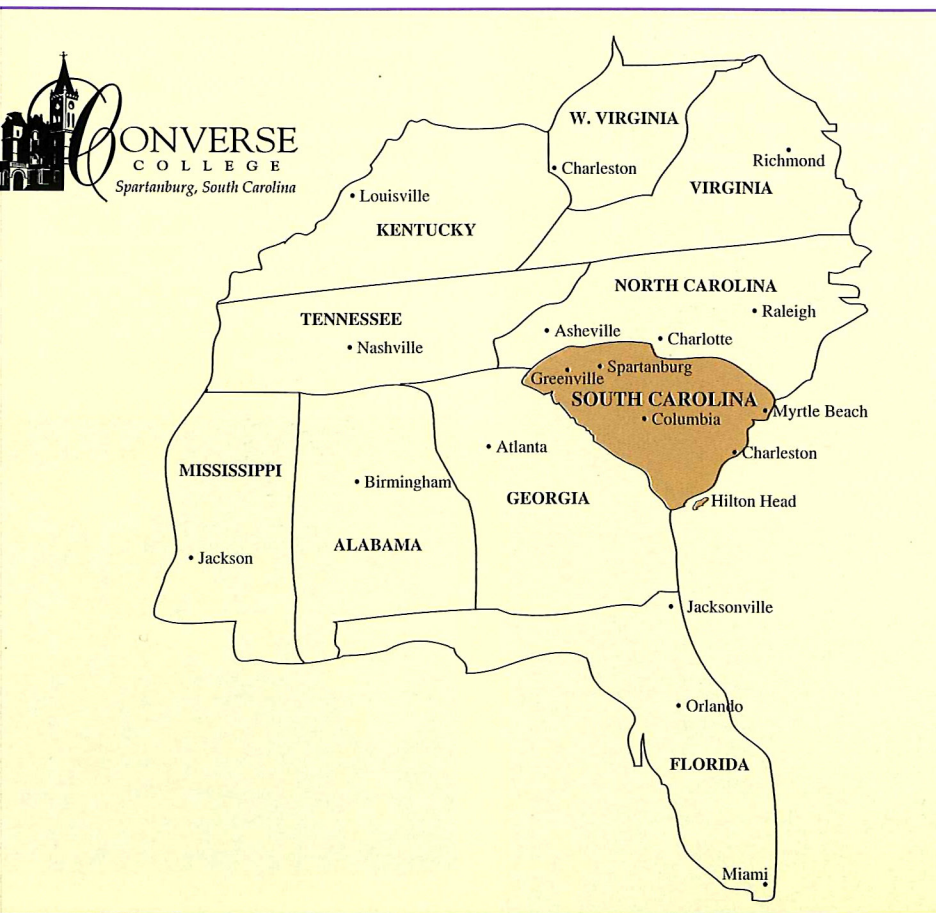


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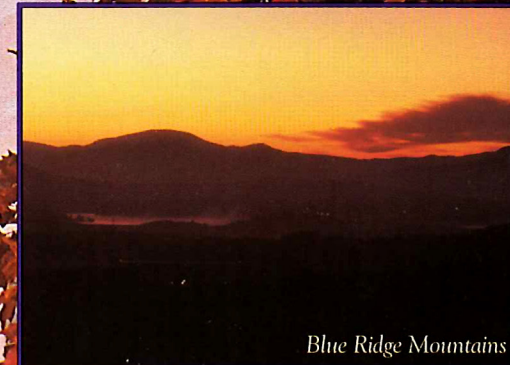
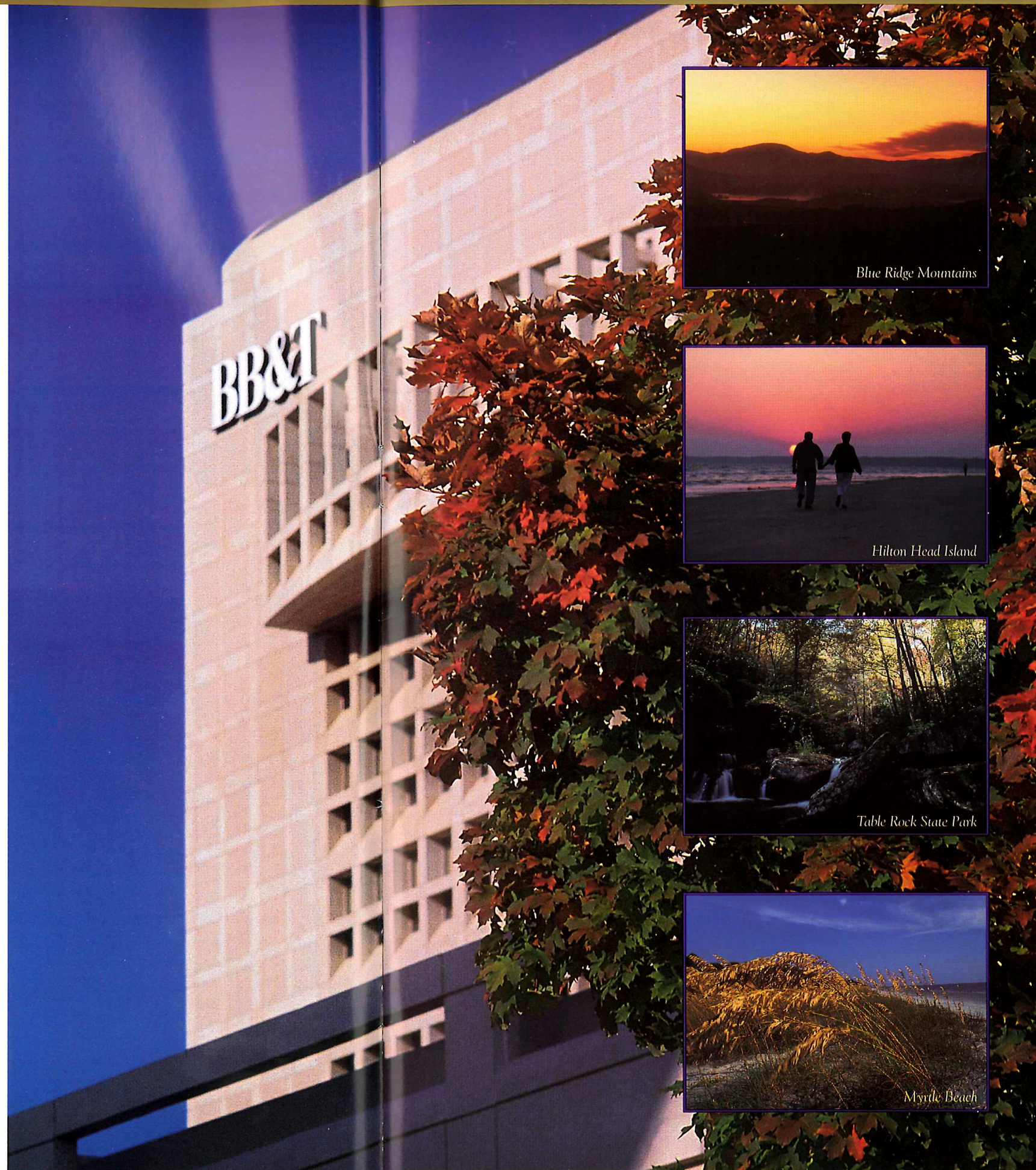
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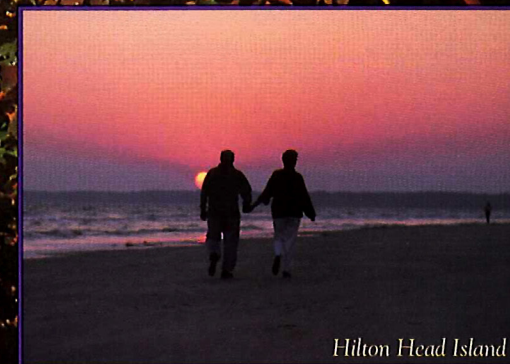
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CONVERSE
COLLEGE
Spartanburg, South Carolina



Blue Ridge Mountains



Hilton Head Island



Table Rock State Park



Myrtle Beach

Located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Spartanburg, South Carolina, provides a truly unique setting. Rich with culture and tradition, Spartanburg also has a growing economy. Located along the I-85 Business Corridor, Spartanburg is home to approximately ninety international corporations located throughout the region, making Spartanburg a truly international city and perfect place for internship opportunities.

The South Carolina Upstate offers a wealth of social and cultural activities, including major shopping malls, movies, clubs and restaurants, musical concerts, and theater productions.

Transportation to and from Spartanburg is easy. Located at the intersection of Interstates 85 and 26, Spartanburg is only minutes away from the newly expanded Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport, offering daily service by most major airlines.

When you want to get away for an afternoon or a weekend, Asheville, Charleston, Charlotte, and Atlanta are only a few hours away. South Carolina's Grand Strand of beaches is a four-hour drive, and the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains are only thirty minutes from campus.

Skiing, hiking, horseback riding, and whitewater rafting are only minutes away, as are major college and professional sporting events. History, culture, and entertainment—you'll find it all right here.

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Welcome to Converse

For more than a century, Converse College has been preparing women for success in their careers and personal lives.

Designed specifically to meet the needs of women, our academic curriculum, leadership programs, service learning and volunteer opportunities, and cultural event series have earned Converse a national reputation for excellence.

As President, I would like to extend a personal invitation to you to visit our campus, talk with students, professors, and admissions counselors, and discover for yourself the wide range of opportunities available for Converse students.



Sandra C. Thomas, Ph.D., President



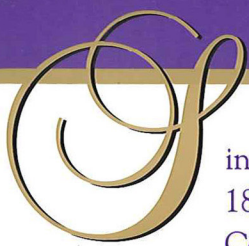
Choosing a college that is right for you is one of the most important decisions you will make—a decision that should be made carefully.

Size, cost, location, academic reputation, available majors, and courses of study are all important considerations. Even more important is what you plan to do with your education and how the college you choose can help you achieve your goals.

At Converse College, our mission has always been to prepare students, both personally and academically, for the challenges that lie ahead. We accomplish this mission by placing a strong emphasis on *learning*, on *leadership development*, and on *life*—through our double major program, leadership programs, individual career and personal counseling services, student self-government, community volunteer opportunities, internships, travel/study opportunities, cultural events, and more.

As a result, more than ninety-five percent of all Converse graduates enter career-oriented professions or pursue graduate degrees after completing their undergraduate studies.

If you're looking for a college that cares about who you are and where you're going, look to Converse College. We've been providing excellence in women's education for more than a century.



Since its founding in 1889, Converse College has been a special place: a liberal-arts institution dedicated to awakening the abilities and developing the talents of women of all ages.

Located in Spartanburg, South Carolina, Converse is a community where younger and older, undergraduate and graduate, and residential and commuting students come together and work with a faculty dedicated to teaching.

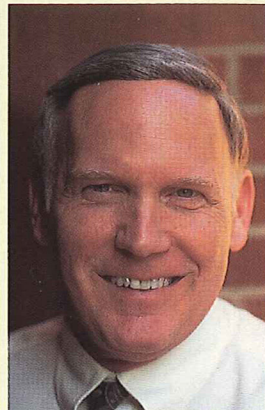
Converse offers a wide range of majors in the arts and sciences, which are complemented by a nationally recognized School of Music, as well as studies in selected pre-professional areas such as pre-medicine and pre-law. The College also offers Converse II—an adult undergraduate program for women twenty-four and older—and graduate programs in both music and education, making Converse a place where women with a wide variety of backgrounds and goals are welcome.

Average enrollment for traditional residential undergraduates is 750, while commuting, adult, and graduate students account for another 450. Student-faculty ratio is nine to one, offering opportunities for individual attention and the development of personal relationships with faculty members.

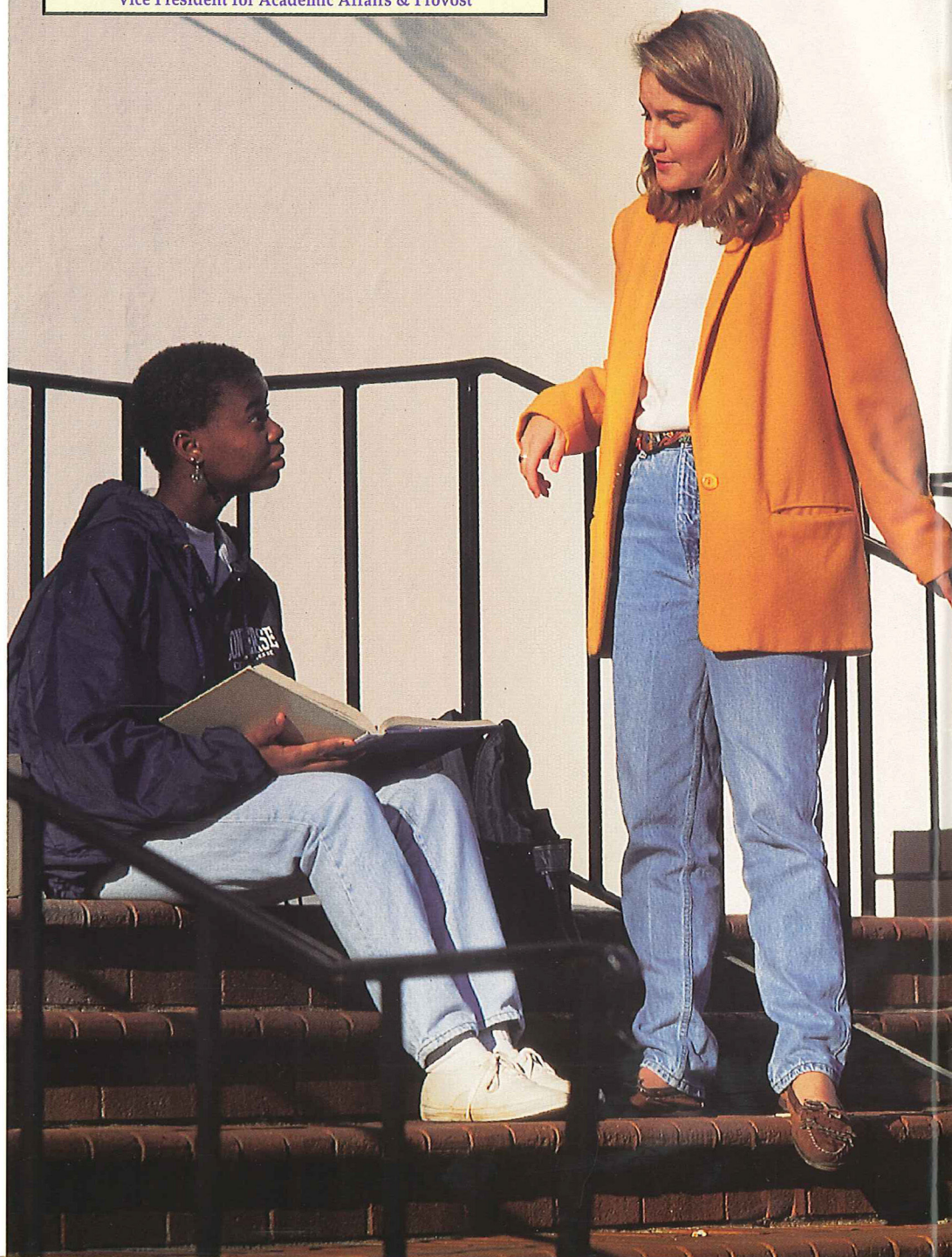
In short, while Converse offers all the individual attention you would expect from a private college, it is diverse enough to provide an exciting range of academic, social, and cultural opportunities.

I know of no other curriculum in a comparably sized college that provides the range of academic opportunities that a woman will find at Converse.

It is said that education should turn an empty mind into an open mind. I think that's what the challenging academic program at Converse will do for any student.



Dr. Tom McDaniel
Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost



Converse Overview

- ❑ Four-year women's college of the Liberal Arts and Sciences with a professional School of Music
- ❑ Graduate programs in Education and Music
- ❑ Founded in 1889
- ❑ Average Enrollment: 750 undergraduates; 1200 total
- ❑ 87% of faculty with Ph.D. or terminal degree
- ❑ 9:1 overall student-faculty ratio, 4:1 in the School of Music
- ❑ Rated by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the top ten Southern Regional Colleges and Universities
- ❑ Rated as a "best buy" in education by *U.S. News* and *Barron's*

Degrees Offered

- ❑ Bachelor of Arts
- ❑ Bachelor of Fine Arts
- ❑ Bachelor of Music
- ❑ Master of Music
- ❑ Master of Education
- ❑ Educational Specialist

Academic Calendar

- ❑ Three-term calendar: a 13-week fall term, a six-week winter term, and a 13-week spring term. This unique calendar lightens the academic load in the fall and spring terms and enables students to take advantage of internship and international travel/study courses during the winter term.

Affordability

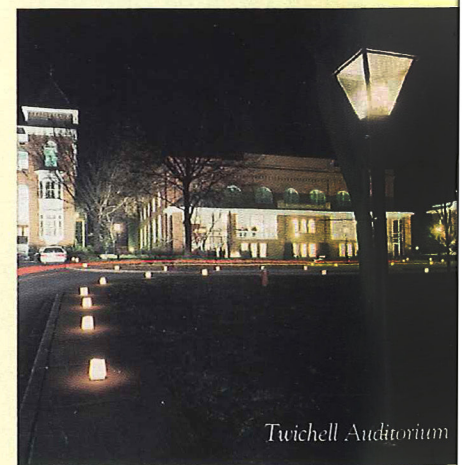
- ❑ 80 percent of students receive some scholarship or merit-based assistance
- ❑ State Tuition Grants available for SC residents
- ❑ Federal and state grants and loans available for qualifying individuals
- ❑ Work-study for qualifying students

Location

- ❑ Converse College's 70-acre campus is located in Spartanburg, South Carolina, 30 minutes from the Blue Ridge Mountains and the Great Smokies to the northwest and about four hours from South Carolina's famous "Grand Strand" of beaches to the southeast. Atlanta, Charleston, Charlotte, Columbia, and Asheville are all within a few hours' drive.

Features

- ❑ Campus-Wide Computer Technology
- ❑ Converse Leadership Program
- ❑ South Carolina Institute of Leadership for Women (SCIL)
- ❑ Double Majors
- ❑ Honors Courses
- ❑ Student-Directed Honor Code
- ❑ Internship Opportunities
- ❑ Independent Study Programs
- ❑ Travel/Study Programs
- ❑ Comprehensive Career Services
- ❑ Four-Year Faculty Advising
- ❑ Counseling Center / Personal Development Office
- ❑ Wellness Center
- ❑ College Chaplain



Twitchell Auditorium