

The University of Mississippi • OFFICE OF PRE-COLLEGE PROGRAMS

RESIDENTIAL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS: General Guidelines

The office of Pre-College Programs hosts a wide variety of academic programs during the summer. Some of these programs are Summer College for High School Students, Summer Academy for 9th through 12th grade, Trent Lott Leadership, One-Week residential, research programs, among others. 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 the Residential College South. Please consult your program's website for dates and times; however, you will receive an email two weeks prior to your session with update 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 ice-breaker 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, lab times, meetings with professors, and even some tours of facilities that you would not normally see on a visit to UM. You will get to peek inside the athletic facilities, tour performing arts facilities, visit with researchers in labs on campus, and hear about cutting edge technologies that are all part of the college campus. However, a big part of college life revolves around meeting friends, studying in groups, learning how to navigate the library, and networking with students and college personnel. We have a wide variety of activities planned for you that include panel discussions in the academic subjects, meetings with current UM student leaders to hear about issues that affect college students, sports tournaments, cultural and recreational activities.

Commuter students may be dismissed after class is over.

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. Sometimes you will be given the choice to attend some events or activities, but **community activities are mandatory.**

Dormitory Information: You will be housed in the **Residential College South.** This Residence includes furnished suites with bathrooms that are shared with only your roommate, wireless Internet, laundry room, and a high technology security system. Each floor is equipped with a TV room and a kitchen with a microwave oven. Each room is equipped with two extra large twin beds, a small refrigerator, two chairs, two desks and two cabinets. These small cabinets are lockable, so bring your own padlock.

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. Males and females are housed separately, and international students are roomed with American residents or with another international student who speaks a different language than their own. You may not request a specific roommate.

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 our programs. No independent living arrangements are allowed. You are required to stay inside the RC (Residential College) from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. **All students housed in University residences must abide by UM housing rules.**

THE SHORT AND SWEET HOUSING NO-NO LIST:

ALCOHOL, ILLEGAL DRUGS, CANDLES, INCENSE, SMOKING, WEAPONS, COOKING APPLIANCES, PETS, HALOGEN LAMPS, DOUBLE-STICK TAPE, DUCT TAPE, TAMPERING OF FIRE SAFETY EQUIPMENT, REMOVAL OF FURNITURE HANGING OR THROWING THINGS OUT WINDOWS, DAMAGING WALLS, FURNITURE, OR VENDING MACHINES, FIGHTING, STEALING, VANDALISM, HARASSMENT, HALL SPORTS, LOUD NOISE.

For a complete list of activities not allowed at the Residential College, please visit
www.olemiss.edu/schs/conduct_policies

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. A lost key results in a \$30 dollars replacement. If you lock your key in your room, Housing will charge you \$5 to let you in.

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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 to Friday on campus. Your meal plan is loaded in a card 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 single bed**, personal hygiene items 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 can also 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, sportswear such as swimsuit, tennis shoes, etc. and formal attire if you are planning to attend to church on Sundays. 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. In the case that it is necessary, we request that your parents follow the procedures for checking out and fill out the form found at www.olemiss.edu/schs 24 hours prior to your departure. We also ask parents to check out students **ONLY** between 6:00 pm and 7:00 pm on weekdays and to have you back before 9:30 pm. Request to leave campus at a different time must be discussed with the program director.

Check Out Procedure: Your safety is our priority. For that reason, it is of great importance that you and your parent understand how to check out correctly when leaving campus.

- 1) Your parents are required to complete a "Student Leave Form" on our website (www.olemiss.edu/schs) 24 hours prior to your departure.
- 2) You are required to notify your counselor at least 24 hours prior to your departure
- 3) When you are ready to leave, you must sign out at the desk. **Please, make sure you leave campus at the designated times only.** The parent listed on your leave form will be called at this point if he/she is not present to check you out. You will not be able to leave campus until your parent is contacted.
- 4) You must sign back in upon return, notify your counselor and return your car keys, if you drove back from home.

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** unless they are assisting with move-in or move-out. Visitors are allowed in the common areas of the residence hall. Weekend visitors other than parents must be cleared through the program's office prior to their arrival.

Automobiles: If you bring your automobile, you **must obtain a parking permit.** The use of your automobile while in attendance to the program will be limited to traveling home on weekends and only with the permission of your parents and the Director's approval. **You cannot drive your car at any other time.** Keys to your car should be turned in to your counselors as soon as unpacking is completed. We will take you where you need to go off campus, including weekly Walmart runs.

Religious Worship Services: Individual preferences for church/religious services will be honored. Arrangements to attend Sunday services should be made with one of your counselors or staff. Oxford has a Mosque, but not a Synagogue.

Transportation to and from Campus: You may reach the University by plane, taxi, or private automobile. If you would like us to pick you up, flights must be arranged to and from Memphis International Airport. If you plan to arrive by plane, please fill out the shuttle request form at www.olemiss.edu/schs/admitted_students. 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. Please contact us if you have any question regarding shuttles times.

Emergency: In the event of an emergency, 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.

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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.