

# The University of Mississippi • OFFICE OF PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAMS

## MIDDLE SCHOOL RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS: General Guidelines

The office of Pre-College Programs hosts a wide variety of academic programs and camps during the summer. All students participating in these programs are obliged to comply with the same rules and regulations.

### REGISTRATION AND ORIENTATION

**Registration will be held in the lobby of Hefley Hall.** Please consult your program's website for dates and times; however, you will receive an email two weeks prior to your session with updated information about registration, move-in, and orientation. Following move-in, there will be a brief orientation for you and your parents. **Attendance is mandatory for students and encouraged for parents.** After orientation, parents are free to go and you will be given directions about our evening activities and welcome dinner.

**Commuter students are also required to attend Orientation and will be dismissed after the icebreaker activities.**

### OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES DURING THE PROGRAM

The purpose of all our programs is to introduce you to college. Daily schedules are filled with morning and afternoon classes, tours of facilities, teambuilding activities, and more. We have a wide variety of activities planned for you that include sports tournaments, cultural engagement, and recreational activities. If you are a commuter student, you will be dismissed after class is over but may also attend evening activities (please note that dinner is not covered for commuter students).

**Attendance to Activities:** For you to benefit from the college experience, you are expected to attend all activities, as well as all of your classes. At time you will be given the choice to attend some events or activities, but if you are a residential student, **community activities are mandatory.**

**Dormitory Information:** You will be housed in **Hefley Hall** (if you are a female) or **Deaton Hall** (if you are a male). These Residence halls include furnished suites with two beds and two desks. There are bathrooms shared with other residents on each floor. Each floor is equipped with a TV room, a kitchen with a microwave, and some floors have vending machines. Students are allowed to bring their own mini-fridge. For faster Internet, we also recommend bringing your own Internet cord.

You will be given your room assignment at registration. For a more enriching cultural experience, you may be assigned a roommate from a different state, region, or country. **Roommate requests are not honored.**

The University of Mississippi has strict policies for minors attending summer programs; therefore, all residential students participating in our programs are required to live in the same residence as the rest of the students enrolled in the same program. No independent living arrangements are allowed unless you are a commuter. **All students housed in University residences must abide by UM housing rules.**

**Items and Actions that are Not Allowed on Campus or in the Residence Halls:** Alcohol, illegal drugs, candles, incense, smoking, weapons, cooking appliances (personal toaster ovens, George Foreman style grills), pets, halogen lamps, double-stick tape, duct tape, tampering of fire safety equipment, removal of furniture from rooms or common areas, hanging or throwing things out windows, damaging walls, damaging furniture, damaging vending machines, fighting, stealing, vandalism, harassment, hall sports, and loud noises are not allowed under any circumstances and are grounds for dismissal from the camp, forfeiting all registration fees.

You will be responsible for any damage to your room during your stay at the University. If you have any accidental damage, please notify your counselors immediately.

**Meals:** A meal plan is required for all residential students. The meal plan we have selected allows you to have 3 meals a day from Monday through Thursday and 2 meals on Friday at the Rebel Market. Your meal plan is loaded on a card that you will receive at registration. If you are a commuter student, you will receive a meal plan that allows you to have lunch at the Rebel Market. Please visit your program's website for details about your meal plan.

**What to Bring:** You should bring **linens for an extra-long twin bed**, personal hygiene items and toiletries (shampoo, towels, etc), shower shoes (flip flops), and cleaning supplies. We also recommend you to bring school supplies such as notebooks and pens. You can bring your own computer and printer, although you will also be allowed to use the computer labs on campus. For safety reasons, do not bring jewelry, a lot of cash, or other valuable items. We also suggest you to pack comfortable summer clothes and sportswear such as swimsuit, tennis shoes, etc. For more information, please check your program's website.

**Leaving Campus during the Program:** Due to the amount of activities we host during the week, we strongly discourage requests to leave campus on weekdays.

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**Visitors:** Due to the strenuous schedule of activities during the program, **off-campus visitors are not allowed during the week.** For all students' safety, **no visitors are allowed in the students' rooms, including parents, family members, and friends,** unless they are assisting with move-in or move-out. Visitors are allowed in the common areas of the residence hall.

**Transportation to and from Campus:** You may reach the University by taxi or private automobile. The closest airport is the Memphis International Airport located in Memphis, Tennessee. We will provide shuttles free of charge as long as your flight does not arrive later than 10:00 pm or before 6:00 am. If you plan to arrive by plane, please call our office to schedule a shuttle.

**Emergency:** In the event of an emergency between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm (CST) please call our office at **662-915-7621**. If the emergency happens after hours or during the weekend, please call the emergency number that will be provided during orientation. If an emergency occurs on campus, you must contact a counselor, staff, or the Director immediately. Contact lists for the staff and other emergency numbers will be given at registration and orientation.

**Mailing Address:** Your mailing address on campus will be in the format below. All mail will be dispersed during announcements at dinner each evening. Due to the short length of these programs and the size of the University, we strongly discourage mailing any unnecessary items as they may not arrive by the end of the program. Note: UPS and FedEx will not deliver to this address.

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Our physical office is located in the E.F. Yerby Conference Center, on the corner of University Avenue and Grove Loop next to the Triplett Alumni Center.

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