



Clafin University

Academic Excellence By Design

Institutional Profile – 2008

Type of University: Independent, four year, co-educational, residential, career-oriented liberal arts university affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

History: Clafin University, founded in 1869 as Clafin University, is the oldest historically Black college or university in South Carolina. It was also the first college in the state to welcome all students regardless of race or gender.

Faculty: 96 Full-time Teaching Faculty. 78% hold terminal degrees in their fields.

Student/Faculty Ratio: Student Faculty Ratio 13:1.

Academic Year: Fall and Spring Semesters and a Summer Session.

Undergraduate and Graduate Enrollment: Nearly 1,800 students enrolled. 40% are male and 60% are female. From 44 SC counties, 23 States, and 16 countries.

Academic Programs: The University offers broad based education in liberal arts and sciences combined with internships and other career-focused programs. There are 33 undergraduate majors. The University, currently, offers a nationally accredited Master of Business Administration degree (MBA), a Master of Science in Biotechnology and a Master of Education in Educational Studies.

Cost: 2007-2008 tuition and fees, \$12,358; room and board, \$6,640-\$8,380. These amounts are set annually by the Board of Trustees.

Financial Aid: 96% of full-time students attending Clafin receive some form of financial aid. Need-based scholarships, grants, loans and work-study programs are available for eligible students.

Student Services: Career counseling and placement services, health services, and personal counseling.

Housing: Ten Residence Halls – 8 for women and 2 for men – house about 1,003 students (334 males and 669 females.)

ROTC: Clafin graduates who complete the R.O.T.C. program (a cross enrollment agreement with South Carolina State University) may be commissioned as second lieutenants in the U.S. Army.

Intercollegiate Sports: Programs for men: basketball, baseball, tennis, track and field and cross country. Programs for women: basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, track and field and cross country.

Location: Clafin University's historic 43-acre campus is located in Orangeburg, South Carolina, a county of 92,000 people about forty miles south of Columbia.



- Ranked #10 in the *Top Tier* among Baccalaureate Colleges in the South
- Ranked number 3 for Highest Graduation Rate

In *U.S. News & World Report's 2008 Guidebook to America's Best Colleges and Universities* for students pursuing bachelor's degrees.

Consumers Digest ranked Clafin #3 Best Value among Top Private Colleges and Universities in the Nation.

