2022-2023 Annual Report on the Academic Common Market Program

Established in 1974 by the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB), the Academic Common Market Program (ACM) was designed "to share between states specified degree programs located at southern public colleges and universities through an exchange of students across borders at in-state rates." As a cooperative agreement among states, the Academic Common Market seeks to eliminate unnecessary duplication of degree programs among states while supporting programs that are able to serve additional students.

Each participating state compiles its own list of programs for access by its residents. Eligible programs are undergraduate and graduate programs that are at least 51 percent different in course content from programs offered in the home state. Concentrations, options, tracks, or specializations within more general (and otherwise ineligible) degree programs must be extraordinary, specific, and structured to merit eligibility for the Academic Common Market Program. In South Carolina, the Academic Common Market Program institutional coordinators at each public institution are asked to review new program nominations as well as currently available programs before a decision is made by the institution to include a program. Students can request consideration for the inclusion of additional programs throughout the year.

In South Carolina, interested students must contact the Commission on Higher Education for access to the ACM Program. This process involves two steps. First, Commission staff determines whether the student has satisfied South Carolina residency provisions including the required **one-year** period of residency in the state pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws for Determination of Rates of Tuition and Fees and related regulations (Statutory Authority: 1976 Code §§ 59–112–10 to 59–112–100, Regulations: 62-600, 609 A, B, &C (2023)). Secondly, the Commission staff must verify that the student is fully admitted to one of the specific programs to which South Carolina residents have ACM Program access. Once a student is certified as having met the eligibility requirements, the student retains ACM Program status as long as he or she remains enrolled full-time in the same degree program and retains South Carolina residency.

Information about the ACM Program is accessible on the Commission's website and also on SREB's website (https://che.sc.gov/academic-common-market).

In Academic Year 2022-2023, South Carolina certified 99 state residents to matriculate to other SREB states, an increase of 35 certifications compared to the 64 students certified in 2021-2022. This is a 55% increase in the number of certifications o SC residents. It is important to note that these data reflect the number of new students *certified* during the year, not the actual number of certified students who ultimately decided to enroll in an ACM program. Table 1 provides a list of ACM programs and the total number of certified SC students.

In 2022-2023, South Carolina students were certified for 43 programs, a decrease of 2 from 2021-2022. The top 5 programs certified were in Tennessee (59), Florida (9), Mississippi (9), Alabama (7) and, Kentucky (7). The top 5 certified programs at the undergraduate level were Aerospace Engineering/Professional Pilot (14), Supply Chain Management/Business Analytics (13), Audio Production (7), Southern Studies (6) and, Business Analytics/International Business (5). The top 2 certified programs at the graduate level were Taxation (3) and, Medical Sciences (2). The top 5 institutions where SC students requested certifications were the University of Tennessee Knoxville (28), Middle Tennessee State University (25), University of Mississippi (8), East Tennessee State University (5) and, Auburn, University of Florida, and University of Georgia (4).

Table 1: ACM programs and the number of certified SC students, by institution.

Institution	Program	Concentration	Degree	Certifications
Alabama State University	Prosthetics and Orthotics	Generalist	MS	1
Auburn University	Aviation Management		BS	1
	Industrial Design		BA	1
	Professional Pilot	Flight Management	BS	2
East Tennessee State University	Dental Hygiene		BS	1
	Digital Media		BS	2
	Surveying and Mapping Science		BS	2

University	Program	Concentration	Degree	Count
Eastern Kentucky University	Aviation		BS	1
Florida State University	Financial Regulation and Compliance		JM	1
	Music Education		MA	1
	Musicology	Ethnomusicology	MA	1
Louisiana State University	Mass Communication	Political Communication	BA	2
	Petroleum Engineering		BS	1
Middle Tennessee State University	Aerospace	Professional Pilot	BS	14
	Audio Production		BS	7
	Forensic Science		BS	1
	Mechatronics Engineering		BS	1
	Recording Industry	Music Business	BS	2
Mississippi State University	Geoscience	Broadcast Meteorology	BS	1
Murray State University	Animal Technology	Veterinary Tech.	BS	1
Oklahoma State University	Mechanical Engineering Technology		BS	1
University of Alabama at Birmingham	Forensic Science		MS	1
University of Alabama at Huntsville	Atmospheric Science		MS	1
University of Florida	Family, Youth, and Community Sciences		MS	1
	Taxation		LLM	3
University of Georgia	Consumer Economics		MA	1
	Human Development and Family Science		BS	2

	Social Entrepreneurship for Consumer Well-Being		BS	1
University of Kentucky	Diplomacy and International Commerce		MA	1
	Integrated Strategic Communication		BS	4
University of Memphis	Communication	Film and Video Production	MA	1
University of Mississippi	Forensic Chemistry		BS	2
	Southern Studies		BA	6
University of South Florida	Medical Sciences		MS	2
University of Tennessee Knoxville	Architecture		BARCH	1
	Business Analytics	International Business	BS	5
	Child and Family Studies	Community Outreach	BS	3
	Interior Architecture		BS	2
	Materials Science and Engineering		BS	1
	Neuroscience		BS	1
	Special Education	Interventionist and Comprehensive Special Education	BS	1
	Supply Chain Management	Business Analytics	BS	13
	Therapeutic Recreation		BS	1
TOTAL				99

For 2022-2023, a total of 38 ACM programs (30 undergraduate out-of-state and 8 graduate out-of-state) were archived and removed as eligible programs for SC residents upon the completion of degree comparisons from SC institutions offering similar programs and is represented in Table 2.

Table 2: 2022-2023 ACM programs removed due to similar programs offered at SC public institutions of higher learning.

Program	Degree Comparison	Institution	Date
Architecture	Clemson University	University of Tennessee Knoxville	1.5.22
Architecture	Clemson University	Kennesaw State University	1.19.22
Equine Science and Management	Clemson	University of Kentucky	1.19.22
Neuroscience	USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Knoxville	1.27.22
Equine Administration	Clemson	University of Louisville	2.3.22
Fashion Merchandising	USC Columbia SC State University	University of Georgia	2.3.22
Biomedical Engineering	USC Columbia	Alabama State University	2.11.22
Mechanical Engineering Technology	SC State University	Fairmont State University Oklahoma State University Stillwater	2.24.22 8.23.22
Nuclear Engineering	SC State University	University of Tennessee Knoxville	2.24.22
Mechatronics Engineering	SC State University	Middle Tennessee State University	3.9.22
Special Education	Winthrop University Clemson University Lander University SC State University USC Aiken	University of Kentucky	8.3.22
Meteorology	College of Charleston	University of South Alabama	8.4.22

		Western Kentucky University	8.4.22
		Jackson State University	8.23.22
Supply Chain Management/Business Analytics	College of Charleston USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Knoxville	8.22.22
Materials Science and Engineering	Clemson University	University of Tennessee Knoxville	8.22.22
Environmental Engineering	Clemson University	Louisiana State University	8.23.22
Geoscience-Professional Meteorology	USC Columbia College of Charleston	Mississippi State University	9.23.22
Geoscience-Broadcast Meteorology	College of Charleston	Mississippi State University	9.23.22
Atmospheric Science	College of Charleston	University of Louisiana Monroe	10.20.22
Recreation and Parks Management w/Adventure Sports	Coastal Carolina Clemson	Frostburg State University	10.24.22
Recreation and Leisure Sports Studies	USC Columbia	Shepherd University	11.3.22
Supply Chain Management	USC Columbia	Middle Tennessee State University	11.3.22
Music Industry, Recording Technology	USC Columbia	University of Memphis	12.15.22
Recording Industry, Commercial Songwriting	USC Columbia	Middle Tennessee State University	12.20.22
Recording Industry, Music Business	USC Columbia	Middle Tennessee State University	12.20.22
Athletic Training	Winthrop University USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	4.28.23

Graphic Design	Winthrop University Coastal Carolina	University of Tennessee Knoxville	6.20.23
Cyber Forensics and Security	Clemson University	Marshall University	12.2.21
Counseling, Rehabilitation Counseling	SC State University USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Knoxville	9.23.22
Engineering Management	USC Columbia	University of Louisville	11.3.22
Sociology, Aging and Health	USC Columbia	Florida State University	11.3.22
Business Analytics	USC Columbia	University of Georgia	11.3.22
Instructional Systems Development Training Systems	The Citadel	University of Maryland, UMBC	11.3.22
Athletic Training	Winthrop University USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	4.28.23
Athletic Training Education	Winthrop University USC Columbia	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	4.28.23
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In 2022-2023, 9 SREB states were granted access to SC ACM Programs and is represented in Table 3.

Table 3: 2021-2023 States Granted Access to SC ACM Programs

Program	State	Institution	Date
Undergraduate Programs			
Sustainability and Coastal Resilience	Maryland Tennessee	Coastal Carolina	10.11.21 4.18.22
Sports Communication	Arkansas Virginia Maryland	Clemson University	1.9.22 1.18.22 3.30.23

Language and International Health	Georgia Virginia	Clemson University	1.13.22 7.25.22
Graphic Communications	Alabama Maryland	Clemson University	1.20.23 3.30.23
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Maryland	USC Columbia	1.27.22
Sports and Entertainment Management	Kentucky	USC Columbia	3.25.22
Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management, Travel and Tourism Management	Maryland Tennessee	Clemson University	4.15.22 2.28.23
Plant and Environmental Sciences	Maryland	Clemson University	5.3.22
Cardiovascular Technology	Maryland	USC Columbia	6.9.22
Film and Media Studies	Delaware	USC Columbia	3.20.23
Retail Management	Georgia	USC Columbia	6.2.23
Fashion Merchandising	Georgia	USC Columbia	6.2.23
Biomedical Engineering	Georgia	USC Columbia	6.2.23
Real Estate	Delaware	USC Columbia	7.25.23

In 2022-2023, the number of programs offered to other SREB states through the ACM Program by South Carolina institutions was 80. The programs are listed in Appendix A and are represented in Figures I and II.

Figure I: 2022-2023 SC ACM Programs by Degree Type

Degree Type	Count
Bachelors	32
Masters	37
Specialist	10
Doctorate	1
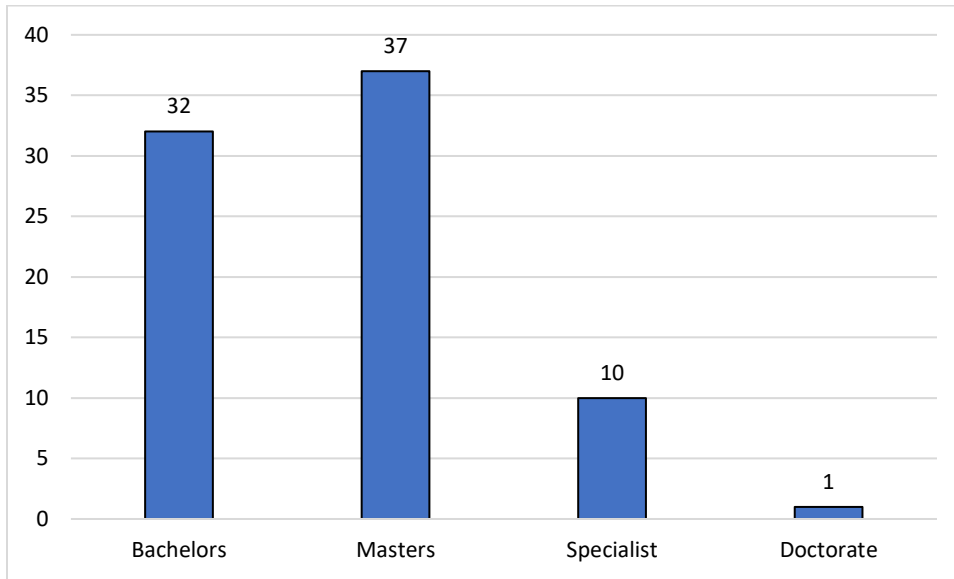
Figure II 2022-2023 SC ACM Programs Offered by Institution

Institution	Count
Clemson University	11
Coastal Carolina University	8
Lander University	1
Medical University of South Carolina	3
University of South Carolina Aiken	2
Unversity of South Carolina Columbia	50
University of South Carolina Upstate	1
Winthrop University	4
TOTAL	80
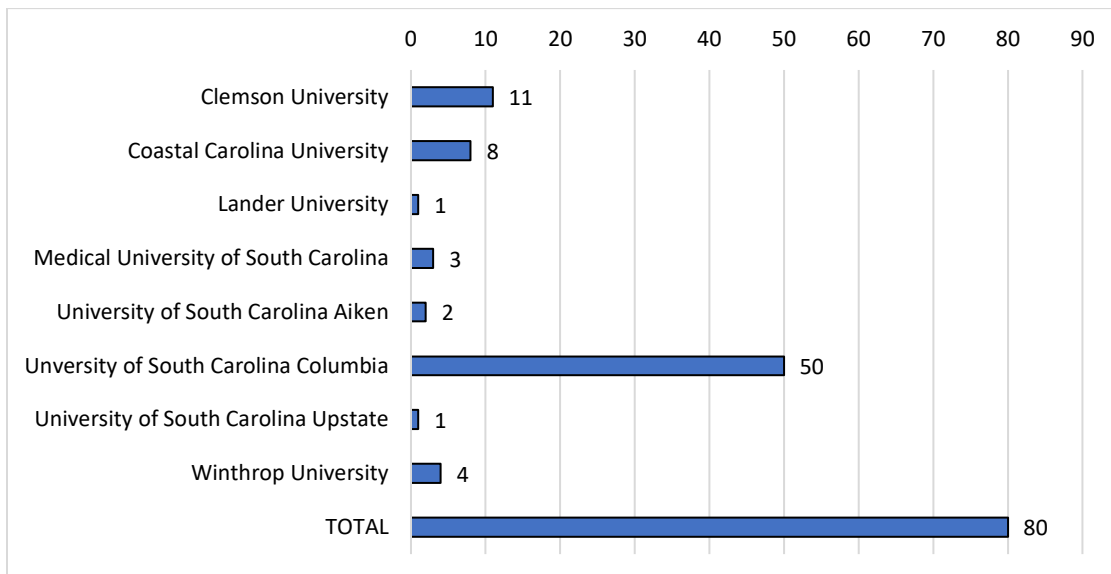
Appendix A: SC Programs Offered Through SREB by Institution

Institution	Degree Level	CIP Code	Program	Concentration	Modality	States
Clemson University	Masters	52.2001	Construction Science and Management		Traditional	KY TN
	Masters	13.1101	Counselor Education	School Counseling	Traditional	DE
	Masters	11.0201	Digital Productions Arts		Traditional	DE FL
	Masters	01.1099	Food, Nutrition and Culinary Sciences		Traditional	KY, LA
	Masters	04.0201	Architecture		Traditional	DE WV
	Masters	14.0501	Bioengineering		Traditional	DE
	Masters	31.0101	Parks, Recreation and Tourism Management		Traditional	LA
	Masters	31.1201	Historic Preservation		Traditional	VA
	Masters	41.9999	Packaging Science		Traditional	DE VA
	Masters	50.0404	Graphic Communications		Traditional	AL

	Masters	01.1099	Food, Nutrition and Culinary Sciences		Traditional	LA
Coastal Carolina University	Bachelors	12.1203	Middle Level Education	English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies	Traditional	VA
	Bachelors	29.0000	Intelligence and National Security Studies		Traditional	AR DE KY LA MD MS TN VA
	Bachelors	50.0501	Theatre Arts	Physical Theatre	Traditional	DE KY LA MD OK TN
	Bachelors	50.0501	Theatre Arts	Design and Technology	Traditional	DE LA
	Bachelors	24.0103	Digital Culture and Design		Traditional	DE KY MD
	Bachelors	30.3201	Marine Science		Traditional	AR KY LA MS OK TN VA WV
	Bachelors	31.0504	Recreation and Sport Management		Traditional	MD
	Masters	26.1302	Coastal Marine and Wetland Studies		Traditional	KY
Lander University	Masters	13.1207	Montessori Education		Traditional	AL TN WV

Medical University of South Carolina	Doctorate	51.1608	Nursing		Online	VA
	Masters	51.0701	Health Administration	Executive Program	Online	DE
	Masters	26.0102	Biomedical Science	Experimental Pathology and Laboratory Medicine	Traditional	GA
University of South Carolina-Aiken	Bachelors	27.0301	Industrial Mathematics		Traditional	TN
	Bachelors	52.0201	Business Administration	Marketing of Golf Course Services	Traditional	AR TN VA
University of South Carolina - Columbia	Bachelors	16.0402	Russian		Traditional	VA
	Bachelors	50.0301	Dance	Performance and Choreography	Traditional	DE
	Bachelors	50.0301	Dance	Dance Education	Traditional	DE
	Bachelors	50.0601	Film and Media Studies		Traditional	KY
	Bachelors	50.0699	Media Arts		Traditional	MD
	Bachelors	51.2299	Public Health		Traditional	DE MD
	Bachelors	09.0702	Visual Communications		Traditional	DE KY
	Bachelors	09.0903	Advertising		Traditional	DE
	Bachelors	26.1302	Marine Science		Traditional	AR KY MD MS OK TN VA WV

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Bachelors	31.0504	Sport and Entertainment Management			Traditional	AR KY LA MD OK
Bachelors	51.0901	Cardiovascular Technology			Traditional	DE GA
Bachelors	51.2299	Public Health			Traditional	DE
Bachelors	52.0204	Integrated Information Technology			Traditional	KY
Bachelors	52.0901	Hospitality Management	Club Management		Traditional	TN
Bachelors	52.0903	Tourism Management			Traditional	TN
Bachelors	52.1701	Risk Management and Insurance			Traditional	DE MD VA WV
Bachelors	52.1803	Retailing	Retail Management		Traditional	DE
Bachelors	52.1803	Retailing	Fashion Merchandising		Traditional	GA
Doctorate	51.1608	Nursing Practice			Traditional	VA
Doctorate	13.1312	Music Education			Traditional	TN
Doctorate	14.2301	Nuclear Engineering			Traditional	WV
Doctorate	26.1309	Epidemiology			Traditional	GA
Doctorate	44.0701	Social Work			Traditional	DE OK WV
Doctorate	45.1001	Political Science			Traditional	AR

Doctorate	51.2201	Health Services Policy and Management		Traditional	AL KY
Doctorate	51.2207	Health Promotion, Education and Behavior		Traditional	GA
Doctorate	26.1309	Biostatistics		Traditional	DE
Masters	54.0105	Public History and Library and Information Science		Traditional	DE
Masters	52.1101	International Master of Business Administration		Traditional	AR DE KY LA MS WV
Masters	52.1101	International Master of Business Administration	Foreign Languages	Traditional	AR FL VA
Masters	27.0301	Applied Statistics		Online	AR KY
Masters	45.0201	Anthropology	Archaeology	Traditional	DE VA
Masters	45.0901	International Studies		Traditional	AL AR WV
Masters	54.0105	Public History		Traditional	AL AR DE KY LA
Masters	52.1001	Human Resources		Traditional	AR GA LA VA
Masters	52.1101	International Business		Traditional	TN

Masters	52.0901	International Hospitality and Tourism Management		Traditional	VA
Masters	25.0101	Library and Information Science		Both	AR DE VA WV
Masters	09.0401	Mass Communications		Traditional	VA
Masters	51.1604	Nurse Anesthesia		Traditional	MS OK
Masters	51.2201	Physical Activity and Public Health	Surveillance	Traditional	MS
Masters	51.2201	Physical Activity and Public Health		Traditional	MS
Masters	51.2399	Rehabilitation Counseling		Online	DE
Masters	14.2301	Nuclear Engineering		Traditional	DE WV
Masters	51.1608	Acute Gerontological Adult Nurse Practitioner		Traditional	DE LA
Masters	26.1102	Biostatistics		Traditional	TN
Masters	26.1309	Epidemiology		Traditional	GA
Masters	51.0203	Speech Pathology		Traditional	DE
Masters	31.0504	Sport and Entertainment Management		Traditional	MD

	Specialist	25.0101	Library and Information Science		Traditional	DE LA
University of South Carolina - Upstate	Bachelors	13.1314	Physical Education	Corporate Fitness	Traditional	VA
Winthrop University	Bachelors	13.1324	Dance		Traditional	DE
	Bachelors	50.0408	Interior Design		Traditional	DE MD
	Bachelors	50.0701	Art	Photography	Traditional	MD
	Bachelors	52.1299	Information Design	Digital Mass Media	Traditional	VA