The mission of HACU is to Champion Hispanic Success in Higher Education.

(HACU) keeps members informed through The Voice of Hispanic Higher Education quarterly magazine, a monthly e-Newsletter, and periodic notifications of the latest legislative developments and funding opportunities for member institutions. Subscription discounts for The Voice magazine are also available for individuals at HACU member institutions. Institutions can submit campus news to news@hacu.net for possible publication in HACU’s national magazine. Membership dues also include discounted rates for online job postings.

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Say “yes” to championing success in Hispanic higher education! Join our membership today!

National Institutions

Any nonprofit, accredited college or university of higher education or system/district located in the United States (including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico) can join HACU.

U.S. member institutions fall into the following categories:

- Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) – Total Hispanic enrollment constitutes a minimum of 25% of the total enrollment at the undergraduate or graduate level.
- Associate Member Institutions – Total Hispanic enrollment is at least 10% of the total student enrollment, or total Hispanic enrollment is at least 25% of the total enrollment at the undergraduate or graduate level.
- Partner Institutions – Total Hispanic enrollment is less than 10% of the total enrollment.

Eligibility is assessed as described in the Nonprofit Institutions, Full-Time and part-time students, whether at the undergraduate or graduate level.

College Systems/Districts

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International Institutions

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HACU Facts

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Membership Uses Information

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The Voice of Hispanic Higher Education

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About HACU
HACU, the only national educational organization representing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), has a combined membership of more than 400 colleges and universities and many other institutions that share a strong commitment to Hispanic higher education. HACU was founded in 1986 by 18 higher education institutions, and, today, HACU is nationally recognized as a top Hispanic non-profit advocating for Hispanic higher education success.

HACU’s membership has increased substantially to include more than 400 colleges and universities in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Latin America, Spain and Portugal and school districts throughout the U.S. HACU is widely recognized among government, corporate and higher education entities as the leading advocate for Hispanics in education.

Advocacy
Central to all of HACU’s efforts is advocacy for HSIs, member institutions and affiliates. Our nation’s economic and social successes rest on the level of skills and knowledge attained by Hispanics, the nation’s targeted minority population.

Building upon the work of its founding members, HACU has fought for increased funding for its member institutions. As a result of advocacy efforts, a combination of grant programs from the U.S. Departments of Education, Agriculture, Defense, and Housing and Urban Development have resulted in a cumulative federal commitment to HSIs of more than $1.7 billion.

Highlights of advocacy efforts include:
- 1992 – Congress defines HSIs and authorizes dedicated funding
- 1993 – First architectural funds are allocated to Title III
- 2005 – $55.1 million appropriated for HSIs under Title V
- 2007 – College Cost Reduction and Access Act sets aside $200 million for HSIs
- 2008 – Hispanic-serving agricultural colleges and universities defined in Farm Bill
- 2010 – Title V appropriation breaks $110 million

Federal funding previously not available to HSIs is now a reality. Yet substantial increased funding is still needed.

Scholarships, Paid Internships and More…

Thousands of HACU students have received the opportunity to learn about legislative issues affecting Hispanic higher education.

Here are a few of our premier programs:

- The HACU National Internship Program
- The HACU National Student Internship Program provides paid internship opportunities to college students seeking summer- or semester-long internships and cooperative assignments at federal agencies in Washington, D.C. and throughout the country.
- The program also offers corporate internship opportunities through HACU’s national corporate partners. These ten- or fifteen-week internship assignments offer students a variety of services, including but not limited to, paid round-trip airfare, assistance with housing arrangements, emergency medical insurance, a weekly stipend, a comprehensive intern orientation in Washington, D.C. for federal interns, and an orientation program for corporate interns.
- Internships are available during spring, summer or fall academic sessions.

The HACU Scholarship Program

The annual program awards academic scholarships to students attending HACU-member institutions. Scholarships are announced in the spring. Awards are made in late summer for the upcoming fall semester.

HACU Annual Conference Student Track Program and Scholarships

The HACU Annual Conference Student Track Program provides an information-sharing forum for students on career and leadership development. Scholarship opportunities are available to students at the Biennial International Conference. Students can also attend as “Student Ambassadors” if sponsored by their college or university.

Youth Leadership Development Forum

In conjunction with HACU’s Annual Conference, the Youth Leadership Development Forum is held in the hospitality for middle and high school students.

The activities focus on college preparation, college readiness, campus visits and career workshops.

Conferences and Events
HACU members receive registration discounts to HACU conferences and also to other national conferences offered in conjunction with HACU partners. HACU hosts three major conferences that provide vital platforms for advocacy, information, collaboration and networking:

- The National Capitol Forum on Hispanic Higher Education – Held annually in Washington, D.C., the Capitol Forum provides member institutions the opportunity to learn about legislative issues affecting Hispanic Higher Education. Delegates visit Capitol Hill to speak to congressional leaders and promote the important role of HSIs in achieving Hispanic higher education success.
- Annual Conference – HACU’s largest gathering is the annual conference, which provides an opportunity to showcase successful programs for Hispanics, collaborate with colleges and universities around the world and promote discussions on how to best serve Hispanic students, faculty and administrators.
- Biennial International Conference – An international conference brings together institutions of higher education from the U.S. and abroad to promote dialogue and programs about student and faculty excellence, degree program, and the internationalization of institutions of higher education.
- Latino Higher Education Leadership Institute – In conjunction with HACU’s Annual Conference, the HACU Latino Higher Education Leadership Institute is offered as a pre-conference event. Through the institute, early-, mid- and senior-level Latino higher education administrators and leaders collaborate and share leadership challenges and strategies for making higher education institutions more responsive to the educational needs of Latino and other represented groups.

International Affairs

The Office of Programs, Services and International Affairs promotes and facilitates international initiatives involving HACU-member institutions. HACU provides study abroad opportunities for students from U.S. institutions through partnerships with various study abroad providers. Memoranda of Understandings have been signed with Global Learning Semesters, the American Institute for Foreign Study (AIFS) and IES Abroad. HACU international partnerships include collaborations with the Inter-American Organization for Higher Education for the development of joint student mobility program. HACU has also signed agreements with the Organization of American States (OAS), the Government of Spain through the Ministry of Education and Science, and the Government of the State of Jalisco in Mexico. These agreements represent strategic alliances that will continue to increase international opportunities for students and faculty from HACU-member institutions.