

**2016 SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR SCHOOL COUNSELORS:
INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
(June 13 – 17, 2016)**

- Course Title:** 2016 South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities Campus Tour
- Sponsors:** SC Independent Colleges and Universities (SCICU)
SC Department of Education Office of School Leadership
- Credit:** 60 Renewal Credit (SCDE)
24.5 GCDF Recertification Hours (Must have GCDF #)
- Coordinator:** Regina H. Thurmond
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South Carolina Department of Education
- Dates:** June 13-17, 2016
- Audience:** High School Counselors, Teachers, Coaches, and Career Specialists
- Text:** SCICU Notebook and materials from Colleges and Universities
- Scope:** This course is designed to assist high school guidance counselors and other high school level professionals to better understand college life on the independent college campuses in South Carolina. Emphasis will be placed on a holistic approach in serving students and the practical application of this information and knowledge in working with students who are planning to attend higher education institutions in our state as they transition from high school to college and beyond.
- Objectives:** Upon completion of this course, the participant should be able to:
1. Develop a broad and in-depth knowledge about the academic, social, and extracurricular opportunities available for students at the independent colleges/universities in South Carolina.
 2. Solidify their understanding of student development opportunities and admission processes for each college campus.
 3. Become familiar with administrators, faculty, and other professional leaders in the South Carolina independent higher education community in our state.
 4. Encourage networking and exchanging of professional ideas with other high school level guidance counselors, career specialists, teachers, coaches, etc.
 5. Plan and develop a class project to be utilized in the participant's work setting using the information and resources obtained through the course to improve your students' transition to post-secondary opportunities.
- Evaluation:**
1. Read and review the college materials.
 2. Plan and develop a media-based project to be utilized in the participant's work setting reflecting knowledge that can improve your students' transition to post-secondary education.
 3. Attend 100% of the class sessions.

2016 COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INDEPENDENT COLLEGE CAMPUS TOUR

South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities, Inc.

Participants who sign up to take the Independent College Campus Tour and want 60 SCDE renewal credit must complete these requirements:

1. Attend 100% of class sessions
2. Read supplemental college materials
3. Plan, develop, and e-mail the class project to **Regina H. Thurmond**
4. Complete and submit the **SC Department of Education Evaluation Form** to the tour guides

Requirements for Class Project

*Participants will e-mail their class projects to **REGINA H. THURMOND** rthurmond@ed.sc.gov by **July 15, 2016** and contain the following:*

- A powerpoint/media-based presentation (minimum of 35 slides) that reflects the information you gained from visiting the independent colleges during the week-long campus tour. Please note, if there is more than one participant from a school district, two of you may choose to work together on the project but you must expand to at least 50 multi-media slides
- The project must include at least three or more facts/unique characteristics of each institution
- What target audience will be addressed (i.e. teachers, students, parents, counselors, etc.)
- Emphasis may be placed on the special characteristics that reflect excellence and value of education at independent colleges and universities in South Carolina
- Other details of how information and materials will be presented if not evident in project
- Indicate within the presentation the audience to whom you are presenting
- Participant Name(s)
- Educational Position/Title
- Title of Project

If you have any questions about your class project or for more information, please contact:

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Deadline for project submission: July 15, 2016

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