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The institution is in operation and has students enrolled in degree programs.
(Continuous Operation)

USC provided the Off-Site Review Committee with evidence as reported in the *University of South Carolina 2009-2010 Online Fact Book* confirming that the University of South Carolina was established in 1801 and enrolled its first students in 1805. USC suspended operations in 1862, during the Civil War and reopened in 1866. USC again ceased operation in 1876, due to problems encountered during Reconstruction, but reopened in 1880, and has been in continuous operation since that time. In the Fall 2009, USC reported 28,481 students enrolled on the Columbia campus, 1,593 students on the Lancaster campus, 957 students on the Salkehatchie campus (including offerings in Allendale and Walterboro), 1,206 students on the Sumter campus, and 507 students on the Union campus. The Off-Site Review Committee's review of the USC *2009-2010 Online Fact Book*, confirms that on the Columbia campus this total included 20,494 students enrolled in undergraduate programs, 6,527 students enrolled in graduate programs, and 1,460 students enrolled in professional programs. This *Fact Book* also provides readily available information on enrollment trends over the past five years, and previous *Fact Books* are available online with data from earlier years.