Kentucky State Grows to University

FRANKFORT, Ky. — At Kentucky State University opportunities abound for students in a well-balanced curriculum designed to provide the maximum in teaching, research and public service — the functions of a land-grant university.

KSU, which achieved university status July 1, is one of Kentucky's two land-grant institutions of higher learning (the other is the University of Kentucky in Lexington).

KSU is a co-educational, four-year university located on a gently-rolling hill just inside the city limits of Frankfort, the capital of Kentucky.

FULL PARTNER

In its 87th year as a state institution of higher learning, in its 82nd year as federal land-grant college, in its 46th year as a four-year college, in its 20th year as a full partner in the Kentucky system of higher education, Kentucky State College has become Kentucky State University.

The University provides students with:

A foundation for graduate and professional studies;

Preparation for elementary and secondary teaching, for positions in vocational and technical home economics, and for clerical, secretarial, technical and managerial positions in business and commerce; and

Vocational-technical preparation on a two-year level.

LAST DECADE

Now one of the five-state-supported regional universities, Kentucky State has a history that is a presentation of progress.

DR. CARL HILL. . . president, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Ky.

It has grown in the last 10 years to a campus of 32 buildings on 320 acres. In the last decade, under the direction of Dr. Carl M. Hill, its seventh president, KSU has increased in enrollment from 862 to nearly 2,000; grown in physical size by 13 new buildings; and experienced an increase in faculty from 49 to more than 100, of which nearly 40 per cent have doctoral degrees.

OFFERS CURRICULA

There are a total of 15 academic departments offering instruction in the fields of:

Biology, business and economics, chemistry, computer science, education-psychology, English, health and physical education, history and political science, home economics, humanities, industrial education,

Library technology, mathematics, medical technology, modern foreign languages, music, nursing education, sociology and social sciences and veterinary medicine. And now graduate studies are being added.

GROWING PROGRAM

KSU offers curricula in three areas:

Regular four-year liberal arts,

Two-year community college, and

Late afternoon-evening programs.

A new and growing program at KSU is the Community College, in which the night school has been and continues to be the principal medium.

COMMUTING STUDENTS

Commuting students enroll in day classes on a part-time basis. Homemakers often find this approach to a college education adaptable to their situations.

Two-year degrees and one-year certificates are important incentives which have been added to the Community College program.

Some institutions are born as universities; some achieve university status. Kentucky State's emergence as a university shares in both.

UNFORTUNATE SEPARATION

For some 65 years of an unfortunate separation of Kentucky's Black and white citizens in education, Kentucky State served the Black community of the Commonwealth as its primary source of educated leaders and public leadership.

During those years, Kentucky State took upon itself, by a harsh necessity, many more roles and duties than are usually associated with an undergraduate college.

As a predominantly Black institution, Kentucky State will continue to serve the black community and educate its leaders.

DUAL ROLE

However, today Kentucky State has a dual role, providing equal educational opportunity to the Black and white citizens of Kentucky and of the nation.

Its programs today are responsible and relevant to the needs of both.

As President Hill has emphasized, in his leadership, students are what Kentucky State "is all about," and providing instruction and guidance is what the faculty-staff complex "is all about."

KEYS TO SUCCESS

Traditionally, Kentucky State has emphasized the teaching function and has directed most of its financial resources and effort toward the teaching-learning process.

Keys to success in this area have been and will be the quality and dedication of the faculty and student body and the capability of the university administration to provide strong leadership to the academic and service programs.

Although KSU has grown in size in every dimension, the all-important personal relationship between instructors and students, or between administration and staff and students — so lacking as many colleges and universities have grown in recent years — this personal, "one happy family" situation still is obvious at KSU.

SENSE OF TOGETHERNESS

Administration and faculty at the University know that a well-rounded program of study and extra-curricular activities is best achieved by a sense of "togetherness."

At Kentucky State, the aims are to encourage the attainment of excellence in scholarship; the acquisition of special skills in the arts, sciences and vocations; and the development of a sense of obligation to contribute to the intellectual, cultural, spiritual and economic growth of the community.

In achieving these ends, Kentucky State seeks to prepare its students to think critically; to express themselves creatively; to make independent and rational judgments, and to practice adherence to standards of moral rectitude.

PARTICULAR TALENTS

KSU's well-rounded offering of academic studies and extra-curricular activities includes clubs and organizations of many kinds.

Students can find avenues of entry into these that will enable them to develop their particular talents and interests — for example, musical units, fraternal groups, student newspaper, yearbook and various other specialty organizations.

In addition, there are ample opportunities for recreation and social enjoyment in an extensive intramural athletic program as well as the nationally-recognized intercollegiate athletic program.

FURTHER LAURELS

For an unprecedented three consecutive years, KSU basketball teams have won the national college division championship of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, these titular quintets also producing All-Americans.

In 1971, KSU also won the national tract title.

The Thorobred football team, which recorded an 8-2 record last autumn and earned a post-season bowl bid, is beginning a 1972 campaign expected to produce still further laurels.

CULTURAL OFFERINGS

Cultural offerings include concerts and lectures by nationally-prominent artists and personalities.

In the matter of financing one's enrollment at Kentucky State, several forms of financial assistance are available.

Large and comfortable dormitories on the campus are available to out-of-town students. The student KSU cafeteria offers 21 meals a week to students at an average of about 50 cents.

EAT OFF CAMPUS

For those who prefer to live in town or to eat off campus, the community has many rooms and also nearby restaurants, all offered at rates below those usually found in cities of the same size.

The expenses connected with attending Kentucky State are intentionally kept as reasonable as possible, and compare favorably with costs at other institutions of equal rank and prestige.

Parents are encouraged to arrange to pay expenses in full so students will not have to work their way through school.

COLLEGE STUDIES

College studies are difficult and students need time for study and for the wholesome extra-curricular activities. A job may take up time that the student needs for study.

Even though expenses are kept reasonable, Kentucky State maintains a program of financial assistance for those who could not otherwise attend.

The primary administration of this program is in the hands of the committee on student financial aid.

Any student seeking help must file application for financial aid in addition to the application for admission to Kentucky State.

SEVERAL TYPES

The departments of music and home economics have several types of scholarships which are administered by the chairmen of the respective departments.

A student planning to major in either of the above areas should contact the department for scholarship information.

If, in addition to scholarship assistance, he wishes to apply for a loan, grant or part-time employment, he should follow the procedures outlined previously.

Sears, Roebuck and Company has made available several scholarships to students who desire to study home economics.

Kroger Company Scholarships have made available scholarships to students who desire to study home economics.

Mabel C. Atwood Scholarship, established in 1967 by Mrs. Mabel C. Atwood, former member of the piano faculty and wife of President Emeritus Rufus B. Atwood, are awarded annually to an outstanding piano major in the department of music at Kentucky State.

ACADEMIC YEAR

Kentucky State grants of up to $1,000 per academic year to students who could not otherwise enroll in college. These grants are then renewable for up to four years.

Eligibility for the grant is determined from the information submitted on the parent's confidential statement and the application for financial aid.

Kentucky State makes loans to students who are in need of funds in order to attend college. These loans carry a three per cent simple interest charge, which begins nine months after graduation or withdrawal.

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Forest Service Agency Looks For Minorities

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Forest Service is an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture that manages the natural resources on 187 million acres of publicly owned lands.

These lands are in 39 states and Puerto Rico.

They help to supply the nation with commodities and services such as wood products, water, wildlife habitat and outdoor recreation.

Research Program

Along with the day-to-day work of administering these lands, there is a substantial program in research to improve the quality of forests and forest products.

The job of managing these lands is a demanding one requiring the professionalism of many different educational backgrounds.

In many natural resource fields, a college education is necessary to successfully fill these jobs.

Minority Members

For years now the Forest Service has been concerned because of the lack of minority members in land management positions, especially the black minority.

As a result of this concern, the Forest Service initiated a pre-fosestry education programatthe predominately black Tuskegee Institute in Alabama in 1968.

The purpose of the program is to prepare students from the black community for the increasingly important job of managing timber lands, so important to the economy of the country.

Field Work

After four years, indications are that the program will continue to flourish. Each semester finds several students electing to take the forestry course.

During the school year students not only do classroom work, but also get the opportunity to work in the forests on sale layout, tree measurement, engineering, thinning, timber stand improvement and other forestry field work.

Although the Forest Service has provided leadership in teaching, there has been substantial help from visiting professors from the University of Michigan.

Forestry Degree

It is one of the degree granting institutions along with the University of California, Iowa State, and several other schools where students may complete their requirements for a bachelor's degree in forestry.

Tuskegee Institute has cooperative agreements with these schools so that the two year credits are acceptable for students who seek a college degree.

Many universities have expressed an interest in accepting students from Tuskegee. At this time, there haven't been enough students to meet the demand.

Generous Giant

At the end of the last academic year two students had gone on to receive a bachelor's degree, one from the University of Michigan, and the other from Iowa State University.

Four others are now working on their degree at the University of Michigan. There are currently 10 students enrolled in the two year course.

The Weyerhaeuser Corp. has given a generous grant to Tuskegee Institute to help finance the forestry program.

Biggest Problem

This enabled a full-time professor to be added to the staff of the program — Dr. David Canavora. He has expressed enthusiasm about the program and said:

"We are optimistic about the future of forestry here. We feel it is growing, particularly with the help of private industrial donations.

"The biggest problem has been trying to convince potential students that forestry is a professional field," he stated.

Allied Fields

"There is a need for forestry graduates to work in land management fields including careers in forestry, landscape architecture, wildlife management and other allied fields," Dr. Canavora said.

Through the Weyerhaeuser grant 10 full scholarships are available each semester for promising students.

Other financial assistance is also available both during the Tuskegee curriculum, and from the degree granting institutions.

Students wanting more information on futures in forestry should write to:

Division of Agricultural Sciences, Milbank Hall, Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama 36088.

BRIG. GEN. Julius W. Becton, recently named Deputy Commanding General at Fort Dix, N.J., chats with Capt. John Fleming, assistant professor of military science, Virginia State College, Petersburg, Va., during a visit to ROTC Summer Camp, Indiantown Gap, Pa. The General received a briefing on the camp's activity as he prepares to assume the role of Camp Commander next year. (U.S. ARMY PHOTO)

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