

## ATS Steps – Offer Letter to Background Check

**Step 1:** Starting from the Manage Applicants screen you will need to verify that the candidate's status is changed to Offer Letter before you can begin the offer letter process. To change the status, select the candidate, then drop down the Actions box and select "Change Status", select the new status of "Offer Letter" and click submit.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage Applicants' interface for 'Technician I - Fisheries (req8)'. It includes a search bar, filters for 'In Review' (0), 'Phone Screening' (0), 'Interview' (2), 'Offer Letter' (0), 'Background Check' (0), and 'Not Hired' (1). A table lists two applicants: Sally Test and another applicant. The 'Actions' dropdown menu is open, showing options like 'Change Status', 'Resume/CV Review', 'Send Resume Review Link', 'Invite to Event', 'Request Reference Letter', and 'Batch Process'.

Applicant	Current Status	New Status	Disposition
Sally Test	Interview Start Date: 4/26/2018	Offer Letter	Please Select

The 'Change Status' dialog box is shown, allowing the user to change the status of an applicant. It includes a 'Change Status To' dropdown and a 'Disposition' dropdown. The table below shows the current status and the new status being selected.

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Sally Test	Interview Start Date: 4/26/2018	Offer Letter	Please Select

**Step 2:** Go into the candidate record by clicking on their name and then go to the "Statuses" tab. Offer Letter Details will now be displayed. Some items are linked to the Requisition Details and will prepopulate, others will need to be entered by you. Only enter the fields that are relevant to the offer that you are making (if it doesn't apply leave it blank). If the position is exempt and paid monthly please divide the annual pay by 12 and insert a monthly amount with only 2 decimal places. Once all details are entered, click "Save and Create New Letter".

### Technician I - Fisheries (req8)

Summary | **Statuses** | Application | Comments | Documents | History

**New Submission** ▾

**In Review** ▾

**Phone Screening**

**Interview** ▾

**Offer Letter** ▲

In Progress

Please select and confirm the OU that should apply to this offer letter.

**Location:**

Gulf Coast Research Laborator x **Apply**

**Offer Details** ▲

**Start Date** 6/13/2018

**Source** USM Career Site

**Hiring Manager** Jill Hendon x

**Division** GCRL Center for Fisheries Rese x

**Annual Salary** ▾ **United States Dollar** ▾

**Pay Cycle** Monthly ▾

**Wage Type**  
 Annual  Hourly

**\$ Salary**

**Academic Year**

**Additional Salary Supplement**

**Anticipated Employment End Date**

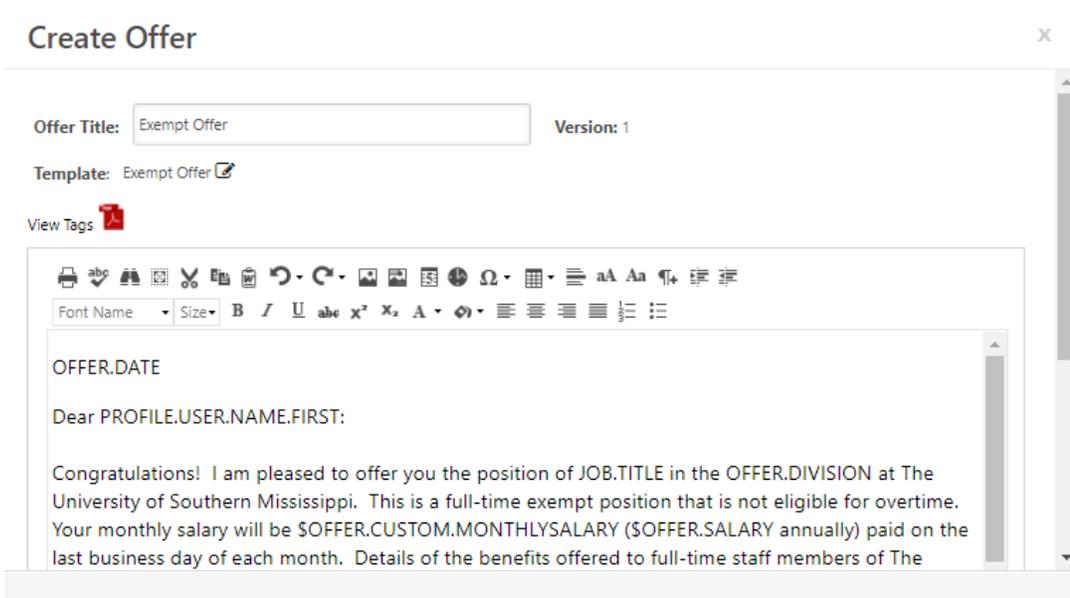
**Hiring Manager Email Address**

**Hiring Manager Phone Number**

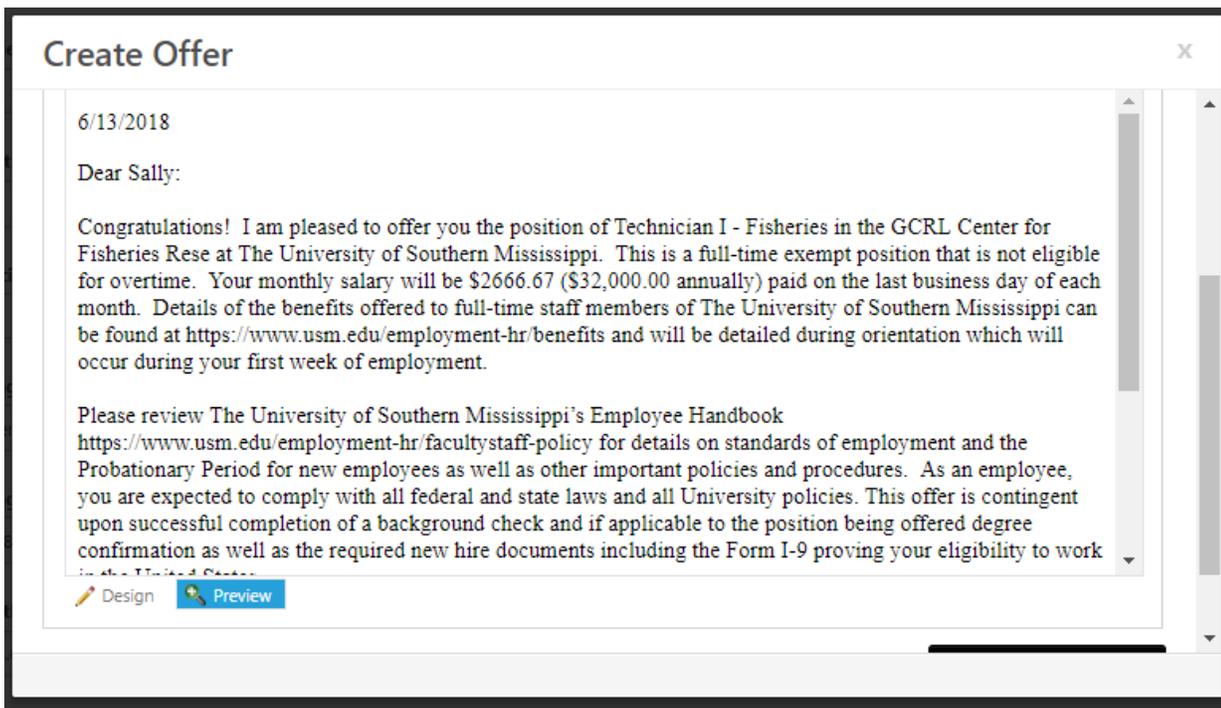
**Monthly Salary Amount**

**Save and Create New Letter**

**Step 3:** The Create Offer box will pop up, populated with the offer template selected by the HR Partner at the time the Requisition was requested. If the offer template is incorrect then you can click on the template title and select the correct option. This offer template shows you the “tags” that are used to pull the information you input on the Offer Details page into the Offer Letter Template in “Design” view.



**Step 4:** Scroll down in the Create Offer pop up window and change the view to “Preview” in order to see what the letter will actually look like with the details inserted. Please keep in mind that you can edit this offer letter, however, you should not change any of the details regarding terms or conditions of employment. Once you are complete and good with the information in the offer letter click “Save and Create Offer”.



**Step 5:** This will take you back to the applicant record on the “Statuses” tab. You can now send the offer letter for approval, edit the offer details, or generate a new offer letter as needed. Remember that it is recommended that at least one other person reviews and approves an offer letter before it is sent to a candidate. If changes were made to the offer letter than HR review and approval is necessary.

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In Review ▾

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Interview ▾

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In Progress

Offer Details ▾

Edit Offer Details | **Generate New Letter**

Version	Offer	Approval	Send to Candidate	Candidate Response	Final
1		Submit For Approval <small>View/Edit Approval</small>			

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**Step 6:** To add approvers to the offer letter click the "View/Edit Approval" link as shown in the picture above in Step 5. The View/Edit Approvals box will pop up, click the "+ Add Approvals" then click the "+ User", adding the number of users you plan to send the offer to for approval. Then click "Add." It is the department's decision and discretion on the number of people or who would be the most appropriate person to approve offer letters. Best practice is that at least one person above the person who created the offer letter should review and approve it.

**View/Edit Approvals** ✕

Define the approval workflow for this offer. Indicate if the approval workflow is sequential or concurrent and if the approval steps are required or notification only.

**+ Add Approval**

Reset to Default | **Save**

**Step 7:** Offer Letter approvals allow for "Approval Required" (active approval) or "Notification Only" (passive approval) options. After selecting the appropriate users and approval option click "Save".

## View/Edit Approvals X

Define the approval workflow for this offer. Indicate if the approval workflow is sequential or concurrent and if the approval steps are required or notification only.

**+ Add Approval**

1 User  X +

Approval Required  Notification Only

2 User  X +

Approval Required  Notification Only

**Step 8:** You are now ready to click "Submit For Approval" on the Offer Letter. For those who need to approve an offer letter you can follow the same steps to approve a requisition. (Recruit > Recruiting Approvals > Offer Letters).

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Offer Details ▾

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1		<input type="button" value="Submit For Approval"/> <input type="button" value="View/Edit Approval"/>			

View below shows the Offer Letter Approval screen.

Home | Reports | Admin | Integration Suite | Recruit | Onboarding | Internal Job Postings

### Recruiting Approvals

Requisitions (0)

**Offer Letters (1)**

#### Offer Letter Approvals

Pending (1) | Past

Requisition Name   (1 Result)

Hide Notification Only

Requisition	Owner(s)	Candidate	Offer	Submitted		
Technician I - Fisheries	Hendershot, Angela	Sally Test		6/13/2018 2:28 PM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**Step 9:** Once the Offer Letter is approved you are ready to send it to the candidate. If the offer letter was not approved or needs edits, you can make necessary changes and start approvals again by repeating the steps above.

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Edit Offer Details | **Generate New Letter**

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1		Approved 6/13/2016 <a href="#">View Details</a>	<a href="#">Send Offer</a>		

**Step 10:** Include with the Offer Letter, the Welcome Letter and the Benefit Highlights (available in your Hiring Toolkit). The instruction box is limited to 500 characters. Keep that information short, for example. "Please review the attached Offer Letter and informational documents. Indicate your acceptance of the offer letter through the candidate portal and contact our office if you have any questions. SMTTT!" Once your attachments and message are complete click "Send to Candidate Profile".

**Send offer to Sally Test**

Offer Letter

Exempt Offer (Version: 1)

**Additional Attachments**

[Choose File](#) No file chosen

Welcome Template for New Hires.docx

**Send To**

**Send Methods**

Candidate Profile | Email | Paper Mail | Other

**Instructions**

Please review the attached Offer Letter and informational documents. Indicate your acceptance of the offer letter through the candidate portal and contact our office if you have any questions. SMTTT!



**Step 13:** Confirm Minimum Qualifications for this position. If the minimum qualifications required a degree at any level above high school you must now "Assign" the recruiting form requesting that the candidate upload their diploma or transcript. Please note that this is only for staff positions where unofficial confirmation is acceptable. Faculty positions must follow credentialing processes defined by The Office of the Provost. Select "Degree Verification" and then click "Assign".

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Job Details

Applicant Name

Show All Clear All Include Hired / Closed

In Review 0 Phone Screening 0 Interview 1 Offer Letter 0 Background Check 1 Not Hired 1

Refine your search Q Search

1 Actions Show 20 Edit

	Applicant Location	Applicant Preferred Language	Applicant Flags	Application Flags	Type	Source
	Long Beach Mississippi United States	English (US)			External	USM Career
	Gulfport Mississippi United States	English (US)			External	USM Career

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**Select Form**

Select the form to be assigned.

Title  Search

Title	Description
<b>Degree Verification</b>	Form to upload diploma or transcript of highest level of education required by position.
<b>Faculty Recommendation Request</b>	Please refer to the instructions in the recommendation request email.

Cancel Assign

**Step 14:** After these steps are completed your candidate should be completing the New Employee Forms with University Human Resources. Consult the Hiring Toolkit for additional process assistance. Once everything is cleared and the official start date is confirmed, please update the status of all applicants who were not selected giving them a final disposition in the ATS. The final step is to move your selected candidate to the status of "Hired". This will close the requisition, once closed you will not be able to go back to edit candidates or take further action in this requisition.