Your Story

YOUR CAMPUS

THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI-DESO TO

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The University of Mississippi-DeSoto has been meeting the educational needs of thousands of north Mississippi residents for more than two decades. UM-DeSoto helps students complete their college degree through its bachelor’s and master’s degree programs. Junior, senior, and graduate-level college coursework is offered through day, evening, and online courses. Students are able to continue working, maintain important roles in family life, and stay active in the community.

Students are writing their individual stories here at UM-DeSoto. Faculty and staff are alongside as they brainstorm options, hurdle over writer’s block, research, revise, edit - and finish. Their stories are published as Ole Miss degrees in accounting, business, education, social work, and other fields.

Enroll at UM-DeSoto and start writing your story – on your campus.
What inspires you?

ACCOUNTANCY
The Patterson School of Accountancy’s undergraduate program is consistently ranked among the nation’s top 10. The program is staffed by distinguished and dedicated faculty members. The largest industrial and CPA firms in the world aggressively recruit UM accountancy majors.

BUSINESS
The School of Business Administration offers multiple options at UM-DeSoto, which include general business, management, managerial finance, marketing, and management information systems. The program offers opportunities to set and fine-tune career goals.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Those seeking the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice gain a rich understanding of crime and criminal justice in the United States and abroad. Students may select an emphasis in corrections, homeland security, or law enforcement and participate in related internships.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
The Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education is approved for a K-6 license in Elementary Education and an approved add-on endorsement in Mild/Moderate Disabilities (K-12). The majority of our graduates are offered teaching jobs in DeSoto County and surrounding areas.

GENERAL STUDIES
The Bachelor of General Studies is a flexible program that maximizes opportunities to reach personal goals, satisfy job requirements, and advance careers. Students choose three minors that can incorporate previously completed coursework, giving them a diverse career path.

INTEGRATED MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS (IMC)
Housed under the School of Journalism, IMC teaches students an approach that successful companies use to influence audiences through strategic messages. The program prepares graduates for work in public relations, government relations, corporate marketing, and even law.

PSYCHOLOGY
This major prepares students for a wide variety of potential career paths including psychology, medicine, law, and public service jobs, as well as other careers. It is a good foundation for almost any occupation that is complimented by a knowledge of human behavior.

SOCIAL WORK
Social workers are committed to relieving suffering, affecting social change, and enabling people to overcome obstacles and lead productive lives. Students intern in schools, hospitals, mental health facilities, nursing homes, prisons, veteran’s services centers, and with the Division of Family and Children’s Services.

PARALEGAL STUDIES
The program incorporates a liberal arts education with practical legal skills to prepare for a position at a law firm, bank, government agency, or corporation. Paralegal Studies prepares students for a growing career field, honing the skills and attributes employers are looking for.

What inspires you?
The University of Mississippi-DeSoto partners with Northwest Mississippi Community College at the DeSoto Center to help Mississippians earn college degrees and make better lives for themselves. In this academic collaboration, known as the 2+2 Program, Northwest offers the first two years of the academic curriculum toward an associate degree and UM-DeSoto provides the third and fourth years toward a bachelor’s degree, as well as graduate study.

The 2+2 Program offers more than a valuable four-year college degree; it offers choice and flexibility, benefiting both recent high school graduates and individuals who would not be able to pursue a four-year degree through a traditional route.

Ready to apply to the University of Mississippi-DeSoto? Start by talking to a member of our admissions staff.

Daniel Christian and Blake Bostick will help you ensure that proper prerequisites to begin the junior year of your degree program have been met.

In most cases, students must complete all freshman and sophomore coursework for their major prior to transferring, as well as meet the following transfer admission requirements:

- Successfully complete at least the following 30 semester hours of college coursework at a regionally accredited school with a minimum 2.0 cumulative transfer GPA (as calculated by the University of Mississippi):
  - English composition 1 and 2
  - College algebra or higher math
  - Two natural sciences with corresponding labs
  - Two social or behavioral sciences (psychology, sociology, economics, political science, journalism, geography, or anthropology)
  - One fine arts (art, music, theatre, dance)
  - Two humanities (literature, history, foreign language, philosophy, religion, classics, African American studies)

Contact our admissions staff or visit transfer.olemiss.edu for additional information about transfer admission requirements.

**MAKE IT Happen**

Daniel Christian, Coordinator of Admissions, dschrist@olemiss.edu
Blake Bostick, Admissions Counselor, jbostic@olemiss.edu

**ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST**

To get started:
- **Apply for admission** at www.olemiss.edu/apply.
- **Pay the application fee** online ($40 in-state, $60 out-of-state).
- **Request official transcripts** from all colleges/universities you have attended. If your school(s) will not send transcripts electronically, they can be mailed to: 5197 W.E. Ross Parkway, Southaven, MS 38671.

After you are admitted:
- **Submit shot records** showing proof of two MMR immunizations to the UM-DeSoto office. To obtain your shot records, contact the Health Department or your doctor’s office and ask for Form 121. Shot records can be submitted via email, fax (662-342-5208), or dropped off in our office.
- **Schedule an Academic Advisor appointment** at bit.ly/DeSotoAdvising. Advising and registration for new students begins in May for summer/fall admits and in December for winter/spring admits.
- **Sign up for New Student Orientation** in the UM-DeSoto office.
Scholarships AND OTHER FINANCIAL AID

The University of Mississippi-DeSoto offers a wide variety of financial aid opportunities ranging from scholarships to loans. For detailed information about these options, contact our financial aid advisor Michael Gary at mtgary@olemiss.edu.

A FAFSA must be submitted at fafsa.gov to be considered for all federal and need-based institutional financial aid. The University of Mississippi financial aid code is 002440. Apply for state aid at riseupms.com.

TUITION*

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* Estimated costs are subject to change without notice. Please see finaid.olemiss.edu for the most up-to-date rates.

** Regional Campus Out-of-State Scholarship: Out-of-state transfer students who have been admitted to UM-DeSoto to receive a scholarship covering out-of-state fees (for regional campus courses only). Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA to continue receiving the scholarship.

COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

DeSoto Center 2+2 Foundation Scholarships
$200 to $1,000 per semester (awards vary); Available to Northwest Community College transfer students who are DeSoto County residents with a 2.5 GPA. Apply by downloading our application at bit.ly/desotofoundation and submit by June 30.

Osher Reentry Scholarship
Up to $1250 per semester (4 semesters); Available to students between the ages of 25-50 with a cumulative gap in their education of five or more years since high school and demonstrated financial need on the FAFSA. Apply at www.olemiss.edu/osher between April 1 and June 30.

Lyceum Scholars Award
Full resident tuition (4 semesters); Requires 3.0 GPA or higher, 48 transferable community college credit hours, and an exemplary record of leadership and service. Apply at www.olemiss.edu/regional_application by March 1.

Community College Leadership Scholarship
$1,500 per semester (4 semesters); Requires 3.0 GPA or higher, 48 transferable community college credit hours, and an exemplary record of leadership and service. Apply at www.olemiss.edu/regional_application by March 1.


GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

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| UM Regional Campus Scholarship | $400 | $400 | $400 | $1,000 |
| Any community college transfer student with 48 transferable community college hours and specified cumulative transfer GPA (4 semesters). Apply online at www.olemiss.edu/regional_application before July 1 for Fall admission or January 1 for Spring admission. |

| Community College Academic Excellence Scholarship | $1,500 | $1,500 | $2,000 |
| Any community college transfer student with 48 transferable community college hours and specified cumulative transfer GPA (4 semesters). May not be combined with Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship. |

| Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship | $3,500 | $4,000 |
| Any Phi Theta Kappa member with 48 transferable community college hours and a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.25 (4 semesters). May not be combined with Community College Academic Excellence scholarship. |
Student organizations on the UM-DeSoto campus are a vital part of academic life. On-campus clubs and organizations can enhance students’ personal and professional skills while also allowing them to make lasting friendships. UM-DeSoto faculty and staff help offer these experiences by facilitating hands-on training and connections in the community that will aid students as they graduate and move into careers in their chosen professions.

Not only are these groups of UM-DeSoto students coordinating local outreach events, but they are also learning to apply classroom knowledge to real-world situations. Within each of these organizations, students can be seen taking the initiative to create proactive involvement in the Mid-South community.

UM-DeSoto student organizations and honor societies include:

- Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society
- UM-DeSoto Student Ambassadors
- ISACA
- Kappa Delta Pi (KDP)
- Phi Beta Lambda
- Phi Theta Kappa Alumni
- TOT (Teachers of Tomorrow)
- Student Social Work Organization
- Veterans Student Body

For more information about student life at UM-DeSoto, contact Coordinator of Student Services Kacy Dixon at kdixon@olemiss.edu.