



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Elevation & Transformation

2019-2024

Welcome

The 2019-2024 President's Report explicitly affirms Claflin University's growing reputation as one of the nation's premier liberal arts universities. Our sustained progress can be attributed to the "Elevation and Transformation" Claflin has experienced since August 2019, when my tenure began as the University's ninth president. "Elevation and Transformation" is more than a catchphrase. It reflects the aspirational and inspirational goals of our administration and our pathway to unmatched prosperity.

Our accomplishments during the past five years were only possible with your generosity and sincere belief in Claflin's commitment to providing access to a high-quality education that prepares students for visionary leadership in today's global society.

We greatly appreciate all you have done for Claflin University and, most importantly, our students and the communities we serve.

With Panther Pride,



Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack
President



"At first glance, elevation and transformation seems simplistic, but it will be the inspiration that will drive us to unimaginable heights and success."

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About Clafin

Our Mission

Clafin University is a comprehensive institution of higher education affiliated with the United Methodist Church. A historically black university founded in 1869, Clafin is committed to providing students with access to exemplary educational opportunities in its undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education programs. Clafin is dedicated to providing a student-centered, liberal arts education grounded in cutting-edge research, experiential learning, state-of-the-art technology, community service, and life-long personal and professional fulfillment.

Clafin is a diverse and inclusive community of students, faculty, staff, and administrators who work to cultivate practical wisdom, judgment, knowledge, skills, and character needed for globally engaged citizenship and effective leadership.

Our Vision

Clafin University will be recognized as a leading 21st-Century institution of higher education that develops a diverse and inclusive community of globally engaged visionary leaders.



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Reaffirmation of Accreditation from SACSCOC with Zero Recommendations

On December 6, 2022, Claflin University received reaffirmation of accreditation from The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) following a rigorous evaluation of the University's on-campus and online academic programs. SACSCOC is the body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states.

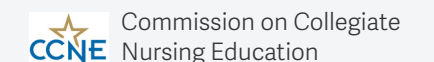
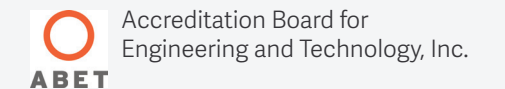
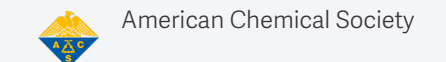
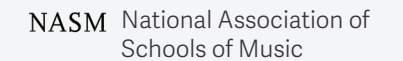
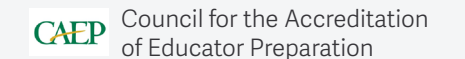
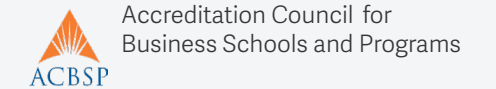
After being granted initial accreditation, new member institutions are reviewed for reaffirmation of accreditation after five (5) years, then every ten (10) years thereafter. Claflin last received SACSCOC reaffirmation of accreditation in 2012.

SACSCOC serves as the common denominator of shared values and practices primarily among the diverse institutions in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Latin America, and specific international sites approved by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees that award associate, baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral degrees.

To gain or maintain accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), an institution must comply with the standards of the Principles of Accreditation: Foundations for Quality Enhancement and the policies and procedures of the Commission.



Additional Program Accreditations



National Rankings and Class Profiles

U.S. News & World Report
BEST COLLEGES 2024 RANKINGS

TOP **10** RANKED HBCU
FOR **13** CONSECUTIVE YEARS

#1 HBCU
in South Carolina

#1 Annual
ALUMNI GIVING
among all HBCUs (2023)

#9 NATIONALLY
RANKED HBCU

#14 Top Performer on
Social Mobility

Washington Monthly

Clafin is ranked a Top 100 Liberal Arts College by Washington Monthly Magazine. The renowned publication has ranked colleges based on what they do for the country. It ranks liberal arts colleges—four-year institutions that award almost exclusively bachelor’s degrees and that focus on arts and sciences rather than professional programs—based on their contribution to the public good in three broad categories: social mobility, research, and promoting public service. (June 2024)

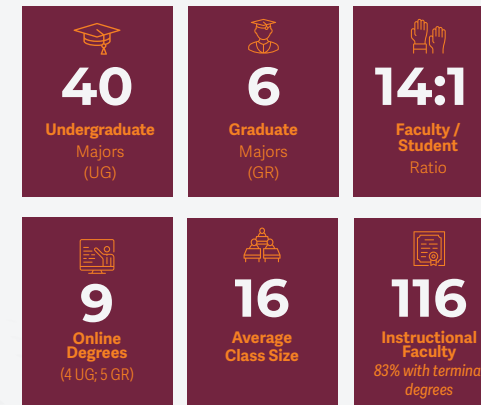
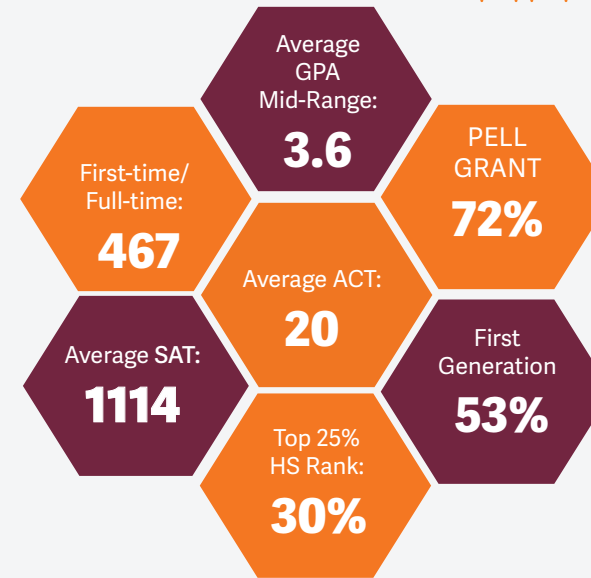
College Choice

Clafin’s impressive rankings include being listed eighth in College Choice’s 2021 poll of the Top 25 Colleges and Universities in South Carolina. College Choice is a leading online authority in college and university rankings and resources. Clafin University is the only HBCU listed in the ranking. (August 2021)

Money.com

Clafin’s Elevation and Transformation – bolstered by the University’s high-achieving scholars and unprecedented fundraising – has earned the University a place among Money.com’s 2023 Best Colleges. The rating offers a practical analysis of more than 700 four-year colleges using data in three main categories: quality, affordability, and student outcomes. (September 2023)

2023 Freshman Class Profile



Graduation by the Numbers August 2019 - May 2024



Degrees Conferred **1955**

Valedictorians **36**

Honor Graduates **650**

Summa Cum Laude **118**

Magna Cum Laude **180**

Cum Laude **352**

Average GPA **3.3**

S.O.A.R.S. Strategic Plan 2021-2026

“Clafin SOARS: Elevation & Transformation, 2021-2026 Strategic Plan”

The approval of SOARS by Clafin’s Board of Trustees at its fall 2021 meeting underscores the University’s unwavering commitment to fulfilling its mission of Elevation and Transformation and maintaining its transformative trajectory towards being “recognized as a leading 21st-century University that develops a diverse and inclusive community of globally engaged visionary leaders.”

The Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC), a diverse and representative body led by President Warmack, was entrusted with the crucial task of defining a clear path for the institution’s journey toward excellence. Their aim was to “develop a plan to guide Clafin through the next 5-10 years with the intent of making the University an institution of true distinction” based on Warmacks Five C’s - the six foundational commitments of SOARS: Commitment to Excellence, Commitment to Valuing People, Commitment to Being Student-Centered, Commitment to Exemplary Educational Programs, Commitment to Fiscal Accountability, and Commitment to Social Justice.



S

Commitment to Student engagement and success

O

Creative Online global strategies through programs and initiatives leveraging leading-edge technology

A

Cutting-edge Academic enterprise to promote student competitiveness and success

R

Consistent Resource enhancement through friend-raising and fundraising

S

Collaborative Strategic initiatives for economic and workforce development



Elevation



Inauguration Celebration

Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack was sworn in as Claflin University's ninth president on November 19, 2021, at the W.V. Middleton Fine Arts Center.

With a message that resonated with hope, ambition, and purpose, he shared his vision for the University. Warmack outlined his commitment to academic excellence, innovation, and empowering students to become transformative leaders in their communities and beyond.

"Claflin will be the engine of innovative approaches to solving problems on a scale not yet realized. Claflin will be the window that others will look through for leadership," he said.

"I want to build on the legacy while transcending into the future ... standing on the shoulders of those eight giants that came before me," Warmack said. "This includes developing innovative curricula and academic programs, a strong focus on learning outside of the classroom, opportunities that prepare our graduates for a global society, a global economy, and a global workforce."

SCAN QR CODE

to watch the rebroadcast of this ceremony.



Thriving in a Pandemic

Excerpts from an editorial by Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack

Most students were leaving campus for Spring Break, and we were also weeks away from the inauguration which would mark my official installation as Clafin's ninth president. Then came the news that this potentially deadly virus had reached the U.S. and later – South Carolina. Clafin and other colleges and universities across the nation entered uncharted territory. No "Best Practices" manual for the coronavirus was in existence. However, our guidance was

our commitment to maintaining the health and safety of our students and the campus community.

It was amazing that there was no panic or "Doomsday" forecast from any of the cabinet members, faculty, staff, or alumni – but there were palpable concerns. Will our faculty be able to deliver the same innovative student-focused academic programs using distance learning platforms?

Who could have predicted that Clafin would achieve a 9.3 percent increase in freshman enrollment or that we would welcome 564 talented new scholars for the 2020-2021 academic year? Who would have dared guess that we would achieve a historic fundraising total as donations soared to more than \$30 million?

Clafin has thrived because of our value proposition and our enduring legacy for improving the lives of residents in our local communities, the state of South Carolina, and beyond. (March 2021)



Leadership and Commitment

Clafin University's School of Education was one of 26 providers from 17 states and the United Arab Emirates to receive recognition for leadership and commitment to continuous improvement from The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). The 2021 Frank Murray Leadership Recognition for Continuous Improvement provided evidence and data trends to achieve accreditation with no stipulations or areas for improvement.

(May 2021)



Quality Enhancement Plan

Clafin University's Quality Enhancement Plan, CU-S.T.A.R.S., (Students who are Tracked, Advised and Retained... Succeed) stems from the university's strategic plan (Clafin SOARS) and was developed through a broad-based collaborative process that was undergirded by a thorough analysis of institutional data aligned with issues germane to higher education.

(March 2022)



Scan the QR code to watch a short video about the CU S.T.A.R.S. program.

Academics

Expanding Academic Partnerships

Clafin values partnerships that develop academic and research opportunities for students and faculty throughout the United States and abroad. Included are innovative and inclusive pedagogical strategies that integrate technology to promote diverse cultural perspectives.

Global

- Brazil
- China
- Croatia
- England
- Ghana
- Greece
- India
- Italy
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Kenya
- Scotland
- South Africa
- Swaziland
- Tunisia
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe



Clafin University and London Metropolitan Launch Historic Partnership

Clafin University and London Metropolitan University (London Met) signed a historic Memorandum of Understanding that will provide customized international study, teaching, and research opportunities for students, faculty, and staff at both institutions. The London Met is a public research university in London, England, with more than 12,000 students.

Clafin University Partners with University of Florence

On July 11, 2024 President Warmack signed a memorandum of Understanding with the University of Florence, one of Italy's largest most prestigious universities. Programs within Clafin's School of Business and the Department of Humanities are expected to initiate the agreement through student-faculty mobility or study abroad initiatives.



U.S. Higher Education

- Clemson University
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- South Carolina State University
- Tennessee State University
- University of South Carolina
- Yale University

Clafin University and Clemson University Announce Big Cat Fellowship Program

Fellowships are now available to Clafin University students pursuing master's and doctoral degrees at Clemson University through the Graduate School's Clafin to Clemson Big Cat Fellowship program. School leaders hosted a ceremonial signing at Greenville One on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, to commemorate the agreement that expands academic opportunities for undergraduate students while retaining top talent and increasing the number of Ph.D. graduates in South Carolina. The fellowship amount for any Master of Arts or Master of Science degree program is \$5,000 per year and \$10,000 for any doctoral degree program. (June 2023)

Yale Partnership

Yale University has selected Clafin University and four other HBCUs for the Alliance for Scholarship, Collaboration, Engagement, Networking, and Development (ASCEND) Program. ASCEND will provide \$2 million annually for five years to these HBCUs, totaling \$10 million for the duration of the program. This groundbreaking initiative will support research collaborations between the HBCUs and Yale faculty, provide resources for HBCU faculty research, and expand pathway programs for HBCU students. (March 2024)

Clafin University and Ohio Wesleyan University Partnership

Clafin University and Ohio Wesleyan University signed a "sister" school Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to establish one of the most comprehensive collaborations between a Historically Black College/University (HBCU) and a Predominantly White Institution (PWI). (April 2024)



TITAN Program

Clafin University launched TITAN (The Institute of Teaching and Nursing) to introduce high school students to the collegiate environment and offer internships and other experiential learning opportunities in nursing and K-12 teacher education. Clafin has partnered with six other South Carolina Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to achieve the goals and objectives of the program. These include integrating research on health disparities and the underrepresentation of teachers of color. Clafin University Bridges to Education (CUBE) is the component of the TITAN initiative that prepares minority students from communities along the I-95 corridor to enter and complete teacher education programs. Both programs are funded by the South Carolina General Assembly.

Exemplars of Student Success



Faith McKie

In her senior year, Faith McKie was selected as Miss Claflin and as Miss CIAA. After earning a bachelor's degree in sports management, she enrolled in Georgetown University and earned a master's in public relations and corporate communications in 2022. Today, McKie is a political appointee within the Biden-Harris Administration, serving as press secretary to the NASA Administrator in Washington, D.C. She joined NASA in 2021 and has served in a number of communications roles. McKie also completed a seven-month detail position as a press assistant in the Office of the Vice President at the White House.
(GPA 3.9) (May 2020)



Shone Nairn Jr. Makes Claflin History as Rhodes Scholar Finalist

Shone Nairn Jr., a native of Nassau, Bahamas, was Claflin's first Rhodes Scholarship finalist. He graduated summa cum laude with a 3.9 grade point average and a bachelor's degree in mathematics. Nairn was the valedictorian for the Spring Class of 2021 and a member of the Alice Carson Tisdale Honors College. Nairn represented Claflin University and the Bahamas when he appeared before the Commonwealth Caribbean Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee on November 22-23, 2021.
(GPA 3.9) (November 2021)



Quentin Seegars

Quentin Seegars, a business administration major, was selected as the 2021 McLean-Smith South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities (SCICU) Student of the Year. Seegars achieved a 4.0 grade point average during multiple semesters, earning President's and Dean's List honors. Seegars displayed his leadership skills with the BB&T Emerging Leaders Institute as a Peer Mentor for Panther STEPS. Seegars is currently a tax consultant at Deloitte Tax LLP. (GPA 3.89) (February 2023.)



Anaiya Whaley

Anaiya Whaley, a third-generation Claflin alumna, earned numerous accolades and awards as a student at Claflin. Included were the 2023 National Association of Historically Black Colleges and Universities Title III Administrators Scholarship, AT&T Rising Future Maker, and a ColorComm NextGen HBCU Fellowship. Anaiya was also one of six valedictorians in the Spring Class of 2024. She graduated summa cum laude with bachelor's degrees in mass communications and psychology. She also delivered the "Senior Challenge" during the Spring 2024 Commencement Convocation. Proud grandparents, Isaiah and Mary Whaley also wore caps and gowns to the ceremony. They celebrated their Golden Class Anniversary as Class of 1974 graduates. (GPA 4.0) (May 2024)

Intercollegiate Athletics

NCAA DIVISION II PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack was one of four new members elected to The NCAA Division II's Presidents Council—Division II's highest governance office. Warmack, a former Division II basketball standout in college, is familiar with the tremendous sacrifices made by student-athletes who represent their colleges and universities in intercollegiate athletics. "They are expected to excel in athletic competition and in the classroom, which is not easy," Warmack says. "Fans often forget that college athletes are students first. Academic success really is a top priority for Division II student-athletes." Warmack is the representative for Region 2 on the council and he will serve through January 2028. (November 2021)

Tony O'Neal and Matisse Lee Honored by the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)

After completing another fantastic year, top leadership awards went to the Clafin University Department of Athletics. Clafin University Director of Athletics Tony O'Neal was honored as the CIAA Athletics Director of the Year. Senior Associate Director of Athletics Matisse Lee was named the CIAA Senior Woman Administrator of the Year. In addition to numerous athletic achievements, 82% of the student-athletes earned a 3.0 or higher grade-point average, with 16 earning a perfect 4.0 GPA. (May 2024)



Student-Athletes Succeed in the Classroom and in Athletic Competition

- Student-Athletes Academic Success Rate: **85%**
- Average Grade Point Average (GPA) of Student Athletes: **3.24**
- Number of Student-Athletes who Earned Degrees: **79**
- Number of Student-Athletes who Earned All-American Honors: **10**
- Number of Academic All-Americans: **27**
- Number of All-CIAA Honorees: **137**

Dr. Freddie Vaughn Highest Team Academic Award

- Women's Outdoor Track - 2021-22
- Men's Indoor Track - 2021-22
- Women's Softball - 2021-22

Coach of the Year Award Winners

Jose Gonzales, 2022 CIAA Softball Coach of the Year

Garon Jackson, 2023 CIAA Men's Indoor Track and Field Coach of the Year

Malcolm Watts, 2024 CIAA Men's Indoor Track & Field Coach of the Year



Clafin Shines at the CIAA Tournament



For the third time in four years, a Miss Clafin contestant captured the crown in the Miss CIAA Scholarship Competition. Arteria Gibson, a mass communications major with a concentration in public relations, won the coveted title of Miss 2023 CIAA. Mendel Rivers became the first Mister Clafin to claim the Mister CIAA crown. Gibson and Rivers, who majored in management information, represented the conference, Food Lion, and Clafin at numerous community service events throughout the year. They also received a \$2,500 Food Lion scholarship. (February 2023.)

Connecting Clafin to Communities, The Nation and The World

DHEC Official Participates in Town Hall Meeting (August 2021)



First Lady LaKisha Warmack Visits Rivelon Elementary (December 2021)



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Visits Clafin (April 2022)



Vice President Kamala Harris and U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona Visit Clafin (September 2022)

Concert Choir Sings for Congressional Black Caucus Foundation



Forensic Lab Ribbon Cutting Ceremony (September 2022)

“Congress to Campus” Civics Initiative (September 2023)



Fireside Chats with Ro Khanna (2022) and Gavin Newsom (2024)

Orangeburg City Council Awards Clafin Ownership of Portion of Goff Avenue (April 2024)



Orangeburg County School District Elementary School Students Receive Clafin University Scholarships (April 2024)

Transformation

Fiscal Report Card

Transformation

Total Assets

\$223,204,838

2019 Benchmark: \$107,437,797

▲ 107.75% Increase
EXCEEDED BY \$115,767,041

Endowment

\$72,908,681

2019 Benchmark: \$26,757,008

▲ 172.483% Increase
EXCEEDED BY \$46,151,673

Net Assets

\$ 151,739,399

2019 Benchmark: \$60,374,446

▲ 151.33% Increase
EXCEEDED BY \$91,364,953

Reserves

\$12,444,140

2019 Benchmark: \$23,400

▲ 53,080.1% Increase
EXCEEDED BY \$12,420,740

Composite Financial Index (CFI)

12.45

2019 Benchmark: -1

▲ 1,345% Increase
EXCEEDED BY 13.45

Our Alumni: Generations of Leadership and Support

Monument Unveiling Honors Retired Brigadier General Twanda E. Young

Claflin University Trustee Ret. Brigadier General Twanda E. Young, '89, was honored for her historic accomplishments and her outstanding leadership and service to her country as an officer and woman in the United States Army at the unveiling of the Veteran Women Monument on the campus. She was the first woman commissioned from the ROTC cross-enrollment program at South Carolina State's Bulldog Battalion to earn the rank of Brigadier General. (August 2022)

Rev. Dr. Robin Dease Elected A Bishop Of The United Methodist Church

Claflin University Trustee Rev. Dr. Robin Dease, '92, was elected a bishop of The United Methodist Church during the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference in Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, on Thursday, November 3, 2022. Dease is the fourth Claflin alum to be elected a bishop. The Installation Service was held at Oak Grove United Methodist Church in Decatur, Ga. (November 2022)

William H. Johnson Sr. Welcomes Claflin Students Home

Each time someone walks into Claflin University's new state-of-the-art Student Center, Claflin University Trustee William H. Johnson Sr., '72, wants them to feel at home. After all, the \$44 million, three-story center was built on the very site where he lived as a child. Trustee Johnson and his wife Annette joined President Warmack, other Board of Trustee members, elected officials, and community residents on March 22 for a ribbon-cutting ceremony that signaled the official opening for what President Warmack described as the University's new "living room." Johnson negotiated the sale and funded Claflin's purchase of the property. (March 2024)

Claflin Establishes The 40 Under 40 Awards

Claflin University hosted its first 40 Under 40 Awards Ceremony in 2020. The 40 Under 40 Awards is a new program coordinated by the Office of Alumni Relations that recognizes outstanding alumni graduates under the age of 40. The recipients are bold and energetic leaders in their professions and their communities – individuals who have made continuous contributions to their chosen careers and have inspired, empowered, and embraced their communities.

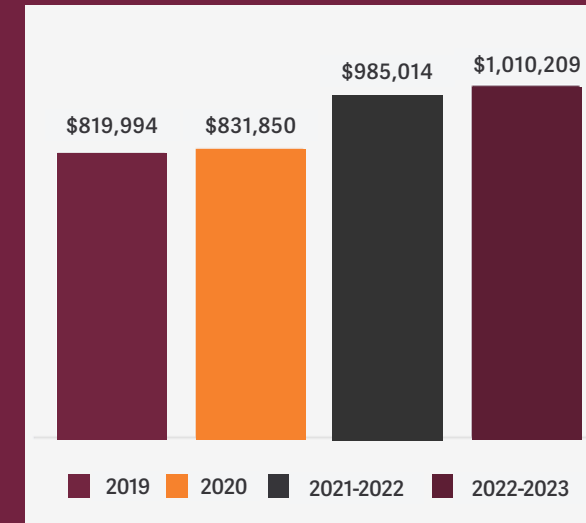


Donations by Golden Graduates who Participated in Golden Commencement Ceremonies

CLASS OF 1970 Attendance 41	Raised \$92,027.89
CLASS OF 1971 Attendance 36	Raised \$66,532.29
CLASS OF 1972 Attendance 60	Raised \$426,143.69
CLASS OF 1973 Attendance 39	Raised \$202,668.84
CLASS OF 1974 Attendance 37	Raised \$331,707.12

Alumni Giving

Growth in Dollars Raised



Creating New Learning Environments

Downtown Center Opens

The renovated facility at 425 Russell Street is now home to Claflin’s Center for Global Education and The Center for Social Justice. The Center for Global Education includes Claflin Online and The Center for Professional and Continuing Studies for non-traditional learners. The Center for Social Justice will address healthcare disparities, diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives and coordinate Claflin’s transformative Pathways From Prison Program which offers degree completion programs to incarcerated individuals. (July 2021)



High Tech Classrooms



Every classroom has been transformed into a “synchronous room,” meaning every classroom across campus is now fully equipped to provide live virtual instruction.

Wireless Service



Five years ago, Claflin had no cellular service. Today, the campus and parts of the surrounding community enjoy private 4G/5G wireless internet service thanks to Claflin’s selection as the first participant in Cisco’s Student Freedom Initiative, which aims to reduce the wealth gap through education.

\$7 MILLION+

FACILITY RENOVATIONS:

James S. Thomas Science Center

- New air conditioning system

Residence Halls

- New Elevator (for High Rise)
- New Roofing
- New Flooring
- New Lighting
- New Furniture

Grounds Improvements

- Updated Tingley Fountain
- Repaired Sewage System
- Added Parking Lots
- New Panther Trash Cans
- New Golf Carts

Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Wellness Complex

- Updated Women’s Volleyball Locker Room
 - Updated Women’s Basketball Locker Room
 - Installed Security Access Control Cards For All Locker Rooms
 - New Furniture
 - New Athletic Skybox
- ### Additional Building Repairs
- Downtown Center

The New Student Center: The Hub of Campus and Community Engagement

The New Student Center

Claflin University's new 80,000 sq. ft., \$44 million student center at Magnolia Street and Goff Avenue opened on March 22, 2024. The facility includes Orangeburg's only movie theater and the only multi-purpose conference room/ballroom in Orangeburg with seating for 800 or more guests. The center's other features include a communal retail space, eSports lab, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, a scenic outdoor terrace, administrative offices, meeting rooms and group study rooms. (March 2024)



Generous Donors and Grants Fund Future Campus Expansion Projects

\$90 MILLION+

NEW CONSTRUCTION

New Science and Technology Center

Achieving Claflin’s third strategic goal received a major boost when South Carolina Congressman Jim Clyburn announced that the federal budget passed by Congress included \$17,417,000 to support the construction of a new science and technology center. The new state-of-the-art research facility will increase the University’s capacity to conduct research in emerging bioscience areas, environmental science, and cybersecurity, allowing more students to participate in bench-top cutting-edge research.



Why it Matters: This project will enlarge the pipeline for globally competitive STEM majors at Claflin to access opportunities with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The new center will also expand the capabilities of faculty to work with students as researchers and scholars.

Nursing, Student Health and Humanities Conference Center Complex

Natural partners in health care – nursing students and student health providers – will soon share a 7,500 square-foot home thanks to an earmark secured in 2024 by Senator Lindsay Graham. Much-needed conference and office space for Claflin’s Humanities faculty and students will complete the new complex. Groundbreaking for the new campus project is expected in Fall 2024.

Kress Building Restoration

The historic 34,400 square-foot Kress Building at the corner of Russell and Church Streets is set to become a Claflin University facility that includes a street-level business accelerator for minority women-owned businesses and store-front openings. Also included are second-floor faculty and staff apartments, and rooftop amenities. South Carolina Congressman Jim Clyburn secured \$3 million in federal funds to support the project.

Alumni Center at Railroad Corner

Soon, alumni will not need to climb the steps of Tingley Hall to meet each other or the Institutional Advancement staff. Plans and funding have been finalized to convert the facility at the intersection of Russell, Magnolia and Boulevard streets into a beautiful alumni center. Complete with a sunlit lobby, large alumni dining room, catering kitchen, conference room, offices and outdoor seating, this will be a place every alum will be proud to call home.



Spotlighting Public and Private Support Across Disciplines

MacKenzie Scott's Unprecedented Investment

\$20 Million

Supports student success and retention, sustainability, community workforce, and economic development. (December 2020)

U.S. Department of Energy Grant

\$20 Million

Builds regional economic ecosystems that support innovation, high-growth entrepreneurship, resiliency, and inclusiveness. (November 2022)

U.S. Dept. of Commerce & National Institute of Standards and Technology

\$17.4 Million

Constructs a science and technology center to support bioscience, environmental science and cybersecurity research. (August 2023)

Anonymous

\$10 Million

Funds endowed scholarships to support student success in perpetuity. (July 2021)

Google

\$5 Million

Creates opportunities for increased diverse representation in the STEM industry, through scholarships, technological infrastructure, career readiness and curriculum development. (June 2021)

Sodexo Group

\$5 Million

Invests in student success through the construction of the 80,000 square-foot Student Center. (July 2023)

Health Resources and Services Administration

\$3.5 Million

Establishes a 7,500 square-foot Nursing, Student Health and Humanities Conference Center Complex on Goff Avenue. (April 2024)

Dept. of Housing and Urban Development

\$3 Million

Transforms the historic Kress Building in downtown Orangeburg into a hub for entrepreneurship, storefront business, faculty and staff apartments, and rooftop amenities. (March 2022)

Blue Cross Blue Shield of S.C.

\$17.4 Million

Provides urgently-needed technology and scholarship support when COVID threatened to interrupt campus-based teaching and learning. (September 2020, July 2022)

United Methodist Church - General Board of Higher Education and Ministry

\$3 Million

Provides spiritual leadership and foundational financial support since the University's founding in 1869.

\$110.4 Million



Funding secured during the first five years of Dr. Warmack's tenure.



A large, three-dimensional sculpture of the letters 'CU' in a vibrant orange color. The letters are thick and have a slight shadow on the ground. They are mounted on a dark maroon rectangular base. The background consists of lush green trees and a brick building partially visible on the left.

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