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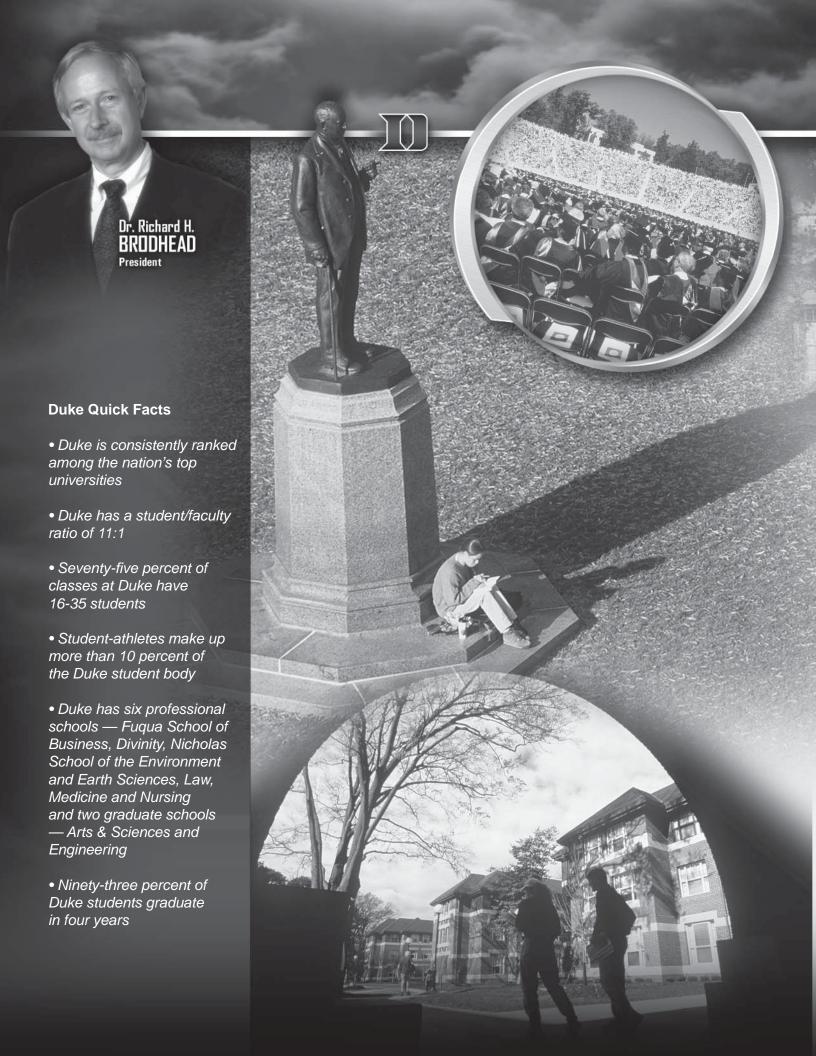


Duke University was created in 1924 by James Buchanan Duke as a memorial to his father, Washington Duke. The Dukes, a Durham family who built a worldwide financial empire in the manufacture of tobacco and developed the production of electricity in the two Carolinas, had long been interested in Trinity College. Trinity traced its roots to 1838 in nearby Randolph County when local Methodist and Quaker communities joined forces to support a permanent school, which they named Union Institute. After a brief period as Normal College (1851-59), the school changed its name to Trinity College in 1859 and affiliated with the Methodist Church.

The college moved to Durham in 1892 with financial assistance from Washington Duke and the donation of land by Julian S. Carr. In December 1924, the school's trustees gratefully accepted the provisions of James B. Duke's indenture creating the family philanthropic foundation, The Duke Endowment, which provided, in part, for the expansion of Trinity College into Duke University.

As a result of the Duke gift, Trinity underwent both physical and academic expansion. The original Durham Campus became known as East Campus when it was rebuilt in stately Georgian architecture. West Campus, Gothic in style and dominated by the soaring 210-foot tower of Duke Chapel, opened in 1930. Academic expansion of the university included the establishment of new graduate and professional schools.

Modern times have seen Duke realize its founder's aspirations to become a major center of learning. The Duke University Medical Center has achieved international prominence, and many Duke schools and departments are consistently ranked among the nation's best.





Majors at Duke

African-American Studies
Art History
Biological Anthropology & Anatomy
Biology

Biomedical Engineering Canadian Studies

Chemistry

Civil & Environmental Engineering

Classical Languages

Classical Studies

Comparative Area Studies

Computer Science

Cultural Anthropology

Economics

Electrical Engineering

English

Environmental Sciences & Policy

French Studies

Geology

Germanic Languages & Literature

History

Italian Studies

Literature

Mathematics

Mechanical Engineering &

Materials Science

Medieval & Renaissance Studies

Music

Philosophy

Physics

Political Science

Psychology

Public Policy Studies

Religion

Russian

Sociology

Spanish

Theater Studies

Visual Arts

Women's Studies