



Campus Resources

Thee Pathway: General Education at JSU

This program is a customizable academic experience that promotes critical thinking, math/analytical reasoning, and communication. All degree programs at Jackson State University include a general education curriculum. The general education courses complement the specialized academic major courses to provide balance within a broader intellectual context.

Website: <https://www.jsums.edu/theepathway/>

Phone: 601-979-0490

Location: 1400 John R. Lynch Street, Jackson, MS 39217-0280

Pathway Themes

General Education Pathway (PATH) courses are courses that are connected through interdisciplinary themes and are selected at the student's discretion to fulfill the general education curriculum. Through experiential learning and reflective writing, students will have the opportunity to integrate knowledge across courses, develop their skills and an enhanced sense of civic responsibility. Students select nine (9) hours from the pathway of choice. Each pathway concludes with a related one (1) credit hour a University Required (UR) course.

Website: <https://www.jsums.edu/theepathway/home/themes/>

University Academic Advisement Center

The University Academic Advising Center (UAAC) is here to guide you through your academic journey. The UAAC's Academic Advisors provides academic guidance and related services to students with 0-59 credits (Freshman and Sophomore classifications). Students are assigned to an advisor based on their major. Students with 60+ credits are assigned to a faculty advisor in the major academic department. This model is designed to strengthen the connection between students' experience in Academic Advisement and that of their department so that they receive the benefit of faculty mentorship as well as professional advisement services.

Students can schedule a thirty-minute appointment to speak with their assigned academic advisor or "walk-in" to utilize our fifteen-minute fast-track available advisor service. Each Academic Advisor assists students with the following:

- Developing academic and professional goals during their undergraduate college experience and beyond
- Understanding the purpose of general education and its relation to curricula

- Degree Mapping four-year degree plan
- Utilizing Degree Works advising/graduation audit system
- Identifying and assisting with resolving academic issues related to grades, academic progress, and degree completion.
- Addressing personal, social, and financial issues which serve as barriers to academic success.
- Creating an Academic Action Plan if student is having academic difficulties.

Website: <https://www.jsums.edu/studentssuccess/uac/>

Phone: 601-979-2127

Location: H.T. Sampson Library 2nd Floor, Suite 2200, Jackson, MS 39206

Career Services Center

The Center's mission is to provide career services in a supportive and proactive manner for Jackson State University students and alumni; including information and counseling on career choices, graduate and professional school, co-op and internships and part-time and permanent employment opportunities. The Center also provides effective and efficient services to employers through recruitment programs and activities.

Website: <https://www.jsums.edu/careers/>

Phone: 601-979-2477

Location: Jacob L. Reddix Building, Suite 110, 1400 John R. Lynch Street Jackson, MS 39217-0280

Center For Student Engagement and Leadership

The Center for Student Engagement and Leadership (CSEL) is dedicated to cultivating diverse students by providing programs and services that support holistic student development.

To create meaningful and memorable experiences which nurture the personal, scholastic, and ethical development of students through innovative programming and co-curricular involvement.

Leadership

Developing personal leadership competencies.

Social Responsibility

Shaping socially responsible citizens.

Diversity and Inclusion

Encouraging students to embrace a diverse and inclusive community.

Service

Creating experiences that foster a commitment to service.

Engagement

Fostering meaningful and memorable engagement experience.

Website: <https://www.jsums.edu/studentlife/the-center-for-student-leadership-and-involvement/>

National Resources

Networking

Making connections while you're still a student can help when it's time to enter the workforce.

Here are eight networking tips for college students:

- Start early
- Play the student card
- Get relevant experience
- Be active on LinkedIn
- Use college career centers
- Leverage personal connections
- Bolster existing professional connections
- Set goals

Website: <https://www.usnews.com/education/best-colleges/articles/ways-to-network-while-youre-in-college>

Time Management in College: How to Have Time for Everything

- Use time-saving apps
- Plan your time
- Start working on your assignments as soon as possible
- Get some sleep
- Take notes during class
- Learn how to say NO
- Discover your rhythm
- Isolate yourself during midterms and finals

Website: <https://www.skillsyouneed.com/rhubarb/time-management-students.html>

11 Good Study Habits to Develop

Studying can be hard. The good news is that anybody can develop good study habits to make studying more effective, efficient, and enjoyable.

Want to develop good study habits? Start small—don't expect to do everything in this list, at least not right away; pick one or two instead. It's also important to set realistic and achievable goals for yourself:

- Find a good place to study
- Minimize distractions
- Take breaks
- Space out your studying
- Set study goals for each session
- Reward yourself
- Study with a group
- Take practice tests
- Use your own words
- Ask for help
- Take care of yourself

Website: <https://www.coursera.org/articles/study-habits>