

The Morrill Act, 1862

Section 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all moneys derived from the sale of the lands aforesaid by the States to which the lands are apportioned, and from the sales of land scrip hereinbefore provided for, shall be invested in stocks of the United States or of the States, or some other safe stocks, yielding not less than five per centum upon the par value of said stocks; and that the moneys so invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, the capital of which shall remain forever undiminished (except so far as may be provided in section five of this act), and the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated by each State which may take and claim the benefit of this act, to the endowment, support, and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life. . . .

Section 5. *And be it further enacted* . . .

Third. Any State which may take and claim the benefit of the provisions of this act shall provide, within five years, at least not less than one college, as described in the fourth section of this act, or the grant to such State shall cease; and said State shall be bound to pay the United States the amount received of any lands previously sold and that the title to purchasers under the State shall be valid.

Fourth. An annual report shall be made regarding the progress of each college, recording any improvements and experiments made, with their cost and results, and such other matters, including state industrial and economical statistics, as may be supposed useful, one copy of which shall be transmitted by mail free, by each, to all the other colleges which may be endowed under the provisions of this act, and also one copy to the Secretary of the Interior. . . .

Approved, July 2, 1862.

¹² *United States Statutes at Large*, 503-5.

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The Sixty-Nine Institutions of the 1862 and 1890 Morrill Land-Grant Acts

Key: B = 1890 Morrill Act black institutions; O = nine oldest land grants

ALABAMA

1. Alabama A&M, Normal (B)
2. Auburn, Auburn

ALASKA

3. U. of Alaska, Fairbanks

ARIZONA

4. U. of Arizona, Tucson

ARKANSAS

5. U. of Arkansas, Pine Bluff (B)
6. U. of Arkansas, Fayetteville

CALIFORNIA

7. U. of California, Berkeley
also Davis & Riverside

COLORADO

8. Colorado State, Fort Collins

CONNECTICUT

9. U. of Conn., Storrs

DELAWARE

10. Delaware State College, Dover
11. U. of Delaware, Newark

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

12. U. of the D.C., Washington

FLORIDA

13. Florida A&M, Tallahassee (B)
14. U. of Florida, Gainesville

GEORGIA

15. Fort Valley State College (B)
16. U. of Georgia, Athens

HAWAII

17. U. of Hawan, Honolulu

IDAHO

18. U. of Idaho, Moscow

ILLINOIS

19. U. of Illinois, Urbana

INDIANA

20. Purdue, W. Lafayette

IOWA

21. Iowa State, Ames (O)

KANSAS

22. Kansas State, Manhattan (O)

KENTUCKY

23. Kentucky State, Frankfort (B)
24. U. of Kentucky, Lexington

LOUISIANA

25. Louisiana State, Baton Rouge
26. Southern U., Baton Rouge (B)

MAINE

27. U. of Maine, Orono

MARYLAND

28. U. of Maryland, E. Shore (B)
29. U. of Maryland, College Park

MASSACHUSETTS

30. M.I.T., Cambridge
31. U. of Mass., Amherst

MICHIGAN

32. Michigan State, E. Lansing (O)

MINNESOTA

33. U. of Minnesota, Twin Cities (O)

MISSISSIPPI

34. Alcorn State, Lorman (B)
35. Mississippi State U.

MISSOURI

36. Lincoln U., Jefferson City (B)
37. U. of Missouri, Columbia (O)

MONTANA

38. Montana State, Bozeman

NEBRASKA

39. U. of Nebraska, Lincoln

NEVADA

40. U. of Nevada, Reno

NEW HAMPSHIRE

41. U. of N. Hampshire, Durham

NEW JERSEY

42. Rutgers, New Brunswick (O)

NEW MEXICO

43. New Mexico State, Las Cruces

NEW YORK

44. Cornell, Ithaca

NORTH CAROLINA

45. N. C. A&T, Greensboro (B)
46. N. C. State, Raleigh

NORTH DAKOTA

47. N. Dakota State, Fargo

OHIO

48. Ohio State, Columbus

OKLAHOMA

- 49. Langston University (B)
- 50. Oklahoma State, Stillwater

OREGON

- 51. Oregon State, Corvallis

PENNSYLVANIA

- 52. Penn. State, University Park (O)

* PUERTO RICO

- 53. U. of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez

RHODE ISLAND

- 54. U. of Rhode Island, Kingston

SOUTH CAROLINA

- 55. S. C. State, Orangeburg (B)
- 56. Clemson, Clemson

SOUTH DAKOTA

- 57. S. Dakota State, Brookings

TENNESSEE

- 58. Tennessee State, Nashville (B)
- 59. U. of Tennessee, Knoxville

TEXAS

- 60. Prairie View A&M (B)
- 61. Texas A&M, College Station

UTAH

- 62. Utah State, Logan

VERMONT

- 63. U. of Vermont, Burlington (O)

VIRGINIA

- 64. Virginia State, Petersburg (B)
- 65. Va. Polytechnic, Blacksburg

WASHINGTON

- 66. Washington State, Pullman

WEST VIRGINIA

- 67. West Virginia U., Morgantown

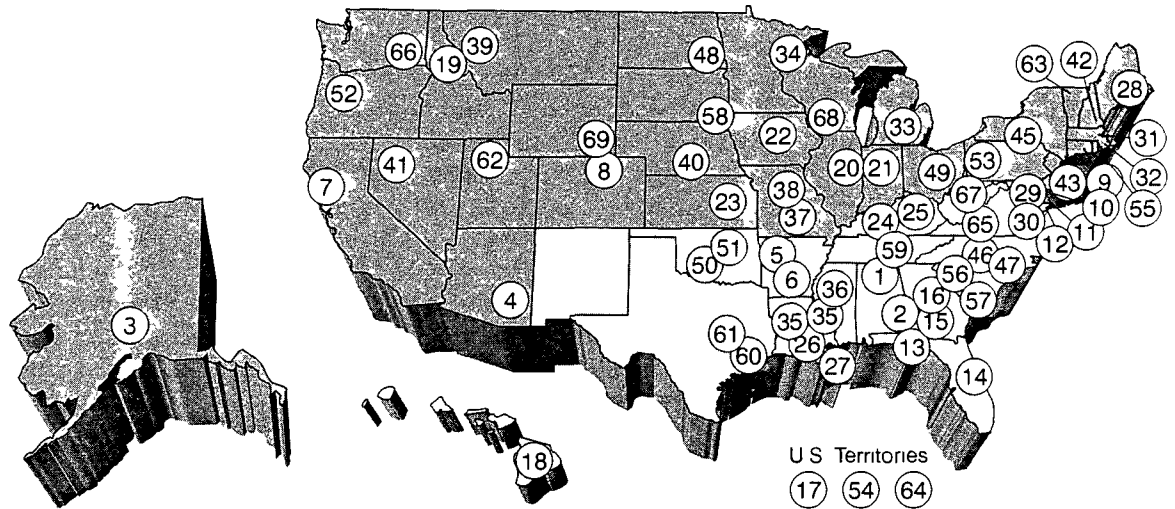
WISCONSIN

- 68. U of Wisconsin, Madison (O)

WYOMING

- 69. U. of Wyoming, Laramie

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| 1 Alabama A&M University | 25 University of Kentucky | 47 North Carolina State University |
| 2 Auburn University | 26 Louisiana State University | 48 North Dakota State University |
| 3 University of Alaska | 27 Southern University | 49 Ohio State University |
| 4 Arizona State University | 28 University of Maine | 50 Langston University |
| 5 University of Arkansas, Fayetteville | 29 University of Maryland | 51 Oklahoma State University |
| 6 University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff | 30 University of Maryland, Eastern Shore | 52 Oregon State University |
| 7 University of California | 31 Massachusetts Institute of Technology | 53 Pennsylvania State University |
| 8 Colorado State University | 32 University of Massachusetts | 54 University of Puerto Rico |
| 9 University of Connecticut | 33 Michigan State University | 55 University of Rhode Island |
| 10 University of Delaware | 34 University of Minnesota | 56 Clemson University |
| 11 Delaware State College | 35 Alcorn State University | 57 South Carolina State College |
| 12 University of the District of Columbia | 36 Mississippi State University | 58 South Dakota State University |
| 13 Florida A&M University | 37 Lincoln University | 59 Tennessee State University |
| 14 University of Florida | 38 University of Missouri | 60 Prairie View A&M University |
| 15 Fort Valley State College | 39 Montana State University | 61 Texas A&M University |
| 16 University of Georgia | 40 University of Nebraska | 62 Utah State University |
| 17 University of Guam | 41 University of Nevada, Reno | 63 University of Vermont |
| 18 University of Hawaii | 42 University of New Hampshire | 64 University of the Virgin Islands |
| 19 University of Idaho | 43 Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey | 65 Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University |
| 20 University of Illinois | 44 New Mexico State University | 66 Washington State University |
| 21 Purdue University | 45 Cornell University | 67 West Virginia University |
| 22 Iowa State University | 46 North Carolina A&T State University | 68 University of Wisconsin-Madison |
| 23 Kansas State University | | 69 University of Wyoming |

Figure 5.2 Land Grant Universities as Designated by State Legislatures

Source Robert O'Neil, Chairman *Factbook* Washington, DC National Association of Land Grant Colleges 1989, 39-41