

Hiwassee College “Quick Facts”

The College: Hiwassee College is a private four-year, residential, liberal arts college, founded in 1849 and affiliated with the Holston Conference of the United Methodist Church. Known for its academic reputation and its focus on liberal arts, students are provided with a Christian environment which promotes intellectual pursuit, spiritual growth, and social and personal responsibility.

Accreditation: Hiwassee College is a member of the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS), [15935 Forest Road, Forest, VA 24551; Telephone: (434) 525-9539; email: info@tracs.org] having been awarded Accredited Status as a Category II institution by the TRACS Accreditation Commission on October 29, 2013. This status is effective for a period of five years. TRACS is recognized by the United States Department of Education, the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the International Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE).

Location: Hiwassee College is ideally located in Madisonville, TN between Knoxville and Chattanooga and adjacent to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The campus occupies 60 acres within a 400-acre area owned by the college.

Programs of Study: The college offers four baccalaureate programs: Equine Science, Equine Management and Training, Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts, and Pastoral Studies. Associate programs are offered in Agri-Business, Business Entrepreneurship, Criminal Justice, Dental Hygiene, and Forestry Technology. Opportunities also exist for students to tailor their educational program to specific areas of interest.

(Learn more about academic program) <http://hiwassee.edu/academics/programs/>

Enrollment: The 2014 fall enrollment of 422 students included:

- 43 percent male; 57 percent female
- 45 percent residential; 55 percent commuters
- 12 different states represented as well as international students
- Over 15 different religious groups represented

Faculty: The student/faculty ratio is 12:1 with an average class size of 15. Personalized instruction and student-professor contact are two of the college’s strong points. In addition, 85% of all courses are taught by full-time, highly qualified professors, over a third of whom have terminal degrees.

Athletics: Hiwassee College is a member of the National Christian College Athletic Association and offers varsity sports in baseball, softball, men and women’s basketball, women’s volleyball, men and women’s golf, men and women’s soccer, and a club sport in shooting.

(Learn more about athletics) <http://hiwassee.edu/athletics/>

Financial Aid: More than 90 percent of students receive financial assistance through scholarships, grants, loans, or work study.

(Learn more about financial aid) <http://hiwassee.edu/affordability/>

Tuition and Fees: The cost for attending Hiwassee College in 2014-2015 is \$19,700 which includes tuition, room, board, and fees (additional fees required for equine riding classes, applied music courses and the dental hygiene program).

Statistics: The Dental Hygiene Program boasts of a 100 percent graduation rate, 100 percent pass rate on the state board exam, and a 100 percent job placement rate for the inaugural class of 2012. Students who have been enrolled in one of the new baccalaureate programs have graduated at a rate greater than 75 percent and employed at a rate greater than 90 percent. The retention rate from fall to spring is 80-85 percent and 57 percent from fall to fall for associate and baccalaureate students combined. Students score at or above the national average on the ETS-Proiciency Profile in areas such as mathematics, science, writing, and reading.