# JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

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# ADMISSION TO THE UNIVERSITY

Admission to Jackson State University is administered in accordance with the policies established by the Board of Trustees, State of Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning and by the Jackson State University Admissions and Credits Committee.

Admission decisions are made as applications and supporting documents are received; therefore, early application is encouraged. Information submitted to Jackson State University must be true and accurate. The withholding of pertinent information or the submission of false information may result in denial of admission or in dismissal. The University reserves the right to deny admission to any applicant and to forbid any previously admitted student continued enrollment.

Jackson State complies with all applicable laws regarding affirmative action and equal opportunity in all its activities and programs and does not discriminate against anyone protected by law because of age, color, national origin, race, religion, sex, handicap, or veteran status. The University welcomes applications from all individuals whose preparation and abilities give them a reasonable chance of success in programs offered by the University. Questions regarding admission should be directed to: Undergraduate Admissions, JSU Box 17330, Jackson State University, Jackson, Mississippi 39217 - (601) 979-0928.

# FRESHMAN ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

#### How To Apply

To apply for freshman admission, an applicant must submit the following to Undergraduate Admissions: 1. APPLICATION - A completed application

2. TRANSCRIPTS – Prospective students should request their high school send an official six- or sevensemester transcript to Undergraduate Admissions. Unofficial transcripts are not accepted from students. The following high school course units are required and must be listed on the transcript:

#### **High School Course Requirements**

(College Preparatory Curriculum)

<b>SUBJECT</b> English	<b>CARNEGIE</b> UNITS 4	<b>CONTENT &amp; REMARKS</b> All must have substantial writing communications skills (i.e. reading, writing, listening, and speaking.) Compensatory Reading and Compensatory Writing may not be included.
Mathematics	3	Algebra I or its equivalent Math higher than Algebra 1 (2 units)
Science	3	Biology I or its equivalent Science higher than Biology 1 (2 units)
Social Studies	3	U.S. History World History U.S. Government (½ unit) Economics (½ unit) or Introduction to World Geography (½ unit)
Arts	1	Includes any one Carnegie unit (or two ½ units) of visual and performing arts course(s) meeting the requirements for high school graduation.
Advanced Electives	2	<u>Option 1:</u> Foreign Language I and Foreign Language II <u>Option 2:</u> Foreign Language I and Advanced World Geography <u>Option 3:</u> Any combination of English, Mathematics higher than Algebra I, Science higher than Biology I, Advance Elective category, and AP course, any IB course
Computer Application	1/2	A course that emphasizes the use of technology as a productivity tool. Instruction should include utilizing various forms of technology to create, collaborate, organize and publish information. The application of technology as a productivity tool, rather than specific hardware and/or software packages should be the focus of the course.
Pre-High School Units		Courses taken prior to high school will be accepted for admission provided the course earns Carnegie credit and the content is the same as the high school course.

Substitutions	Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses can be substituted for each requirement in the College Preparatory Curriculum.
Course Acceptance	A course may not be used to satisfy more than one requirement.

# TOTAL

16.5

3. TEST SCORES – Official ACT or SAT scores for all applicants finishing high school within the past five years are mailed to Undergraduate Admissions directly from the ACT or SAT headquarters upon request (see addresses listed in this section). Score reports brought by the applicant are not considered official. In lieu of ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores.

American College Testing Program 500 ACT Drive P.O. Box 168 Iowa City, Iowa 52243-0168 (319) 337-1000 www.act.org

College Entrance Examination Board 45 Columbus Ave. New York, NY 10023-6917 (212) 713-8000 www.CollegeBoard.org

# 4. PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION

A. Measles, Mumps and Rubella

Proof of immunization of measles, mumps and rubella is required (two doses of the MMR vaccine) of all students, unless exempt because of (a) actual or suspected pregnancy (measles or rubella vaccines are not required for females who are pregnant; if pregnancy is suspected, a valid certificate of medial exception from a health provider is required until pregnancy is resolved), (b) medical contraindication, or (c) birth prior to 1957. Temporary waivers may be granted for students enrolled in distance learning courses and/ or programs where their time on campus is limited to a minimum number of hours as determined by the admitting IHL institution.

# B. Hepatitus B

Proof of hepatitis B vaccination is required for students who are involved in health education programs that cause them to be potentially exposed to blood or other bodily fluids.

#### C. Tuberculosis

Proof of test screening for tuberculosis by chest x-ray is required for all international students.

#### When to Apply

High school students are encouraged to apply for admission and financial aid in January of their senior year. The earlier applications are received, the earlier students will be notified of admission and financial aid decisions. Any first time entering freshman student who meets the admission requirements and submits the necessary application for the fall semester by April 1st will receive early notification of acceptance to Jackson State University.

Students are encouraged to apply on or before:Fall semesterAugust 1stSpring semesterDecember 1st

First summer sessionMay 1stSecond summer sessionJune 1st

Completed applications, test scores and transcripts should be received in Undergraduate Admissions at least 30 days prior to the student's scheduled registration date.

# FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

# Mississippi Residents- Regular admission will be granted to the following:

1. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 3.20 high school GPA on the CPC.

2. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) a minimum of a 2.50 high school GPA on the CPC or a class rank in the top 50%, and (b) a score of 16 or higher on the ACT (or the SAT equivalent).

3. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) a minimum of a 2.00 high school GPA on the CPC, and (b) a score of 18 or higher on the ACT (or SAT equivalent).

4. NCAA Division I standards for student athletes who are "full-qualifiers" or "academic redshirts" are accepted as equivalent to the admission standards established by the Board.

In lieu of ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores. Students scoring below 16 on the ACT (Composite) or the equivalent SAT are encouraged to participate in the Year-Long Academic Support Program during their freshman year.

# ACADEMIC PLACEMENT RESULTING FROM VARIOUS DEFICIENCIES

Those Mississippi residents who applied and failed to meet Full Admission Standards along with any Mississippi high school graduate regardless of academic performance may, as a result of review, be admitted to the summer or fall semester. The ACT is not a requirement in this category. The review shall involve a consideration of high school performance, ACT scores (if available), placement testing, special interests and skills as well as other non-cognitive factors. The review shall result in placement in one of the following categories:

# 1. Full Admission

As a result of the review, students in this category may be placed as if admitted under Section B. In addition, students may be required to enroll in selected college level courses in science and social science equivalent to high school courses in which their background is inadequate. These courses will yield institutional credit.\* Other students in this category may be required to participate in the Year-Long Academic Support Program.

# 2. Full Admission with Academic Deficiencies

Students who have not demonstrated adequate readiness in English or Reading or Mathematics will be granted Full Admission with Academic Deficiencies to the Summer Developmental Program. This is an intensive program that concentrates on high school subject areas (English, Reading, and Mathematics) that are applicable to success in first-year college courses. These courses carry institutional credit.\* Students who successfully complete the summer program, by passing developmental English, developmental Mathematics, developmental Reading and the Learning Skills Laboratory courses, will receive admission to the fall term with mandatory participation in the Year-Long Academic Support Program. Students who fail to successfully complete the Summer Developmental Program are not eligible for enrollment in the regular academic year and will be counseled to explore other post-secondary opportunities, including those offered by community colleges.

#### YEAR-LONG ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

This program is designed to assist those students admitted with academic deficiencies, as well as other volunteer students, with their freshman courses. The Year-Long Academic Support Program will consist of classroom, individual, and computer-assisted instruction along with career counseling in a laboratory setting. The Program carries institutional credit.\*

\*Institutional credit courses do not count toward graduation but carry all other academic requirements.

#### INTERMEDIATE COURSES

A. All entering freshmen with an ACT Mathematics subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate Algebra during their first semester of enrollment.

B. All entering freshmen with an ACT English subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate English during their first semester of enrollment.

C. All entering freshmen with an ACT Reading subtest score of 16 or less will be required to take Intermediate Reading during their first semester of enrollment. Students taking Intermediate Reading should not be permitted to take reading-intensive courses, such as History.

D. Students taking two or more intermediate courses must enroll in the yearlong Academic Support Program and will not be permitted to take more than 17 semester hours, including intermediate courses and the Academic Support Program.

#### NONRESIDENT ADMISSIONS

Any student identified as a non-resident will be qualified for admission to a Mississippi institution of higher learning based on equivalent preparation as determined by the admitting institution. If, however, an admitting institution determines that anticipated enrollment will exceed the institution's capacity to adequately serve all prospective students who are otherwise qualified for admission, then the institution may make appropriate admissions decisions from among the pool of otherwise qualified non-resident applicants in light of institutional capacity and consistent with constitutional and other legal requirements, as well as in light of the IHL and the admitting institution's values, mission, and goals.

# APPLICANTS WITHOUT A DIPLOMA FROM A REGIONALLY ACCREDITED HIGH SCHOOL; HOME SCHOOL STUDENTS; GENERAL EDUCATION DEGREE (GED) STUDENTS

1. Applicants who have completed high school from a school that does not hold regional accreditation must submit the following:

- a. Transcripts reflecting academic performance
  - b. ACT or SAT scores
- 2. Home-schooled applicants must submit the following:
  - a. Home-school transcripts or portfolio summarizing home school education
  - b. ACT or SAT scores

3. Applicants who have not completed high school must submit the following:

- a. Qualifying scores on a sate approved high school equivalency exam
- b. Any transcripts reflecting academic performance in high school
- c. ACT or SAT scores

4. International applicants who have completed an international or foreign high school may be admitted in another admissions category or must submit one of the following:

- a. Transcripts reflecting academic performance or a secondary school leaving form or
- b. ACT or SAT scores

All applicants described in this section are subject to the requirements outlined for Freshman Admission Requirements. Applicants in this section may validate the College Preparatory Curriculum in an alternate way. All applicants described in this section may be required to appear for an on-campus interview.

#### EARLY ADMISSION

Outstanding secondary school students who choose to enter the University before graduation will be considered for admission upon completion of the junior year. Applications submitted by these students must be supported by a 3.2 GPA on 15 units courses in the college preparatory curriculum, and a recommendation from a high school official.

#### DUAL ENROLLMENT

JSU also offers high qualified high school student the opportunity to earn college credit while they are enrolled in high school. To be dually enrolled, the applicant must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses, and successful completion of 14 core high school units and/or junior status and a written recommendation from school principal or guidance counselor OR Minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on all high school courses and Minimum composite ACT score of 30 or the equivalent SAT score and written recommendation from school principal or guidance counselor

# ADMISSION OF TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer applicants who initially meet freshman admission requirements at Jackson State University (listed under Freshman Entrance Requirements), but choose to enroll at another regionally accredited institution, may transfer at any time provided the applicant:

- 1. Submits a formal application
- 2. Submits an official transcript from each college or university attended
- 3. Is in good standing at the last college or university attended

4. Submits documented proof for measles, mumps and rubella immunization compliance, if born after December 1956 to the JSU Health Center, P O Box 17097, Jackson, MS 39217

Any student who was not eligible for regular admission and who has not successfully completed the Summer Developmental Program must attend an accredited institution of higher education other than those under the governance of the Board of Trustees and must attain a "C" average (2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale, as calculated by the admitting IHL institution) in the following 30 transferable semester credit hours to be eligible to transfer to an IHL institution:

- 1. Six (6) semester hours of English (Composition I & II)
- 2. Three (3) semester hours of mathematics (College Algebra or higher)
- 3. Six (6) semester hours of Science (must be lab based, i.e., physical science, biology, chemistry, etc.)
- 4. Nine (9) semester hours of Humanities & Fine Arts
- 5. Six (6) semester hours of Social & Behavioral Sciences

#### TRANSFER ADMISSION FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE

A. Any student who has earned an Associate of Arts degree from a regionally accredited institution and sufficient GPA as calculated by the admitting institution is eligible for admission.

B. Any student who has earned other Associate level degrees from a regionally accredited institution in a transferable area (as defined by the admitting institution) and sufficient GPA as calculated by the admitting institution may be eligible for admission.

# TRANSFER OF CREDITS

Students transferring to Jackson State University should know the following:

1. A maximum of 62 semester hours of credit for courses completed at the freshman and sophomore levels will be allowed from a community/junior college toward degree requirements.

2. Jackson State University accepts transfer courses with "C" or above grades.

3. Jackson State University does not accept for credit courses that are classified as remedial or developmental.

4. Students ordinarily receive no transfer credit for courses designed specifically for technical and vocational career programs. The dean of the college concerned should be consulted on questions pertaining to the transfer of credits.

5. After earning 62 semester hours from any accredited institution, a student may not take additional courses at the community/junior college and have them applied toward a degree from Jackson State University, unless prior approval is obtained from the college dean.

6. Any course taken for credit at another institution while a student is enrolled at Jackson State University must have prior written permission of the student's department chair and dean in order for that credit to be accepted toward the fulfillment of degree requirements at Jackson State University.

7. Grades earned in transfer courses will show on the permanent record at Jackson State University with

a "T" in front of the earned grade from the transfer institution but will not be used in calculating Jackson State University grade point averages.

8. Normally, Jackson State University allows full credit on a course taken at another accredited institution if a comparable course is offered at Jackson State University. The final evaluation of transcripts is done by the department responsible for the program of study.

9. All students are required to have the last session of residence or its equivalent at Jackson State University and to complete satisfactorily a minimum of 30 semester hours of courses before graduation.

10. A maximum of 93 semester hours is transferable from an accredited four year institution.

# TRANSIENT NON-DEGREE STUDENT

Students enrolled at another college or university may apply for admission as a transient student (temporary student who wishes to transfer credits to his/her home institution). Such admission carries no commitment for permission to register for either term of the regular academic year. Students from other college or universities must be in good standing or eligible to continue academic work at their respective institutions and are responsible for determining if these institutions will accept credits earned at Jackson State University.

The student must submit the following:

- 1. Completed application
- 2. Official transcript or letter of good standing from the home institution attended

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION

A prospective student who is not a citizen of the United States applying for admission to Jackson State University as an undergraduate must apply for admission at least four months prior to the desired date of entrance and must submit the following required documents two months prior to registration:

- 1. Application for Admission.
- 2. American College Test Score (ACT) of not less than 16 or combined Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) equivalent.

3. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or not less than 525 on the paper examination or computer-based equivalent examination.

4. Certified, translated copies of all transcripts, mark sheets, and diplomas, or official evaluation of international academic credentials from an accepted service agency.

5. Certified declaration of Financial Support (sufficient funds to cover expenses for one academic year) should be placed on deposit with the Jackson State University Business Office.

6. Completed student health form showing proof of immunization compliance for measles, mumps and rubella, if born after December 1956.

7. Proof of test screening for tuberculosis by chest x-ray is required.

# NON-DEGREE STUDENT ADMISSION

An applicant who is at least twenty-one (21) years old and does not meet the regular freshman admission requirements may apply for admission as a non-degree seeking student.

The non-degree seeking student may enroll in a maximum of twelve (12) semester hours during a regular term, six (6) semester hours during a summer term, or equivalent hours for alternate terms. To transition from nondegree-seeking to degree-seeking status, the student must satisfactorily complete twelve (12) hours with a "C" or better average in the general education core. Once admitted to a degree program, a maximum of eighteen (18) semester hours credit earned as a non-degree-seeking student may be applied toward a baccalaureate degree, if approved by the dean of the college or school from which the degree is sought.

# ADMISSION TO TEACHER EDUCATION

The College of Education and Human Development is responsible for all teacher education programs at Jackson State University. All students who expect to qualify to teach must be formally admitted to the teacher education program. For specific information see admission procedures in the College of Education and Human Development section of the catalog.

#### READMISSION

A former student (one who has not earned a bachelors degree from Jackson State University or withdrew from the University) must submit an Application for Readmission. Official transcripts from all institutions attended since the student was last enrolled at Jackson State University must be mailed to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted from students applying for readmission. Suspended students who are approved for readmission will be readmitted on probation.

#### APPEAL PROCEDURES

Applicants who are denied admission to the undergraduate program and who feel there are highly extenuating circumstances that could justify a different decision may appeal for further consideration. The appeal procedure is as follows:

Applicants should write to Undergraduate Admissions and request a reevaluation. They should submit all academic and personal records which would help the Admissions and Credits Committee make a fair and informed decision. All extenuating circumstances should be explained fully.

Applicants may request an appointment to meet with members of the Committee to discuss their case. Applicants who are minors may be accompanied by parents or guardians.

After discussion, the Committee will communicate its decision through Undergraduate Admissions.

The Admissions and Credits Committee meets a minimum of two times per semester.

# MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION Credit by College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

The College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) is a program of credit by examination sponsored by the College Entrance Examination Board. This program provides interested individuals an opportunity to obtain recognition for college level achievement on the basis of examination performance.

The purpose of CLEP at Jackson State University is to make these examinations accessible to incoming and enrolled students. These examinations are available to anyone seeking to earn credit for attained academic competency. There are two types of tests offered by CLEP: <u>General Examinations</u> and <u>Subject Examinations</u>. The General Examinations measure achievement in the following basic areas: (1) English Composition, (2) Humanities, (3) Mathematics, (4) Natural Sciences, and (5) Social Sciences-History. The Subject Examinations measure achievement in specific subject areas that are normally covered by first year college courses.

Advanced Placement and credit for a number of specifically approved courses are awarded for specified test scores on the General Examination and on certain Subject Examinations. CLEP credits are treated as undergraduate transfer credits and are not considered in the calculation of the student's cumulative grade point average. However, the credits may be used to fulfill degree requirements at Jackson State University. A maximum of 30 semester hours may be earned through the College-Level Examination Program.

Tests are administered at a pre-arranged time each month at colleges and universities listed in the CLEP brochure. Applicants who live more than 150 miles from the nearest center may request special administrations

at more convenient locations. This may be done by completing a registration form and sending it with the test fee, the special administrations fee for each day of testing, and a letter of request to the College Entrance Examination Board, Box 1832, Princeton, New Jersey 08540. Arrangements may take five weeks.

Jackson State University is an approved test center. Students who wish to take a test at Jackson State University should apply directly to Testing and Assessment, Jackson State University, JSU Box 17200, Jackson, Mississippi 39217.

The following includes courses currently approved for credit-by-examination through CLEP:

CLEP General Examinations	JSU Courses	Credit Hrs.		
English Comp. ENG 104 ENG 105	Composition Composition	3 3		
Humanities MUS 205 ART 206	Music Appreciation Art Appreciation	3 3		
Mathematics MATH 104	Algebra I	3		
Natural Sciences BIO 101 SCI 201 SCI 202	Biological Science Physical Science Physical Science	3 3 3		
Social Studies an HIST 101 HIST 102	d History History of Civilizatior History of Civilizatior			
CLEP Subject Examinations				
American Lit. ENG ENG	Literature Elective Literature Elective	3 3		
American Hist. I ( HIST 201	Early Colonization to United States History	-		
American Hist. II HIST 202	(1865 to Present) United States History	3		
College Algebra MATH 111	Algebra	3		
Computers & Dat CSC 115	a Processing Digital Computer Prii	nciples 3		

#### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Students entering Jackson State University for the first time are allowed credit on the Advanced Placement Examination administered by the College Entrance Examination Board. Grades are recorded on the student's

transcript for courses in which advanced placement credit is earned. These courses do not affect grade point averages. Acceptance of advanced placement credits to a specific degree will be determined by the major department chair and dean of the college in which the student is enrolled.

#### **REJECTION OF APPLICATION**

#### A. FUNDAMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

Applications containing false, contradictory, questionable, or uncertain data, or which fail to comply with the fundamental requirements or the policies of the institutions as established by the Board shall be rejected.

#### **B. FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS**

Whoever, with intent to defraud the state or any department, agency, office, board, commission, county, municipality or other subdivision of state or local government, knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by trick, scheme or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than five (5) years, or by both such fine and imprisonment. This section shall not prohibit the prosecution under any other criminal statute of the state.

#### **RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS**

#### A. RESIDENCE OF A MINOR

For purposes of determining whether a minor pays out-of-state or in-state tuition for attendance at the University, the residence of a person less than 21 years of age is that of the father, the mother or a general guardian duly appointed by a proper court in Mississippi. If a court has granted custody of the minor to one parent, the residence of the minor is that of the parent who was granted custody by the court. 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 general guardian duly appointed by a proper court of Mississippi, in which case his/her residence becomes that of the guardian. A minor student who, upon registration at a Mississippi institution of higher learning or community college, presents a transcript demonstrating graduation from a Mississippi secondary school and who has been a secondary school student in Mississippi for not less than the final four years of secondary school attendance shall not be required to pay out-of-state tuition. This policy shall not apply to the residence of a person as it relates to residency for voter registration or voting.

#### **B. RESIDENCE OF AN ADULT**

The residence of an adult is that place where he/she is domiciled, that is, the place where he/she actually physically resides with the intention of remaining there indefinitely or of returning there permanently when temporarily absent.

#### C. REMOVAL OF PARENTS FROM MISSISSIPPI

If the parents of a minor who is enrolled as a student at the University move their legal residence from the State of Mississippi, the minor shall be immediately classified as a nonresident student; such a change in classification shall not affect the tuition to be charged upon completion of the semester in which the move takes place.

#### D. RESIDENCE REQUIRED

No student may be admitted to the University as a resident of Mississippi unless his/her residence, as defined herein above, has been in the State of Mississippi for a continuous period of at least 12 months preceding his/ her admission.

#### E. RESIDENCY PETITIONS

Nonresidents may petition the University for a change of residency classification. A person who enters the

state of Mississippi from another state and enters a system institution is considered a nonresident, unless the person meets the residency requirements set out in subsections A and B above. Provided, however, that any person who has attained 21 years of age and has thereafter actually established residency as defined within subsection A above and resided within the state of Mississippi for 12 consecutive months after attaining 21 years of age upon sworn affidavit and other representation, may petition the particular institution for a change in residency classification for the purposes of fees and tuition assessment. The institution may make reasonable inquiry into the validity of the petitioner's claim. Such petition for change of residency must be made on or before the last day a student may register at the particular institution without penalty.

# F. LEGAL RESIDENCE OF A MARRIED PERSON

A married person may claim the residence status of his or her spouse, or he or she may claim independent residence status under the same regulations set forth above as any other adult.

# G. CHILDREN OF FACULTY OR STAFF

Children of parents who are members of the faculty or staff of the University may be classified as residents for the purpose of attendance at the institution where their parents are faculty or staff members.

# MILITARY PERSONNEL

# A. ACTIVE DUTY STATION IN MISSISSIPPI

Members of the United States Armed Forces on extended active duty and stationed within the State of Mississippi and members of the Mississippi National Guard may be classified as residents, for the purpose of attendance at the University. Resident status of such military personnel, who are not legal residents of Mississippi shall terminate upon their reassignment for duty in the continental United States outside the State of Mississippi.

# **B. SPOUSE OR CHILD OF MILITARY PERSONNEL**

Resident status of a spouse or child of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States on extended active duty shall be that of the military spouse or parent for the purpose of attending the University during the time that their military spouse or parent is stationed within the State of Mississippi and shall be continued through the time that the military spouse or parent is 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 a minor child terminates upon reassignment under Permanent Change of Station Orders of the military parent for duty in the continental United States outside the State of Mississippi, excepting temporary training assignments en route from Mississippi, and except that children of members of the Armed Forces who attain Mississippi residency in accordance with the above provisions, who begin and complete their senior year of high school in Mississippi, and who enroll full time at the University to begin studies in the fall after their graduation from high school, maintain their residency status so long as they remain enrolled as a student in good standing at the University. Enrollment during summer school is not required to maintain such resident status. The spouse or child of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who dies or is killed is entitled to pay the resident tuition fee if the spouse or child becomes a resident of Mississippi. If a member of the Armed Forces of the United States is stationed outside Mississippi and the member's spouse or child establishes residence in Mississippi and registers with the University, the University shall permit the spouse or child to pay the tuition, fees and other charges provided for Mississippi residents without regard to length of time that the spouse or child has resided in Mississippi.

A member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the child or spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is entitled to pay tuition and fees at the rate provided for Mississippi residents under another provision of this section while enrolled in a degree or certificate program is entitled to pay tuition and fees at the rate provided for Mississippi residents in any subsequent term or semester while the person is continuously enrolled in the same degree or certificate program. A student may withdraw or may choose not to reenroll for no more than one (1) semester or term while pursuing a degree or certificate without losing resident status only if that student provides sufficient documentation by a physician that the student has a medical condition that requires withdrawal or non-enrollment. For purposes of this subsection, a person is not

required to enroll in a summer term to remain continuously enrolled in a degree or certificate program. The person's eligibility to pay tuition and fees at the rate provided for Mississippi residents under this subsection does not terminate because the person is no longer a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or the child or spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United Forces of the United States.

# C. CERTIFICATION OF RESIDENCE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL

A military person on active duty stationed in Mississippi who wishes to avail himself/herself or his/her dependents of the provisions of (A) ACTIVE DUTY STATION IN MISSISSIPPI must submit a certificate from his/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 each semester for the provisions of the (A) ACTIVE DUTY STATION IN MISSISSIPPI to be effective.

# VETERAN AFFAIRS

The Veteran Affairs Office (VA) assists students who are veterans and dependents of veterans who are eligible for benefits through the Veterans Administration.

The office is located on the third floor of the Jacob L. Reddix Building and was established to act as a liaison between the eligible students and the various Jackson State University offices to help resolve entitlement problems. It can be reached at (601) 979-1755.

The office hours are: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.....Monday - Friday

The mailing address is: Veterans Center Division of Student Life Jackson State University JSU Box 17084 Jackson, Mississippi 39217-0125

# **Credit for Educational Experience in the Armed Services**

Jackson State University utilizes the American Council on Education's "Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services" for the evaluation of training for military occupational skills. Final acceptance of such military transfer credit is left to the discretion of the major department chair and the dean of the college in which the student is enrolled.

# SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Services for students with documented disabilities will be coordinated by the ADA Coordinator. Contact with the coordinator prior to enrollment is encouraged. The office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The telephone number is (601) 979-3704. The mailing address is:

ADA Coordinator Disability Servivce P O Box 17156 Jackson, MS 39217-0156