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Talladega College Announces Record-Setting Enrollment Increase



Talladega, AL (September 12, 2018) - Talladega College is pleased to announce a record-setting enrollment increase for the 2018-2019 academic year. Enrollment has increased 55.5 percent, rising from 782 students during the 2017-2018 academic year to 1,217 students during the 2018-2019 academic year.

“There is a magnificent transformation underway at Talladega College. A new residence hall, a student center, and the Dr. William R. Harvey Museum of Art are currently under construction. In addition, substantial renovations are taking place campus-wide. While academic excellence is our primary focus, the beautification

of our campus has undoubtedly helped us to attract many new students,” said Talladega College President Dr. Billy C. Hawkins. “We are providing academic excellence in a beautiful setting.”

U.S. News and World Report listed Talladega College among the best regional colleges and the best Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in its report released on September 10, 2018. The Princeton Review named Talladega College among the best colleges in the Southeast in the recently released 2019 edition of its annual college guide, *The Best 384 Colleges*.

Talladega College’s new state-of-the-art residence hall is scheduled to open in November, 2018. The Dr. William R. Harvey Museum of Art, which will house the critically-acclaimed Hale Woodruff Amistad Murals and other works of art, will open in spring 2019, and Talladega’s first-ever student center will open in summer 2019.

Talladega recently launched its first-ever master’s degree program. The master of science in computer information systems (MSCIS) with concentrations available in either cybersecurity or health informatics is open to students who hold a bachelor’s degree with computer-related experiences or courses. Over 80% of the courses in the 18-month online program are aligned with industry-related certifications such as CompTIA, ISACA, and EC-Council, CompTIA Security + or (ISC2), and CISSP. The program employs a cutting-edge curriculum in information technology, cybersecurity, health informatics, project management, and database systems to help students meet the demands of the fast-paced and challenging field of information technology.

About Talladega College

The oldest private Historically Black College in Alabama, Talladega College was founded in 1867 by two former slaves, William Savery and Thomas Tarrant. Talladega College is the home of the renowned Hale Woodruff Amistad Murals, which received rave reviews from the *New York Times* during a three-year, eight-city tour.