



Intersections in the East

EDUCATION - JOBS ... UNIVERSITY - INDUSTRY ... INNOVATION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

East Carolina University's proposed 150,000-square-foot Life Sciences and Biotechnology Building, with a focus on teaching and research, will be eastern North Carolina's newest major intersection—of education and jobs, of the university and industry, of innovation and economic development.

This building addresses two commitments in ECU's strategic plan, maximizing student success and leading regional transformation, and will include the following:

- the Pharmaceutical Development and Manufacturing Center of Excellence
- the Center for Biomedical Engineering
- the Center for Biomedical Research and Innovation

The Connect NC Bond Act

Funded by \$90 million from the Connect NC bond act, to be voted on in March, ECU's Life Sciences and Biotechnology Building will increase research and development funding in eastern North Carolina, help recruit and retain innovative researchers and students, and increase production of science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) graduates. These graduates will have opportunities to earn higher-than-average starting salaries, to work for industrial, government and military partners who will be attracted to the region, and to boost the industrial and entrepreneurial investment in the region.

In the 2014-2015 academic year:

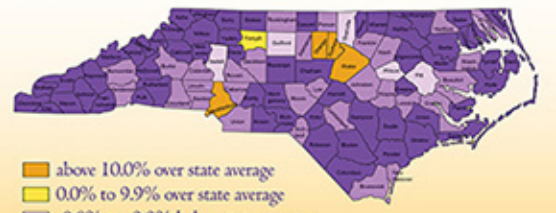
39 percent of degrees and certificates awarded were in STEM and health-related areas.
 ECU's Department of Biology instructed more than 17,000 students.
 Approximately 650 undergraduate and graduate students majored in biology.
 Approximately 650 students majored in engineering.
 ECU instructed more than 7,000 students in biology labs.
 Record total enrollment for ECU in 2015: 28,289*
*Record enrollment overall and for undergraduates (23,039)

East Carolina University



North Carolina

Annual Average Pay 2014
 Compared to North Carolina
 average of \$44,969



- above 10.0% over state average
- 0.0% to 9.9% over state average
- -0.0% to -9.9% below state average
- -10.0% to -24.9% below state average
- -25% and greater below state average

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (www.bls.gov)

East Carolina University

Intersections in the East

THE CONNECT NC BOND ACT



East Carolina University

Video player controls including a progress bar, play/pause button, volume icon, and settings icon. The time 16:09 / 29:43 is displayed.