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1. Introduction to the University of Mississippi

a. General Information

• Established in 1848
• Mississippi’s oldest public university
• More than 200 Doctoral, Master's and Bachelor’s programs
• More than 500 funded research projects
• $163 million in external funding
• Classified as a Carnegie Research University, on account of its high research activity
• Total Student Enrollment: 22000 (2013)
• Total International Student Enrollment: 4% (2013)
• Total Graduate Student Enrollment: 13% (2013)
• Affectionately known as Ole Miss
• Located in Oxford, Mississippi - one of “America’s Coolest College Towns” *(Travel+Leisure)*
• Low cost of living, safe and scenic surroundings, temperate climate
b. Oxford, Mississippi

- **Famous natives include:**
  - Jimmy Buffett, singer
  - William Faulkner, novelist
  - Morgan Freeman, actor
  - John Grisham, novelist
  - James Earl Jones, actor
  - B.B. King, guitarist
  - Elvis Presley, singer and actor
  - Tennessee Williams, playwright
  - Oprah Winfrey, talk-show host and actress

- **Economy:**
  - Health professions and related services
  - Banking and related services
  - Tourism, Casinos and related services
  - Engineering, general, technical, management, maritime etc.
  - Telecommunications

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USA Today, chose Oxford as one of the top six college towns in America, calling it the "New South Arts Mecca".
c. **Academics and Research**

- **Academic Divisions:** 15 academic divisions, of which 9 at the University’s main Oxford campus:
  - College of Liberal Arts
  - School of Accountancy
  - School of Applied Sciences
  - School of Business Administration
  - School of Education
  - School of Engineering
  - School of Pharmacy
  - School of Law
  - Graduate School

- For a listing of (undergraduate) Academic Degree Programs at the University of Mississippi, see:
  - [http://catalog.olemiss.edu/undergraduate/programs](http://catalog.olemiss.edu/undergraduate/programs)

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• Research Centers - More than 30 with national and international recognition

- Center for Advance Infrastructure Technology
- Center for Applied Electromagnetic Systems Research
- Center for Archaeological Research
- Center for Community Earthquake Preparedness
- Center for Educational Research and Evaluation
- Center for Excellence in Literacy Instruction
- Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning
- Center for Health Behavior Research
- Center for Intelligence and Security Studies
- Center for Manufacturing Excellence
- Center for Marine Resources and Environmental Technology
- Center for Mathematics and Science Education
- Center for Pharmaceutical Marketing and Management
- Center for Population Studies
- Center for Speech and Hearing Research
- Center for the Study of Southern Culture
- Center for Water and Wetland Resources
- Indo-U.S. Joint Center for Research in Indian Systems of Medicine
- Jamie Whitten National Center for Physical Acoustics
- Magazine Innovation Center
- National Center for Computational Hydroscience and Engineering
- National Center for Justice and the Rule of Law
- National Center for Natural Products Research
- National Center for Remote Sensing, Air and Space Law
- Overby Center for Southern Journalism and Politics
- Public Policy Research Center
- Sarah Isom Center for Women’s Studies
- Sino-U.S. Traditional Chinese Medicines Research Center
- University of Mississippi Geoinformatics Center
2. Accolades and Achievements

• Great Place to Work:

   *The Chronicle of Higher Education* recently picked UM for the third consecutive year as one of the top 10 Great Colleges To Work For among colleges with more than 10,000 students.

• Safest Campus:

   A survey by *thedailybeast.com* named Ole Miss one of the 10 safest campuses in the USA and the safest in the Southern Eastern Conference (SEC).

   A survey by *StateUniversity.com* also ranked the UM campus the safest in the SEC.

• Coolest College Town:

   *Travel & Leisure* magazine named Oxford, our home, as one of the top 10 coolest college towns in the USA.

   Oxford has been named by *USA Today* as one of the top six college towns in the USA.

   Listed as one of The Best 100 Small Towns in America.
• Best Buy:  
Ole Miss was ranked one of the top 20 of Forbes’ “Best Buy Colleges.” “Fiske Guide to Colleges 2012,” which profiles the top 300 colleges and universities in the United States, Canada and Great Britain, included UM in its rankings.

• Best Tailgating:  
National Magazine (Tailgater Monthly) Ranks Ole Miss No. 1 for College Tailgating  
Sports Illustrated also rates tailgating in the Grove at UM as one of America’s premier college events, placing it #3 on a list of 100 things to do before graduating.

• Featured in the 2010 movie ‘The Blind Side’:  
With Sandra Bullock

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• **Home of the U.S. Presidential Debate:**

   *The Commission on Presidential Debates selected UM from 19 other sites for the Obama-McCain Debate on September 26, 2008. More than 3000 journalists present.*

• **Most beautiful:**

   *Newsweek determined the University of Mississippi to be “the most beautiful campus and the most attractive students”*

• UM has produced 24 Rhodes Scholars, 5 Truman Scholars, 7 Goldwater Scholars, 1 Marshall Scholar and 5 Fulbright Scholars.

• UM was named 1 of 3 Truman Foundation Honor Institutions in the nation.

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• External funding for research, service and education projects on the Oxford and Jackson campuses topped $100 million each year during the past six years.

• The National Science Foundation (NSF) ranks UM in the Top 20 in the USA for total R&D expenditures in physics.

• 1,286 students have participated in the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College since it opened in 1997. Reader's Digest ranks UM’s Honors College in the top 3 in the USA.

• The Lombardi Program on Measuring University Performance ranks UM among the Top 50 public research universities in the USA.

• The School of Business Administration is ranked "outstanding" by U.S. News and World Report. Alumni are making their mark at Fortune 500 companies. Student clubs pave the way for real-world success.
• The undergraduate, master’s and doctoral programs in Accountancy are in the Top 10 in the USA, per the Public Accountancy Report.

• The School of Business Administration's insurance risk management program is ranked among the top 5 in the USA.

• The School of Pharmacy ranks 5th among the USA’s 92 pharmacy schools for total extramural funding for research.

• The American Academy of Forensic Scientists ranks the UM degree in forensic chemistry among the top 5 in the USA.

• The National Center for Justice and the Rule of Law at UM is training attorneys general staff nationwide to investigate and prosecute cyber crime.
• The Lott Leadership Institute offers the state's only undergraduate degree program in public policy studies and strengthens UM's tradition of producing national leaders.

• UM is home to the world's largest blues archive, “Living Blues” magazine (the USA’s longest-running blues music magazine and "Highway 61“, a blues radio show produced weekly for Mississippi Public Broadcasting.

• The University’s endowment stands at $421.4 million, placing it among the nation's best endowed public institutions per capita.
3. Office of International Programs

a. Support for International Students, Scholars and Faculty

• The Office of International Programs (OIP) provides comprehensive support to UM’s community of international students, scholars, faculty and staff. OIP works closely with campus and community partners to ensure that the members of the international community adjust successfully to life on campus and in the USA.

  o Application/Admissions/Enrollment Process Assistance
  o Arrival Assistance
  o Orientation Program
  o Individual Advising
  o Programs such as Cultural Café, Cultural Connections Programs, International Education Week, Global Living/Learning Community, etc. are a few of the initiatives sponsored and supported by OIP
  o The university boasts more than 250 active student organizations, including various active international/cultural student organizations/associations.
International Student Organizations/Associations include:

- African Caribbean Association
- Cultural Connections Club
- Engineering Without Borders
- Friendship Association of Chinese Students
- Indian Students Association
- International Badminton Club
- International Ping Pong Club
- International Student Organization
- Korean Students Organization
- Latin American Student Association
- Muslim Student Association
- Pakistan Students Association
- Taiwanese Student Association
- Vietnamese Student Association

- MEGABUS: Easy connection from Oxford to Memphis, Tennessee; Jackson, Mississippi (capital), and New Orleans, Louisiana at nominal cost.
Other Departments which support international (and other) students

- Academic Department to which admitted
- Career Center
- Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning
- Counseling Center
- Dean of Students Office
- Graduate School
- Library
- Office of Campus Programming
- Oxford University Transit System
- Registrar’s Office
- Recreation and Fitness Center
- Student Health Center
- University Police Department
- Writing Center
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b. **International Facts and Figures**

- **International Student Enrollment:**
  - Approx. 4% (2014)
  - More than 850 international students
  - From more than 95 countries

- **International Scholars and Faculty**
  - Approx. 7.20% (2014)
  - More than 270 international faculty/scholars
  - From more than 40 countries
c. **Applying for Admission to an Undergraduate Degree Program**

To be considered for admission, please submit the following:

**Online:**
- On Line Application for Admissions
- Application Fee

**By Mail:**
- Cover letter indicating Application Number (and AGENT PARTNER, if any)
- Official/Certified Academic Transcripts and Degree Certificates
- Copy of English Language Proficiency Test score results
- Copy of passport identification pages, if available
- Affidavit of Financial Support Form (may be submitted after decision on admission is made)
- Note: SAT/ACT is NOT required of international applicants who graduated from high school outside of the USA.

**By Testing Center:**
- Evidence of English Language Proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS, PTE-A)

Upon admission to the academic program (or the Intensive English Program), UM will issue appropriate legal forms in support of F-1 visa-application.

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d. Anticipated, Average Costs of Study*:

*per academic year*

- Tuition/Fees: $19,429
- Accommodation: $10,250
- Meals: $5,400
- Books: $1,200
- Health Insurance: $1,650

**TOTAL ANTICIPATED COST:** $37,929

- Anticipated cost for MBA and LAW programs are higher!
- Cost for Intensive English Program: see: [http://iep.olemiss.edu/cost-dates/](http://iep.olemiss.edu/cost-dates/)
- Subject to change.

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e. Financial Support for Undergraduate Students

- Individual or Family Savings
- Governmental Support
- Corporate Support

- University Scholarships
  - **Academic Excellence Scholarship**
    - For Freshmen Only
    - Based on grades, English proficiency
    - Range from $3250 to $17,000 per academic year
  - **International Undergraduate Student Scholarships**
    - For Transfers
    - Based on grades, English proficiency and strategic interests
    - Competitive; by selection
    - Range from $3,000 to $10,000 per academic year

- Students who are externally sponsored (e.g. by government or non-government agencies, etc.) may not qualify for institutional scholarships.
- Financial solvency and support will be verified after a student is admitted and prior to the issuance of Form I-20 (for F-1 visa) or DS-2019 (for J-1 visa).

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4. Contact us:

Office of International Programs
Prospective Applicants/Students

www.international.olemiss.edu/apply

intladm@olemiss.edu
for prospective undergraduate (bachelor’s program) students

intladm@olemiss.edu
for prospective graduate (master’s and doctoral program) students
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Office of International Programs
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- The mission of the Office of International Programs (OIP) is to delineate and advance the internationalization strategy of the University of Mississippi, with a primary and central focus on the University's international community for which OIP serves as its main advocate.
- To achieve its mission, OIP serves the following functional areas:
  - The provision of international student recruitment, admissions and enrollment services, including the development and facilitation of institutional, research or program-specific collaborations;
  - The provision of international student services, including individual and group advising, orientations and workshops, immigration advising etc.
  - The facilitation of relevant, substantive and socially interactive international student programs which support the members of the international community in their processes of adjustment, acculturation and integration;
  - The provision of international scholar and faculty services esp. related to employment in and relocation to the USA;
  - Institutional compliance with federal and state regulations as regards the recruitment, enrollment and employment of international students, scholars and faculty.
- Furthermore, OIP works with all units on campus to help ensure campus services, including academic and student services, meet the need of a growing and culturally/internationally diverse student body.
- To remain relevant in its achievements, OIP is intensely engaged in the broad professional field of International Education to ensure it remains current with practices and research related to matters of institutional internationalization, international student mobility, academic trends abroad, federal regulations governing the status of foreign students and scholars in the USA, international student programs and services, global and international marketing etc.