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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 (IHL), and by Jackson State University.

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 University 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.

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Undergraduate Admissions
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Jackson, Mississippi 39217
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601-979-6361
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FRESHMAN ADMISSIONS

How to Apply

To apply for freshman admission an applicant must submit the following to Undergraduate Admissions & Recruitment:

1. **APPLICATION** – A completed application
2. **TRANSCRIPTS** – Students who have not graduated from high school should request that their high school send an official sixth- or seventh-semester transcript to Undergraduate Admissions. High school graduates must submit an official final high school transcript.
3. **NON-REFUNDABLE \$25 APPLICATION FEE**

A. FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The following high school Carnegie units are required for regular admission and must be listed on the transcript:

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS BEGINNING WITH STUDENTS ENTERING IN SPRING 2025

(College Preparatory Curriculum) - The College Preparatory Curriculum is comprised of the core classes of English, Math, Science, Social Studies, Arts, Advanced Electives, and Computer courses. See this link for more information: Mississippi.edu/admissions/curriculum.asp

SUBJECT	CARNEGIE UNITS	CONTENTS & REMARKS
English	4	Units must require substantial communication skills (i.e. reading, writing, listening, and speaking). Compensatory Reading and compensatory writing may not be included.
Mathematics	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Algebra I or its equivalent• Math higher than Algebra I (2 units)• Additional math higher or lower than Algebra I (1 unit)
Science	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology I or its equivalent• Science higher than Biology 1 (2 units)
Social Studies	3	Units must include integrated courses of social sciences and humanities promoting civic competence
Arts	1	Includes any one Carnegie unit (or two 1/2 units) of visual and performing arts course(s) meeting the requirements for high school graduation.
Advanced Electives	2	Option 1: Foreign Language I and Foreign Language II Option 2: Foreign Language I and one unit from Option 3 Option 3: (1) Any combination of advanced electives above the required Carnegie units in: (a) as noted in the Office of Academic and Student Affairs CPC Manual and/or (b) any Advanced Placement (AP), Academic or Career and Technical Dual Credit (DC), International Baccalaureate (IB) or Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) course. (2) Completion of any two-year Career and Technical course may count as one unit. Example: completion of both Health Sciences I & II will count as an advanced elective.

Technology or Computer Science	1	<p>A technology course 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.</p> <p>A computer science course emphasizes computational thinking to solve problems.</p> <p>Courses will involve the study of computers and algorithmic processes, including their principles, their hardware and software designs, their applications, and their impact on society and should include focus on one or more of the following core concepts: computing systems, networks and the internet, data and analysis, algorithms and programming, and impacts of computing. Course equivalent or additional advanced elective may be acceptable for non-Mississippi residents.</p>
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), Academic or Career Technical, Dual Credit (DC), and Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) courses may 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	18	

Students seeking admission must earn credit for the course requirements listed above or equivalent preparation from another state.

TEST SCORES – Jackson State University is test optional, meaning students are not required to submit ACT or SAT scores for admission consideration. However, if a student would like to submit ACT and/or SAT scores, they should be sent directly to Undergraduate Admissions from the ACT or SAT headquarters (see addresses listed in this section). While ACT or SAT scores may not be required to be eligible for admission, they may still be important for scholarships, academic placement, etc.

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

250 Vesey Street
New York, NY 10281
(212) 713-8000 | www.CollegeBoard.org

When to Apply

High school students are encouraged to apply for admission by November of their senior year. The earlier applications are received, the earlier students will be notified of admission decisions.

Students are encouraged to apply on or before:

Fall semesterJuly 15th
Spring semesterNovember 15th
First summer session April 15th
Second summer session.....May 15th

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

B. FULL ADMISSION FOR FIRST-TIME UNDERGRADUATES (Mississippi Residents)

A first-time undergraduate applicant is one who is a recent high school graduate who enrolls in the first fall term after graduation regardless of their summer school academic activity between graduation and their first fall term of enrollment. A December graduate who attends any postsecondary institution before enrollment would be considered a first-time transfer. Dual enrollment courses taken while in high school are not considered previous enrollment. The following criteria are established for both traditional and non-traditional first-time undergraduates. Traditional undergraduate students are defined as those who are under 25 years of age; non-traditional students are defined as individuals 25 years of age and older.

Full admission will be granted to students who meet the following criteria:

1. Have completed high school graduation requirements and the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) or have completed equivalent requirements; have a minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.20 on a 4.0 grading scale as reported by the high school or as calculated by JSU using an IHL approved unweighted cumulative GPA calculator; and no ACT or SAT is required; or
2. Have completed high school graduation requirements and the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) or have completed equivalent requirements; have a minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of 2.50 as reported by the high school or as calculated by JSU using an IHL-approved unweighted cumulative GPA calculator or a class rank in the top 50%; and have an ACT composite score of 16 or higher; or
3. Have completed high school graduation requirements and the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) or have completed equivalent requirements; JSU; have a minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of 2.00 as reported by the high school or as calculated by JSU using an IHL-approved unweighted cumulative GPA calculator; and have an ACT Composite score of 18; or
4. Any student who does not meet the above requirements may be granted full admission by satisfying the NCAA Division I standards for student athletes who are "full qualifiers" or "academic redshirts".

In lieu of ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores.

Beginning fall 2021, JSU uses the highest ACT or SAT subject test scores from the same test type when scores from more than one test date are submitted. This process is known as superscoring. A combination of ACT and SAT subtest scores cannot be combined to calculate a superscore.

Students must submit a final, official transcript with a graduation date prior to the second term of enrollment.

C. ACADEMIC PLACEMENT RESULTING FROM VARIOUS DEFICIENCIES

Mississippi residents and graduates of any Mississippi high school who applied and failed to meet Full Admission Standards as a first-time undergraduate may, as a result of review, be admitted. The review shall involve a consideration of high school performance, ACT or SAT scores (if available), placement testing, special interests, and skills as well as other non-cognitive factors. The review shall result in full admission and placement in one of the following categories:

1. Full Admission

As a result of a review, students may be fully admitted. In addition, students may be required to enroll in selected college-level courses 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 a year-long academic support program.

2. Full Admission with Academic Deficiencies

Students who have not demonstrated adequate readiness in English, Reading or Mathematics may be granted Full Admission with Academic Deficiencies to the Summer Developmental Program, if available. The Summer Developmental Program is called The S.T.A.R.S. Program (Students Trained for Academic Readiness and Success). 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. Students who successfully complete the summer program, by passing the developmental courses in which they were determined to be deficient and the Learning Skills Laboratory courses, will receive full admission, 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.

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

D. YEAR-LONG ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM

If offered, 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.

INTERMEDIATE COURSES

- A. All students admitted under Freshman Admission Requirements with an ACT Mathematics subtest score of 16 or less may be required to take Intermediate Mathematics during their first semester of enrollment. Students whose Mathematics subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate Mathematics. Students with a minimum ACT Mathematics subtest score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education's approved mathematics transitional course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate Mathematics and should be enrolled in a college-level mathematics course during their first semester of enrollment. JSU may require ACT/SAT scores, ACCUPLACER, and/or other assessments for placement purposes prior to registration.
 - B. All entering students admitted under Freshman Admission Requirements with an ACT English subtest score of 16 or less may be required to take Intermediate English during their first semester of enrollment. Students whose English subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate English. Students with a minimum score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education approved literacy transitional course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate English and should be enrolled in a college-level English course during their first semester of enrollment. JSU may require ACT/SAT scores, ACCUPLACER, and/or other assessments for placement purposes prior to registration.
 - C. All entering students admitted under Freshman Admission with an ACT Reading subtest score of 16 or less may be required to take Intermediate Reading during their first semester of enrollment. Students whose Reading subtest score is 17, 18, or 19 may be required to take Intermediate Reading. Students taking Intermediate Reading should not be permitted to take reading intensive courses, such as History. Students with a minimum subtest score of 15 who have completed the Mississippi Department of Education approved literacy transitional course with a grade of "80" or higher will not be required to take Intermediate Reading. JSU may require ACT/SAT scores, ACCUPLACER, and/or other assessments for placement purposes prior to registration.
 - D. Students taking two or more intermediate courses may be required to enroll in the year-long Academic Support Program or some other intervention strategy to promote success in the courses in which they are not fully prepared, according to the ACT subtest scores and may not be permitted to take more than 17 semester hours.
 - E. Intermediate courses may be delivered through a corequisite model coupled with a credit bearing gateway course.
 - F. Regarding course placement using an ACT subtest score, exemptions to this policy based on prior high school course performance, postsecondary course performance, or other academic experiences must be approved by the institution's Chief Academic Officer or designee.
1. Note: Intermediate courses do not count toward degree requirements and cannot substitute for elective or major courses required for graduation.

APPLICANTS WITHOUT A DIPLOMA FROM A REGIONALLY ACCREDITED HIGH SCHOOL; HOME SCHOOL 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 and a cumulative unweighted GPA or a secondary school leaving form, and
 - b. ACT or SAT scores
2. Home-schooled applicants must submit the following:
 - a. Home-school transcripts or portfolio summarizing home school education; and
 - b. ACT or SAT scores may be required

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. JSU may establish additional admission requirements.

All applicants described in this section may be required to appear for an on-campus interview.

APPLICANTS WITH A HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY; ADMISSION OF STUDENTS FROM A NON-DOMESTIC INSTITUTION (INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTION)

1. Domestic applicants who have not completed high school must submit the following:
 - a. Passing scores on a state-approved high school equivalency examination; and
 - b. ACT or SAT scores may be required
2. Applicants who have completed a non-domestic high school (international high school) or attended a non-domestic institution of higher learning (including those not accredited by or in candidate status with an accreditation body recognized by an appropriate U.S. Federal Agency) may be admitted in another admissions category or on the basis of the following:
 - a. Transcripts reflecting academic performance or a secondary school leaving form
 - b. ACT or SAT scores may be required
 - c. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or not less than 69 (iBT) and 525 (PBT) paper-based test, or 194 (CBT) computer-based test; IELTS score of 6.5. The following are exempt from the TOEFL Requirements:
 - i. Non-citizens graduating from a high school in the United States
 - ii. Applicants transferring from a college in the United States and have the 30 required transfer hours
 - iii. English speaking countries as defined by JSU Global (i.e. United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Ireland, Nigeria, Ghana, and certain Caribbean Islands, etc.). See list of exempt countries:
<https://www.jsums.edu/global/toefl-exempt-countries/>
 - iv. Students who successfully complete JSU's English as a Second Language program.

- d. An official evaluation of international academic credentials from an accepted service agency. (e.g., World Education Services, Josef Silny & Associates, Inc., Educational Credential Evaluators, International Education Evaluations, Inc., The Evaluation Company (Formerly SpanTran) etc.

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NON-RESIDENT ADMISSIONS

Any student identified as a non-resident of Mississippi will be qualified for admission based on the same qualifications as set forth above- or equivalent preparation. 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 admission 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.

OTHER FACTORS

In determining whether to admit a student we may consider other relevant criteria, such as an applicant's criminal conviction history or student conduct history at their high school or another institution of higher learning. This would include consideration of pending matters or pending conduct cases.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

JSU also offers highly qualified high school students the opportunity to earn college credit while they are enrolled in high school. To be eligible for enrollment, a high school student must meet the following criteria:

- Have earned 14 core high school units; and
- Have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; and
- Obtain an unconditional written recommendation from his/her school counselor, principal or principal's designee

OR

- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale ;
- Earned a minimum composite ACT score of 30 or the equivalent SAT; and
- Obtain an unconditional written recommendation from his/her school counselor or principal.

ADMISSION OF TRANSFER STUDENTS

Any student entering the admitting institution for the first time who previously attended another postsecondary institution, excluding summer school academic activity between graduation and their first full fall term of enrollment, must apply for admission as a transfer student. Such students will not be considered first-time undergraduates for the purposes of

admission, even if no credits were earned at the previous institution(s), and they must meet the requirements for first-time undergraduate admissions outlined above.

All other transfer students must meet the following requirements:

1. Full admission will be granted to all transfer students who have completed 30 or more transferrable hours at their previous institutions and have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on college-level coursework.
2. Full admission will be granted to all transfer students who have completed less than 30 transferrable hours at their previous institutions and meet the following criteria:
 - a) Minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on college level coursework; and
 - b) Meet the requirements for first-time undergraduate admissions outlined above.

TRANSFER ADMISSION FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE

1. Any student who has earned an Associate of Arts degree from a regionally accredited institution and a sufficient GPA as calculated by JSU is eligible for admission.
2. Any student who has earned other Associate level degrees from a regionally accredited institution in a transferable area (as defined by JSU) and sufficient GPA as calculated by JSU 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 regionally 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 STUDENT

Students enrolled at another college or university may apply for admission as a transient student (temporary student who wishes to transfer credits to their home institution). Such admission carries no commitment for permission to register for either term of the regular academic year. Students from other colleges 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

NON-DEGREE STUDENT - APPLICANTS TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE OR OVER

An applicant who is at least twenty-one (21) years old and does not meet the regular freshman admission requirements or the transfer 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 non-degree- 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.

SECOND BACCALAUREATE DEGREE

Admission to the second baccalaureate degree program is subject to approval by the chairperson of the department and dean of the college in which the degree is being sought.

Students who wish to obtain a second baccalaureate degree from Jackson State University must meet the following criteria:

1. Gain admission to the University.
2. Declare intent to pursue second baccalaureate degree by completing the application for a second baccalaureate degree.

3. Develop a degree plan with approval of an advisor from the department in which the degree is offered.
4. complete at least 30 semester hours of approved courses beyond the first baccalaureate degree in residence at Jackson State University.
5. Maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0.

READMISSION

A former student who has been separated from the University for a fall or spring semester (one who has not earned a bachelor's degree from Jackson State University or withdrew from the University) must apply for readmission. Official transcripts from all institutions attended since the student was last enrolled at Jackson State University must be sent to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Unofficial transcripts will not be accepted from students applying for readmission.

CERTIFICATE OF ADMISSION

Each applicant must receive and have in his/her possession a letter or certificate of admission signed by the officer designated by the Institutional Executive Officer of the university before presenting him/herself for registration. No student shall be permitted to register or attend classes without such certificate. No officer shall issue a letter or certificate of admission to any student whose application has not been completed in accordance with the regulations in this policies and procedures.

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 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 review 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.

COLLEGE-LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM (CLEP)

JSU will allow credit by examination to those students who have participated in the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) and who make a scaled score of 50 or above. Unless otherwise noted, a score of 50 will earn three (3) semester hours of credit. Students scoring 63 or above are typically awarded six (6) or more semester hours of credit. Acceptance of credits to a specific degree will be determined by the major department chair and dean of the college in which the student is enrolled.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

Students entering Jackson State University for the first time are allowed credit on the advanced placement examination administered by the College Entrance Examination Board. These courses do not affect grade point averages. Unless otherwise noted, an Advanced Placement (AP) score of 3 will earn three (3) semester hours of credit. Students scoring 4 or 5 on an AP exam typically are awarded six (6) semester hours of credit. 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.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

Jackson State University recognizes the IB program. Credit will be considered for the standard and higher level subject examinations with scores of 4, 5, 6 or 7. Unless otherwise noted, an IB score of 4 will earn three (3) semester hours of credit. Students scoring 5, 6, or 7 typically are awarded six (6) or more semester hours of credit. The applicability of credit toward degree requirements is determined by the dean and/or department head concerned.

CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION

A Cambridge International Exam official score report must be sent to the college or university to evaluate, award appropriate college credit, and articulate the specific college course satisfied by the AS or A level exam. Students will receive subject area credit with an examination score of E or higher (A*, A, B, C, D, E): Advanced (A) – A level is typically comparable to completion of two semesters of an undergraduate course up to 8 credit hours; and Advanced Subsidiary (AS) – AS level is typically comparable to one semester of an undergraduate course up to 4 credit hours

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 REQUIREMENT

No student may be admitted to any institution of higher learning as a resident of Mississippi unless their bona fide residence has been in the State of Mississippi preceding their admission.

A person who has entered the State of Mississippi from another state and enters an educational institution is considered a non-resident, unless they can demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that they have become a bona fide resident of Mississippi. A student is only considered a bona fide resident of the State of Mississippi if it is the place where they (or their parent(s) or guardian for a minor) actually physically reside with the intention of remaining indefinitely or of returning permanently when temporarily absent.

Each institution shall establish a process by which admitted non-resident students can petition the institution for a change of residency and to present evidence for consideration. Each case shall be determined based on the totality of the circumstances, with no one factor

being determinative. The standard for granting residency is whether the student (or their parent(s) or guardian for a minor) has presented clear and convincing evidence that Mississippi is the place they actually physically reside with the intention of remaining indefinitely or of returning permanently when temporarily absent.

B. EVIDENCE OF RESIDENCY

Evidence that the admitted non-resident student rented or purchased property in the state, worked in the state, paid taxes in the state, registered to vote in the state, and/or obtained a driver's license in the state shall not necessarily be indicia that the student intends to remain in the state after graduation if they are of the nature that could similarly be done by students who have no intention of remaining in the state after graduation. Any initial determination denying a change of residency shall be appealable to a residency appeals panel established by the institution. The decision of the residency appeals panel shall be final.

C. Residence of a Minor

For purposes of determining residency of a minor student for attendance and tuition, the residence of a student 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 physical custody by the court and is where the student resides. 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 provided the guardianship was not established for the purpose of obtaining in state tuition. A minor student who has been emancipated, shall be considered an adult for the purpose of determining residency. A minor student who, upon registration, 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.

D. Residence of an Adult

The residence of an adult is that place where they are domiciled, that is, the place where they actually physically reside with the intention of remaining there indefinitely or of returning there permanently when temporarily absent.

E. Effects of moving out of Mississippi

If the parent(s)/guardian of a minor who is enrolled as a student, or an adult student in an institution of higher learning moves their legal residence from the State of Mississippi, the student 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.

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 as any other adult.

G. Children of Employees

Children of parents who are employees of the University may be classified as residents for the purpose of attendance at the institution where their parents are employed.

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 the 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 re-enroll 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 States.

C. Certification of Residence of Military Personnel

A military person on active duty stationed in Mississippi who wishes to avail themselves or their dependents of the provisions of (A) ACTIVE DUTY STATION IN MISSISSIPPI must submit a certificate from their 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.

CREDIT FOR EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES 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.