



University of South Carolina Lancaster – Accessible, Affordable, and Flexible

General

- Public two-year campus of the University of South Carolina, largest and oldest two-year campus
- Founded 1959, celebrated 65 years in 2024-2025
- Governed by the Board of Trustees of the University of South Carolina
- Academic Accreditation with USC Columbia through the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges; Associate in Business accredited through ACBSP
- Offering 4 associate degrees and 31 bachelor's degrees through partnerships with USC Palmetto College and other collaborative arrangements
- Physical location: 150 acres in the city limits of Lancaster; 50 developed acres with remainder wooded; Downtown Lancaster: Native American Studies Center; Indian Land: 8063 River Rd Indian Land, SC 29707
- Affiliate groups: Lancaster County Commission on Higher Education, Educational Foundation of USC Lancaster (owns land and most buildings), Indian Land Business Advisory Group
- Leadership: Regional Palmetto College Dean, Dr. Courtney Catledge
- Athletics: NJCAA, Region X competing in baseball, men's and women's soccer, and women's volleyball
- Mascot: Lance the Lancer; The Lancers

Numbers

Enrollment Fall 2026 (as of 9/23/26)	Headcount 2,500	FTE 1,632
Clubs and Student Organizations	20	
In-state tuition 2025-2026	\$3,579/per semester	
Faculty-to-Student Ratio	1:24	
Faculty	Full-time 66; Part-time 48	
Student Ethnic Diversity (Fall 2024)	34.2%	
State appropriation, FY 27	\$11,691,252 (includes base appropriation, tuition mitigation, pay plan allocation, fringe allocation)	
State appropriation as % of operating	56.3%	
Operating budget	\$20,783,702 (total revenue + transfers in)	
3-year Success Rate (Graduate or transfer to another campus)	78.7%	consistently ranked one of the top two-year campuses in SC

Program Spotlight

- Lancer Scholars—Premium Scholarship Program
- Native American Studies Center—only center in SC devoted to the culture and history of Native Americans
- Gregory Family YMCA—on-campus recreation serving students, faculty, and staff as well as the community
- Indian Land Location—serving students of all kinds in the growing panhandle of Lancaster County adjacent to Charlotte, NC
- Consistently ranked one of the top two-year campuses in South Carolina by niche.com.