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STUDENT AFFAIRS

THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AT MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

The Division of Student Affairs at Mississippi State University is comprised of 21 departments focusing on student life and engagement; student health, safety, and wellness; student support programs; and student success. The programs and services offered by our departments assist students in achieving their academic, personal, and career goals.

Our focus on excellence and innovation illustrate the Division's commitment to creativity and forward-thinking approaches. We value the sense of tradition and belonging that comes from being a part of the Mississippi State community. Our partnership with the university's graduate program in Student Affairs means we have great opportunities to support and train new professionals for their future careers in student affairs through graduate assistantships in our many departments. For our staff looking for advanced degrees, we offer a doctoral program in Higher Education Administration.



Although I am originally a New Jersey native, MSU has felt like home since I stepped on campus. Since starting here, I have been welcomed with open arms not only by the campus, but also by the Starkville community.

- Julie Kelly, Fitness Coordinator, University Recreation

The transparency from senior administration down shows me just how invested they are to ensure the right people are at the table and included in conversations/planning.

- Montelleo Hobley, Coordinator, Behavioral Intervention Team



The opportunity for personal and professional development are consistent, and as a person that seeks constant challenge and support, Mississippi State has been a great fit for me.

- ShirDonna Lawrence, Assistant Director, Fraternity & Sorority Life

The Division of Student Affairs is committed to improving the lives of our students and forming partnerships across the university and the community to help the university fulfill it's mission.

- Jeremy Baham, Assistant Vice President for Student Support and Well-being, Student Affairs



Although we may have a different perspective we all have the best interest of the student in mind. You want to make an impact on student engagement, you can do that at State.

- Dei Allard, Executive Director, Housing and Residence Life

ABOUT...

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

Established in 1878, Mississippi State University is one of the nation's leading land-, space-, and sea-grant universities. A National Science Foundation Top 100 research university, MSU enrolls more than 22,000 students and employs approximately 4,500 individuals statewide, including more than 1,300 faculty. Rich in history and tradition, the university has approximately 150,000 enthusiastic and supportive living alumni. In addition to the main campus in Starkville, MSU has a campus in Meridian, instructional sites in Jackson and Biloxi, an extensive Distance Education program, and a presence in all 82 Mississippi counties through the MSU Extension Service. More than 4,000 degrees are awarded annually at the bachelor's, master's, specialist, doctoral and professional levels.



Game day on the Junction

CAMPUS DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVENESS

Mississippi State University's culture of inclusion permeates every facet of campus life which can be evidenced from the extensive range of institutional and departmental programming, inclusive university policies and procedures, opportunities for service and involvement, infusion of multicultural understanding and appreciation into the classroom, and through innovative research and the richness of diversity that is reflected in our student body to the diverse experiences and backgrounds of our faculty and staff. Mississippi State University proudly enrolls the largest percentage of African American students and the largest number of Pell eligible students of any Southeastern Conference institution and is home to over 700 international students representing 88 countries. Additionally, MSU ACCESS, is an inclusive, 4-year, non-degree program for students with intellectual or developmental disabilities which is Mississippi's only federally approved Comprehensive Transition Post-Secondary (CTP) program and the only program of its kind within the Southeastern Conference.



Cotton District Arts Festival

STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Historic Starkville, Mississippi is branded as Mississippi's College Town. This community is a true example of how town and gown can complement each other. The town brings a wonderful sense of community, fantastic neighborhoods, and a variety of businesses.

The campus brings amazing concerts, popular plays, and exciting sporting events as well as serves as home to multiple museums and galleries. For more information visit Starkville.org.

WHO WE ARE...

VISION

We inspire success in all students by advancing learning and development through student engagement and our commitment to excellence and innovation.

MISSION

In support of the mission of Mississippi State University, the Division of Student Affairs engages all students through programs, services, facilities, and activities designed to promote active citizenship, learning, well-being, and success.

VALUES

- **Integrity:** As individuals and as a Division, we are honest, trustworthy, transparent, and responsible. We adhere to the highest professional standards, and we advance the values and ethical obligations associated with our work with students.
- **Inclusion:** As individuals and as a Division, we value diversity and the worth of all people, respecting individual differences that bring richness to the student experience.
- **Student-Centered:** As individuals and as a Division, we recognize our role in supporting student success and strive to act in the best interests of our students in all decisions.
- **Service Excellence:** As individuals and as a Division, we utilize our knowledge and skills to improve our programs, services, facilities, and activities in ways that demonstrate our commitment to student success.

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