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Athens State University is the smart way to earn your degree based on the four attributes that our students value the most.

**EFFICIENCY**

*2+2 = Your Degree*

Athens State is one of only five upper division Universities in the country that offers a bachelor’s degree after finishing your basic course work at another College or University. This means more efficient and streamlined operations built to help you earn your degree as quickly and cost effectively as possible.

**QUALITY**

*Building Success Stories*

Today Athens State continues its 190 year history of Building Success Stories by offering the latest in education, social and mobile technologies while maintaining small class sizes and great teachers dedicated to helping you prepare for your future.

**OPTIONS**

*That Work for You*

With more than 50 majors, Athens State offers a wide range of degrees in business, arts and sciences and education. Whether you’re a part or full time student, Athens State offers online or tradional classes that fit your schedule and your life.

**VALUE**

*Return on Investment*

Athens State offers the lowest tuition rates of any University in the state. So ask yourself a simple question... Why pay more for a degree somewhere else?
friendly, affordable, and convenient - three hallmarks that make Athens State University a great place to continue your education.

At Athens State, we understand that career opportunities rest on your college education. Currently over 3,200 students per year select Athens State because of this neighborly environment where approximately 30 different majors are taught by an understanding and quality faculty.

Whether you work full- or part time, or whether you are a full- or part time student, Athens State offers classes scheduled to meet your needs - day, night, and online. Because nearly every student is from North Alabama or Southern Tennessee, you are likely to attend class with people you know. Don’t find yourself being just another student number. Consider Athens State University!

Athens State University, as an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution, complies with all applicable federal and state laws regarding nondiscrimination and affirmative action. Athens State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, disability, religion, genetic information, or veteran status in employment, or admissions to or participation in educational programs and activities. Inquiries or concerns may be addressed to the Office of the Vice President of Enrollment and Student Support Services, 300 N. Beaty St., Athens, AL 35611 256-233-8175.
Welcome to Athens State University, a truly unique Alabama institution of higher education. You have chosen to become a member of our community, and we are glad to have you here. I want to take just a moment to talk about some of the things that set us apart from other colleges and universities. First and foremost, we are Alabama’s oldest educational institution, founded in 1822. We have a long and rich heritage of serving Alabama and we look forward to serving you.

Being the oldest educational institution, however, doesn’t mean that we are old fashioned about what we do. You will find a rich blend of modern and traditional methods of instruction. We are thoroughly focused on taking care of the educational needs of our students. For some of you that will mean traditional one on one attention from our faculty, others will find their schedule is better served by our distance or on-line delivery methods. In either case, your education here will stand the test of time. Our faculty have a well-deserved reputation for excellence as evidenced by our on-going accreditation from a number of professional associations.

You will also find that we understand our responsibility to manage our resources very carefully and our tuition cost continues to be the lowest in the state. When you combine the low cost of our services with the exceptional quality of our programs, you will find that we provide the greatest possible educational value in Alabama. We know that both your time and your financial resources are limited, which is why we do everything we can to be flexible and frugal to allow you to stretch both to the maximum.

Ultimately, the measure of any university is its students and their accomplishments. It is all about getting each student from where they are to where they want to be. As a result, we have a vested interest in your success. We hope that you will take full advantage of all that we have to offer. We look forward to seeing what you accomplish and we know that those accomplishments will be another reason we can continue to say that we are a great university.

Robert K. Glenn
President
LOCATED IN

ATHENS

ALABAMA
1. Founders Hall
2. McCandless Hall
3. Brown Hall
4. Sandridge Student Center
5. Sanders Hall
6. Library
7. Classroom Building
8. Waters Hall
9. Carter Physical Education Building
10. McCain Hall
11. Chasteen Hall
12. Campus Security
13. Maintenance Building
14. Smith House
15. Patton House
16. Freehauf House
17. President’s House
18. AMSTI Building (Hwy 31)
Athens State has a 16 to 1 student to faculty ratio and offers a wide variety of majors to prepare students for the challenges of the workplace. Athens State University operates on the semester calendar, with fall, spring and summer terms; the unit of academic credit is the semester hour.

Athens State University has opened new doors for students who need flexible schedules beyond day, evening and weekend class format. The University offers a large number of online courses, blended courses and telecommunication courses in a variety of majors.

**SACSCOC** - Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges  
**NCATE** - National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education  
**ACBSP** - Accreditation Council for Business Schools & Programs

If your goal is to earn your bachelor’s degree quickly and affordably, and to make sure that you obtain a quality education Athen State could be the SMART choice for you.
ACADEMICS

Athens State offers a wide variety of college majors to prepare students for the challenges of the workplace. Did you know that nearly 1,000 students graduate each year with a baccalaureate degree from Athens State? That’s more than any other university in North Alabama.

The programs and majors offered by the College of Arts and Sciences are designed to prepare students for entry into the job market or for continuing education in graduate or professional school.

All programs in the College of Education are designed to assist students in acquiring knowledge and abilities to become teachers who are effective classroom facilitators and student-centered reflective instructors.

The programs and majors offered by the College of Business are designed to prepare students to become competent and effective professionals in the areas of accounting and management.
ARTS & SCIENCES

College of Arts and Sciences
Through its course offerings, the College seeks to engage the intellect, excite the imagination, improve the scholarship of its students, and assist its students in developing:

- Competencies in written and oral communication
- Appreciation of their cultural heritage and understanding of their world
- A knowledge base conducive to self growth and enriched life experiences
- Fundamental knowledge, research skills, and computer literacy essential to lifelong learning

Contact information
Phone: 256-233-6516
Email: info@athens.edu
www.athens.edu/college_arts/

Please call us at 1-800-522-0272 or 256-233-6516 to set up an appointment with an advisor.
Majors

Art, Studio Arts Option  Criminal Justice
Art, Graphics Arts Option  Criminal Justice, Juvenile Justice Option
Art Licensure Track in Education  English
Behavioral Science  English Teacher Licensure Track
Biology  Health Science
Biology Teacher Licensure Track  Health and Wellness Management
Chemistry  History
Chemistry Teacher Licensure Track  History Teacher Licensure Track
Computer Information Systems Option  Liberal Studies
Computer Networking Option  Mathematics
Computer Science  Mathematics Teacher Licensure Track
Computer Science, Computer Information Systems Option  Political Science
Computer Science, Computer Networking Option  Psychology
Computer Science, Information Security Option  Public Safety and Health Administration

For Minors and more detailed information about each program visit athens.edu/catalog and make the appropriate selection.
Several specialized areas of study are available as minors in the Accounting, Management and Management of Technology majors (aviation management, acquisitions and contract management, health care management, human resources management, information systems management, international business, marketing, small business/entrepreneurship). In cooperation with the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Business participates in interdisciplinary programs of study leading to the Bachelor of Science degree with majors in CIS and Health Science. An MBA program is also offered on the Athens State campus in cooperation with UNA.
The College of Business offers programs designed to prepare students to become competent and effective professionals in the areas of accounting and management. Students completing a degree program offered by the College of Business will possess the following skills and competencies:

- Knowledge of accounting, finance, management, management information systems, global business, strategic management, marketing, and production theories and concepts.
- Knowledge of technology, as it relates to business.
- A knowledge of the global economy including an understanding of diversity.
- A knowledge of and ability to use effective managerial, leadership, and group interaction techniques.
- An ability to effectively use critical thinking and decision-making techniques.
- An ability to effectively communicate, both orally and in writing.
- An understanding of ethical issues and the importance of maintaining ethical standards.

Contact information
256-216-5352
info@athens.edu
www.athens.edu/college_business
“The quality of educator provided by Athens State and others like them makes us confident that when a new teacher steps into his/her first classroom, they are ready. Ready to teach; ready to manage; ready to inspire; ready to lead and make an amazing impact on the lives of our students.”

Morgan County Schools Superintendent
Bill W. Hopkins, Jr.
**Majors**

Class B Certification:
- Early Childhood Education (Grades P-3)
- Elementary Education (Grades K-6)
- Elementary Education/Collaborative Education (Grades K-6)
- Collaborative (Grades K-6)
- Collaborative (Grades 6-12)
- Instructional Design
- Physical Education (Grades P-12)
- Technical Education: Secondary Instructor Option

The College of Education also offers courses leading to certification for grades 6 - 12 for the following College of Arts and Sciences majors: Art, Biology, Chemistry, English / Language Arts, History, Mathematics and Social Sciences.

**College of Education**
The College of Education at Athens State is preparing teacher candidates to become reflective practitioners who are knowledgeable and collaborative professionals, ensures that we maintain focus on the importance of providing quality programs that meet the educational needs of ever changing student populations. Our goal is to provide rigorous yet flexible programs for students that encourage wider skill sets with multiple credentials.

- Competencies in written and oral communication
- Appreciation of their cultural heritage and understanding of their world
- A knowledge base conducive to self growth and enriched life experiences
- Fundamental knowledge, research skills and computer literacy essential to lifelong learning

**Contact information**
256-216-6639
info@athens.edu
[www.athens.edu/college_arts/]
FinancIal AID

Athens State University can assist qualified students with grants, loans, and scholarships from Federal, State, Institutional and other funding sources. Athens State University, the Athens State University Foundation and the University’s Alumni Association offer more than 160 scholarships awarded annually. Information on other scholarship sources is also available.

FA Programs

- Federal Pell Grants
- Supplemental Educational Opportunities
- Grants
- Student Loans
- PLUS loans for parents
- Alabama Assistance Grants
- Scholarships

Scholarship Programs

- Institutional Scholarships
- Foundational Scholarships
- External Sponsored Scholarships

Contact Information:
Sandridge Student Center
256.233.8122
info@athens.edu
www.athens.edu/financial/

Federal School Code:
Athens State University - 001008

Commitments

Ensuring compliance with Federal, State and Institutional regulations and policy requirements governing student financial aid services.

Maintaining funding sources by ensuring program integrity through ongoing staff training and continuing education, external audits, and self evaluations.

Maximizing funds available for Athens State University students to meet their costs of attendance, supplementing the efforts of students and parents in meeting educational goals.

Providing quality financial assistance services effectively and efficiently.
Everyone is concerned about college costs. With the lowest tuition rates in the state, Athens State is one of the best buys in Alabama and southern Tennessee.

The University makes available in-state tuition to students residing in nine counties in southern Tennessee: Bedford, Franklin, Giles, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marshall, Maury, Moore and Wayne.

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An excellent way for veterans and dependents to use their educational benefits is pursuing a VA approved course of study at an institution of higher learning. All degree programs at Athens State are recognized by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Contact Information:
256-233-8271
info@athens.edu
www.athens.edu/veterans-affairs

If you are eligible for educational benefits (under the Montgomery GI Bill - Active Duty, Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserves, Post 9/11, REAP, Dependent’s Educational Assistance Program (CH.35) or VA Vocational Rehabilitation), contact the Veterans Affairs Office.
CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Visit the Career Development Center in the Sandridge Student Center. Register for Career Services to receive job announcements and guidance in achieving your employment goals. Apply for cooperative education and internship opportunities to gain professional experience with your degree.

Students receive support in creating professional documents (resumes, cover letters, and social media profiles) and learning effective interview and job search techniques. We offer a variety of opportunities to come face to face with hiring employers and graduate school recruiters at career fairs, employer workshops, information sessions, and at campus recruiting events.

COUNSELING & CAREER SERVICES

DISABILITY SERVICES

We’re committed to providing students with disabilities equal access to Athens State University and comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities.

Career Services:  
256-233-8146  
info@athens.edu  
256-233-8142  
info@athens.edu

Disability Services:  
256-233-8143  
info@athens.edu

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

• Ensures that international students have the best experience possible  
• Provides comprehensive services and support to international students  
• Creates an environment conducive for a smooth transition to the American educational system

International Students:  
256-233-8142  
laura.allen@athens.edu
The Transfer Advising Center is here to ensure the transfer process is as easy and efficient as possible. Prospective students may contact a Transfer Advising Center counselor at any time for general information. Transferring students should contact a counselor in the Transfer Advising Center upon completion of an admission application, declaring a major and requesting transcripts from every college attended.
The Office of Admissions provides a variety of services to students including assistance with admission, transfer of credit and registration for courses.

**Admission requirements for regular transfer:**
- 60 semester hours of freshman and sophomore college credit
- 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale
- Completed application for admission
- $30 non-refundable application fee
- Official transcripts from all colleges or universities previously attended

**Contact Information:**
Admissions & Incoming Transcripts:
256-233-8130 or 1-800-522-0272
Fax: 256-233-8163

Records & Outgoing Transcripts:
256-233-8131
The Office of Student Activities enhances the social development of students by providing programs that offer cultural, recreational and personal growth opportunities and the development of leadership skills. We encourage every student to participate in campus extra-curricular activities and to utilize the services provided by the University. Get involved by joining the Student Government Association, enhancing your overall educational experience.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES**

**Yearly activities include:**
- Welcome Back Week
- Halloween Carnival
- Assisting with the Fiddlers Convention
- Athenian newspaper
- Student Government Association
- Spring Fling
- Fall and Spring blood drives
- Founders Queen elections

**Department Clubs**

- Accounting Club
- American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics
- American Advertising Federation
- American Production and Inventory Control Society
- Art Club
- Athens State University Teacher Ambassador Club
- Council for Exceptional Children
- Elementary Education Club
- Health and Physical Education Club
- Health and Science Career Club
- Mathematics and Computer Club
- Pre-Law Society
- Society for Human Resource Management
- Student Alabama Education Association

**Honor Societies**

- Alpha Kappa Delta - Rho Chapter
- Delta Mu Delta
- Kappa Delta Pi
- Kappa Mu Epsilon
- Phi Alpha Theta
- Phi Gamma Mu, Alabama ETA
- Psi Chi
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Alum Association
- Sigma Tau Delta

**Service Organizations**

- African-American History Association
- ASSIST-Student United Way
- Athenian Ambassadors
- Heritage Reading Council

**Special Interest Clubs**

- Bass Fishing Club
- Campus Ministries
- Centurions
- Criminal Justice Student Association
- Gay-Straight Alliance
- Wesley Fellowship
Athens State University has five Off-Campus Centers located in various areas of North Alabama with the goal of expanding the opportunities for traditional and non-traditional students to pursue degrees or certifications at locations where education might otherwise be limited. Each Center is staffed with a Center Manager to provide student support services in admissions, registration, academic advising, financial aid, and more. The Off-Campus Centers are broken down into two organizational models: University Centers and Distance Learning Centers.
WHERE EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE COUNT TOWARD YOUR DEGREE

You have worked hard and we recognize that some of your knowledge and experience may be at the college level. The Adult Degree Program at Athens State University is designed to offer college credit for the college-level knowledge adults have learned outside the classroom.

WHAT IS THE ADP?
A program designed to assist adults in applying their experience and knowledge as college credit toward a Bachelor’s degree.

WHO IS THE ADP FOR?
Anyone who has experience or training, meets the minimum requirements and wants to accelerate their career is a candidate for the Adult Degree Program at Athens State University.

WHY CHOOSE THE ADP?
If you have the knowledge the ADP program can provide an efficient, cost effective and customized path to earn your degree.

Contact Information:
256-233-8281
info@athens.edu
www.athens.edu/adp
ONLINE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Athens State currently has 13 degree program options and several certificate programs that can be completed entirely online (see below). Note that programs and majors not listed below may offer some coursework online, but not all of the required coursework for these majors is available online. For information on specific online course offerings, consult the online academic schedule or call 1-800-522-0272.

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

- Computer Science: Computer Information Systems Option
- Computer Science - Information Security
- Religious Studies

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

- Instructional Design (Non-Certification option)

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

- Accounting (with or without minor)
- Acquisition and Contract Management
- Enterprise Systems Management
- Human Resource Management
- Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Management (with or without minor)
- Management of Technology (with or without minor)

- Certificate in Acquisition and Contract Management
- Certificate in Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- Certificate in Marketing
- SAP Student Achievement Recognition Certificate