

Institutional Profile for South College

Background South College began as Knoxville Business College in 1882 and adopted its current name in October 2001. The institution offers over 80 certificates and degree programs both in-person and through distance education. The Indianapolis, Indiana campus received authorization from the Board for Proprietary Education (BPE) in June 2021.

Institutional Control Private, for-profit institution.

Institutional Accreditation South College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Commission on Colleges. SACS Commission on Colleges originally granted accreditation status in December 2000. While accreditation typically extends for 10 years, South College was re-evaluated after the institution merged with the Asheville, North Carolina campus. SACS considered South College as a new institution for re-evaluation in 2021. Reaffirmation of accreditation was granted in December 2021 for a decade.

Programmatically, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) Board of Commissioners granted accreditation for the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Nursing and the Master of Science (M.S.) in Nursing programs in September 2018. CCNE expanded accreditation to include the Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.) and post-graduate certificate programs in September of 2022.

Participation in NC-SARA South College has been a State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA) institutional partner since August 2015.

Participation in Student Financial Aid Students attending the institution are eligible for Title IV Federal Student Aid, as well as Indiana state financial aid programs.

Campuses SACS accredits the main South College at Knoxville, Tennessee. In addition, SACS accredits learning sites in Orlando, Florida; Atlanta, Georgia; Marietta, Georgia; Indianapolis, Indiana; Asheville, North Carolina; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Knoxville (separate from the main), Tennessee; Nashville, Tennessee; and Dallas, Texas.

Enrollment The National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) reported a total Fall 2024 enrollment of 11,557 students for South College in Knoxville, Tennessee. NCES does not currently publish separate enrollment data for the Indianapolis campus.

Programs The institution offers programs at the certificate, associate, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels. The Indianapolis campus offers a Certificate in Health Science, Certificate in Medical Assisting, Certificate in Practical Nursing, A.S. in Diagnostic Medical Sonography, A.S. in Health Science (Pre-Nursing), A.S. in Medical Assisting, A.S. in Nursing, A.S. in Radiography, A.S. in Surgical Technology, B.S. in Health Science, and a B.S. in Nursing.

Financial Responsibility Composite Score (FRCS) For the Fiscal Year (FY) ending September 30, 2025, the institution reported an unpublished composite score of 2.6. The most recent score published by the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) was 2.1 for FY ending September 30, 2022.