

Agnes Scott

Fact Sheet

Our mission

Agnes Scott educates women to think deeply, live honorably and engage the intellectual and social challenges of their times.

Student body as of fall 2010

- 934 students
- Our undergraduate students come from 43 states and territories and 37 countries; 92 percent of traditional students live on campus.
- 12 percent of our students are international.
- One third of Agnes Scott students are under-represented minorities.
- Agnes Scott's Honor System is one of the oldest in the country; our student self-government celebrated its 100th anniversary in 2006.

Profile of the class of 2014

- 265 students
- 18 percent of the class of 2014 graduated in the top 5 percent of their high school class; 34 percent were in the top 10 percent.
- 77 percent of the class of 2014 attended public schools.
- Acceptance rate: 46 percent
- Mean high school GPA: 3.60
- Middle 50 percent range of SAT: 1090–1300 (critical reading and mathematics only)
- Middle 50 percent range of ACT: 24–29
- 70 percent of students qualify for and receive need-based financial aid.
- The average total institutional grant is more than \$19,000.

Student experience and outcomes

- About 40 percent of Agnes Scott students will study abroad before graduation.
- 56 percent of 2010 graduates seeking employment reported at least one job offer prior to graduation.
- 60 percent of the 2010 graduating class completed an internship prior to graduation.
- First-year to sophomore retention for fall 2010 was 79 percent.
- The most recent six-year cohort graduation rate is 68 percent.

Academic programs

- Number of full-time faculty: 82
- Tenure-track faculty with Ph.D. or terminal degree: 100 percent
- Student/faculty ratio: 9:1
- Average number of students per class: 15
- 33 undergraduate majors and 31 minors, as well as programs in pre-law and pre-medicine; dual-degree programs in architecture, computer science, engineering and nursing
- Post-baccalaureate certificate program in pre-medicine

Recognition

One of only 50 private colleges and universities chosen as a “best value” in 2010 and 2009 by The Princeton Review

U.S. News & World Report “America’s Best Colleges 2011” ranked Agnes Scott:

- No. 6 among liberal arts colleges in schools to watch. (This is ASC’s second consecutive year in the Top 10 of this category)
- No. 15 in “great schools, great prices” (up from No. 22 last year)

Agnes Scott was named one of The Best 373 Colleges (2011 edition) by The Princeton Review:

- Third easiest campus to get around
- Eighth for “town-gown” relations
- 10th in best quality of life
- 20th among “stone-cold sober” schools

Student Recognition

In the past two years, Agnes Scott students have received the following scholarships or awards: Marshall (the college’s first-ever in 2009), Truman, Fulbright, Kemper and a du Pont Fellowship. In the past, students have received Rhodes and Goldwater scholarships and the Pickering Fellowship.

Financial Strength

- Agnes Scott’s endowment is valued at more than \$235 million.
- Cash gifts received for fiscal year 2010 totaled more than \$8 million.
- 2009-2010 gifts to The Fund for Agnes Scott totaled \$2,536,662 with 48 percent alumnae participation.
- 2010–2011 The Fund for Agnes Scott goals: \$2.796 million and 48.5 percent alumnae participation.
- Over the past five years, the 50th reunion classes have averaged 96 percent participation in giving to The Fund for Agnes Scott.

Tuition and Fees

Comprehensive fee for 2010-2011 is \$41,133, which includes tuition, room and board, and student activity fee.

Academic programs (continued)

- In 2009, four new minors were added: environmental and sustainability studies; public health; film and media studies and organizational management
- The Bevier Scholars Program supports student research internships at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Agnes Scott is the only primarily baccalaureate-granting college to have a partnership agreement with the CDC.
- As of 2010, students who minor in public health may apply for a new joint enrollment program at Emory's Rollins School of Public Health. Credits accrue toward both an Agnes Scott undergraduate degree and a master's in public health at Rollins.

Affordability

- In 2009, the college introduced "The Agnes Solution" for Georgia residents and effective fall 2011, the program will be extended to out-of-state students as well. The Agnes Solution guarantees qualified Agnes Scott students \$63,000 in merit awards over four years. The Agnes Solution includes a \$3,000 Agnes Advantage Award that can be used for an internship, to study abroad or for mentored research after a student completes her sophomore year.

Athletics

- The Scotties currently field six NCAA Division III teams: basketball, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball.
- The Scottie tennis team won the Great South Atlantic Conference Championships for the past two years and advanced to NCAA Championships in both 2009 and 2010.
- In 2010, ASC hired new head volleyball coach Catherine Geerlings. The Scotties advanced to GSAC Championships for the first time in three years.
- Agnes Scott hosted the GSAC Volleyball Championships in November 2010.
- ASC was the first college in Georgia to field a varsity women's lacrosse team, which played its inaugural season in spring 2010.

Sustainability

- Agnes Scott was one of 286 colleges selected nationwide for The Princeton Review's "Green Colleges" guide (2010).
- ASC is now diverting 64 percent of its waste from landfills by employing a combination of recycling and composting. The college aims to reach near "zero waste" status by 2012.
- ASC was the top-ranked college in the state and No. 35 nationally in the 2010 RecycleMania Grand Champion Division.
- Since 2007, ASC has implemented sustainable practices including single-stream recycling, campus-wide irrigation from the retention pond, trayless dining, a bicycle loaner program, Zipcar memberships, printer cartridge recycling and the reuse of cooking oil to produce biodiesel for Emory's CLIFF shuttle buses. Also, the ASC Board of Trustees established a policy of seeking LEED Silver or higher certification for all construction and renovation projects on campus.

Alumnae Achievement

- **Marsha Norman '69x, H'05** won the Pulitzer Prize for her play *'night, Mother*. She has adapted other works for Broadway plays, including the musicals *The Color Purple* and *The Secret Garden*, for which she received a Tony award. Norman is also a faculty member at the Julliard School.
- **Katherine "Kay" Krill '77** is CEO of Ann Taylor Stores. She was instrumental in the creation and launch of Ann Taylor LOFT, one of the company's most successful divisions. She was named executive vice president of LOFT in 1996 and promoted to division president in 2001.
- 2009 and 2007 Grammy Award winner **Jennifer Nettles '97** was a successful solo musician with folk and country roots before joining the band Sugarland in 2003. The group has since won Grammy, Country Music Association and American Music Awards.
- **Gay Johnson McDougall '69x, H'10** was the only American to serve on South Africa's 16-member Independent Electoral Commission, formed to organize and administer the country's first post-apartheid elections. She received a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship in 1999 for her work toward establishing international human rights. In 2005, McDougall was named the first United Nations Independent Expert on Minority Issues.
- **Jean Toal '65** is Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court, the first and only woman to hold that position.
- **Saycon Sengbloh '00x** is an actress and singer with both Broadway and film credits including roles in *Wicked*, *Rent* and *Fela!*
- **Amy Kim '97** was a member of the team that created *West Bank Story*, a musical comedy about cross-cultural love, that won a 2007 Academy Award in the "Best Live Action Short Film" category.
- **Ila Burdette '81**, a mathematics major and Georgia's first female Rhodes Scholar, earned her master's from Oxford University as well as a master's from Princeton University. She is an architect known for designing special-needs environments such as hospices and homes for the elderly.