

COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE



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EXPERIENCE COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE TWO SIDES OF LIFE IN THE USA IN ONE LOCATION.

If you are looking for the mossy oaks and main street atmosphere of a small town, head to Conway. If you want the crowds and excitement of one of the largest resort areas on the East Coast of the USA, visit Myrtle Beach. Wherever you choose to spend your out-of-class hours, you'll enjoy 215 days of sunshine per year and an average annual high of 24 degrees Celsius!





Dynamic, public comprehensive liberal arts and sciences University



Average Class Size: 25 students



Located in Conway, South Carolina, 17km from the resort destination of Myrtle Beach



Population of Conway: 16,317; Population of Myrtle Beach Metropolitan Area: 282,285



Total enrollment for Fall 2015: approximately 10,000 students



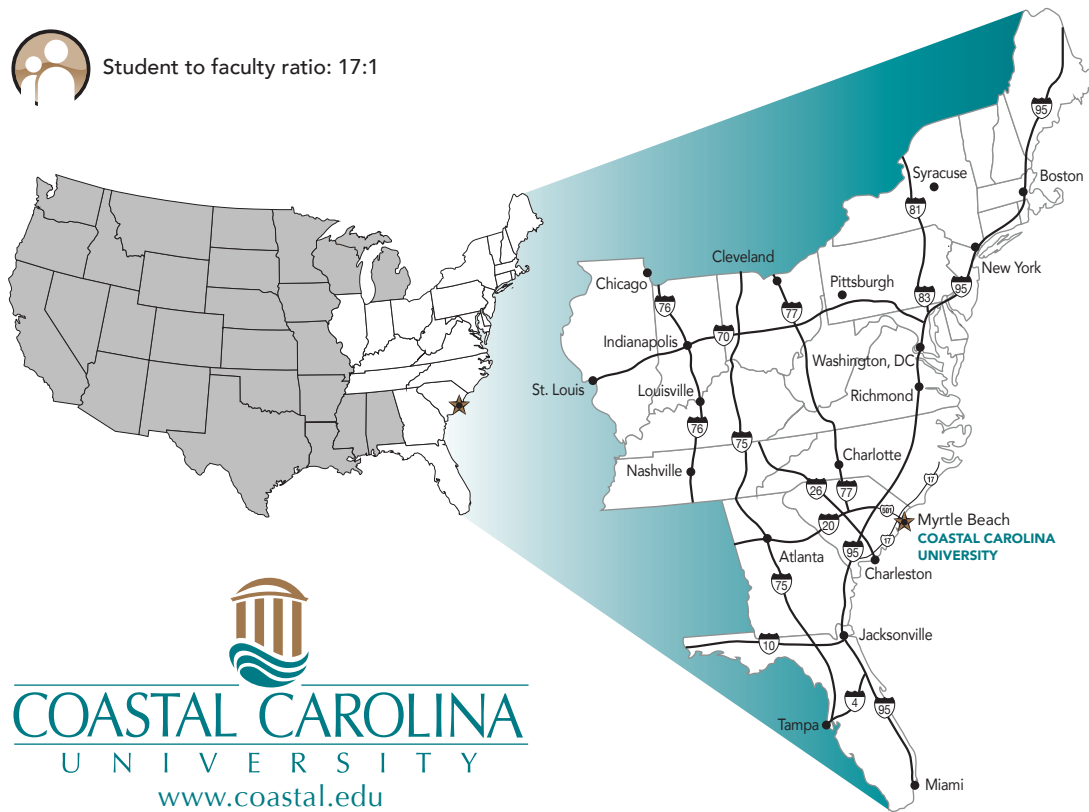
ESL Language Center offers 12 levels of intensive English for Academic Purposes in the center of campus



50 U.S. states and 55 countries represented among students



Student to faculty ratio: 17:1



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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

- Accounting³
- Economics³
- Finance³
- Hospitality, Resort and Tourism Management
- Management³
- Marketing³

Note: A specialization in PGA Golf Management is available for all majors in the Wall College of Business.

EDUCATION

- Early Childhood Education (PreK-3)³
- Elementary Education (2-6)³
- Middle Level Education (5-8)
- Physical Education (K-12)
- Special Education—Multi-Categorical (PreK-12)*

HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS

- Art Studio
- Communication
- English³
- Graphic Design
- History
- Integrated Humanities*
- Intelligence and National Security Studies
- Music¹
- Musical Theatre B.F.A.¹
- Philosophy
- Political Science³
- Theatre B.A.
- Theatre Arts B.F.A.¹

SCIENCE

- Biochemistry³
- Biology³
- Chemistry³
- Computer Science³
- Digital Content Development*
- Exercise and Sport Science
- Health Promotion
- Information Systems³
- Information Technology
- Marine Science³
- Mathematics (applied)
- Physics (applied)
- Psychology³
- Recreation & Sport Management
- Sociology

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

- Interdisciplinary Studies²

PRE-PROFESSIONAL MAJORS

- Pre-Allied Health/Biology
- Pre-Dental/Biology
- Pre-Law/Political Science
- Pre-Medical/Biology
- Pre-Pharmacy/Biology
- Pre-Physical Therapy/Biology
- Pre-Veterinary/Biology

* Pending approval

¹ Audition required

² Transfers or upperclassmen only

³ Degree in Three Program

Degree in Three: Complete your bachelor's degree program in one of the programs noted above within three years and be awarded a \$5,000 Trustee's Award. **More in Four:** Complete one of the Degree in Three program majors with strong grades and proceed into one of several graduate programs so that you can earn both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in four years. For more information visit www.coastal.edu/accelerate/.

For more information and learning outcomes for each major, visit
WWW.COASTAL.EDU/ADMISSIONS/PROGRAMS.HTML.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Master of Arts in Teaching
- Master of Education
 - Educational Leadership
 - Learning and Teaching
 - Educational Specialist
 - Educational Leadership
- Master of Arts in Liberal Studies
- Master of Arts in Writing
- Master of Science in Coastal and Marine & Wetland Studies
- Master of Accountancy (M.Acc.)
- Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)
- Certificate in Applied Computing and Information Systems
- Certificate of Fraud Examination
- Certificate of On-Line Teaching and Training
- Ph.D. in Coastal and Marine Systems Science



For more information, visit
WWW.COASTAL.EDU/GRADUATE/

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

RECOGNIZED NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY

NATIONAL RANKINGS

- Ranked 9th in Best Value for Regional Universities in the Southern USA for academic excellence and affordability
- Ranked 23rd among Regional Public Universities in the Southern USA

2015 Best Colleges, U.S. News & World Report

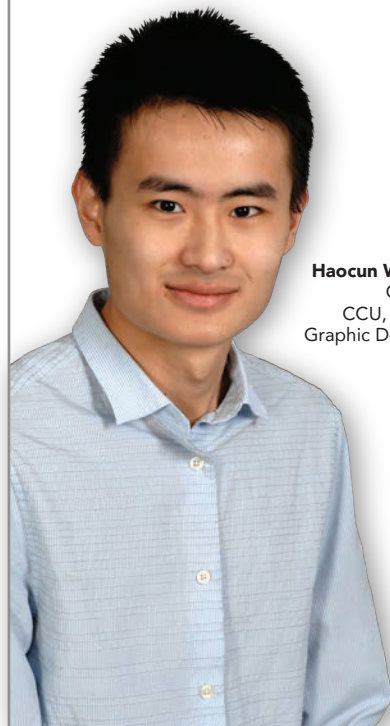
NATIONALLY ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

- Teacher Education (NCATE)
- Graphic Design and Visual Arts (NASAD)
- Theatre (NAST)
- Music (NASM)

INTERNATIONALLY ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

- Computer Science (ABET)
- Business Administration (AACSB)

Haocun Wang won regional design awards as an undergraduate student in our nationally accredited Graphic Design program. Afterward, he went on to be admitted to the prestigious Chinese University of Hong Kong for the architecture master's degree program.



Haocun Wang
China
CCU, 2014
Graphic Design





Being a Coastal Carolina University student has been an honor and privilege. In May 2013, I graduated from the internationally accredited Wall College of Business with a degree in management. I decided to enroll at CCU because I could combine two things that I wanted to do: get my college degree from a good institution and play soccer at a high level. With the help of great professors, advisers and coaches, I've been able to do that, and I have been very successful in both areas. My personal experience here at Coastal has been very good.

It is a great school with a great location. The weather is always good, and people are so friendly and helpful. I have made friends from all over the world, and that is a network that is going to give me an advantage later on in my career."

Kjartan Sigurosson
Iceland
CCU, BS 2013
CCU, MBA 2015



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS

ALUMNI HAVE GONE ON TO TOP GRADUATE SCHOOLS INCLUDING:

- Duke University
- Johns Hopkins University
- London School of Economics
- Michigan State University
- Rochester Institute of Technology
- Stanford University
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Wake Forest University
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute

ALUMNI HAVE GONE ON TO CAREERS WITH LEADING COMPANIES INCLUDING:

- American Express
- Citigroup
- Coca Cola
- DHL
- Google
- Marriott Hotels
- Microsoft
- Rolls Royce
- Valitor

COST OF ATTENDANCE

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS (2015-2016)

- **Tuition and Fees** (12 to 18 credits per semester for two semesters): **\$24,320**
- **On-Campus Room and Board*:** **\$10,280**
- **Miscellaneous/Books, etc.:** **\$4,600**
- **Total:** **\$39,200**

*Room and board costs are based on single occupancy room and 14 meals-a-week plan.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS (2015-2016)

- **Tuition and Fees** (30 credit hours rate per year): **\$17,622**
- **Room and Board:** **\$10,950**
- **Miscellaneous/Books, etc.:** **\$4,300**
- **Total:** **\$32,872**



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SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS:

Undergraduate international student applicants are automatically considered for University merit-based awards following acceptance to CCU.

Merit awards range from \$6,000 to \$11,000 per year based on English language proficiency scores or test scores and high school grades/marks.

Transfer International Scholarships range from \$4,000 to \$6,000 each year.

SISTER-STATE AGREEMENTS/SPECIAL TUITION PRICE

Residents of the following are provided a special tuition rate, with a tuition savings of \$13,790 USD for 2015-2016. This special tuition rate is afforded to residents as long as they prove their residency and their country/constituent remains a sister-state of South Carolina. Recipients of the sister-state special tuition price are ineligible from receiving merit-based scholarships.

- **Aruba**
- **Thuringen, Germany**
- **Queensland, Australia**
- **Rhineland-Palatinate/Rhineland-Pfalz, Germany**
- **Brandenburg, Germany**
- **Taiwan, Republic of China**

GRADUATE STUDENTS:

Many graduate assistantships are available to help talented graduate students lower the cost of their attendance. Those receiving full-time graduate assistantships (20 hr. week) pay the in-state tuition rate and receive \$6,500 per semester. Those receiving half time graduate assistantships (10 hr. week) receive \$3,250 per semester.



COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY CAMPUS LIFE

- 102 buildings on just over 103 hectares
- 4,200 students live on campus
- Over 200 student clubs and organizations including an International Student Club.
- NCAA Division I Athletics including: Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football (FCS), Golf, Lacrosse, Soccer, Tennis, Track and Field (indoor and outdoor) and volleyball

If you are interested in playing for CCU's Division I Athletic teams, please visit

www.goccusports.com/recruits/.

- HTC Student Recreation and Convocation Center offers a place to exercise and experience Chanticleer sporting events.
- Kimbel Library and Bryan Information Commons offers 24-hour service during the academic year.
- Jackson Student Union with multiple dining options, movie theater and recreational space
- Active community service learning program that invites international students to help out in the community
- Active visual and cultural arts calendar with musicals, plays, speakers and activities weekly throughout the year





RESIDENCE HALLS

Coastal Carolina University requires all first- and second-year students (full-time, degree-seeking students under the age of 21) to live in campus residential communities. Living in campus housing is part of the foundation of a successful college career. Students who live on campus have better GPAs, are more involved in campus activities and are more likely to take advantage of emotional and academic support as they settle into their new home away from home.

CCU's 10 residential communities house approximately 4,200 students on campus. Each community features a bed, closet, dresser, desk and chair for each student. Some floorplans have shared kitchen areas, and all residence halls feature shared lounge areas for students to meet and build friendships. Full-time professional community coordinators live in each residential community, and highly-trained student staff or residential assistants are key resources for the students living on campus. In addition, international students should consider living in our Intercultural Experience Community, in which Americans and international students live and share their cultures together. To learn more about University Housing options, please visit www.coastal.edu/housing.



INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

FRESHMAN ADMISSIONS:

INTERNATIONAL FRESHMEN: Students currently enrolled or graduated from secondary/high school (without University credits earned after graduation from post-secondary school).

Applicants (citizens) from countries other than the United States must demonstrate completion of secondary school in their home country by the time of enrollment at CCU (comparable to completion of senior high school in the United States). Students should demonstrate an average grade of B or above (80 percent or above) to be a strong candidate for admission. If your first language is not English, you will also need to satisfy CCU's English proficiency requirement. It is permissible for you to apply to CCU while your final year of secondary school is in progress.

TRANSFER ADMISSIONS:

INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER: Students with earned University credit after secondary/high school graduation or currently enrolled in a University.

Transfer applicants who demonstrate 24 transferable credits and a cumulative GPA of 2.0 meet admissions to CCU.

If you have previously attended (or are now attending) another post-secondary institution outside the USA, you must submit, along with your official transcripts, a course-by-course credential evaluation by an accredited member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). Your credits from your foreign institution will be evaluated after you have confirmed your \$100 enrollment.

CONDITIONAL ADMISSION:

If English proficiency requirement is not met, students can be awarded conditional admission. These decisions are made based on a review of the complete file submitted for admission through CCU. These students would then be referred to CCU's intensive English program offered through ELS Myrtle Beach before matriculating as a student at CCU. For more information about this program, go to www.ELS.edu; select "Centers and Locations"; select "South Carolina" under "United States; and then select "Myrtle Beach." Conditional Admission is for all undergraduate and graduate programs at CCU.



APPLICATION DEADLINES:

SPRING 2016: NOVEMBER 15 / FALL 2016: JULY 1

International Freshman (1ST Year) Student

1. Completed international student application
2. Application Fee of \$45 USD.
3. Official transcripts (records) of all courses and grades (marks) in secondary (post-elementary) school.
4. Proof of English proficiency*: TOEFL: 527 (paper-based) or 71 (internet-based) OR 6.0 IELTS with no sub-score lower than 5.0 OR ELS Center Level 112 Certificate of Completion.
5. Copy of passport-photo page.

**If your first language is English, you are not required to submit an English proficiency test; however, you are required to submit the SAT or ACT test.*

International Transfer Student

1. Completed international student application
2. Application Fee of \$45 USD.
3. Official transcripts (records) of all courses and grades (marks) in post-secondary (higher) education.
4. Proof of English proficiency*: TOEFL: 527 (paper-based) or 71 (internet-based) OR 6.0 IELTS with no sub-score lower than 5.0 OR ELS Center Level 112 Certificate of Completion.
5. Copy of passport-photo page.
6. Transfer Clearance Form (If you are currently studying in the United States)

To learn of additional tests that satisfy CCU's English proficiency requirements including Pearsons (PTE), MELAB and Cambridge, as well as additional information about applying, please visit www.coastal.edu/admissions/international.html.

To apply: <http://www.coastal.edu/admissions/apply.html>

INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

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1. **Program Specific Application** (please visit <http://www.coastal.edu/graduate/> to access specific application)
2. Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions**
3. English Language Proficiency Test* (if English is not your first language): at least a 79 of TOEFL (internet-based) or 575 (paper-based) OR 6.5 IELTS or ELS Centers Level 112 Certificate of Completion.
4. Essays and/or Recommendation Letters
5. Standardized test scores (GMAT, GRE)
6. Copy of Passport Photo Page
7. Transfer Clearance Form (if you are currently studying in the United States)

*****In addition to submitting your official foreign transcripts, please obtain a course-by-course credential evaluation by an accredited member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES).***

****To learn of additional tests that satisfy CCU's English Proficiency Requirements including Pearsons (PTE), MELAB and Cambridge, as well as additional information about applying, please visit www.coastal.edu/graduate/ or Kristin Olsen, Graduate Admissions Recruiter, at +1-843-349-5059 or kolsen@coastal.edu.***





CONDITIONAL ADMISSION:

If English proficiency requirement is not met, students can be awarded conditional admission and be required to complete English proficiency requirements through Coastal Carolina University's intensive English program offered through ELS Myrtle Beach before matriculating as a student at CCU. For more information about this program, go to **www.ELS.edu**; select "Centers and Locations"; select "South Carolina" under "United States" and then select "Myrtle Beach." Conditional Admission is for all undergraduate and graduate programs at CCU.

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OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Office of International Programs and Services (OIPS) provides academic and personal support to international students throughout their education at CCU. OIPS has an active student-led international club and encourages new international students, as well as Americans, to take part. Club trips and a variety of activities are held throughout the semester. To learn more, please visit www.coastal.edu/international.



VISA SUPPORT:

In order to receive your I-20 immigration document, a confidential financial statement showing adequate funds for one year of study is required after admission to CCU. You may submit your confidential financial statement with your application materials or after you have been formally admitted to CCU.

To access CCU's confidential financial statement, please visit www.coastal.edu/admissions/international.html and download the Confidential Financial Statement.

RESEARCH AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

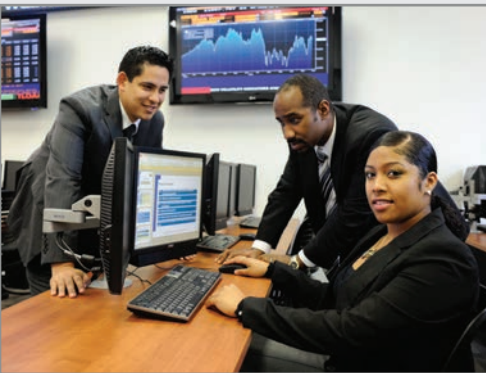
IN 2015, APPROXIMATELY 1,300 CCU STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN RESEARCH ALONGSIDE CCU'S 440 FACULTY MEMBERS.

RESEARCH FACILITIES AT CCU INCLUDE:

- Waties Island, a 430-acre pristine barrier island of the Atlantic Coast, serves as a natural laboratory for research in marine science and wetlands biology.
- Investments Lab enables business students to manage financial portfolios in real time as part of CCU's internationally accredited business programs.
- Environmental Quality Lab enables students to apply analytical chemistry and microbiological analyses to real community water, soil and air conditions.
- Swain Science Center offers top quality laboratories for chemistry, biology and biochemistry research.
- Exercise Science Laboratory enables students to study the physiology of exercise with the best equipment.

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS REQUIRE INTERNSHIPS AS A PART OF THEIR DEGREE:

- Hospitality Resort Tourism, Health Administration, Recreation and Sport Management



STUDENT ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

THE COMMUNITY

HISTORIC CONWAY is a great place to spend an afternoon. Stroll along the Waccamaw River, browse through one-of-a-kind specialty shops and top off your visit at a café or restaurant.

THE GRAND STRAND area features 90 km of wide, sandy beaches, restaurants, amusement and water parks, live entertainment theaters and exciting nightlife.

GOLF is a year-round sport in Myrtle Beach, and there are more than 100 courses on the Grand Strand.

HUNTINGTON BEACH STATE PARK boasts the best preserved beaches on the Grand Strand.

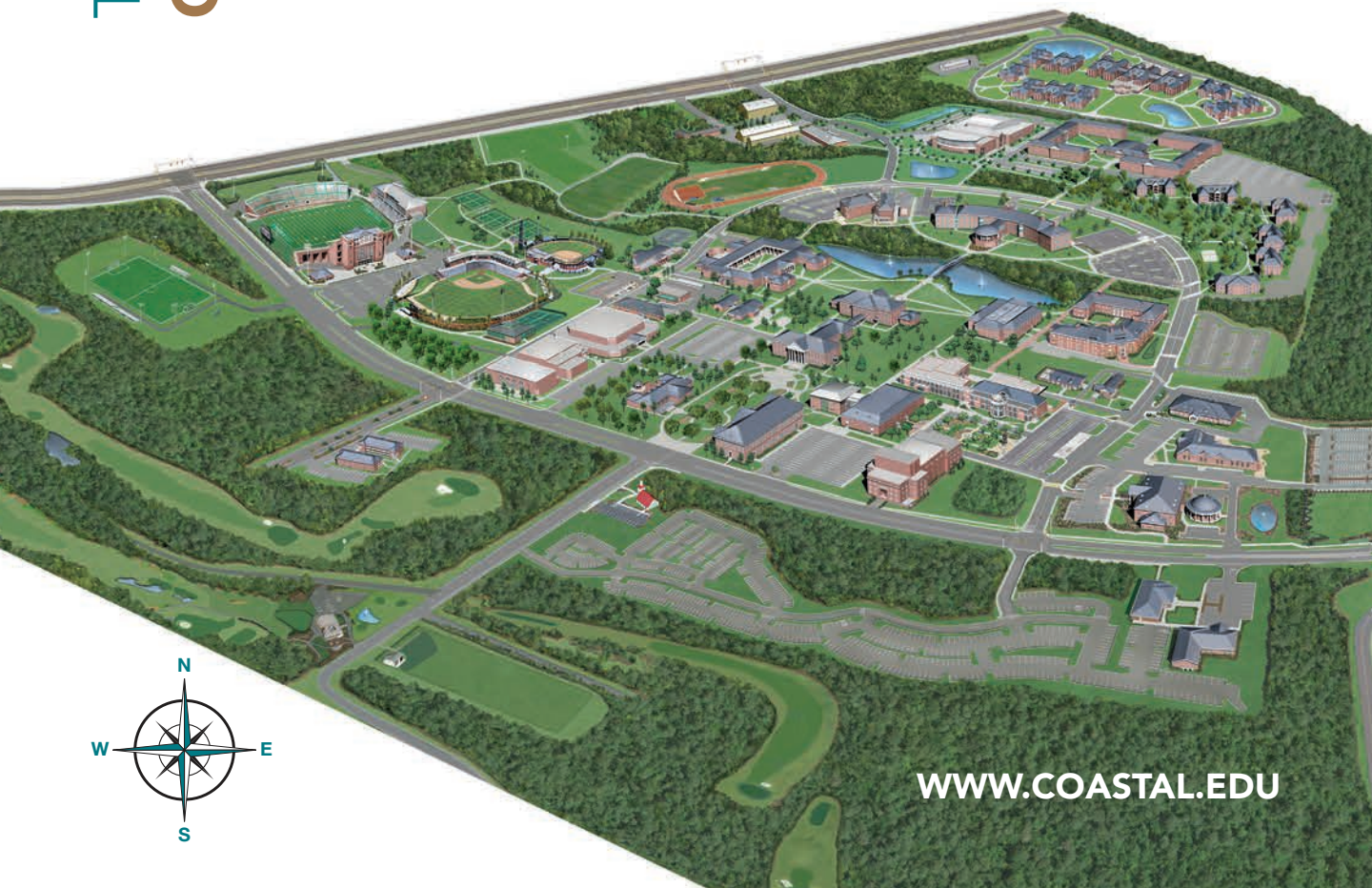
BROOKGREEN GARDENS is a National Historic Landmark and the nation's first public sculpture garden. The site features the best of American sculpture as well as exhibits of plants and animals from the Lowcountry.

THE MARKET COMMON is a 45-hectare shopping, dining, office and residential complex located amid parks, lakes and a public square.

BROADWAY AT THE BEACH is a 140-hectare complex of shops, restaurants, nightlife, hotels and attractions such as Ripley's Aquarium, the Palace Theatre and WonderWorks.



THE CAMPUS



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