



# THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Graduate School - 118 College Drive #10066, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001

## GUIDELINES FOR APPLYING TO GRADUATE SCHOOL AND FOR ASSISTANTSHIPS

We are pleased that you are applying to The University of Southern Mississippi for graduate study. Please read the directions below carefully. We must receive all of the required application materials and fees before your file can be sent to a department or school for processing. If you have any questions, contact the **Graduate School**. If an applicant has a disability that qualifies under the ADA and requires accommodations, he or she should contact the Office for Disability Accommodations (preferably as soon as accepted for admission) for information regarding Southern Miss policies and procedures: voicemail – 601.266.5024; phone – 601.266.6837; fax – 601.266.6035.

### U.S. Citizens/Resident Aliens

You may submit your application form and official transcripts to one of the offices listed below; submit test scores to the Graduate School. Submit references and other supplemental materials to the department to which you are applying. If you are applying to more than one department, submit references and materials to each of the departments. The Graduate School will process your application, transcripts and test scores and then forward them to the department(s) for admission consideration. You will receive an *official* letter of your admission status from the Graduate School.

- The University of Southern Mississippi  
Graduate School  
118 College Drive #10066  
Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001
- The University of Southern Mississippi  
Gulf Coast Student Services  
730 East Beach Blvd. |  
Long Beach, MS 39560

### International Applicants

Submit your application form, transcripts, test scores, letters of recommendation and application fee to the Office of International Admissions, The University of Southern Mississippi, 118 College Drive #5151, Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001.

### Required Application Materials

- Original completed signed application form
  - Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended
  - Official reports of test scores
  - Three letters of recommendation and forms
  - Application fee: All applicants must submit a \$35 non-refundable fee per application.
  - Other materials, e.g., current resumé, goals, professional license or certificate, writing sample, portfolio, auditions.
- Check with the department for other required materials.**

### Application Deadlines

- Check with department
- Check the Graduate School Web page [www.usm.edu/graduateschool](http://www.usm.edu/graduateschool)

### Financial Aid Priority Date: March 15

- Applications received by the priority date will be reviewed first.
- Other applications will be reviewed next on a continuing basis.
- Contact Southern Miss Financial Aid Office at 601.266.4774 or via e-mail at [financial.aid@usm.edu](mailto:financial.aid@usm.edu).

### Assistantship and Tuition Information

Tuition information is provided on the Web page ([www.usm.edu/graduateschool](http://www.usm.edu/graduateschool)). Send a letter of interest, a copy of your application and a resumé to the department or school to which you are applying.

### Mississippi Residence Status

#### *Petitions for Change of Residency.*

Petitions for change of residency must be made on or before the last day of late registration. Forms are available in the Office of the University Registrar.

**Legal Residence of Students.** The definitions and conditions stated here are as required by state law in the classification of students as residents or nonresidents for assessment of fees. Requests for a review of residency classification should be submitted to the Office of the University Registrar.

**A Minor.** The residence of a person less than 21 years of age is that of the father. After the death of the father, the residence of the minor is that of the mother. If the parents are divorced, the residence of the minor is that of the parent who was granted custody by the court. If custody was not granted, the residence continues to be that of the father. If both parents are dead, the residence of the minor is that of the last surviving parent at the time of that

parent's death, unless the minor lives with a legal guardian of his or her person duly appointed by a proper court of Mississippi, in which case his or her residence becomes that of the guardian.

**An Adult.** The residence of an adult is that place where he or she is domiciled, i.e., the place where he or she physically resides with the intention of remaining there indefinitely or of returning there permanently when temporarily absent. Adult students who are residing outside the state of Mississippi but whose parents have moved to this state and have become residents must establish residence in their own right. In determining residence for tuition purposes for persons who return to Mississippi after temporary departures such as school attendance, work elsewhere or military service, cognizance is taken of evidence showing continuity of state residence and demonstrated intent to return to the state.

**Removal of Parents from Mississippi.** If the parents of a minor who is enrolled as a student in an institution of higher learning move their legal residence from the state of Mississippi, the minor is immediately classified as a nonresident student.

**Twelve Months of Residence Required.** No student may be admitted to the university as a resident of Mississippi unless his or her residence, as defined herein above, has been in the state of Mississippi for a continuous period of at least 12 months immediately preceding his or her admission. A student who has lived within the state for 12 months following his or her 21st birthday may establish residence in his or her own right by showing that he or she is living in the state with the intention of abandoning his or her former domicile and remaining in the state of Mississippi permanently or for an indefinite length of time. Intent may be demonstrated or disproved by factors including, but not limited to, filing of Mississippi income tax returns, eligibility to vote in

Mississippi, motor vehicle registration in Mississippi, possession of a Mississippi operator's license, place of employment and self-support.

**Residence Status of a Married Person.** A married person may claim the residence of his or her spouse.

**Legal Residence of a Foreign Student.** Students with permanent immigrant status or refugee status can establish residence in the state by meeting the provisions of the Mississippi statute.

**Children of Parents Who Are Employed by the University.** Children of parents who are members of the faculty or staff of the university may be classified as residents without regard to the residence requirement of 12 months.

**Military Personnel Assigned on Active Duty Stationed in Mississippi.** Members of the armed forces on extended active duty and stationed within the state of Mississippi may be classified as residents without regard to the residence requirement of 12 months, for the purpose of attending the university. Resident status of such military personnel who are not legal residents of Mississippi, as defined above under "An Adult," shall terminate upon their reassignment for duty in the continental United States outside the state of Mississippi.

**Children of Military Personnel.** Resident status of children of members of the armed forces on extended active duty shall be that of the military parent for the purpose of attending the university during the time that their military parents are stationed within the state of Mississippi and shall be continued through the time that military parents are stationed in an overseas area with last duty assignment within the state of Mississippi, excepting temporary training assignments en route from Mississippi. Resident status of minor children shall terminate upon reassignment under permanent change of station orders of their military parents

for duty in the continental United States outside the state of Mississippi, excepting temporary training assignments en route from Mississippi.

**Certification of Residence of Military Personnel.** A military person on active duty stationed in Mississippi who wishes to avail himself or herself or his or her dependents of the provisions of the paragraph titled "Military Personnel Assigned on Active Duty Stationed in Mississippi" must submit a certificate from his or her military organization showing the name of the military member; the name of the dependent, if for a dependent; the name of the organization of assignment and its address (may be in the letterhead); that the military member will be on active duty stationed in Mississippi on the date of registration at the university; that the military member is not on transfer orders; and the signature of the commanding officer, the adjutant or the personnel officer of the unit of assignment, with signer's rank and title. A military certificate must be presented to the registrar of the university each semester at (or within 10 days prior to) registration for the provisions of the paragraph "Military Personnel Assigned on Active Duty Stationed in Mississippi" named above, to be effective.

## DIRECTORY

The Graduate School  
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## DIRECTORY OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS AND CONTACTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Contact your Department or the Graduate School Web page ([www.usm.edu/graduateschool](http://www.usm.edu/graduateschool)) for the application deadlines and to answer questions. The letters next to the programs indicate the degrees offered: M-masters; S-specialist; D-doctoral.

<b>Program</b>	<b>E-mail</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State ZIP Code</b>
Accounting and Information Sciences – M	mba@usm.edu	228.214.3447	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Administration of Justice – M, D	criminal.justice@usm.edu	601.266.4509	118 College Dr.#5127	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Adult Education – M, S, D	lillian.hill@usm.edu	601.266.4579	118 College Dr.#5027	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Anthropology – M	antsoc@usm.edu	601.266.4306	118 College Dr.#5074	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Biological Sciences – M,D	biological.sciences@usm.edu	601.266.4748	118 College Dr.#5018	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Business Administration – M	mba@usm.edu	228.214.3447	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Chemistry and Biochemistry – M, D	chemistry@usm.edu	601.266.4701	118 College Dr.#5043	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Child and Family Studies – M	c.west@usm.edu	601.266.4679	118 College Dr.#5035	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Coastal Sciences – M, D	coastal.sciences@usm.edu	228.872.4215	P.O. Box 7000	Ocean Spring	MS 39566-7000
College Student Personnel – M	debra.gentry@usm.edu	601.266.4579	118 College Dr.#5027	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Community/Public Health – M	laura.malone@usm.edu	601.266.6047	118 College Dr.#5122	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Computer Science – M	chaoyang.zhang@usm.edu	601.266.4949	118 College Dr.#5106	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Computational Science (Computer Science) – D	chaoyang.zhang@usm.edu	601.266.4949	118 College Dr.#5106	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Computational Science (Mathematics) – D	c.s.chen@usm.edu	601.266.4289	118 College Dr.#5045	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Computational Science (Physics) – D	physics.astronomy@usm.edu	601.266.4934	118 College Dr.#5046	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Construction/Engineering Tech – M	desmond.fletcher@usm.edu	601.266.5185	118 College Dr.#5138	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Early Intervention (Child/Family Science) – M	muriel.azria@usm.edu	601.266.4679	118 College Dr.#5035	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Early Intervention (Special Education) – M	specialed@usm.edu	601.266.6197	118 College Dr.#5115	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Economic Development – M	sherry.parker@usm.edu	601.266.6067	118 College Dr.#5022	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Educational Administration – M, S, D	gary.peters@usm.edu	601.266.4579	118 College Dr.#5027	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Elementary/Early Childhood Education – M, S, D	cisegraduateprogram@usm.edu	601.266.5247	118 College Dr.#5057	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
English (Creative Writing, Literature) – M, D	ellen.weinauer@usm.edu	601.266.4319	118 College Dr.#5037	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Geography – M, D	Clifton.Dixon@usm.edu	601.266.4729	118 College Dr.#5051	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Geology – M	geology@usm.edu	601.266.4526	118 College Dr.#5044	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Gulf Coast Arts and Letters – M, D	tom.landsford@usm.edu	228.867.2633	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Gulf Coast Business – M	mba@usm.edu	228.214.3447	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Gulf Coast Education and Psychology – M, S, D	gaylynn.parker@usm.edu	228.865.4512	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Gulf Coast Health – M	cynthia.chatham@usm.edu	228.865.4517	730 E. Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Higher Education Administration – D	lillian.hill@usm.edu	601.266.4579	118 College Dr.#5027	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
History – M, D	michael.neiberg@usm.edu	601.266.4333	118 College Dr.#5047	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Human Capital Development – D	cyndi.gaudet@usm.edu	228.214.3344	730 E. Long Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560
Human Performance – M, D	dan.drane@usm.edu	601.266.5386	118 College Dr.#5142	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Hydrographic Science – M	marine.science@usm.edu	228.688.3177	1020 Balch Blvd.	Stennis Space Ctr	MS 39529
Instructional Technology – M	taralynn.hartsell@usm.edu	601.266.4669	118 College Dr.#5036	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001

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International Development – D	diane.haven@usm.edu	601.266.4310	118 College Dr.#5108	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Interscholastic Athletic Administration – M	dan.drane@usm.edu	601.266.5386	118 College Dr. #5142	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Library and Information Science – M, S	slis@usm.edu	601.266.4228	118 College Dr.#5146	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Marine Science – M, D	marine.science@usm.edu	228.688.3177	1020 Balch Blvd.	Stennis Space Ctr	MS 39529
Marriage and Family Therapy – M	jeff.hinton@usm.edu	601.266.4679	118 College Dr.#5035	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Mass Communication and Journalism – M, D	communications@usm.edu	601.266.4258	118 College Dr.#5158	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Mathematics – M	Jiu.Ding@usm.edu	601.266.4289	118 College Dr.#5045	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Medical Technology – M	medtech@usm.edu	601.266.4908	118 College Dr.#5134	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Music and Music Education – M, D	musicgrads@usm.edu	601.266.5543	118 College Dr.#5081	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Nursing – M, D	shelia.davis@usm.edu	601.266.5445	118 College Dr.#5095	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Nutrition and Food Systems – M, D	m.yadrick@usm.edu	601.266.5377	118 College Dr.#5172	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Philosophy – M	paula.smithka@usm.edu	601.266.4518	118 College Dr.#5015	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Physics – M	physics.astronomy@usm.edu	601.266.4934	118 College Dr.#5046	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Political Science – M	diane.haven@usm.edu	601.266.4310	118 College Dr.#5108	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Polymer Science and Engineering – M, D	sarah.morgan@psrc.usm.edu	601.266.4868	118 College Dr.#10076	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – Non-Doctoral Track – M	susan.king@usm.edu	601.266.4177	118 College Dr.#5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – Clinical – D	david.marcus@usm.edu	601.266.4597	118 College Dr. #5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – Counseling – D	bonnie.nicholson@usm.edu	601.266.4598	118 College Dr.#5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – Counseling – MS	bonnie.nicholson@usm.edu	601.266.4598	118 College Dr.#5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – Experimental – D	sheree.watson@usm.edu	601.266.4610	118 College Dr.#5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Psychology – School – D	heather.turner@usm.edu	601.266.6968	118 College Dr.#5025	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Public Relations – M	communications@usm.edu	601.266.5650	118 College Dr.#5158	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Recreation and Leisure Administration - M	dan.drane@usm.edu	601.266.5386	118 College Dr.#5142	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
School Counseling (certified teachers) - M	ursula.whitehead@usm.edu	601.266.4579	118 College Dr. #5027	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Science Education – M,D	sherry.herron@usm.edu	601.266.4739	118 College Dr.#5087	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Secondary Education – M, S, D	cisegraduateprogram@usm.edu	601.266.6197	118 College Dr.#5057	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Social Work – M	social.work@usm.edu	601.266.4163	118 College Dr.#5114	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Special Education – M, D	cisegraduateprogram@usm.edu	601.266.6197	118 College Dr.#5057	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Speech Communication – M,D	john.meyer@usm.edu	601.266.4271	118 College Dr.#5131	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Speech and Hearing Sciences – M, D	mary.allen@usm.edu	601.266.5216	118 College Dr.#5092	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Sport Coaching Education – M	dan.drane@usm.edu	601.266.5386	118 College Dr #5142	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Sport and High Performance Materials – M, D	jeffrey.wiggins@usm.edu	601.266.4869	118 College Dr.#10076	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Sport Management – M	dan.drane@usm.edu	601.266.5386	118 College Dr.#5142	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Technology Education – M	edward.mann@usm.edu	601.266.4446	118 College Dr.#5036	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
TESOL-Foreign Languages – M	foreign.languages@usm.edu	601.266.4964	118 College Dr.#5038	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Theatre – M	louis.rackoff@usm.edu	601.266.4994	118 College Dr.#5052	Hattiesburg	MS 39406-0001
Workforce Training and Development – M	heather.annulis@usm.edu	228.214.3344	730 E. Long Beach Blvd.	Long Beach	MS 39560



# THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

Please type or print in black ink. All sections must be completed. Submit the original and one copy.

### Personal Information

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) First Middle Maiden (Other Names Used)

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Home Country) Street City County State ZIP (nine digits) Country  
( ) Telephone (day/work) ( ) Telephone (evening/home) E-mail

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City County State ZIP (nine digits) Country  
( ) Telephone (day/work) ( ) Telephone (evening/home) E-mail

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Sex  Female  Male  
Month Day Year City State Country

<b>Citizenship Status</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> Resident Alien/Immigrant. Date of Citizenship _____ Send copy of card.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-U.S. Citizen Country of Citizenship _____ Visa Type _____ From What School _____
<b>Residency Status</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi Resident (as defined in Guidelines) Date of Residency _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Mississippi Resident
<b>Ethnicity</b>	Are you of Spanish/Hispanic/Latino origin? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Please check one or more of the following: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African-American <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	

**Term of Enrollment**  Fall  Spring  Summer Year \_\_\_\_\_ Status applying for  Full Time  Part Time Campus of Enrollment  Hattiesburg  Gulf Coast  
**Test Taken**  GRE  MAT  GMAT  TOEFL  Other \_\_\_\_\_ Date Test Taken or Will Take \_\_\_\_\_ Scores sent to Southern Miss (Code 1479)  Yes  No  
**Academic Status**  Degree Seeking  Non-Degree  Non-Degree/Licensure  Non-Degree/Certificate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attention Educators:** If interested in summer programs in graduate education (SPGE)  Yes  No 866.439.1594

**PROGRAM TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING** – Please check only one major and indicate the emphasis area where appropriate. Write in content area for secondary education.\*

### MASTER'S

- Accounting MPA
- Administration of Justice  MA  MS
  - Administration of Justice
  - Juvenile
- Adult Education MEd
- Anthropology  MA
- Biological Sciences MS
  - Biological Sciences
  - Environmental Biology
  - Marine Biology
  - Microbiology
  - Molecular Biology
- Business Admin.  MBA
- Chemistry MS
  - Biochemistry
  - Chemistry
- Child Family Studies MS
- Coastal Sciences MS
- Communication  MA  MS
  - Mass Communication
  - Speech Communication
- Computer Science MS
  - Computational Science
  - Computer Science
- Counseling & Personnel Serv MEd
  - College Student Personnel
  - College Student Personnel GC
  - School Counseling - Cert Techs
- Counseling Psychology MS
- Early Intervention (CFS) MS
- Early Intervention (CISE) MS
- Economic Development MS
- Educational Administration MEd
- Ed. Curr. & Instr  MS  MEd  MAT
  - Early Childhood Education
  - Elementary Education
  - Reading Instruction
  - Secondary Ed \_\_\_\_\_ \*
- Engineering Tech (Const) MS
  - Architecture & Construction Vis
  - Construction Mgt Tech
  - Logistics Mgt Tech (Hbg)
  - Logistics Mgt Tech (JC)
- Engineering Tech (Computing) MS

- English MA
  - Creative Writing
  - Literature
- Forensics MS
- Geography MS
- Geology MS
  - Geology
  - Professional Geology
- History  MA  MS
  - European
  - International Studies
  - Latin American
  - United States
  - War and Society
- Human Performance MS
  - Exercise Science
  - Physical Education
  - Physical Ed. Licensure
- Hydrographic Science MS
- Instructional Technology MS
- Interscholastic Athletic Adm MS
- Library Information Sc. MLIS
- Marine Science MS
  - Biological
  - Geological
  - Marine Chemistry
  - Physical Oceanography
- Marriage Family Therapy MS
- Mathematics MS
  - Computation Science
  - Mathematics
- Medical Technology MS
- Music MM
  - Conducting
  - History and Literature
  - Performance- Piano Accompany
  - Performance \_\_\_\_\_ \*
  - (Indicate instrument or voice)
  - Theory and Composition
  - Woodwind Perform/ Pedagogy
- Music Education MME
  - Music Education
  - Music Educ: Seeking Lisc
- Nursing MSN
  - Adult Health Nursing
  - Community Health Nursing
  - Family Nurse Practitioner
  - Gerontological Nurse Practitioner
  - Nurse Executive
- Psychiatric Nursing
  - Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner
- Nutrition and Food Systems MS
- Philosophy MA
- Physics MS
  - Computational Science
  - Physics
  - Polymer Physics
- Political Science  MA  MS
- Polymer Science MS
- Public Health  MPH
  - Epidemiology
  - Health Education
  - Health Policy and Admin
  - Health Service Adm (Executive)
  - Public Health Nutrition
  - Veterinary Public Health
- Public Relations MS
- Recreation and Leisure Adm MS
- Science Education MS
  - Biology Education
  - Chemistry Education
  - Earth Science Education
  - Mathematics Education
  - Physics Education
- Social Work MSW
- Special Education MEd
  - Behavioral Disorders
  - Gifted Education
  - Mild/Moderate Disabilities
  - Severe/Low Incidence Disabilities
- Speech/Hearing Sciences  MA  MS
  - Deaf Ed (Oral Intervention) MS
  - Speech-Language Pathology
- Sport Coaching Educ MS
- Sport Management MS
  - Sport Management
  - Sport Event Security Mgr
- Sports/High Perfor Materials MS
- Teaching of Languages MATL
  - Online  On Campus
  - French  Spanish  TESOL
- Technology Education MS
  - Business Technology
  - Tech and Occupational Ed.

- Theatre MFA
  - Design and Technical Theatre
  - Performance
  - Directing
- Workforce Train and Dev MS

### SPECIALIST'S

- Education EdS
- Adult Education
  - Early Childhood Education
  - Educational Administration
  - Educational Research
  - Elementary Education
  - Higher Ed Administration
  - Reading Instruction
  - Secondary Ed \_\_\_\_\_ \*
  - Special Education

### DOCTORAL

- Administration of Justice PhD
- Audiology AuD
- Biological Sciences PhD
  - Biological Sciences
  - Environmental Biology
  - Marine Biology
  - Microbiology
  - Molecular Biology
- Chemistry PhD
  - Biochemistry
  - Chemistry
- Coastal Sciences PhD
- Communication PhD
  - Mass Communication
  - Speech Communication
- Computational Science PhD
  - Computer Science
  - Mathematics
  - Physics
- Education (CISE) PhD
  - Elementary Education
  - Secondary Education \_\_\_\_\_ \*
  - Special Education
- Education (ELR)  EdD  PhD
  - Adult Education
  - Educational Administration

- English PhD
  - Creative Writing
  - Literature
- Geography PhD
- Higher Educ Adm.  PhD  EdD
- History PhD
  - Americas
  - European
  - U.S.
- Human Capital Development PhD
- Human Performance PhD
  - Administration and Teaching
  - Exercise Physiology
- International Development PhD
- Instructional Tech & Design PhD
  - Instructional Technology
  - Instructional Design
- Marine Science PhD
  - Biological
  - Geological
  - Marine Chemistry
  - Physical Oceanography
- Music Education PhD
- Music Perf. and Pedagogy DMA
  - Indicate instrument or emphasis area: \_\_\_\_\_ \*
- Nursing PhD
  - Clinical DNP
  - Ethics
  - Leadership
  - Policy Analysis
- Nutrition and Food Systems PhD
- Polymer Science and Engin PhD
- Psychology PhD
  - Clinical Psychology
  - Counseling Psychology
  - Experimental Psychology
  - School Psychology
- Science Education PhD
  - Biology Education
  - Chemistry Education
  - Earth Science Education
  - Mathematics Education
  - Physics Education
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Sports/High Perf Mat (HPR) PhD
- Sports/High Perf Mat (PSC) PHD

**Immunizations.** If born after 1956, a Certificate of Compliance is required of all students. International students may have additional requirements (contact International Admissions). All students must submit two proofs of MMR. If a student is taking only online classes and will not be on a Southern Miss campus, the immunization will be waived. If the student is attending classes at any of the campuses, they will have to have the two immunizations that are required for all students.

Licenses  Education Admin, Level \_\_\_\_\_  Library Information Science  Medical Technology  Nursing  School Psychologist, Level \_\_\_\_\_  School Counseling  Speech Pathologist, Level \_\_\_\_\_  Teaching, Level \_\_\_\_\_ *You must send a copy of your license(s) to the department to which you are applying.*

Academic Information Have you ever taken courses at Southern Miss?  No  Yes Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Background.** List all schools, colleges and universities you have attended, including Southern Miss, evening schools and extension work. Start with the most recent and work backward. Attach a separate sheet if needed. *Official transcripts from each institution attended must be submitted before action may be taken on your application. You do not have to request a Southern Miss transcript.*

Name of Institution and Location	Dates Attended		Degree Received or Expected and Date Awarded	Major	Date Transcript Ordered
	From	To			
			Degree Date		
			Degree Date		
			Degree Date		
			Degree Date		

**Work Experience.** List all work including summer and part-time work relevant to graduate study. Indicate present employer first, if currently employed. Please send a current resumé to the department or school to which you are applying.

Employer and Location	Dates Employed		Title and Kind of Work or Activity
	From Mo./Yr.	To Mo./Yr.	

**Achievements.** Please send a list of awards, honors, fellowships, publications, scholarships and other recognitions to the department.

How did you hear about The University of Southern Mississippi?  Professor  Friend/Family  GradSchools.com  Peterson's Guide  Gradsources.com  Southern Miss Web site  Flyer  Brochure  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please List)

**Recommendations.** List the three people who will send letters of recommendation. *These letters must be from persons qualified to assess your readiness for graduate study and must be received by the department or school before your application may be processed.*

I waive  I do not waive access to these letters, as provided by the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act of 1974.

Name and Title	Address	Telephone
		( )
		( )
		( )

**Graduate Assistantships.**  No, I do not wish to be considered for an assistantship.  Yes, I wish to be considered for an assistantship and will follow the department/school assistantship application guidelines. Assistantships are competitively awarded by the department or school to which you are applying. *Please send a letter indicating your interest in an assistantship and a current resumé to the department or school to which you are applying.* Contact the department or school immediately to find out the assistantship application deadline. See "Directory of Graduate Programs" for addresses.

**Certification.** I hereby affirm that to the best of my knowledge all information furnished on this form is complete and accurate and that I am the applicant represented in this submission. I understand that withholding information required, except where it is voluntary for me to furnish that information, or giving false information may make me ineligible for admission and enrollment. I agree that all records of my academic performance may be furnished by any institution of higher education that I have attended. I affirm that I am eligible to return to the last college or university that I attended and will abide by the rules of The University of Southern Mississippi.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I am applying to a summer master's or specialist program affiliated with SPGE please send a copy of my application to that office.



# THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

## RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMISSION FOR GRADUATE SCHOOL AND ASSISTANTSHIPS

Send this for to the department or school listed below.

### To the Applicant:

This form must accompany an attached letter. Detach this form and make two additional copies of this form. Complete Part A, including your signature, on all three copies. Send the forms to the evaluators with a stamped envelope addressed to the DEPARTMENT or SCHOOL to which you are applying (see directory for addresses or check with department). If applying to more than one department, please have letters sent to each department. The addresses are on page two of the application packet. Please type or print in black ink.

### Part A: To be completed by the applicant

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family) First Middle Maiden/Other Names Used

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State ZIP (9 digits) Country

(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail  
Telephone (day) Telephone (evening)

Department/School and Area of Study \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Sought \_\_\_\_\_

Department/School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Send forms here) Street City State ZIP

Date Letter Must Be Received \_\_\_\_\_

Person Writing the Letter \_\_\_\_\_

- I waive the right provided by the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act of 1974 (Buckley Amendment) to view this letter of recommendation in my file at The University of Southern Mississippi.
- I do not wish to waive this right. Rather, I wish to retain the right to view this letter in my file at The University of Southern Mississippi.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### To the Evaluator:

Please complete Part B on the back of this form. Letters of recommendation are important factors in the admission process, and we appreciate your assessment of the applicant's readiness for graduate study. **Please type or print in black ink. Send this form and the letters of recommendation to the DEPARTMENT or SCHOOL listed above.**

**Part B: To be completed by the evaluator.**

**Return this form and any additional sheets to the department listed on the other side of this form. Please fill out the information requested below and provide additional comments about the applicant that you deem appropriate. We must receive a recommendation to process the application. If you have any questions you may contact the University Director of Graduate School 601.266.4369.**

**1. Please use the space provided below or separate sheets if you desire to address the following with respect to the applicant:**

- (a) Knowledge in chosen field, analytical ability, ability to plan and conduct research, creativity, imagination, and intellectual ability
- (b) Motivation, perseverance toward goals, ability to work independently and potential for success in career field
- (c) Ability to express thoughts clearly in spoken and written English, ability to work with others and potential for college teaching

2. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Out of approximately \_\_\_\_\_ persons I have taught/advised at this educational level during the past \_\_\_\_\_ years,

I would rank this applicant in the upper \_\_\_\_\_ percent on the basis of potential to achieve a \_\_\_\_\_ degree.

4. Please indicate the strength of your overall endorsement of the applicant by placing an "X" along the scale.

\_\_\_\_\_ Highly Recommended          Recommended          Recommended with Some Reservations          Not Recommended

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Position \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Institution/Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_