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The University of North Carolina at Asheville, or UNCA for short, is located in the Blue Ridge Mts. by the southwestern border of North Carolina. One mile away from lively downtown Asheville, UNCA offers you everything you can wish for in a medium sized southern city, while at the same time offering the seclusion only a small campus can offer. As the only designated Liberal Arts school in the North Carolina system, the school is very popular among more creative types interested in learning about a broader range of topics.

With approximately 3700 undergraduate students each year, UNCA is a large school according to Liberal Arts standards. Ranked as a Tier 1 Liberal Arts school by the U.S. News & World Report, UNCA is definitely becoming more popular. The most popular majors at UNCA are English Literature, Psychology, Natural Resources/Conservation and Sociology. In addition to these UNCA offers about 40 other programs, including a unique degree program in Health and Wellness Promotion. With a nationally acclaimed undergraduate research program, small classes and interesting teachers, UNCA offers only the best.

The Princeton Review recently awarded UNCA a title as one of the 50 “Best Value” Schools in the United States. Noting that UNCA provides a “a private school experience at a public school cost” the school has been awarded this title for four years in a row now. This has a lot to do with the costs versus the education you receive at the school, which in my opinion is excellent. As an In-State student you would expect to pay around \$6500 per year, and as an Out-of-State student the yearly tuition and fees cost is \$18300.

UNCA is a very environmentally friendly, eccentric school. As it is located in very liberal Asheville, NC (which has been called the San-Francisco of the South), the school and town definitely have some interesting characters. But if you are open to new experiences such as Drum Circles and recycling everything, you should fit right in.

UNCA is in general a pretty good school. I would recommend it to anyone who is interested in “Changing the World” as that seems to be the general consensus around here. With a small international student ratio of between 1-2 % the school is extremely interested in foreign students. If you begin at UNCA as a freshman things might be easier for you as there are a large number of required classes to take, but from my experience as an International Transfer Student UNCA is extremely welcoming. The staff at the school are extremely friendly and are willing to help with anything, so I highly recommend contacting them with any questions you might have.

I hope you consider The University of North Carolina at Asheville!

