

THE POWER OF PARTNERSHIP

The 2025-2026 fiscal year represents a historic investment in our institutional capacity to serve students and the region.

\$5.6M Strengthening HBCUs & FUTURE Act Awards

\$5M+ One-time Government Supplemental Funding
Strengthening HBCUs: Part B

\$1.4M Endowment Impact
\$700K Title III contribution fully matched by the University.

ASCEND 2030 in Action

#9

Forbes Ranking

83%

Retention Rate

2,445

Enrollment

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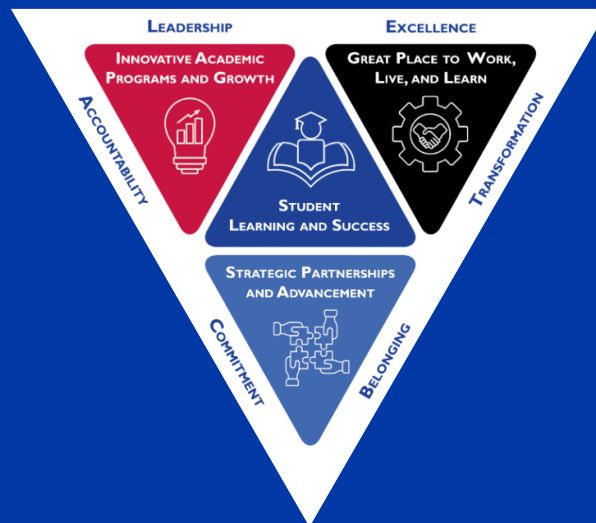
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TITLE III & ECSU ACCELERATING THE ASCEND 2030 VISION

*Transforming infrastructure,
enhancing instruction, and
driving student success.*



 **ASCEND**

DRIVING MEASURABLE IMPACT

Title III is more than a funding source; it is a vital university partnership accelerating the goals of the **ASCEND 2030** strategic plan.

By strategically investing in our academic ecosystems and student support structures, this partnership has driven unprecedented institutional success, directly contributing to:



Record Growth

Growing university enrollment to 2,445 students.



Student Success

Increasing student retention rates to an impressive 83%.



National Recognition

Elevating the university's prestige by improving the school's ranking to #9 in Forbes.

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EXPANDING ACADEMIC FRONTIERS



Data Science Innovation

Launched a new B.S. in Data Science (Fall 2026) to prepare students for AI and analytics careers while expanding STEM access for rural and underserved communities.



Health Sciences Mobility

Deployed a mobile learning unit to provide hands-on, applied learning experiences that bridge classroom theory with community health applications.



AI-Integrated Anatomy

Acquired an Anatomage Table, a 3D digital simulation system featuring life-size recreations of human anatomy, to revolutionize biology instruction.



Faculty Excellence

Funded ACUE training and the inaugural Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) research cohort in effort to enhance teaching practices to ensure student success.

Title III funding enables ECSU to expand its academic reach through innovative, forward-looking initiatives. The activities highlighted above demonstrate ECSU's commitment to broadening academic opportunities and strengthening workforce preparation.

ELEVATING THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Aviation Excellence *

Acquired two new aircraft and an Air Traffic Control Tower Simulator, directly connecting classroom concepts to high-demand aviation careers.

Decentralized Support Hubs *

Established academic hubs within individual facilities, embedding professional student success staff where students learn for immediate access.

Modernized Learning Spaces *

Revitalized STEM and Finance labs to enhance student learning and program growth. Progress toward a new entrepreneurship center sets students up for success within their community.

Enhanced Campus Safety *

Upgraded security camera infrastructure to ensure a safer learning environment.

