

II. America's Urban Campus: An Overview

America's Urban Campus is a consortium of 22 of Chicago's largest not-for-profit higher education institutions. The consortium is focused on fostering better collaboration among member schools, and positioning "Chicago as a global destination for higher education." AUC members have worked collectively on projects centered on higher education policy issues, research partnerships, and community efforts.

In addition to improving collaboration and relationships among themselves, members of America's Urban Campus hope to use the organization to improve collaboration and communication with the city's business and cultural communities.

As of June 2018, America's Urban Campus consists of the following colleges and universities:

- Adler University
- Argosy University
- The Chicago School of Professional Psychology at Chicago
- Chicago State University
- City Colleges of Chicago
- Columbia College Chicago
- DePaul University
- East-West University
- Illinois Institute of Technology
- The John Marshall Law School
- Loyola University of Chicago
- National Louis University
- North Park University
- Northeastern Illinois University
- Northwestern University
- Robert Morris University Illinois
- Roosevelt University
- Rush University
- Saint Xavier University
- School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)
- University of Chicago
- University of Illinois at Chicago.

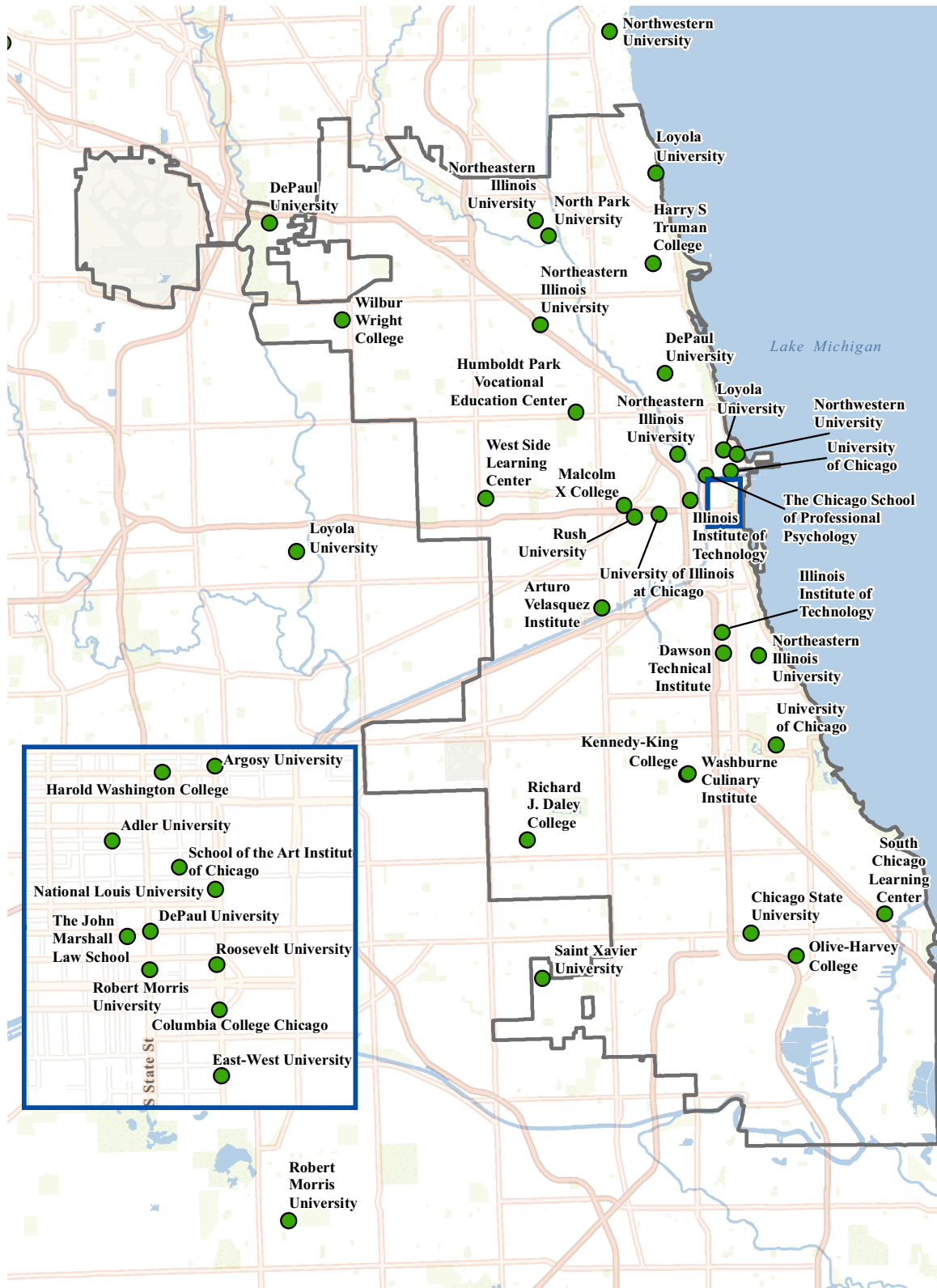
In 2016, these schools enrolled nearly 213,000 students from across the state, the country, and the world, and awarded over 59,000 degrees and certificates.

These colleges and universities account for approximately 96% of the total enrollment in higher education institutions in the city of Chicago.⁴

These colleges and universities are located throughout the city, and several of them have satellite campuses which further extend their reach.⁵ Map 1 on page 10 shows the campus locations of America's Urban Campus colleges and universities.⁶

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4. The total student count of 212,500 includes over 10,900 students at Northwestern's campus, which lies outside city limits in Evanston. Those students are not included in our estimate for the share of city enrollment at America's Urban Campus institutions.
 5. All of the America's Urban Campus members have their main campuses in Chicago, except Northwestern University, which lies outside city limits in Evanston.
 6. This map includes all main campuses and satellite campuses. It excludes extension centers. We define a satellite campus as an additional campus that offers full degree programs and has full time students on-site. We consider an additional campus to be an extension center if it is affiliated with a high school, community center or a partnership between multiple universities, and if it does not offer full degree programs on-site.

MAP 1. Campus Locations for America's Urban Campus Institutions



Source: America's Urban Campus Colleges and Universities
Analysis: Anderson Economic Group, LLC