

MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (MEAC)

A Tradition of Excellence



The Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, a NCAA Division One Conference, is beginning its 35th year of operation heading into the 2004-2005 academic school year. Located in North Carolina in the heart of downtown Greensboro, the MEAC is made up of 11 outstanding, historically black institutions across the Atlantic Coastline: Bethune-Cookman College, Coppin State University, Delaware State University, Florida A&M University, Hampton University, Howard University, University of Maryland-Eastern Shore, Morgan State University, Norfolk State University, North Carolina A&T State University and South Carolina State University.

The MEAC has enjoyed great success over the years in athletics. Currently, the league has automatic qualifying bids for NCAA postseason play in baseball (since 1994), men's (1981) and women's basketball (1982), I-AA football (1996), softball (since 1995), men's and women's tennis (since 1998), and volleyball (since 1994).

In Basketball, the MEAC had two teams in the ESPN Sportcenter Top 10 All-Time upsets in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament with Coppin State, who defeated the second seed South Carolina as a 15th seed in 1997; and Hampton, who defeated #2 Iowa State as a 15th seed in 2001. Florida A&M captured another win for the MEAC in the NCAA Basketball Tournament, defeating Lehigh in NCAA Play-In Game in 2004.

In Football, the MEAC has become one of the dominant forces in Division I-AA. In the 2003 season the MEAC placed two teams in the I-AA Playoffs, marking the fourth time the leagues had two teams in the playoffs (1997, 1998, 1999, 2003). MEAC teams reached the semifinals twice (1981, 1999) and the quarterfinals four times in the I-AA playoffs. Florida A&M won the inaugural I-AA championship in 1978, one year prior to joining the MEAC. In Volleyball, Florida A&M became the first MEAC school to win a match in the NCAA Tournament, with a win over Winthrop in the first round of the 2003 Tournament.

HISTORY

In 1969, a group of innovators long associated with intercollegiate athletics met in Durham, NC to discuss the feasibility of organizing a new conference based along the Atlantic coastline. A number of representatives from different institutions joined the steering committee in a two-day discussion about the new conference. Seven of these institutions agreed to become the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference: Delaware State College, Howard University, University of Maryland-Eastern Shore, Morgan State University, North Carolina A&T State University, North Carolina Central University and South Carolina State University. The MEAC headquarters remained in Durham, N.C. until 1981, moving to its current location of Greensboro March 26, 1982.

The league was confirmed in 1970, kicking off its first season of competition in Football in 1971. In 1978, the MEAC selected its first full-time commissioner, Kenneth A. Free and the following year, expanded to nine schools with the admissions of two Florida schools: Bethune-Cookman College and Florida A&M University. The MEAC operated with nine schools until 1985 when Coppin State College was admitted. The final expansion occurred in the 90's with the inclusion of Hampton University in 1995 and Norfolk State University in 1997.

On June 8, 1980, the MEAC was classified Division One by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and the following month, received an automatic berth in the NCAA Division I Basketball Championship.

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

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MEAC Commissioners

- Dr. Dennis Thomas 2002 -
- Brenda H. McCoy (Interim) 1996 & 2002
- Charles S. Harris 1996 - 2002
- Kenneth A. Free* 1978 - 1996
- Dr. James Young (Part-time) 1975 - 1978
- Earl Mason (Part-time) 1974 - 1975
- Dr. Leroy Walker (Part-time) 1971 - 1974

*First official MEAC Commissioner

MEAC Championships

Men's Sports

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Football
- Indoor Track & Field
- Outdoor Track & Field
- Tennis

Women's Sports

- Basketball
- Bowling
- Cross Country
- Indoor Track & Field
- Outdoor Track & Field
- Softball
- Tennis
- Volleyball



MEAC MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

Nestled in the heart of Daytona Beach, Florida the 70-acre campus of **Bethune-Cookman College** is home to a diverse student body of over 2,700. The main campus with 35 buildings spanning over 70 acres of land is situated on Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard bounded by George W. Engram Boulevard and Lincoln Streets, International Speedway and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevards. Founded by Dr.



Mary McLeod Bethune in 1904, B-CC offers the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees in 37 major areas through six academic divisions: Business, Education, Humanities, Nursing, Science/Mathematics and Social Sciences.

Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Track & Field Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts

Enrollment: 2,700
Website: www.bethune.cookman.edu
Nickname: Wildcats



Coppin State University is located in a residential neighborhood on the Westside of Baltimore, Maryland. The 45-acre campus is 15 minutes from the Inner Harbor and within 20 minutes from most parts of the city.Founded in 1900 and named after the late Fanny Jackson Coppin, Coppin State is a public, urban, liberal arts college offering Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Master's degrees in Arts and Science, Education, Humanities, Mathematics, Nursing, Social Sciences, and Sports Management.



.....Founded in 1900 and named after the late Fanny Jackson Coppin, Coppin State is a public, urban, liberal arts college offering Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Master's degrees in Arts and Science, Education, Humanities, Mathematics, Nursing, Social Sciences, and Sports Management.

Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Track & Field, Tennis, Softball, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 4,000
Website: www.coppin.edu
Nickname: Eagles



Delaware State University is a 400-acre pedestrian, complex located in north Dover on the corner of route 13 and College Road.



Founded in 1891, Delaware State is a public, progressive, comprehensive, 1890 land-grant institution, offering Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Sciences in 66 undergraduate majors and 12 graduate degrees through: Agriculture and Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Education and Human

Performance, Professional Studies, and Management.

Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Track & Field, Tennis, Softball, Soccer, Volleyball, Wrestling.

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 3,300
Website: www.dsc.edu
Nickname: Hornets



Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University is a four-year, public, co-educational and fully accredited institution. The main campus is comprised of 131 buildings, spread over 419 acres located on the highest of seven hills in Tallahassee, the capital of Florida.....The University offers 62 bachelor's degrees in 103 majors, 36 master's degrees with 56 majors are offered within eleven of the University's 13 schools and colleges: Allied Health Sciences, Architecture, Arts & Sciences, Business, Education, Engineering, Journalism and Graphic Arts Communications, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, two professional degrees and eleven PhD degree programs are offered.



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Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Track & Field, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 13,525
Website: www.famu.edu
Nickname: Rattlers



Resting on the banks of the Hampton River, **Hampton University** is a beautiful 285-acre waterfront campus located in southeastern Virginia near the Chesapeake Bay..... Founded in 1868, Hampton is a four-year, private, independent, co-educational institution.. Hampton offers 45 undergraduate programs, 14 master's programs and four doctoral degree programs through seven divisions: Business, Engineering and Technology, Liberal Arts and Education, Journalism and Communications, Nursing, Pharmacy and Science, College of Continuing Education.



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Sports Sponsored: Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Indoor Track & Field, Outdoor Track & Field, Sailing, Softball, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 5,800
Website: www.hamptonu.edu
Nickname: Pirates



Howard University, located in the heart of urban northwest Washington, D.C., has produced more African-Americans with advanced degrees than any other institution in the world.



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Sports Sponsored: Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Lacrosse, Track & Field, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 10,500
Website: www.howard.edu
Nickname: Bison



MEAC MEMBER INSTITUTIONS

University of Maryland-Eastern Shore is located in the small town of Princess Anne on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The campus is



located 13 miles south of the town of Salisbury, which provides shopping and recreational facilities. The quiet community environment is excellent for learning, yet it is only three hours by car from the abundant cultural and recreational facilities of Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia, and

Virginia Beach..... Founded in 1886, UMES is a land grant, historically black university which awards Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees in: African-America Studies, Accounting, Agriculture, Airway Science, Art, Biology, Business Administration, Special Education, English, Hotel Restaurant Management, and Physical Therapy.

Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Track & Field, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 3,250
Website: www.umes.edu
Nickname: Hawks



Known as "Maryland's Public Urban University," **Morgan State University** is a co-educational institution, strategically located in the



picturesque northeastern section of Baltimore, Maryland. The campus covers an area of more than 143 acres and is surrounded by rapidly growing residential communities..... Morgan State was founded in 1867 with the mission to train men for the ministry. Today, the public university offers degrees in Business,

Engineering, Education, Architecture, Social Work, Hospitality Management, and Arts and Sciences.

Sports Sponsored: Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Track & Field, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 6,100
Website: www.morgan.edu
Nickname: Bears



Norfolk State University is an urban, four-year, co-educational institution. The 134-acre campus is located in the Tidewater area of



Norfolk, Virginia surrounded by Virginia Beach, Chesapeake, Portsmouth, Hampton, and Newport News — all rich in culture, recreation, and human resources.

The Tidewater area serves as a hub for the United States Army, Air Force and Navy.

Founded in 1935, Norfolk State has an enrollment of over 8,000 students and offers 39 baccalaureate degrees, 16 master's degrees and two doctoral programs in: Business, Education, Liberal Arts, Sciences and Technology, Social Work, Graduate Studies.

Sports sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Track & Field, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 6,840
Website: www.nsu.edu
Nickname: Spartans



North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State

University is a comprehensive, land grant institution spread out over 188 acres at the center of the piedmont



region, near downtown Greensboro, North Carolina. Founded in 1891, N.C. A&T was temporarily located in Raleigh, N.C., until it moved to Greensboro in 1893..... N.C. A&T offers degrees at the baccalaureate,

master's and doctoral levels from two programs and six schools: Arts and Sciences, Engineering, Agriculture, Business and Economics, Education, Nursing, Technology, and Graduate Studies.

Sports Sponsored: Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Track & Field, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 10,015
Website: www.ncat.edu
Nickname: Aggies



South Carolina State University is a four-year, public, co-educational institution located in Orangeburg, South Carolina.



More than 60 buildings sprawl across the 160-acre campus with an enrollment of over 4,700 students..... Founded in 1896, state offers 60 baccalaureate programs in Applied Professional Sciences, Biology, Education, Business, Engineering and Technology, Arts,

Humanities. The University is one of two schools in the state to offer master's degree in Speech-Language Pathology.

Sports Sponsored: Basketball, Bowling, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Track & Field, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, Volleyball

Quick Facts:

Enrollment: 4,700
Website: www.scsu.edu
Nickname: Bulldogs



Conference Tenure

Bethune Cookman	1979-present
Coppin State	1985-present
Delaware State	1970-present
Florida A&M	1979-1984, 1986-present
Hampton	1995-present
Howard	1970-present
Md.-Eastern Shore	1970-79, 1981-present
Morgan State	1970-79, 1984-present
Norfolk State	1997-present
North Carolina A&T	1970-present
North Carolina Central	1970-1979
South Carolina State	1970-present

All-Time MEAC Champions

MEAC All-Sports Winners

Mary McLeod Bethune Award Top Women's Program

2004	Hampton
2003	Hampton
2002	Hampton
2001	Florida A&M
2000	Florida A&M
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1995	Florida A&M
1994	Florida A&M
1993	Florida A&M
1992	Howard
1991	South Carolina State
1990	Howard
1989	Howard
1988	Howard
1987	Delaware State

Talmadge Layman Hill Award Top Men's Program

2004	Hampton
2003	Hampton
2002	Florida A&M
2001	Norfolk State
2000	Florida A&M
1999	Hampton
1998	Florida A&M
1997	Florida A&M
1996	North Carolina A&T State
1995	N.C. A&T/Florida A&M
1994	Florida A&M
1993	Florida A&M
1992	Florida A&M
1991	Florida A&M
1990	Delaware State
1989	Florida A&M
1988	Howard
1987	Howard
1986	Delaware State
1985	Delaware State
1984	South Carolina State
1983	South Carolina State
1982	South Carolina State
1981	South Carolina State
1980	South Carolina State
1979	South Carolina State
1978	South Carolina State
1977	South Carolina State
1976	South Carolina State
1975	South Carolina State
1974	South Carolina State
1973	Morgan State
1972	Howard

Bethune-Cookman	24
Baseball	9
M. Basketball	0
W. Basketball	0
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	1
W. Cross Country	2
Football	3
M. Indoor Track & Field	0
W. Indoor Track & Field	2
M. Outdoor Track & Field	0
W. Outdoor Track & Field	0
Softball	5
Men's Tennis	0
Women's Tennis	2
Volleyball	0

Coppin State	22
Baseball	1
M. Basketball	9
W. Basketball	1
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	3
W. Cross Country	5
Football	0
M. Indoor Track & Field	0
W. Indoor Track & Field	1
M. Outdoor Track & Field	0
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	0
Volleyball	0

Delaware State	33
Baseball	1
M. Basketball	0
W. Basketball	1
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	5
W. Cross Country	5
Football	5
M. Indoor Track & Field	4
W. Indoor Track & Field	7
M. Outdoor Track & Field	2
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	0
Volleyball	2

Florida A&M	78
Baseball	6
M. Basketball	0
W. Basketball	3
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	2
W. Cross Country	4
Football	7
M. Indoor Track & Field	5
W. Indoor Track & Field	6
M. Outdoor Track & Field	10
W. Outdoor Track & Field	9
Softball	6
M. Tennis	8
W. Tennis	6
Volleyball	6

Hampton	31
Baseball	0
M. Basketball	2
W. Basketball	4
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	1
W. Cross Country	0
Football	2
M. Indoor Track & Field	2
W. Indoor Track & Field	2
M. Outdoor Track & Field	3
W. Outdoor Track & Field	3
Softball	1
M. Tennis	6
W. Tennis	5
Volleyball	0

Howard	49
Baseball	7
M. Basketball	4
W. Basketball	7
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	2
W. Cross Country	6
Football	0
M. Indoor Track & Field	1
W. Indoor Track & Field	3
M. Outdoor Track & Field	0
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	6
W. Tennis	4
Volleyball	7

Md.-Eastern Shore	10
Baseball	0
M. Basketball	2
W. Basketball	0
Bowling	1
M. Cross Country	3
W. Cross Country	1
Football	0
M. Indoor Track & Field	2
W. Indoor Track & Field	0
M. Outdoor Track & Field	0
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	0
Volleyball	0

Morgan State	13
Baseball	0
M. Basketball	0
W. Basketball	0
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	1
W. Cross Country	0
Football	3
M. Indoor Track & Field	1
W. Indoor Track & Field	2
M. Outdoor Track & Field	0
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	1
Volleyball	4

Norfolk State	10
Baseball	0
M. Basketball	0
W. Basketball	0
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	4
W. Cross Country	0
Football	0
M. Indoor Track & Field	2
W. Indoor Track & Field	1
M. Outdoor Track & Field	2
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	0
Volleyball	0

North Carolina A&T	33
Baseball	2
M. Basketball	11
W. Basketball	3
Bowling	4
M. Cross Country	2
W. Cross Country	0
Football	6
M. Indoor Track & Field	1
W. Indoor Track & Field	0
M. Outdoor Track & Field	3
W. Outdoor Track & Field	1
Softball	0
M. Tennis	0
W. Tennis	0
Volleyball	0

South Carolina State	56
Baseball	1
M. Basketball	8
W. Basketball	8
Bowling	0
M. Cross Country	0
W. Cross Country	0
Football	10
M. Indoor Track & Field	7
W. Indoor Track & Field	0
M. Outdoor Track & Field	10
W. Outdoor Track & Field	6
Softball	0
M. Tennis	4
W. Tennis	1
Volleyball	1

School Titles By Wins

Florida A&M	78
South Carolina State	56
Howard	49
Delaware State	33
North Carolina A&T	33
Hampton	31
Bethune-Cookman	24
Coppin State	22
Morgan State	13
Maryland-Eastern Shore	10
Norfolk State	10

Note: Basketball & Football Champions from Regular Season