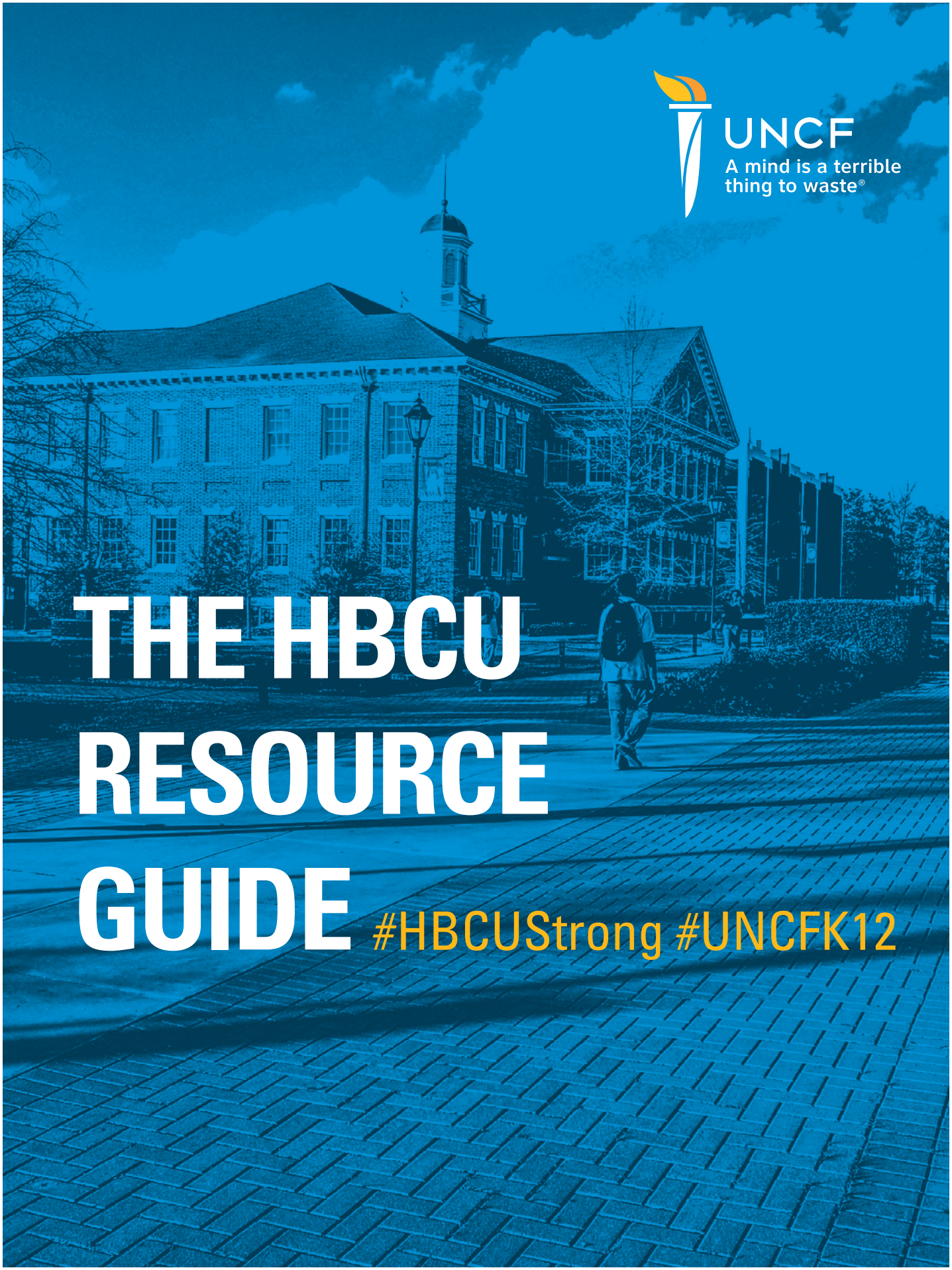


THE HBCU RESOURCE GUIDE

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The UNCF HBCU Resource Guide will help assist you in learning more about historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs). This document provides information on scholarships, college-planning databases and key facts about HBCUs.

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WHAT IS AN HBCU?

In Title III of the Higher Education Act of 1965, Congress officially defined an HBCU as a school of higher learning that was accredited and established before 1964, and whose principal mission was the education of African Americans. HBCUs offer a rigorous academic learning environment, innovative programs for students, culturally relevant curricula and activities, and a welcoming environment for all students. They prepare students of all races for leadership and life after graduation. There are 101 HBCUs across the nation.[1]

DID YOU KNOW?

Three years after graduation, **HBCU students earn $10,000 more annually** than students with only a high school diploma.[2]

An HBCU graduate **working full time throughout his or her working life can expect to earn $927,000** in additional income due to a college credential.[3]

The average cost of attendance at **4-year HBCUs in 2016-17 was $23,885** compared to **$32,951 for 4-year non-HBCUs.**[4]

HBCUs represent only 3% of America's colleges and universities[5], yet they produce **16% of bachelor's degrees and 20% of STEM degrees**[6] received by Black students.

The top 10 institutions where African American science and engineering Ph.D.s earned their bachelor's degrees are HBCUs.[7]

Research shows that **African American HBCU grads report having experienced more support and higher levels of engagement** than their peers at non-HBCUs.[8] African American HBCU grads are:

- **More likely than non-HBCU African American grads to report having at least one professor who made them excited about learning (74% vs. 62%) and professors who cared about them as people (58% vs 25%).**
- **More likely to be thriving in purpose and financial well-being than non-HBCU African American grads.**
- **More likely to strongly agree that their university prepared them well for life outside of college (55% vs. 29%).**

HBCU RESOURCES AND TOOLS

ORGANIZATION/RESOURCE	TYPE OF RESOURCE	DESCRIPTION	LINKS
UNCF	Scholarship and advocacy organization	UNCF is the nation's largest private scholarship provider to minority group members. Each year, UNCF awards more than $100 million in scholarships to more than 10,000 students at more than 1,100 schools across the country, including our prestigious network of 37 private HBCUs. UNCF is the nation's leading advocate for the importance of minority education and community engagement. Since its founding in 1944, UNCF has raised over $4.8 billion for scholarships and other direct support for its member institutions and has helped more than 450,000 students graduate with college degrees.	**Homepage** UNCF.org **Why Choose an HBCU** UNCF.org/pages/Why-Choose-an-HBCU **There's an HBCU for You** UNCF.org/the-latest/theres-an-hbcu-for-you-how-to-choose-a-school **Tips for Parents for College-Bound Students** UNCF.org/the-latest/steps-in-the-right-direction-tips-for-parents-of-college-bound-kids **UNCF Member Institutions** UNCF.org/member-colleges

ORGANIZATION/RESOURCE	TYPE OF RESOURCE	DESCRIPTION	LINKS
The HBCU Effect by UNCF	Advocacy Resource	The "HBCU Effect" seeks to understand, validate and promote the success of HBCUs to develop a narrative that fully illustrates the value and competitiveness of these institutions.	**UNCF.org/hbcueffect**

ORGANIZATION/RESOURCE	TYPE OF RESOURCE	DESCRIPTION	LINKS
UNCF Scholarships	Scholarships	This website provides various scholarship, internship and fellowship programs offered by UNCF—and how to apply. Students are encouraged to create a profile to find the best scholarship match.	**UNCF.org/scholarships**

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UNCF Empower Me Tour	College Preparation	The UNCF Empower Me Tour is a free, traveling college- and career-readiness road show established to inspire and motivate high school students, college students and recent college graduates toward academic excellence, career success and personal responsibility.	UNCF.org/EMT
HBCU Lifestyle	Lifestyle	HBCU Lifestyle is a one-stop shop for Black college living. From finances to fraternities and sororities, schools to scholarships, this is a great source for all things Black college living.	HBCUlifestyle.com
Thurgood Marshall College Fund	Scholarship and advocacy organization	The Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCF) represents 47 publicly supported HBCUs and Predominantly Black Institutions (PBIs). To date, the organization has awarded more than $300 million in assistance to its students and member schools.	tmcf.org
College Scorecard	College Research Database	This website allows visitors to sort and filter college search results to easily compare schools and decide which college makes the most sense when considering the typical costs, average student loan amount, students' ability to repay their loans and their future earnings.	collegescorecard.ed.gov

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White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities	Advocacy Resource	WHIHBCU is a government-wide effort to strengthen HBCUs.	sites.ed.gov/whhbcu
College Navigator- Accredited HBCU listing	College Research Database	The College Navigator HBCU listing consists primarily of the latest data and information from the National Center for Education Statistics on tuition costs, programs majors, admissions, enrollment and general information.	nces.ed.gov
Common Application for Black Colleges	College Preparation	The Common Application for Black Colleges offers students one single application to apply for 46 separate historically Black colleges and universities.	commonblackcollegeapp.com
Youtour.com	College Preparation	At Youtour.com, students, families and educators can take a virtual tour of Howard University, Jackson State, University of Maryland Eastern Shore and numerous other HBCUs.	youvisit.com/collegesearch

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Tell Them We Are Rising: HBCU Documentary	Advocacy Resource	This PBS Documentary details the history of HBCUs, and the role that they have played in shaping Black life, creating a Black middle class and dismantling segregation.	pbs.org/video/tell-them-we-are-rising-the-story-of-black-colleges-and-uni-cheqjr
TheHundredSeven.org	College Preparation	The 107 provides key information about HBCUs including a "Find your HBCU match" tool based on major and academic programs of interests, top news stories, scholarships and HBCU trailblazers.	Homepage: thehundred-seven.org HBCU Match Tool: thehundred-seven.org/matchme.php
HBCU First	College Preparation	HBCU First helps Black youth navigate college and career access. Their HBCU Exploratory Program is a college success + career access program for college-bound Black youth and HBCU students. The program consists of the College Success + Career Access Workshop Series and the Near-Peer Mentoring Program.	Homepage: HBCUFirst.com Exploratory Program: hbcufirst.com/hbcu-exploratory-framework





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NOTABLE HBCU GRADUATES

Erykah Badu: Grambling State University

Chadwick Boseman: Howard University

Common: Florida A&M

Nikki Giovanni: Fisk University

Kamala Harris: Howard University

Taraji P. Henson: Howard University

Langston Hughes: Lincoln University

Terrance J: North Carolina A&T

Jesse Jackson: North Carolina A&T State University

Samuel L. Jackson: Morehouse College

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr: Morehouse College

Spike Lee: Morehouse College

Thurgood Marshall: Howard University

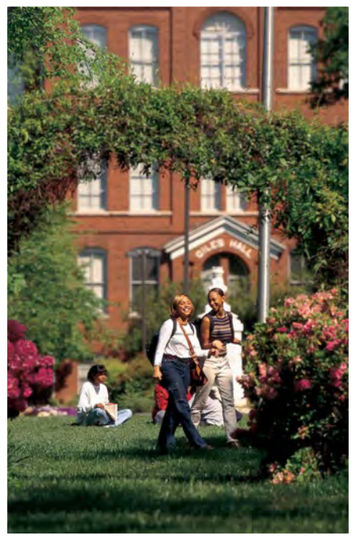
Toni Morrison: Howard University

Stephen A. Smith: Winston-Salem State University

Alice Walker: Spelman College

Booker T. Washington: Hampton University

Oprah Winfrey: Tennessee State University



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LISTING OF HBCUs BY STATE

Alabama

Alabama A&M University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Alabama State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Bishop State Community College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Concordia College-Selma	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Gadsden State Community College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
H. Councill Trenholm State Technical College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
J. F. Drake State Community and Technical College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Lawson State Community College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Miles College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Oakwood University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Selma University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Shelton State Community College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Stillman College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Talladega College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Tuskegee University	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Arkansas

Arkansas Baptist College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Philander Smith College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Shorter College	2-YEAR PRIVATE
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff	4-YEAR PUBLIC

Delaware

Delaware State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

District of Columbia

Howard University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
University of the District of Columbia	4-YEAR PUBLIC

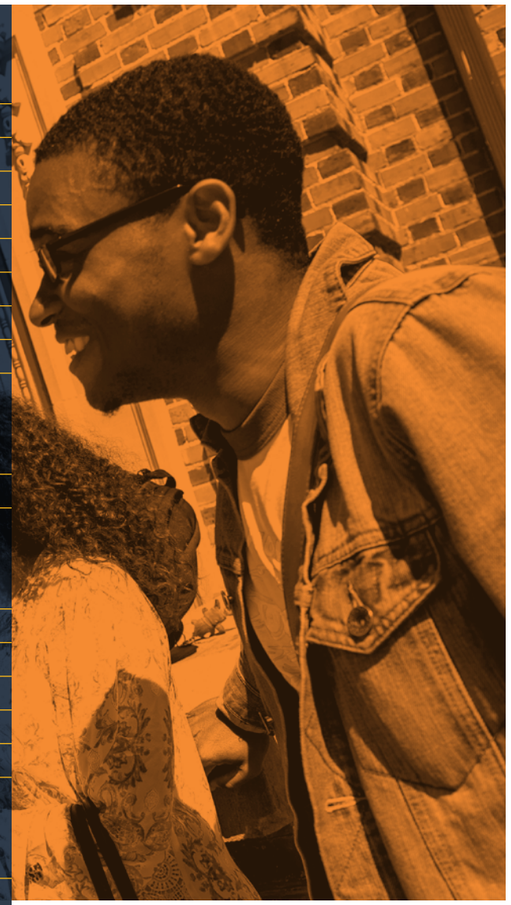
Florida

Bethune-Cookman University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Edward Waters College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Florida A&M University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Florida Memorial University	4-YEAR PRIVATE

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Georgia

Albany State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Clark Atlanta University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Fort Valley State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Interdenominational Theological Center	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Morehouse College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Morehouse School of Medicine	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Paine College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Savannah State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Spelman College	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Kentucky

Kentucky State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Simmons College of Kentucky	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Louisiana

Dillard University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Grambling State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Southern University and A&M College	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Southern University at New Orleans	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Southern University at Shreveport	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Xavier University of Louisiana	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Maryland

Bowie State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Coppin State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Morgan State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore	4-YEAR PUBLIC

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Mississippi

Alcorn State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Coahoma Community College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Hinds Community College, Utica Campus	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Jackson State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Mississippi Valley State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Rust College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Tougaloo College	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Missouri

Harris-Stowe State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Lincoln University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

North Carolina

Bennett College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Elizabeth City State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Fayetteville State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Johnson C. Smith University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Livingstone College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
North Carolina A&T State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
North Carolina Central University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Saint Augustine's University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Shaw University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Winston-Salem State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

Ohio

Central State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Wilberforce University	4-YEAR PRIVATE

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Oklahoma

Langston University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

Pennsylvania

Cheyney University of Pennsylvania	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Lincoln University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

South Carolina

Allen University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Benedict College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Claflin University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Clinton College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Denmark Technical College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Morris College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
South Carolina State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Voorhees College	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Tennessee

American Baptist College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Fisk University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Lane College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
LeMoyne-Owen College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Meharry Medical College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Tennessee State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

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Texas

Huston-Tillotson University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Jarvis Christian College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Paul Quinn College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Prairie View A&M University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Saint Philip's College	2-YEAR PUBLIC
Southwestern Christian College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Texas College	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Texas Southern University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Wiley College	4-YEAR PRIVATE

Virginia

Hampton University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Norfolk State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Virginia State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC
Virginia Union University	4-YEAR PRIVATE
Virginia University of Lynchburg	4-YEAR PRIVATE

West Virginia

Bluefield State College	4-YEAR PUBLIC
West Virginia State University	4-YEAR PUBLIC

Virgin Islands

University of the Virgin Islands	4-YEAR PUBLIC

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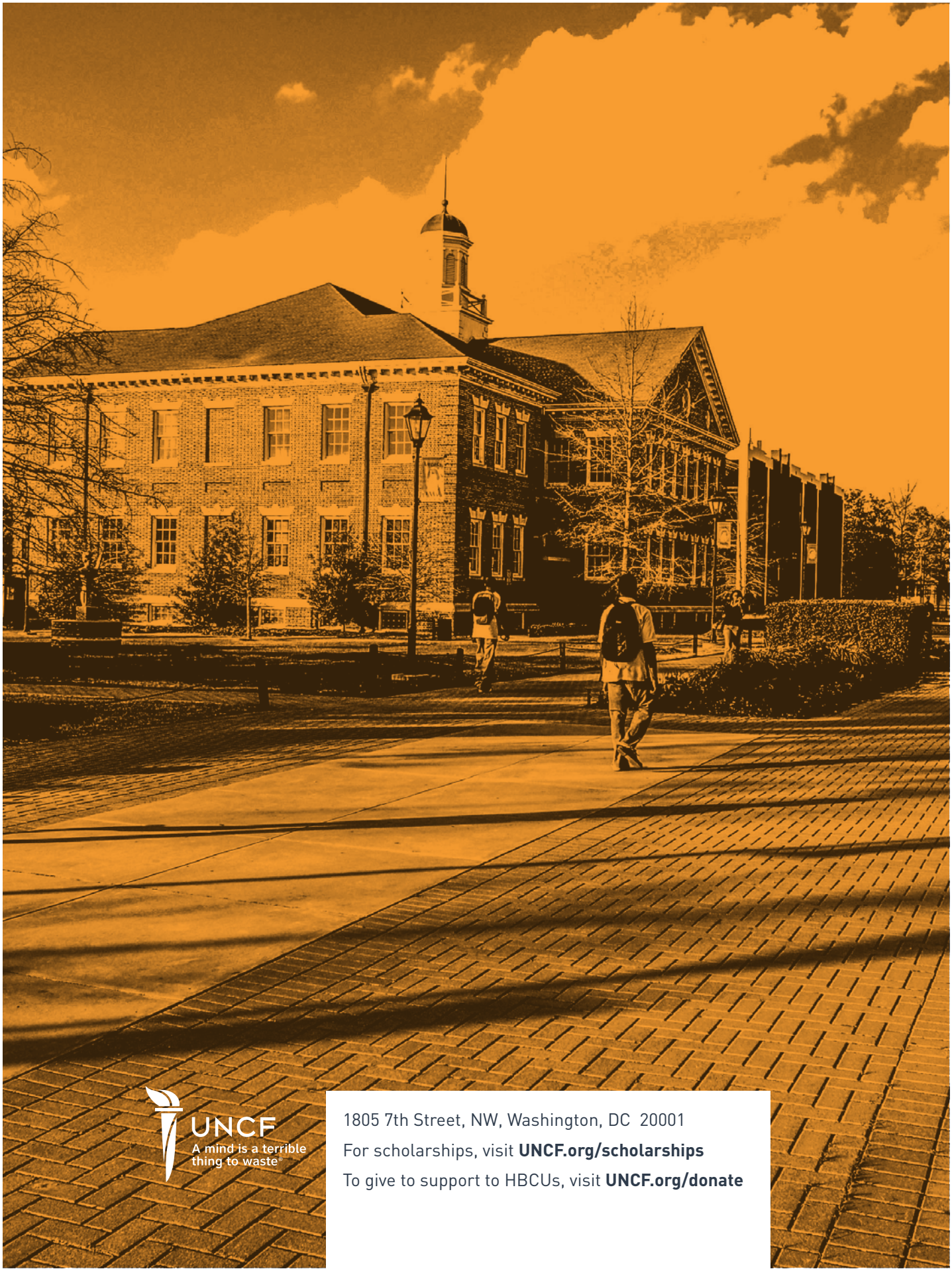
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[6] STEM degrees defined as first major bachelor's degrees in computer and information sciences and support services, engineering, engineering technologies and engineering-related fields, biological and biomedical sciences, mathematics and statistics, physical sciences and science technologies/technicians.

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