THE CREED AT SOUTHERN MISS

Policy Statement

The University of Southern Mississippi has established a creed.

Reason for Policy/Purpose

This policy is required for the effective communication of university policy regarding the Southern Miss Creed.

Who Needs to Know This Policy

All members of The University of Southern Mississippi community.

Website Address for this Policy

www.usm.edu/institutional-policies/policy-stua-ds-009

Definitions

Policy/Procedures

I belong to a community of scholars at The University of Southern Mississippi.

I will demonstrate integrity and determination in all academic pursuits.

I will appreciate the value of differences among people, customs and viewpoints and oppose hatred, bigotry and bias toward others.
I will exhibit behavior and choose language that demonstrates respect for fellow members of the Southern Miss community.

I will respect others by honoring their rights, privacy and belongings.

I will value human dignity in my academic, social and employment settings.

I commit to exhibiting civil behavior, demonstrating responsible citizenry, and doing my part to achieve a positive and secure living and learning environment for all.

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**Review**

The Dean of Students is responsible for the review of this policy every four years (or whenever circumstances require immediate review).

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**Forms/Instructions**

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**Appendices**

N/A

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**Related Information**

N/A

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**History**

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Authorization

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As the Responsible Officer, I have reviewed this policy and believe it represents the current policy.

[Signature]
Responsible Officer

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Date 4/4/13