



# POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

## ALABAMA COLLEGE SYSTEM

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### MISSION

The Alabama College System, consisting of public two-year community and technical colleges and an upper division college seeks to provide accessible, quality educational opportunities, promote economic growth, and enhance the quality of life for people in Alabama.

### PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The Alabama College System provides a unified system of academic college education, technical education, customized business and industry training, workforce development and adult education. This system is part of a seamless, lifelong education process for all Alabamians and corporate citizens.

The Alabama College System's commitment to access is characterized by statewide geographic locations, open enrollment, low-cost tuition, and a variety of programs and services that remove barriers to college, education and workforce training.

Governed by the State Board of Education, the Alabama College System consists of 21 comprehensive community colleges and 4 technical colleges.

## ALABAMA COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

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### MISSION

The Commission seeks to provide reasonable access to quality collegiate and university education for the citizens of Alabama.

## **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

The Alabama Commission on Higher Education is the state agency responsible for the overall statewide planning and coordination of higher education in Alabama, the administration of various student aid programs, and the performance of designated regulatory functions. The Commission facilitates informed decision making and policy formulation regarding wise stewardship of resources in response to the needs of students and the goals of institutions. The agency also provides a state-level framework for institutions to respond cooperatively and individually to the needs of the state's citizens.

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## **MISSION**

To provide research, technology development, technology assistance, and technology transfer to industries to enhance economic development and competitiveness

## **PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

- Provide education and training by increasing the availability of technical, managerial, and leadership personnel who have both superior technical ability and an enthusiasm for the manufacturing enterprise
- Conduct manufacturing research and technology development activities for industry and government laboratories and agencies
- Provide outreach and service by deploying technology and knowledge through applied projects that will enhance quality and productivity in regional and national manufacturing enterprises and create new manufacturing vendors and operations