

# The University of Southern Mississippi–Gulf Coast

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The University of Southern Mississippi–Gulf Coast serves students at four locations: the **Gulf Park Campus** in Long Beach, the **Keesler Center** on Keesler Air Force Base, the **Stennis Space Center** in Bay St. Louis, and the **USM Jackson County Center** located on the Jackson County Campus of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College in Gautier. Refer to the USM Gulf Coast publication for specific information concerning courses and programs.

## Graduate Degree Programs

USM Gulf Coast provides a flexible delivery system designed to meet the educational needs of Mississippi Gulf Coast citizens. Consequently, new courses and programs are added as student demand warrants and resources permit. Normally, a sufficient number of courses is available so that USM Gulf Coast students may earn the graduate degrees that follow. Because certain courses are not offered every semester, students are encouraged to be in regular contact with the appropriate graduate program adviser.

### Master's Degrees\*

Adult Education	Nursing
Agency Counseling	Political Science-
Business Administration	Public Administration
Master of Business	Public Health with an emphasis in
Administration	Health and Administration
Computer Science	Public Relations
Criminal Justice	Reading
Educational Administration	School Counseling
and Supervision	Secondary Education
Elementary Education	Social Work
English	Special Education
History	Technical and Occupational Education

### Specialist's Degrees\*

Adult Education	Educational Administration
Elementary Education	Secondary Education
Special Education	

\* In conjunction with Hattiesburg Campus

### Admission

USM Gulf Coast graduate admission requirements and procedures are identical to those outlined elsewhere in this *Bulletin*. All students, with the exception of Master of Business Administration majors, initiate procedures through the USM Gulf Coast Office of Student Services. Applicants to the Master of Business Administration program should contact the Division of Business Administration at the Gulf Park campus for information and application forms. In order to facilitate proper advisement and predetermination of admission status, students must furnish transcripts and complete applications for admission prior to registration. Transcripts and completed applications should be sent to the Office of Student Services, USM Gulf Coast, 730 East Beach Blvd., Long Beach, MS 39560-2699.

### Graduate Residency Requirements

Specialist level students are reminded that graduate residency requires intensive full-time study of an individualized nature. In addition, some departments have options to meet specialized needs. These students must have their degree plans approved in writing in advance by their department chair prior to course enrollment.

## Course Load

USM Gulf Coast course load requirements are identical to those for the Hattiesburg campus described elsewhere in this *Bulletin*.

## Fees

*(All fees are subject to change without notice)*

One-half of a student's fees are due and payable at the time of registration. Fees deferred past the last day to register each semester will be billed monthly. A monthly service charge of 1.5% will be applied to the unpaid balance. MasterCard® and Visa® credit cards will be accepted.

Financial aid may be used to satisfy the minimum payment with the following exceptions: financial aid cannot be applied to prior balances, and work study or other forms of aid paid periodically to students may not be used to defer fees. All financial aid must be applied to fees before a refund can be made.

A general tuition level cap of \$1,708.00 has been set graduate students enrolled for 9-13 semester hours during the fall and spring semesters. Graduate students enrolled for more than thirteen (13) hours will be assessed \$190.00 for each additional hour.

Students who are not residents of Mississippi will be assessed an additional fee of \$189.00 per semester hour for undergraduates, \$251.00 per semester hour for graduates, up to a maximum of \$2,259.00.

## Full-Time Student Tuition

**Graduate**  
\$1,708.00  
9-13 hrs.

## Special Fees

Vehicle Registration (GP & JC) .....\$10.00  
Late Registration Fee .....\$50.00

## Calendar

The USM-Gulf Coast academic calendar and holidays follow the same schedule as the Hattiesburg Campus calendar found elsewhere in this **Bulletin**.

<b>SEMESTER</b>	<b>CLASSES BEGIN</b>	<b>FINAL EXAMS</b>
Fall 2001-2002	August 20, 2001	December 10 - 14, 2001
Spring 2001-2002	January 7, 2002	May 6 - 10, 2002
Summer 2001-2002	May 28, 2002	July 29 - August 2, 2002