk and Alexandria.

Northwestern offers 50 degree programs to nearly 10,000 students at its North Louisiana campuses, including biology, business, education, nursing and psychology degrees.

Northwestern was the first institution in Louisiana to gain 100 percent accreditation of all eligible academic programs. That designation shows that the academic programs at NSU meet the highest standards set by national accrediting agencies.

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA AT MONROE

The University of Louisiana at Monroe enrolls more than 9,200 students. ULM has the only state supported College of Pharmacy in Louisiana, offering advanced degrees in pharmacy and pharmaceutical science, and an undergraduate degree in Toxicology—one of only seven toxicology programs in the nation.

ULM graduates experience a high rate of job placement. One-third of the National Weather Service forecasters in Louisiana are graduates of ULM's atmospheric science program. ULM graduates enter medical schools at a 70% acceptance rate - significantly above the national average. Health Studies has a 100% placement rate for applicants to occupational therapy graduate school. 100% of pharmacy students secure jobs before graduation with annual salaries averaging \$115,000.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

LOUISIANA DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE (New Campus Located in Farmerville LA)

Louisiana Delta Community College offers bridges to careers through studies like nursing, business technology, computer/networking support and process technology. Students can also choose to study more than 180 industrialized-based courses through the Workforce Development program.

LA Delta provides a variety of training programs for businesses and industries in northeast Louisiana through the Louisiana Department of Labor's Incumbent Worker Program, grants and private pay. Opportunities include the Certified Manufacturing Specialist (CMS) training program. CMS is designed to build foundational skills needed in manufacturing and represents skills needed for about 85 percent of the new industrial jobs coming to the region.

BOSSIER PARISH COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Bossier Parish Community College (BPCC) trains graduates for the workforce in key sectors. BPCC's partnership with business and industry drives their rapidly growing enrollment, due in part to the College's alignment of its academic offerings to demand fields.

BPCC receives national accolades for its Cyber Information Technology program. BPCC recently received its new designation of Center for Workforce Excellence in Cyber Technology. The College also offers associate degrees and certificate/technical diplomas in high demand fields. Their programs in allied health, physical therapy, occupational therapy, technology, engineering, mathematics, energy, construction and industrial technologies produce qualified and job ready workers.

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT

Southern University at Shreveport (SUSLA) is a two year campus of the historically black Southern University system. The Shreveport campus has an enrollment of 2,800, offering more than 35 academic programs and 7 different academic divisions. The school has experienced a 155% growth over the last nine years.

SUSLA is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges. The school occupies 11 buildings on 103 acres in northwest Shreveport. SUSLA recently acquired a new building in downtown Shreveport to expand its popular Allied Health Sciences and Nursing programs which have seen exponential growth.

Louisiana Technical Colleges

LOUISIANA TECHNICAL COLLEGE (NORTHWEST)

Northwest Louisiana Technical College offers more than fifty technical education programs at three campuses in Mansfield, Minden and Shreveport.

Popular programs include auto mechanics, air-conditioning/heating, auto mechanics, nursing (LPN, Nurse's Aides), carpentry, construction, and instrumentation technology. These and many other vocational and technical degree and certificate programs produce skilled workers for North Louisiana.