Public education, as established in Article 8 of the Mississippi Constitution of 1890 and as outlined in Miss. Code Ann. Title 37, is authorized, maintained and supported by tax revenue appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature.

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Mississippi has 151 public school districts serving almost 500,000 students and employing more than 32,000 teachers.

The Mississippi Department of Education, which operates under the direction and supervision of the State Superintendent of Education, implements a systemwide plan of performance, policy and direction for public education in Mississippi. The Mississippi Board of Education, in conjunction with the State Superintendent of Education, adopts and maintains a curriculum and a course of study to be used in public schools that is designed to prepare Mississippi’s students to become productive citizens, parents, employees and leaders. The Board also regulates all matters arising in the practical administration of the school system not otherwise provided for and regulates issues such as curriculum, teacher standards and certification, student testing, accountability and school accreditation.

The Board’s vision is to create a world-class education system to give students the knowledge and skills to allow them to be successful in college and the workforce and flourish as parents and citizens. To that end, the Board has set three goals: to mobilize resources and supports to help ensure that all students exit the 3rd grade reading on grade level by 2020; to reduce the dropout rate to 13% by 2013; and to reach the national average on national assessments by 2013.

There are five basic strategies for accomplishing these goals: 1) implement ongoing, comprehensive reform in the areas of instruction, curriculum, assessment design and accountability systems for all grade levels from early education through graduation; 2) increase the quantity and quality of teachers; 3) increase the quantity and quality of administrators; 4) create a culture in Mississippi that understands the value of education; and 5) redesign education for the 21st century workforce in Mississippi.

In addition to traditional classroom instruction, Mississippi also offers the Mississippi Virtual Public School Program, a free web-based educational program providing Mississippi students with access to a wider range of course work. Technology is used to deliver instruction to students via the Internet in a virtual or remote setting.

Mississippi also operates four programs open to students statewide: the Mississippi School for the Deaf, the Mississippi School for the Blind, the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science, and the Mississippi Schools of the Arts.

The Department has undertaken a systematic process in the work of dropout prevention and in the development of a strategic dropout prevention plan. The State Dropout Prevention Plan seeks to accomplish three overarching goals: 1) to increase the graduation rate to 85% by 2018-2019; 2) to reduce the state dropout rate by 50% by 2012-2013; and 3) to reduce the statewide truancy rate by 50% by 2012-2013.
Dr. Carey Wright, founder and CEO of Wright Approach Consulting in Maryland and a 36-year veteran administrator and teacher, was named in September as Mississippi’s first permanent female State Superintendent of Education. Her appointment is effective Nov. 1, 2013.

Wright was previously chief academic officer for the District of Columbia public school district. There, she supervised a $48 million budget and chaired the Secondary School Transformation Steering Committee, Academic Plan Development and Implementation Committee and the Principals’ Professional Development Team. She also served as deputy chief of the Office of Teaching and Learning for the pre-kindergarten through Grade 12 program, including management of the offices of Curriculum and Instruction, Head Start/Early Childhood Education, Secondary School Transformation, Inclusive Academic Programs, Athletics, Bilingual Education and Instructional Technology.

Wright has spent the majority of her professional career in Maryland, which ranked first in the nation for five consecutive years by the 2013 Quality Counts report on educational quality. She served as the associate superintendent for special education and student services in Montgomery County Public Schools before going to the District of Columbia in 2009.

She also served as adjunct professor at Johns Hopkins University and Towson State University. Wright earned her bachelor’s, master of education and doctor of education degrees from the University of Maryland in College Park.
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MSMS is a public, residential, co-educational high school for academically talented juniors and seniors. Created by the Mississippi Legislature on July 1, 1987, MSMS is located on the campus of the Mississippi University for Women in Columbus and is governed by the State Board of Education. The academic program is designed to challenge each student based upon their individual capabilities, backgrounds and interests. Emphasis is placed on mathematics, science and technology instruction. The mission of the school is to “enhance the future of Mississippi by providing innovative learning experiences in a residential environment to meet individual needs of gifted and talented students and by providing quality educational leadership and aggressive
outreach programs."

Admission is open to all Mississippi 10th-grade academically talented students. Applications should have a record of school performance that is above average in most subjects and must demonstrate clear evidence of interest in mathematics and/or science and be noted for intellectual curiosity.

MSMS is a state-supported school and charges no tuition. A $500-per-semester room and board fee was imposed in 2008.

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Established in 1854, the Mississippi School for the Deaf is the state’s official school for all children in Mississippi who are deaf or hard of hearing. From the earliest detection of a hearing problem, the schools is prepared to provide children with the communication skills and confidence they need to succeed.

Located in Jackson, the school is a comprehensive center providing education, resources and services for deaf and hard-of-hearing children, their families and educational partners. Empowered with a positive deaf identity, students will possess the confidence, discipline, leadership and productivity to become contributing citizens in their communities.

The Residence Education Program at the Mississippi School for the deaf provides age-appropriate recreational and educational activities for students to help improve their independent living skills.

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The mission of Mississippi School for the Blind (MSB) is to promote the development of each visually impaired child’s or youth’s maximum potential by providing specialized services, materials, and technology. This mission has remained constant since MSB was founded in 1848 by an act of the Mississippi Legislature. It is accomplished through the collaborative efforts of the Mississippi Department of Education, MSB’s staff, students, parents, alumni, and supporters throughout the state. MSB serves any eligible student without regard to the child’s economic status, religious affiliation, ethnic background, or sex.
Mississippi’s 15 community and junior colleges provide the opportunity for an excellent education at a low cost for hundreds of thousands of state residents. The colleges offer a wide spectrum of subject areas including university-track academic classes, career and technical skills, workforce education directed toward specific jobs as well as adult basic education and GED preparation. Much of the instructional program is also available via the Mississippi Virtual Community College, which offers more than 2500 courses taught by approximately 1,330 instructors from the colleges.

Mississippi’s public community and junior college system began in 1924 when the Legislature authorized agricultural high schools and certain municipal school districts to include the freshman and/or sophomore years of college work. Four years later, these schools were directed to establish junior colleges and other school districts; counties were also allowed to unite to establish junior colleges of their own.

By 1931, 11 such institutions had been formed in connection with agricultural high schools. The combined enrollment was 1,619 students. By 1950, four additional junior colleges were established, and the 15 districts boasted a combined enrollment of 7,984. In 1987, the colleges were allowed to change their names to community college as a more appropriate description of their relationships with their districts.

During the 1940s, vocational and trade programs were upgraded and expanded to accommodate World War II efforts and the re-training of veterans. Nursing education, vocational, and technical education were added as missions during the 1950s and 1960s. Public community colleges are the delivery systems for postsecondary vocational-technical education in Mississippi. Approximately 550 approved courses afford a choice of more than 110 unduplicated programs. Miss. Code Ann. § 37-4-1 (1972) sets the mission of community and junior colleges to provide educational services for the people of the state through:

- Academic courses and degrees for transfer to universities and senior colleges
- Academic, technical, and vocational programs for career goals
- Continuing education opportunities
- Civic, economic, and cultural growth leadership
- Organization and Governance

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges is given the responsibility of administering state-funded industrial training, adult post secondary short-term training, and state workforce education programs. The Board is designated to be the primary support agency to the workforce development centers across the state.

The public community/junior college districts are political subdivisions of local rather than state government. Each district is governed by local boards of trustees which are comprised of from two to six members from each county in the district. The county superintendent of education may serve as one member with other members appointed by the boards of supervisors of the counties. Trustees serve five-year terms. The State Board of Community and Junior Colleges was established as an independent state-level coordinating agency for the system, replacing the Junior College Commission. The State board is comprised of ten members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Members serve six-year staggered terms. The Board administers state laws and appropriations for the system, sets standards for operation, and approves new programs and attendance centers for the colleges.
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Dr. Eric Clark began serving as Executive Director of the Mississippi Community College Board in January 2008. He previously served for 12 years as the Mississippi Secretary of State and 16 years as a member of the Mississippi Legislature.

He attended Jones county Junior College and received a bachelor’s degree from Millsaps College, a master’s degree from the University of Mississippi and a doctorate in history from Mississippi State University. Dr. Clark taught history and government at Jones County Junior College, Mississippi College and Belhaven University.

Clark has been recognized with the American Family Association’s “God and Country” Award for authoring the law that outlawed possession of child pornography in Mississippi. He was also given the Mississippi Wildlife Federation’s conservation Legislator of the Year and twice awarded the Mississippi Nature Conservancy’s Public Service Award for his efforts to preserve natural lands on the Gulf Coast. He is a Certified Public Manager.

He currently serves on the boards of Jobs for Mississippi Graduates, the State Workforce Investment Board, the Mississippi Technology Alliance, the Mississippi Chapter of the Nature Conservancy and Mississippi Public Broadcasting.

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The Board of Trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning provides management and control of Mississippi’s system of eight universities.

Created in 1943 by a Constitutional amendment (Mississippi Constitution of 1890, Article 9, § 213-A), the Board consists of 12 members. An amendment to this section of the Constitution was passed in 2003. It requires, effective after January 1, 2004, that board members be appointed from each of the three Mississippi Supreme Court Districts until there are four members from each district on the board. The terms of office for the board members are then reduced from 12 years to nine years. The terms are staggered so that all members appointed after 2012 will have terms of nine years.

The position of Commissioner of Higher Education was created by the Legislature in 1988 to replace the former Executive Secretary and Director of the Board position. The Commissioner is responsible for the day-to-day functions of the Board. The Commissioner serves as the Board’s chief executive and administers its policies and decisions. In addition, the Commissioner directs a professional staff with expertise in academic programs fiscal matters, communications, technology, research and planning, student financial aid, and physical facilities.

By statute, the IHL Board of Trustees holds two regular slated meetings annually, one in June and the other in January, and as many special meetings as may be necessary on call of the president or on call of five members. The Board distributes a calendar of Board meetings, which has a meeting scheduled each month except December, when the Board is subject to call.

The IHL Board oversees degree-credit courses, research and public service activities and programs at the eight public universities, the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Center, Mississippi Agricultural, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine, 10 degree granting off-campus instructional programs and various other locations throughout the state. Available programs range from a variety of undergraduate disciplines to most professional fields. All eight universities offer master’s level programs; six have programs at the education specialist level and five offer doctoral-level programs.

In the fall term of 2011-2012, Mississippi’s eight universities showed 80,516 students pursuing academic degree credit in the system. Of these 57,351 were full-time undergraduate students and 12,560 were full-time graduate students. State residents dominate enrollment with 61,917 students originating from Mississippi and 18,599 students from out-of-state.

Approximately 80 percent of all Mississippi college students receive some form of financial aid for a total of $898 million in aid. The Board oversees an annual budget of more than $2.4 billion.

There are 1,615 buildings on Mississippi’s public university campuses including almost 31.3 million square feet.
Dr. Hank M. Bounds was appointed by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning as Mississippi’s sixth Commissioner of Higher Education on July 27, 2009.

As Commissioner, Dr. Bounds oversees the state’s public four-year university system, which includes the State Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL), four research institutions and four regional institutions. Mississippi’s public universities enroll more than 80,000 students and award more than 15,000 degrees each year.

Bounds has worked hard to ensure that more students are able to reach the finish line of obtaining their degrees. He served on the Graduation Rate Task Force, which was comprised of 19 business, education and state leaders, and continues to serve on the Education Achievement Council, the permanent organization that grew out of the Task Force. The Council works to establish education achievement goals for the state and monitor on the state’s progress toward these goals.

These goals are in sync with the recommendations of Blueprint 2011, which Dr. Bounds chairs. Blueprint 2011, a project to update the existing Blueprint plan and explore new areas of opportunity, includes among its recommendations to increase the educational achievement level of Mississipians and to support the Education Achievement Council in its efforts to increase the number of associates and bachelor’s degree holders.

Toward these goals, Bounds has also provided leadership in the development and implementation of major-specific articulation agreements between all eight public universities and 15 public community colleges for students majoring in elementary education, business and physical education. Other majors will follow and will help thousands of community college students enjoy a seamless transition to the university of their choice and reduce the time necessary to obtain a bachelor’s degree.

Dr. Bounds served as chair of the Center for Education Innovation, which is funded by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and focuses on the improving learning opportunities for Mississippi’s children. The Center works as an agent for sustainable change in communities where poverty, low educational attainment and a lack of infrastructure intersect.

Dr. Bounds, a lifelong educator, previously served four years as State Superintendent of Education. As the chief executive officer of Mississippi’s public K-12 school system, Dr. Bounds launched several groundbreaking initiatives including On the Bus, a statewide dropout prevention campaign that garnered national attention.

Dr. Bounds also spearheaded an effort to design a more rigorous state curriculum and assessment system to meet national standards, and implemented High School Redesign, a plan to rework Mississippi high schools to effectively prepare students to compete in the 21st Century world.

In 2009, Dr. Bounds worked with state leaders in both legislative chambers to pass the Children First Act, legislation crucial to the turnaround of Mississippi’s underperforming schools.

Before becoming the State Superintendent in August 2005, Dr. Bounds served as superintendent of the Pascagoula School District. He was principal of two high schools and one K-12 school. He holds both a Bachelor of Science in Sports Administration and Secondary Education and a Master of Education in Educational Administration from the University of Southern Mississippi, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Leadership from the University of Mississippi.
The Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning is responsible for the management and control of the universities and units comprising the IHL system. The Board also is responsible for demonstrating accountability to the people of Mississippi and effectively communicating the accomplishments, need and value of the system of universities to the public. By strengthening and maintaining a viable comprehensive planning, management and evaluation process, the Board and the IHL system facilitate effective decision making, resource allocation and utilization, fiscal accountability and program review and evaluation.

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**2012 Enrollment:** 3,950  
**# of Faculty:** 227  
**Total 2013 Budget:** $102.6 million

Alcorn State University, the oldest predominantly black Land-Grant university in the United States, had its beginning in 1830 as Oakland College for the education of white male students. The Presbyterian school closed at the beginning of the Civil War. Upon failing to reopen after the war, the college was sold to the State for the education of her African-American citizens. After Congress passed the Morrill Land-Grant Act in 1862, the Mississippi Legislature in 1871 used funds generated through the Morrill Land-Grant Act to establish Alcorn University for the education of African-American youth, and it became known as Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College in 1878.

In 1974, it was renamed Alcorn State University by the Legislature. Alcorn State University is a co-educational, land-grant, liberal arts, science and teacher education public institution offering programs leading to associate, baccalaureate, master’s, and educational specialist’s degrees.

**Dr. Alfred Rankins, Jr.**  
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Dr. Alfred Rankins, Jr. is the former acting president of Mississippi Valley State University and associate commissioner for academic and student affairs for the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. As the IHL system’s chief academic officer, Dr. Rankins had administrative oversight for the Academic Affairs, America Reads Mississippi, College Knowledge, Gear Up Mississippi, Nursing Education, P-20 Initiatives, Strategic Data Management and Student Affairs units.

As head of IHL’s Division of Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Rankins advises the IHL Board of Trustees and Commissioner of Higher Education on all matters pertaining to academic programs, policy and planning; student access, readiness and success; and faculty affairs.

Prior to his appointment at IHL, Dr. Rankins served on the faculty at Mississippi State University where he was chair of the President’s Commission on the Status of Minorities, vice-chair of the Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine Faculty Senate, and president of the Council on Minority Affairs. Additionally, Dr. Rankins served on the Athletic Council, Title IX Gender Oversight Committee, Associate Dean’s Council and the Center for Teaching and Learning Faculty Advisory Committee.

A native of Greenville, Dr. Rankins received a bachelor of science from Alcorn State University and both master of science and doctor of philosophy degrees from Mississippi State University. Dr. Rankins also currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Authority for Educational Television and the University Press of Mississippi. He also serves on the Mississippi Commission for College Accreditation and as Secretary-Treasurer for the Mississippi Association of Colleges.

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Delta State University was created as Delta State Teachers College by an act of the Mississippi Legislature in 1924. The institution opened for its first regular session on September 15, 1925, with a faculty and staff of 11 members and an enrollment of 97 students. To match the institution's growth in enrollment and academic offerings, the name was changed to Delta State College in 1955 and to Delta State University in 1974. Graduate work was first offered in 1965 when the Master of Education degree was approved. The University began offering the Educational Specialist degree in 1972 and the Doctor of Education degree in 1981.

The University provides a comprehensive undergraduate curriculum, offering 13 baccalaureate degrees in 38 majors. It also provides programs of study for nine master’s degrees, the Educational Specialist degree, and the Doctor of Education degree. The Mississippi Delta, a 20-county, northwestern region which is rich in various ethnic and cultural groups, provides approximately 80% of the University’s enrollment.

Bill LaForge was named president of Delta State in 2013. As a DSU alumnus, he served as national president of the Alumni Association and a trustee of the Delta State University Foundation. He was selected DSU’s Alumnus of the Year in 1992 and was a charter member of the DSU Alumni Hall of Fame in 2007.

LaForge’s professional career in both the public and private sectors has spanned the fields of law, government, higher education and public policy. He is an attorney and registered lobbyist in Washington, D.C. and principal of LaForge Government Relations. He has specialized in federal government relations and represented businesses and other organizations with public policy interests before the U.S. Congress and federal executive branch agencies. He previously served as prosecutor and a deputy chancery court clerk in the Mississippi Delta, a senior congressional policy advisor in Washington, practitioner since 1990.

A native of Cleveland, he graduated with honors from Delta State and earned his law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law and an LL.M. in international law from Georgetown University. He also studied international law at Cambridge University and received fellowships to study government and public policy in the European Union and at Harvard.

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Dr. Meyers is a native of Newport News, Virginia. She has three adult children and four grandchildren.

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**Fall 2012 Enrollment:** 20,365  
**# of Faculty:** 1,298  
**Total 2013 Budget:** $746.5 million

Mississippi State University began as the Agricultural and Mechanical College of the State of Mississippi, one of the national Land-Grant Colleges established after Congress had passed the Morrill Act in 1862. It was created by the Mississippi Legislature on February 28, 1878, to fulfill the mission of offering training in “agriculture, horticulture and the mechanical arts without excluding other scientific and classical studies, including military tactics.” The college received its first students in the fall of 1880. In 1887, Congress passed the Hatch Act, which provided for the establishment of the Agricultural Experiment Station. Two other pieces of federal legislation provided funds for extending the mission of the College. In 1914, the Smith-Lever Act called for “instruction in practical agriculture and home economics to persons not attendant or resident,” thus creating the state-wide effort which led to Extension offices in every county in the State; and, in 1917, the Smith-Hughes Act provided for the training of teachers in vocational education. In 1926 the College received its first accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. In 1932 it was renamed Mississippi State College. In 1958 the Legislature renamed it Mississippi State University.

**Dr. Mark E. Keenum**  
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Dr. Mark Everett Keenum became Mississippi State’s 19th president Jan. 5, 2009, following a distinguished public service career. After completing
his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in agricultural economics at Mississippi State, Dr. Keenum joined the university faculty in 1984 as a marketing specialist with the Mississippi Cooperative Extension Service. Two years later, he accepted a position as a research associate with the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station at MSU. He continued his education at the university, in 1988 receiving a doctorate in agricultural economics, and he joined the faculty of that department as assistant professor/economist.

In 1989, Dr. Keenum joined the Washington, D.C., staff of U.S. Senator Thad Cochran as Legislative Assistant for Agriculture and Natural Resources. As Sen. Cochran’s adviser on agricultural affairs, he worked on numerous issues important to U.S. agriculture, including the 1990, 1996, and 2002 Farm Bills. From 1996-2006, he served as Chief of Staff for Sen. Cochran. In this role, Dr. Keenum was the chief adviser to the senator on political, legislative and appropriations issues. He also was responsible for managing all administrative and legislative functions of Sen. Cochran’s Washington, D.C., office and three Mississippi offices, including direct oversight of the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations.

Prior to being named president of Mississippi State in November 2008, Dr. Keenum served as Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for two years, where he provided leadership and oversight for the Farm Service Agency, the Risk Management Agency and the Foreign Agricultural Service.

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Founded: 1884  
Fall 2012 Enrollment: 2,650  
# of Faculty: 205  
Operating Budget: $52.1 million

Established in 1884, Mississippi University for Women became the first public college for women in America. Originally known as the Industrial Institute and College, the institution was created by an act of the Mississippi Legislature on March 12, 1884,
for the dual purposes of providing a liberal arts education and preparing women for employment. The first session began October 22, 1885, with an enrollment of approximately 250 students on a campus formerly occupied by the Columbus Female Institute, a private college founded in 1847.

The name of the institution changed to Mississippi State College for Women in 1920 to reflect an emphasis on collegiate rather than vocational education. The name changed again in 1974 to Mississippi University for Women to reflect better the nature of the academic programs, including graduate studies.

In 1982 the United States Supreme Court ordered the university to admit a male student to the nursing program. Following this historic decision, the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning ordered the university to change its policies to allow the admission of qualified males into all university programs. In 1988 the Board of Trustees reaffirmed the mission of MUW as an institution of quality academic programs for all qualified students with emphasis on distinctive opportunities for women.

Dr. Jim Borsig
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James B. Borsig, Ph.D. previously served as Associate Commissioner for External Relations and Public Policy for the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning. In this role, he was responsible for external and government relations, communications and staff support for the university system’s research enterprise, public policy and economic research.

Other higher education experience includes serving as Assistant Commissioner or Government Relations for the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, as Executive Assistant to the President of the University of Southern Mississippi, and as Research and Development Coordinator for the John C. Stennis Institute of Government. Since 2007 he has been a visiting professor in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at Jackson State University.

A native of Jackson, Dr. Borsig has held senior leadership positions in municipal government, not-for-profits and higher education. He has served as Executive Director of the Mississippi Municipal League and as Director of the Center for Member Programs at the National League of Cities.

Dr. Borsig holds a bachelor’s degree in political science and American Studies and a master’s degree in political science with a concentration in public administration, both from the University of Southern Mississippi. He earned his doctorate in public policy and administration from Mississippi State University.

He has conducted research and authored or co-authored papers on a wide variety of topics involving local government and higher education. Some of these include Strategic Initiative on Increasing Baccalaureate Degree Completion in Mississippi, Making Opportunity Affordable and the Graduation Rate Task Force Report.

Throughout his career, Dr. Borsig has been involved in numerous public and community service activities. Some of these include serving on the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Main Street Association and the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame, the John C. Stennis Institute of Government Advisory Council and the Advisory Board for the Roger Wicker Center at Mississippi University for Women. He served on the Economic Competitiveness Committee and the Advisory Council for the Blueprint 2011 initiative.

Dr. Borsig holds memberships in a number of academic and professional memberships, including the American Planning Association, the American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), the Mississippi Economic Development Council, the University of Southern Mississippi chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa and the Mississippi State University chapter of Pi Alpha Alpha.

An Eagle Scout, Dr. Borsig received the
National Distinguished Service Award, Order of the Arrow, from Boy Scouts of America and was named the Alpha Tau Omega Alumni of the Year by the University of Southern Mississippi chapter. He received the Presidential Citation from the Mississippi ASPA Chapter and was also named the Local Public Administrator of the Year by the same organization.

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Founded: 1950  
2012 Enrollment: 2,479  
# of Faculty: 154  
Operating Budget: $65.5 million

Mississippi Valley State University was created by the Mississippi Legislature as Mississippi Vocational College in 1946. The expressed purpose of the institution was to train teachers for rural and elementary schools and to provide vocational training. The first academic session started in the summer of 1950 with an enrollment of 305 in-service teachers. The first full academic year, 1950-51, began with 14 regular students and seven faculty members.

Under its original name and purpose, the institution provided a higher education opportunity for many first-generation college students. In order to reflect the broadening scope and offerings of the institution, its name was changed to Mississippi Valley State College in 1964. Under this transition, the institution became more general purpose in nature while retaining its commitment to provide special higher education opportunities.

The name of the institution was changed to Mississippi Valley State University in 1974. Graduate programs were begun in 1976.

Dr. William Bynum  
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Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr., a 25-year higher education professional began his presidency at “The Valley” in November 2013. A native of Rocky Mount, N.C., Dr. Bynum earned his bachelor of arts degree in Sociology from Davidson College while on a student-athlete scholarship. While at Davidson, he also minored in Education and passed the National Teachers Exam. He was subsequently licensed and certified to teach Social Studies and Math in N.C. and Georgia. Dr. Bynum went on to earn his masters and Ph.D. in Sociology from Duke University while serving as a Duke Endowment Fellow. Dr. Bynum was also a member of the inaugural class of the NAFEO-Kellogg Leadership Fellows Program, a year-long program specifically designed to train the next generation of presidents/chancellors for minority serving institutions.

Prior to Morehouse, Dr. Bynum served...
as the Vice President for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management (2000-2009) at The Lincoln University. He was also Associate Vice President and Dean of Students at Clark Atlanta University. He served as the Covington Distinguished Professor of Sociology at Davidson and at Morehouse he was an adjunct professor in the Leadership Studies program and Sociology department.

Dr. Bynum’s other professional experience includes research and teaching positions at the Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech), Duke University and Durham and Edgecombe Community Colleges. He started his educational career as a teacher, football and wrestling coach in the Rocky Mount (N.C.) City School System (1984-87) and the Dekalb County (GA) School System (1987-88)

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*Founded:* 1848  
*2012 Enrollment:* 21,528  
*Total 2013 Budget:* $1.94 billion

The University of Mississippi, one of the oldest public institutions of higher education in the South, opened its doors to 80 students in 1848 and now enrolls more than 17,300 students on four campuses, including the Medical Center in Jackson. Ole Miss is a classical liberal arts institution that also offers a selection of quality professional programs.

The main campus in Oxford, home of the late Nobel Prize-winning author William Faulkner, continues to be an incubator for writers and literary scholars. The Center for the Study of Southern Culture and the William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation are located on the Oxford campus, as are 30 other institutes and research centers. More than $100 million in research is conducted annually on the Oxford and Jackson campuses, where world-class studies in pharmacy, physical acoustics and cardiovascular disease take place. The 1.2 million-volume library on the main campus houses the most extensive blues archive in the nation, Faulkner’s papers and the national library of the accountancy profession. Ranked among the nation’s top 50 public research universities by the Lombardi Program on Measuring University Performance, the university emphasizes strong classroom teaching supported by excellent library, laboratory and technical facilities. UM’s Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College has been ranked among the top three such programs in the nation.
Dr. Daniel W. Jones
President
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Daniel W. Jones, M.D. is the 16th Chancellor of the University of Mississippi. Prior to his appointment on July 1, 2009, Dr. Jones was Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, Dean of the School of Medicine and Herbert G. Langford Professor of Medicine at the University of Mississippi’s Medical Center in Jackson. He served as the institution’s chief executive officer for six years overseeing the five schools and the health system.

Dr. Jones was the 2007-2008 national president of the American Heart Association and served on the National Board of Directors for several years.

A native Mississippian, he graduated from Mississippi College in 1971, earned his M.D. in 1975 at the University of Mississippi Medical Center and completed his residency in internal medicine there in 1978. He had a private practice in Laurel. In 1985, he went to Korea as a medical missionary.

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2012 Enrollment: 16,468
# of Faculty: 927
Total 2013 Budget: $370.8 million

The University of Southern Mississippi is a national public university that is engaging and empowering individuals to transform lives and communities. Our values are to lead with academic excellence, conduct innovative research, provide cultural enrichment, conduct economic development, create healthier communities, contribute to global communities and educate the whole student.

Founded in 1910, Southern Miss is the only SREB-Level 1 designated university in the state graduating the most PhDs in-state. A dual-campus, Southern Miss boasts world-class research and teaching sites along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. It receives more than $102 million in research dollars; has signature academic programs including polymer science and engineering, the Center for Writers, the four art disciplines, nursing and education; and has the sixth oldest Honors College in the nation. With academic excellence and, in a tradition of leadership for student development, Southern Miss is educating a 21st century work force providing intellectual capital, cultural enrichment and innovation to Mississippi and the world.

Dr. Rodney D. Bennett
President
president@usm.edu

Dr. Rodney D. Bennett took office as the 10th President of The University of Southern Mississippi on April 1, 2013. Dr. Bennett came to Southern Miss from the University of Georgia, where he served as Vice President for Student Affairs.
Dr. Bennett’s selection as President made history, as he became the first African-American president of a predominantly white higher education institution in the state of Mississippi.

Bennett, 46, previously served as Vice President for Student Affairs at the University of Georgia. In that position, Dr. Bennett was actively involved in all facets of student life, from improving facilities to creating service learning opportunities and celebrating the spirit of diversity on campus. He helped raise funds to enhance student life on campus and improved communications with faculty, staff, students and parents on the Athens campus and three UGA extended campuses.

Dr. Bennett served as Chair of the UGA Athletic Association NCAA Recertification process, including the institutional self-study. In addition, he was a member of the on-site committee for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, reviewing compliance areas related to student life and student affairs.

Dr. Bennett holds a Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Administration from Tennessee State University in Nashville, a Specialist in Education Degree and a Master of Education Degree in Educational Administration from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mass Communication from Middle Tennessee State.

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# FALL 2012 HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT

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*Duplicate Enrollment figures include duplicated counts of students who are concurrently enrolled at more than one campus

**Unduplicated Enrollment figures count students only once for each institution, even if the student is enrolled at more than one campus
**FALL 2012 MEAN ACT SCORE OF ENTERING FRESHMEN**

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*Excludes the Medical Center.

**FALL 2012 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT**

These figures are calculated by finding the sum of the total number of undergraduate hours attempted divided by 15 and the total number of graduate hours divided by 12.

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**FALL 2012 ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY AND GENDER**

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FALL 2012 ENROLLMENT – TOP 5 BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS
1. Biology/Biological Sciences, General ............................................. 4,574
2. Elementary Education and Teaching ........................................... 3,592
3. Business Administration and Management, General .................. 3,044
4. Physical Education Teaching and Coaching ............................... 2,697
5. Psychology, General ............................................................... 2,267

FALL 2012 ENROLLMENT – TOP 5 MASTER’S PROGRAMS
1. Business Administration and Management, General ............... 795
2. Counselor Education/School Couns. and Guid. Serv. ................. 410
3. Social Work ............................................................................. 365
4. Geology/Earth Science, General ................................................. 317
5. Secondary Education and Teaching ............................................ 306

RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROJECTS
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*MUW figures include MS School of Math & Science
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FACULTY/STAFF INFORMATION
IHL System Total by Gender, Fall 2012

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*Includes the Medical Center
### RETENTION AND GRADUATION

**IPEDS Fall to Fall Retention Rates, Fall 2009 Freshman Cohort**

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### IHL SYSTEM TOTAL BY ETHNICITY, FALL 2012

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### 2012-13 IHL SYSTEM AVERAGE FULL-TIME FACULTY SALARY BY RANK

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### 2012-13 ANNUAL COST OF EDUCATION

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### 2012-2013 BUILDINGS/FACILITIES

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*Education & Research Center (Excludes ETV)*

### 2012 DEGREES AWARDED BY DEGREE

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### 2012 DEGREES AWARDED BY ETHNICITY AND GENDER

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### 2012 TOP FIVE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AWARDED

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UNITED STATES BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS 2012

West Lincoln School
Lincoln County School District

Pass Christian Middle School
Pass Christian Public School District

Saucier Elementary School
Harrison County School District

A-RATED (STAR) DISTRICTS 2012

Clinton School District
Dr. Phillip Burchfield – Superintendent

Enterprise School District
Ms. Rita Windham – Superintendent

Pass Christian School District
Dr. Sue Matheson – Superintendent

STAR SCHOOLS 2011-12

Biloxi – North Bay Elementary
Booneville – Booneville High/Middle School
Clinton – Clinton High School
Clinton – Clinton Jr. High
Clinton – Sumner Hill Jr. High
Columbia – Columbia High
DeSoto County – Center Hill Elementary
DeSoto County - Center Hill High
DeSoto County – Center Hill Middle
DeSoto County – Desoto Central Elementary
DeSoto County – Desoto Central High
DeSoto County – Hernando High
DeSoto County – Lewisburg Elementary
DeSoto County – Lewisburg High School
DeSoto County – Lewisburg Middle School
DeSoto County – Oak Grove Central Elementary
Enterprise – Enterprise High
Enterprise – Enterprise Middle School
Gulfport – Anniston Avenue Elementary
Gulfport – Bayou View Elementary
Gulfport – Bayou View Middle School
Hancock County – East Hancock Elementary
Harrison County – D’Iberville Elementary
Harrison County – North Woolmarket

Elementary/Middle School
Hattiesburg – 9th Grade Academy-HHS
Jackson – Davis Magnet
Jackson – George Elementary
Jackson – McWillie Elementary
Jackson – Power APAC School
Jackson – Watkins Elementary
Kosciusko – Kosciusko Upper Elementary
Lamar County – Oak Grove High School
Lamar County – Oak Grove Middle School
Lamar County – Sumrall High School
Lauderdale Co. – Clarkdale High School
Lauderdale Co. – West Lauderdale High
Long Beach – Long Beach Middle
Lowndes County – Caledonia Elementary
Madison – Madison Avenue Upper Elementary
Madison – Madison Central High
Madison – Madison Middle School
Madison – Madison Station Elementary
Madison – Mannsdale Station Elementary
Madison – Ridgeland High
New Albany – New Albany High
Ocean Springs – Ocean Springs High
Oxford – Oxford High
Pass Christian – Delisle Elementary
Pass Christian – Pass Christian Elementary
Pass Christian – Pass Christian High
Pass Christian – Pass Christian Middle School
Pearl – Pearl High
Petal – Petal High
Petal – Petal Middle School
Pontotoc City – D T Cox Elementary
Pontotoc City – Pontotoc Jr. High
Pontotoc County – South Pontotoc High
Rankin County – Brandon High
Rankin County – Brandon High
Rankin County – Florence High
Rankin County – Northshore Elementary
Rankin County – Northwest Rankin High
Tishomingo Co. – Tishomingo County High
Tishomingo Co. – Belmont School
Tunica County – Dundee Elementary