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The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) administers resources and support to public schools in the State. The Mississippi Board of Education selects the State Superintendent of Education, chooses public education policies, and supervises the MDE. The Mississippi Department of Education enforces laws on the federal and state level and distributes funds on the state and federal level. They also ensure educators are appropriately licensed and teaching or performing correctly.

The Mississippi Department of Education is committed to securing a future for each child and improving education opportunities for all students. In order for this to happen, teachers and administrators must overcome the evolving field of public education and students must be given multiple ways to succeed.

The Mississippi Board of Education's vision is "to create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens." The Board's mission is "to provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community."

The Mississippi Board of Education has created a 5-Year Strategic Plan for 2016-2020. The Board's strategic goals focus on success for all aspects of Mississippi's public education system, including students, classrooms, schools, and districts. There are six goals the Board created in their strategic plan: 1) all students proficient and showing growth in all assessed areas; 2) every student graduates from high school and is ready for college and career; 3) every child has access to a high-quality education program; 4) every school has effective teachers and leaders; 5) every community effectively uses a world-class data system to improves student outcomes; and 6) every school and district is rated "C" or higher.



CAREY M. WRIGHT, ED.D. *State Superintendent of Education*

Offering more than 35 years of vast experience in the field of education, Dr. Carey M. Wright is currently the State Superintendent of Education for Mississippi. She has served as the Chief Academic Officer for the District of Columbia Public Schools as well as the Deputy Chief for the Office of Teaching and Learning, providing leadership for PK-12 education by managing the offices of Curriculum and Instruction, Professional Development, Early Childhood Education, College and Career Readiness, Youth Engagement, Bilingual Education, Out of School Time, School Counseling,

Educational Technology, Gifted and Talented, and Library Media Services. After implementing a policy requiring four Advanced Placement courses to be offered in all high schools, student participation increased more than 25% and the number of students passing at least one AP exam increased over 85%. The total number of AP exams receiving passing scores increased 64%. In addition, African-American student performance on AP exams increased 86%, and Hispanic student performance increased 184%.

From 2003 to 2009, Dr. Wright served as the Associate Superintendent for the Office of Special Education and Student Services for the Montgomery County Public Schools in Maryland. In her capacity as associate superintendent she was responsible for student services for 150,000 students and special education programming for 17,000 students with disabilities, managing a budget of \$325 million, overseeing nonpublic placements and alternative programs, providing special education staffing for 200 schools, the provision of K-12 school counseling, psychological services, pupil personnel services, and the administration of the International Student Admission Office. Under Dr. Wright's leadership, the percent of special education students being educated in the general education classroom increased from 53% to 67%. During the last four years of her tenure, special education student proficiency on state reading and math assessments increased between 13 and 34 points at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. The biggest gains occurred in high schools, where student proficiency increased by 30 points in reading and 34 points in math.

Dr. Wright spent the majority of her career in Howard County Public Schools, also located in Maryland. In Howard County, Dr. Wright was a teacher, a principal for fifteen years, and the Director of Special Education and Student Services. She began her career in Prince George's County Public Schools in Maryland, serving as a teacher.

Dr. Wright has been recognized as an outstanding educator by the National Center for Culturally Responsive Systems, nominated twice for The Washington Post Outstanding Principal Award, and awarded the Howard County Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Educator of the Year.

Dr. Wright obtained her bachelor, master, and doctoral degrees from the University of Maryland, College Park. She currently resides in Madison County, Mississippi.

Aberdeen School District

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Alcorn School District

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Amite County School District

533 Maggie Street, Liberty 39645 (601) 657-4361/f(601) 657-4291 Superintendent: Scotty H. Whittington www.amite.k12.ms.us

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Attala County School District

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Baldwyn Public School

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Bay St. Louis - Waveland School District

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Benton County School District

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Biloxi Public School District

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Booneville School District

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Calhoun County School District

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Clarksdale Municipal School District

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Clinton Public School District

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Coahoma County School District

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Greene County School District

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Greenville Public School District

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Greenwood Public School District

401 Howard Street, Greenwood 38935 (662) 644-0668/f(662) 455-7493 Superintendent: Charles Brooks (Interim) www.greenwood.k12.ms.us

Grenada School District

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Gulfport School District

2001 Pass Road, Gulfport 39501 (228) 865-4600/f(228) 865-4718 Superintendent: Glen East www.gulfportschools.org

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11072 Highway 49, Gulfport 39503 (228) 539-6500/f(228) 539-6507 Superintendent: Roy Gill www.harrison.k12.ms.us

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Lafayette County Schools

100 Commodore Drive, Oxford 38655 (662) 234-3271/f(662) 236-3019 Superintendent: Dr. Adam Pugh www.gocommodores.org

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424 Martin Luther King Drive, Purvis 39475 (601) 794-1030/f(601) 794-1012 Superintendent: Tess R. Smith (Interim) www.lamarcountyschools.org

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Lawrence County School District

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123 Main Street, Carthage 39051 (601) 267-4579/f(601) 267-5283 Superintendent: Billy Mack Wilbanks www.leakesd.org

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1280 College View Drive, Tupelo 38804 (662) 841-9144/f(662) 680-6012 Superintendent: Jimmy Weeks www.leecountyschools.us/portal

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1901 Highway 82 West, Greenwood 38930 (662) 453-8566/f(662) 459-7265 Superintendent: Dr. Ilean Richards (Conservator) www.lefcsd.org

Leland School District

408 East Fourth Street, Leland 38756 (662) 686-5000/f(662) 686-5029 Superintendent: Jesse King www.lelandschooldistrict.schoolinsites.com

Lincoln County School District

233 East Monticello Street, Brookhaven 39602 (601) 835-0011/f(601) 833-3030 Superintendent: Mickey Myers lcsd.k12.ms.us

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Louisville Municipal School District

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Lowndes County School District

1053 Highway 45 South, Columbus 39701 (662) 244-5000/f(662) 244-5043 Superintendent: Lynn Wright www.lowndes.k12.ms.us

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107 West Tenth Avenue, Lumberton 39455 (601) 796-2441/f(601) 796-2051 Superintendent: Linda L. Smith, Ph.D. www.lumberton.k12.ms.us

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Natchez-Adams School District

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Neshoba County School District

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Nettleton School District

179 Mullen Avenue, Nettleton 38858 (662) 963-2151/f(662) 963-7407 Superintendent: Michael Cates www.nettletonschools.com

New Albany School District

301 Highway 15 North, New Albany 38652 (662) 534-1800/f(662) 534-3608 Superintendent: Jackie Ford www.newalbanyschools.us

Newton County Schools

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Newton Municipal School District

205 School Street, Newton 39345 (601) 683-2451/f(601) 683-7131 Superintendent: Dr. Virginia M. Young www.nmsd.us

North Bolivar Consolidated School District

201 Green Street, Mound Bayou 38762 (662) 741-2555/f(662) 741-2726 Superintendent: Linda B. Robinson (Interim) www.nbcsd.k12.ms.us

North Panola School District

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North Pike School District

1036 Jaguar Trail, Summit 39666 (601) 276-2216/f(601) 276-3666 Superintendent: Dennis Penton www.npsd.k12.ms.us

North Tippah School District

24111 Highway 15 North, Tiplersville 38674 (662) 223-4384/f(662) 223-5379 Superintendent: Junior Wooten www.ntippah.k12.ms.us

Noxubee County School District

15867 Highway 14 West, Macon 39341 (662) 726-4527/f(662) 726-2809 Superintendent: Roger Liddell www.noxcnty.k12.ms.us

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Ocean Springs 39564
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Pearl Public School District

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Pearl River County School District

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Philadelphia Public School District

248 Byrd Avenue, Philadelphia 39350 (601) 656-2955/f(601) 656-3141 Superintendent: Lisa Hull www.phillytornadoes.com

Picayune School District

706 Goodyear Boulevard, Picayune 39466 Phone: (601) 798-3230/f(601) 798-1742 Superintendent: Dean Shaw www.picayune.schooldesk.net

Pontotoc City Schools

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Pontotoc County Schools

285 Highway 15 Bypass South, Pontotoc 38863 (662) 489-3932/f(662) 489-3922 Superintendent: Brock Puckett www.pcsd.k12.ms.us

Poplarville School District

302 South Julia Street, Poplarville 39470 (601) 795-8477/f(601) 795-0712 Superintendent: Carl Merritt www.poplarvilleschools.org

Prentiss County School District

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Quitman Consolidated School District (Clarke County)

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Quitman County School District

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Rankin County School District

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Richton School District

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Scott County School District

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Senatobia Municipal School District

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Simpson County School District

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Smith County School District

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South Delta School District

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South Panola School District

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South Pike School District

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Starkville Oktibbeha Consolidated School District

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Stone County School District

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Sunflower County Consolidated School District

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Tate County Schools

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Tunica County School District

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Tupelo Public School District

72 South Green Street, Tupelo 38804 (662) 841-8850/f(662) 841-8887 Superintendent: Dr. Gearl Loden www.tupeloschools.com

Union County School District

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Union Public School District

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Vicksburg-Warren School District

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Water Valley School District

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MISSISSIPPI SPECIAL STATE SCHOOLS

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The Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science (MSMS) was created by the state legislature on July 1, 1987 for academically gifted high school juniors and seniors. The State Board of Education oversees MSMS and the school is located on the campus of the Mississippi University for Women in Columbus. The school's mission is "to enhance the future of Mississippi in the global society by meeting the individual needs of gifted and talented students through providing innovative learning experiences and leadership development in a residential environment. In addition, we will provide quality educational leadership for other educators and aggressive outreach programs that impact students across Mississippi."

Mississippi School of the Arts

308 West Cherokee Street, Brookhaven 39601 (601) 823-1300/f(601) 823-1555 www.msabrookhaven.org
Suzanne Hirsch – Executive Director
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The Mississippi School of the Arts (MSA), located on the Whitworth College campus, is a school for artistically talented juniors and seniors. Programs of study include music, theatre, visual arts, dance, literary arts, and media. The school's mission is "to provide a challenging arts education for artistically gifted Mississippi students in a residential

learning environment that promotes honor, integrity, service, and life-long learning." MSA was established in 1999 by the state legislature in partnership with the Brookhaven School District.

Mississippi School for the Deaf

1253 Eastover Drive, Jackson 39211 (601) 984-8000/f(601) 984-8230 www.msd.k12.ms.us Dr. Sandra G. Edwards – Superintendent Dr. Bradley Porche' – Secondary Principal

The Mississippi School for the Deaf (MSD) was established in 1854 for children in the state who are deaf or hard of hearing. MSD is an extensive center that provides "education, resources and services for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing children, their families and educational partners." The school's mission statement is "empowered with a positive Deaf identity, students will possess the confidence, discipline, leadership, and productivity to become contributing citizens in their community."

Mississippi School for the Blind

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The Mississippi School for the Blind (MSB) was created in 1848 for children and youth with visual impairments or blindness. The mission of MSB is "to promote a strong foundation for learning and independence by providing specialized adapted services and materials to enhance maximum potential for students with visual impairments or blindness." Students attending MSB are able to take part in public school classes within the Jackson area.

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Mississippi has 15 community and junior colleges that give students the chance to obtain a quality education at a low cost. These community and junior colleges administer programs for students that plan on transferring to a university, as well as career and technical programs. The schools also offer GED preparation. More than 2,500 courses are available online through the Mississippi Virtual Community College.

The Mississippi Community College Board (MCCB) is a regulatory agency that creates standards and guidelines for the 15 community college districts. The MCCB works alongside community college presidents and representatives. The Board exercises its jurisdiction as outlined in Sections 37-4-1 and 37-4-3, Mississippi Code 1982, Revised 1990.

The State's community and junior college system began in 1924 when the legislature allowed agricultural high schools to include freshmen and sophomore college courses. Four years later, the schools were instructed to create junior colleges. Because of this, the Mississippi Community College Board was established in 1928 as the Commission on Junior Colleges.

By 1931, 11 junior colleges had been established; by 1950, the total had grown to 15. In 1987, the schools were allowed to change their names to community college as a more appropriate description of their relationships with their corresponding districts.

In 1986, the Commission on Junior Colleges was replaced by the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges. The Board was enacted as an independent agency. The name was changed to Mississippi Community College Board during the 2011 legislative session. The Board consists of ten Governor appointed members. Two members are appointed from each of the five Congressional districts as they existed before the 2010 census.

The mission of the Mississippi Community College Board is "to advance the community college system through coordination, support, leadership, and advocacy." The board's core values are professionalism, integrity, partnerships, innovation, and diversity.



ANDREA SCOTT MAYFIELD, PH.D.

Executive Director, Mississippi Community College Board

Dr. Andrea Mayfield serves as Executive Director of the Mississippi Community College Board, a position she has held since December 2015. She previously served as President of Shelton State Community College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama and has more than 18 years of experience in the Mississippi community college system.

From 1996 to 2014, she worked at East Mississippi Community College climbing the ranks through exemplary

leadership and service as an Instructor of Biological Sciences, e-Learning Coordinator, e-Learning Dean, Dean of Instruction, Vice President for Instruction, Vice President for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, and Vice President of the Scooba Campus.

Dr. Mayfield received a bachelor's of science from Livingston University, a master's of arts in teaching of biological sciences from the University of West Alabama, and a doctorate in educational leadership with a special emphasis in the administration of higher education from Mississippi State University. She is a distinguished recipient of the University of West Alabama's Alumni Achievement Award in 2011 and was inducted as a member of the Golden Key Honor Society in 2015. Her most recent honor as Alumni of the Year in Education from Mississippi State University was February 2016.

Her service as an education leader has included membership to the Board of Trustees for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC). Her service in Alabama prior to returning to Mississippi includes Rotarian, member of the Tuscaloosa Business Exchange, Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors for the Industrial Development Authority, and Region 3 Workforce Development Council Steering Committee member.

Dr. Mayfield currently serves as a Board of Director for Mississippi Public Broadcasting Board, State Health Insurance Board, Mississippi College savings Board, State Workforce Investment Board, State Longitudinal Data System, Innovate Mississippi, Education Achievement Council, and a member of Mississippi State's Education Leadership Advisory Committee. Her record of service illustrates her commitment to education, workforce, and economic development.

Dr. Mayfield's leadership among workforce partners and local and state organizations follows her belief that community partnerships hold the key to local and state economic growth and development. As Executive Director of the Mississippi Community College Board, she is committed to building relationships, partnerships, and strategic initiatives which advance Mississippi economic development through education and training.

Dr. Mayfield and her husband, George, now reside in Pelahatchie, Mississippi and are parents to Michael, Kelly and Alex; they are the proud grandparents of three boys. She is a native of Livingston, Alabama.

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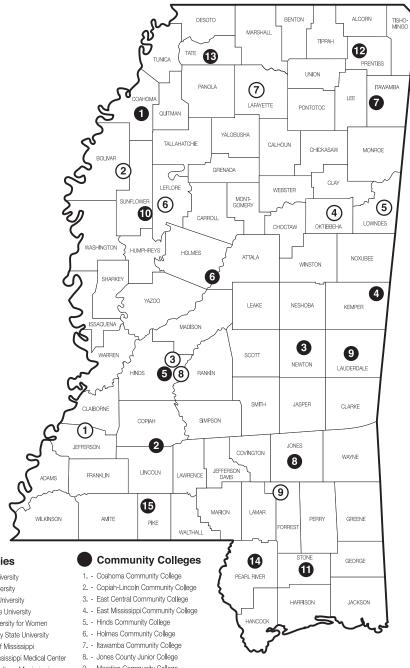
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COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN MISSISSIPPI



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- 1. Alcorn State University
- 2. Delta State University
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- 6. Mississippi Valley State University
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- 12. Northeast Mississippi Community College
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The Board of Trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL) provides management and control of Mississippi's system of eight public universities.

Created in 1943 by a Constitutional amendment (Mississippi Constitution of 1890, Article 9, § 213-A), the Board consists of 12 members appointed by the Governor of Mississippi with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Board members shall be appointed from each of the three Mississippi Supreme Court Districts until there are four members from each district. The terms of office for the Board members are 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. A schedule of the Board's meetings can be found on the IHL website. The Board meets each month except July and December, which are 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, ten 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 2014-2015, Mississippi's eight public universities showed 84,940 students pursuing academic degree credit in the system. Of these, 61,029 were full-time undergraduate students and 11,443 were full-time graduate students. State residents dominate enrollment with 57,663 students originating from Mississippi and 23,361 students from out-of-state.

Approximately 75 percent of all Mississippi public university students receive some form of financial aid for a total of \$996 million in aid. The Board oversees an annual budget of more than \$4.5 billion.

There are 1,641 buildings on Mississippi's public university campuses including almost 34 million square feet.



GLENN F. BOYCE, ED.D.

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Dr. Glenn F. Boyce was named Commissioner of Higher Education by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning on April 17, 2015. He served previously as the Associate Commissioner of Academic Affairs at the Institutions of Higher Learning and as President of Holmes Community College for more than nine years before joining IHL.

Dr. Boyce has served as a trustee for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on

Colleges, the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the Southern states. It serves as the common denominator of shared values and practices among the diverse institutions in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Latin America and other international sites approved by the Commission on Colleges that award associate, baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral degrees.

He serves on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Commission on College Accreditation and was a founding Board member of the State Longitudinal Data System. The SLDS securely and efficiently facilitates research and analysis and provides linkages between early childhood, K-12, postsecondary education, and the workforce. Mississippi was one of the first states in the nation to develop a data system to link, match, and share education and workforce data leading to an enriched ability within the state to improve career-readiness outcomes and enhance success in the economy.

Dr. Boyce has served as Co-Chair of the Education Achievement Council, working collaboratively with all levels of education, state leaders, and the business community to increase educational attainment in the state. Having worked with the Central Mississippi Planning and Development District, Three Rivers Planning and Development District, North Central Development District, and the Mississippi Automotive Manufacturers Association, he has a broad understanding of economic development and workforce training.

A lifelong educator, Dr. Boyce has extensive experience in leading educational institutions on both the secondary and post-secondary level. Under his leadership, Holmes reached the highest enrollment in school history and was recognized nationally as one of the nation's highest achieving community colleges by the Aspen Institute.

During his tenure, Holmes achieved a record number of graduates and was one of the leading institutions in the community college system in the percentage of increased graduates for several years. The college significantly expanded teaching locations across its service area and opened numerous new academic, career/technical, and allied health programs throughout its district.

He served in a number of roles with the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges, including Chair of the Performance and Accountability and Phi Theta Kappa Committees and member of the Athletic and Legislative Committees.

Prior to being named president of Holmes, Dr. Boyce served as vice president for community and workforce development and as the district director of career-technical education for the community college, which covers a nine-county district in Central Mississippi.

Dr. Boyce has worked on all levels of the education spectrum. Prior to joining the community college, he served as assistant superintendent for secondary programs for the Rankin County School District. In addition, he was the attendance center and high school principal for the Northwest Rankin Attendance Center.

Dr. Boyce holds a bachelor's degree in education from the University of Mississippi, a master's degree in education administration from Mississippi College and a doctorate in education leadership from the University of Mississippi.

Dr. Boyce and his wife have three daughters and are active members of Madison United Methodist Church in Madison.

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING

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The Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning is responsible for the management and control of the eight public 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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Founded: 1871

2015 Enrollment: 3,518 **Number of Faculty:** 236

Total 2016 Budget: \$87.6 Million

Alcorn State University is the oldest public historically black land-grant institution in the United States and the second-oldest state supported institution of higher learning in Mississippi. Alcorn University was founded in 1871 as a result of the people of Mississippi's efforts to educate the descendants of formerly enslaved Africans. It was named in honor of the sitting governor of Mississippi, James L. Alcorn. The site was originally occupied by Oakland College, a school established by Presbyterians in 1828; the state of Mississippi purchased the Oakland campus for \$40,000 and named it Alcorn University. Hiram R. Revels resigned his seat as a United States senator to become the University's first president. In 1878, Alcorn University became Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College. Over time, facilities increased from three historic buildings to more than 80 structures. The original purchase of 225 acres of land grew to a campus of more than 1,700 acres. In 1974, Alcorn Agricultural and Mechanical College became Alcorn State University. Today, Alcorn operates divisions with degree programs in more than 50 areas, including the bachelor's, master's, and educational specialist degrees. Alcorn also operates branch locations in Vicksburg and Natchez. Alcorn is nationally recognized for excellence in liberal arts, agricultural research, technology, music, and nursing.



Dr. Alfred Rankins Jr.

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Dr. Alfred Rankins Jr. is the 19th president of Alcorn State University, where he serves as the chief executive officer of

the nation's oldest public land-grant HBCU. Dr. Rankins has administrative oversight for Alcorn's 1,700-acre Lorman campus and branch locations in Natchez and Vicksburg.

Dr. Rankins previously served as deputy commissioner for the Mississippi Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL), where he served as the IHL system's chief academic and student affairs officer. While serving as deputy commissioner, Dr. Rankins also served as acting president of Mississippi Valley State University.

Prior to his appointment at IHL, Dr. Rankins served on the faculty at Mississippi State University (MSU), where he was a tenured associate professor in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and extension specialist with the MSU Extension Service.

Under Dr. Rankins' leadership, Alcorn has strengthened its academic programs, improved campus infrastructure, initiated and completed major capital projects, increased fundraising, and expanded its footprint as a premier comprehensive land grant HBCU.

Currently, Dr. Rankins serves on the University Press of Mississippi Board of Directors, Entergy Mississippi Advisory Board, Mississippi Postsecondary Education Financial Assistance Board, and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission of Colleges Executive Board.

A native of Greenville, Mississippi, Dr. Rankins received a Bachelor of Science degree from Alcorn State University and both Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Mississippi State University. Dr. Rankins and first lady, Juandalyn Rankins, are the proud parents of two children, Aftyn Elise and Alfred Elijah.

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Founded: 1924

Fall 2016 Enrollment: 3,588 Number of Faculty: 168 Total 2016 Budget: \$65.6 million

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.



Dr. William N.
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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, as well as a senior congressional policy advisor in Washington.

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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Founded: 1877

Fall 2016 Enrollment: 9,811 Number of Faculty: 375

Total 2016 Budget: \$219,455,780

Jackson State University's distinguished history began in 1877 as the Natchez Seminary, a private church school set up in Natchez, Mississippi, under the auspices of the American Baptist Home Mission Society of New York. Beginning with only 20 students, the seminary educated newly freed African Americans as ministers and teachers. In 1882, the society moved the school to Jackson, Mississippi, to the location where Millsaps College now stands. The seminary was renamed Jackson College in recognition of its new location in central Mississippi. Three years later, construction began on the site that is now the University's main campus. After the turn of the 20th century, the institution began to broaden its course of study, and in 1924, the college awarded its first degree. By 1934, the American Baptist Home Mission Society had withdrawn its support for the college, which began efforts toward garnering state support for the institution. In 1940, the school reorganized its curriculum as a two-year program and changed its name to the Mississippi Negro Training School. The State Institutions of Higher Learning then expanded the curriculum to a fouryear teacher education program. The first graduating class under state support received Bachelor of Science degrees in Education in May 1944; two months after, the school was renamed the Jackson College for Negro Teachers. By 1967, state support had been secured and the school was renamed Jackson State College. Through a legislative act in 1974, the College became Jackson State University (JSU). Five years

later, the Institutions of Higher Learning officially designated JSU as Mississippi's Urban University.



Dr. Rod Paige *Interim President*rod.page@jsums.edu

JSU interim President Rod Paige, the son of a school principal and a librarian, rose from humble roots in

a segregated small-town in Mississippi all the way to U.S. Secretary of Education. He assumed his new role on November 7, 2016.

From 2001 to 2005, Paige served in George W. Bush's administration. As the nation's top educator, he championed student achievement and employed "best of breed" solutions to raise national standards of educational excellence. A member of the Presidential Cabinet, Paige spearheaded the implementation of the historic No Child Left Behind Act, with the goal of reinvigorating America's education system.

Paige forged his reputation for seeking out and putting in place innovative approaches to systemic academic improvement when he was dean of the College of Education at Texas Southern University (TSU). At TSU, he established the University's Center for Excellence in Urban Education.

He also has shown a knack for inclusive leadership, first as a school board trustee and then as superintendent of the Houston Independent School District, then the nation's seventh-largest district. When he was appointed superintendent in 1994, he was the first African-American in the district's history to serve in that position. In 1999, Paige was named one of the top two educators in the country by the Council of the Great City Schools. Two years later, Paige was honored as National Superintendent of the Year by the American Association of School

Administrators. Following his time as Secretary of Education, Paige served as a Public Policy Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. In 2006, he authored The War Against Hope and, in 2010, published The Black-White Achievement Gap: Why Closing it is the Greatest Civil Rights Issue of Our Time.

In his relentless quest to improve the quality of education for all students, Paige is an active member of numerous boards, including the Universal Technical Institute (UTI), Thomas B. Fordham Foundation, the American College of Education, Patten University, Strake Foundation, Blue Cure Foundation, Texas Charter Schools Association and the National Council of Economic Education's Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce, among others. Paige is the eldest of five siblings. He and his wife, Stephanie Nellons-Paige, have a son and daughter.

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Founded: 1878

Fall 2016 Enrollment: 21,622 Number of Faculty: 1,298 Total 2017 Budget: \$979 million

From comprehensive educational options and groundbreaking research to award-winning service initiatives and an environment that embraces intellectual and creative freedom, the Mississippi State experience is transforming and empowering communities throughout the world. As one of the national landgrant colleges established after Congress passed the Morrill Act in 1862, the institution opened its doors in the fall of 1880 as the Agricultural and Mechanical College of the State of Mississippi. It soon distinguished itself as a leader in agriculture, horticulture, and the mechanical arts in addition to other scientific and classical studies, including military tactics. By 1932, when the legislature renamed the school Mississippi State College, it was well on its way to building the foundation for generations of students from all walks of life to succeed in higher education. In 1958, the legislature changed the name to Mississippi State University. Today, MSU stands as a Top 100 National Science Foundation research institution, providing access and opportunity to students from all sectors of the state, as well as from all 50 states and 88 other countries. Students in eight colleges are participating in cutting-edge research with a global impact, including work to get unmanned aerial systems flying safely in the nation's airspace, designing the car of the future, and generating solutions to world hunger, among other achievements.



Dr. Mark E. KeenumPresident
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Dr. Mark Everett Keenum became Mississippi State's 19th president January 5, 2009, following

a distinguished public service career. Throughout his tenure, Keenum has guided Mississippi State to unprecedented heights. The university has experienced record enrollment growth to more than 21,600 students. The campus has expanded and improved on Keenum's watch with construction of The Mill at MSU conference center, a new classroom building with built-in parking, and two new residence halls. Also, the newly constructed Nusz Hall houses the G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery Center for America's Veterans and an additional floor in Mitchell Memorial Library is home to the Ulysses S. Grant Presidential Library. New projects include a new Music Building and the completion of an Animal and Dairy Science/Poultry Science complex for the Division of Agriculture, Forestry and Veterinary Medicine. University fundraising has reached all-time record levels. MSU's Infinite Impact capital campaign has been an unparalleled success, achieving its \$600 million goal early and announcing a new private endowment goal—\$1 billion by 2020—the largest campaign goal ever for an educational institution in Mississippi. An MSU graduate with degrees in agricultural economics, Keenum's interest in international food security has strengthened the university's contributions to global economic sustainability. Keenum has signed, along with other university leaders, the Presidents' Commitment to Food and Nutrition Security, internationally focused on ending food insecurity. Keenum began his career at MSU as a faculty member with the Extension Service and the Department

of Agricultural Economics. He went on to serve as chief of staff to U.S. Senator Thad Cochran in Washington, D.C. and was Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture prior to returning home to Mississippi State.

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Founded: 1884

Fall 2016 Enrollment: 2,956 Number of Faculty: 217

Total 2017 Budget: \$58.3 million

Established in 1884, Mississippi University for Women, also known as The W, 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. Today, The W continues its historic focus on academic leadership development for women, as well as its long

tradition of excellence in liberal arts and professional education for both women and men. The W prepares its students for a wide variety of roles both professional and personally.



Dr. James B. BorsigPresident

Dr. Jim Borsig has a 30-year career in both higher education and public service in his native state.

He has served as the

14th president of Mississippi University for Women since January 2012. There, he has encouraged an inclusive culture by seeking constituency input on issues ranging from branding to leadership program design. He refocused the university's emphasis on student recruitment and retention and oversaw the development of new partnerships with community colleges. The W has expanded both undergraduate and graduate program offerings and has seen healthy enrollments under his leadership.

Since Dr. Borsig's arrival, The W has four times been named to the Chronicle of Higher Education's "Great Colleges to Work For" Honor Roll, a distinction earned by only a small percentage of participating colleges and universities. It has been consistently recognized by Washington Monthly as top university in the master's university category for its contributions in community service and providing affordability and access; and has been recognized as a top regional public university by U.S. News and World Report.

His university presidency was preceded by tenure as Associate Commissioner for External Relations and Public Policy for the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, a role that required he work closely with state legislative leaders, the Governor's Office, both the K-12 and community college system, and the private sector. He has also served as Assistant Commissioner for Government Relations for IHL.

In the public university system, Dr. Borsig served 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, based at Mississippi State University. He also has been a visiting professor in Jackson State University's Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

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 a doctorate in public policy and administration from Mississippi State University. An Eagle Scout, he is currently Council President, Pushmataha Area Boy Scout Council.

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Founded: 1950

2016 Enrollment: 2,309 **Number of Faculty:** 120 **Total Budget:** \$63.7 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 began in 1976.



Dr. William B.
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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

2017 Enrollment: 23,780 Number of Faculty: 2,206 Total 2016 Budget: \$2.54 billion

Founded in 1848, the University of Mississippi, affectionately known to alumni, students, and friends as Ole Miss, is Mississippi's flagship university. Included in the elite group of R1: Doctoral Universities - Highest Research Activity by the Carnegie Classification, it has a long history of producing leaders in public service, health care, academics, and business.

With nearly 24,000 students, Ole Miss is the state's largest university and is ranked among the nation's fastest-growing institutions. Its 16 academic divisions include a medical school, nationally recognized schools of accountancy, law, and pharmacy, and the Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College, renowned for a blend of academic rigor, experiential learning and opportunities for community action.

The student body includes students from all 50 states and 86 countries.

With an acclaimed program in creative writing, the university has been named a "Top 10 University for Aspiring Writers." It also has one of only 12 Chinese Flagship programs in the nation, along with the acclaimed Center for the Study of Southern Culture, a multidisciplinary Center for Manufacturing Excellence and the Croft Institute for International Studies, which prepares graduates to compete in a global market. The new John D. Bower School of Population Health is one of only three such programs in the country.

The UM Medical Center houses the Jackson Heart Study, the world's largest long-term study of cardiovascular risk

factors in African-Americans. It also is home to the world's best-selling medical physiology textbook, the Textbook of Medical Physiology.

The Ole Miss campus is universally recognized for its beauty and charm and has been named as the nation's most beautiful by several media outlets, most recently by USA Today in 2016.



Dr. Jeffrey S. Vitter

Chancellor chancellor colemiss.edu

Jeffrey S. Vitter, the 17th chancellor of the University

of Mississippi, is a renowned computer scientist and academic leader. Before coming to Ole Miss, he served five-and-a-half years as provost, executive vice chancellor, and Roy A. Roberts Distinguished Professor at the University of Kansas, where he initiated and co-led the campuswide development of KU's strategic plan, Bold Aspirations, and oversaw the creation of the first universitywide KU core curriculum.

Before joining KU, Vitter was on the faculty at Texas A&M University, where he served as provost and executive vice president for academics. He also has served in faculty and administrative roles at Purdue University, Duke University, and Brown University.

Besides his chancellor duties, Vitter also serves as a Distinguished Professor of Computer and Information Science at Ole Miss. His research expertise deals with big data and data science, especially the algorithmic aspects of processing, compressing, and communicating massive amounts of information.

A New Orleans native, Vitter graduated in mathematics with highest honors from the University of Notre Dame in 1977 and earned a Ph.D. under Don Knuth in

computer science at Stanford University. He also holds an MBA from Duke University. His wife, Sharon, is a native Kansan and KU alumna. They have three adult children, Jillian, Scott, and Audrey, and all the Vitters are avid sports fans.

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Founded: 1910

Fall 2016 Enrollment: 14,551 **Number of Faculty:** 838 **Total Budget:** \$397.8 Million

Distinguished and proud, 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 PhD's in-state. A dual-campus. Southern Miss boasts world-class research and teaching sites along the Mississippi Gulf Coast: receives more than \$70 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. BennettPresident

Rodney D. Bennett serves as the chief executive officer and principle educational officer of The University of Southern Mississippi,

a comprehensive doctoral and research-driven university with campuses in south Mississippi and along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Appointed to the presidency by the Board of Trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning, he is responsible for every facet of institutional operations and must shape the University's educational policy and academic standards in cooperation with the State Commissioner of Higher Education.

As proven leaders in innovation, the University's faculty and students conduct transformative research that translates into real-world solutions, and its Drapeau Center for Undergraduate Research affords students meaningful research opportunities. In the past ten years, USM students have earned seven Goldwater Scholarships, three Truman Scholarships, and 16 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowships. The University is also one of a select number of institutions in the nation accredited in all four areas of the arts: art, dance, music, and theatre.

Under President Bennett's leadership, the University has invested in new faculty positions, expanded coastal operations, developed new academic programs, and worked to increase access to quality education and research opportunities to serve the needs of the state of Mississippi and beyond. He has demonstrated a strong commitment to the Gulf Coast region and to student recruitment, retention, and graduation.

President Bennett's vision is for The University of Southern Mississippi to become the model for public higher education across the country. Moving forward, his key institutional priorities include improving quality across the board while ensuring student success; expanding enrollment strategies; enhancing academic instruction; fostering greater focus on research; bolstering economic and community partnerships; and maximizing human potential.

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

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FALL 2015 HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT

Institution	Dunlicated*	Undunlicated**
ASU – Main Campus		О пиирікитей
ASU – Wath Campus		
ASU – Natchez		
		2.510
Total	3,518	
DSU - Main Campus	3,287	
DSU – Other Locations	217	
Total	3,504	3,460
JSU - Main Campus	9 145	
JSU – Universities Center		
JSU – Medical Mall		
JSU – E Center		
JSU – Madison		
JSU – Community College		
JSU – Downtown Jackson Total		0.002
1 otai	11,099	9,802
MSU - Main Campus		
MSU – Meridian		
Total	20,938	20,873
MUW - Main Campus	2.329	
MUW - Tupelo		
MUW – Community College		
MUW – Other Locations		
Total		2,673
MYSII Main Company	2 220	
MVSU - Main Campus		
MVSU – Greenville		
MVSU – Community College		
MVSU – Other Locations		2.200
Total	2,431	2,309
UM - Main Campus	19,996	
UM – Tupelo	662	
UM - Other Locations	1	
UM – Booneville	61	
UM – Southaven	653	
UM – Grenada	109	
UM – Medical Center	3,011	
Total	24,493	23,838
USM - Main Campus	13.077	
USM – Gulf Park		
USM – Stennis Center		
USM – Other Locations		
Gulf Coast Research Lab		
Total	16,11514,551	
IHL System	84,94081,024	

^{*}Duplicated 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 2015 AVERAGE ACT SCORE OF ENTERING FRESHMEN

ASU	DSU	JSU	MSU	MUW	MVSU	\mathbf{UM}	USM	SYSTEM
18.4	20.6	19.3	24.0	21.5	17.5	24.7	2.27	22.9

FALL 2015 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.

Institution	Lower Undergraduate	Upper Undergraduate	Graduate	Total
ASU	1,671.2		360.5	3,138.7
DSU	992.3	1,421.0	463.1	2,876.4
JSU	3,439.1	3,590.8	1,367.7	8,397.6
MSU	7,403.8		2,457.8	18,668.9
MUW	809.3	1,308.9	144.9	2,263.1
MVSU	1,053.4	711.5	231.7	1,996.6
UM*	8,915.8		4,625.8	22,465.7
USM	4,184.1	6,690.0	1,791.6	12,665.7
SYSTEM	28,469.0	32,560.6	11,433.1	72,472.7

^{*}Includes UMMC.

FALL 2015 ENROLLMENT BY ETHNICITY AND GENDER

Institution	White	Black	Other	Male	Female
ASU	130	3,229	159	1,226	2,292
DSU	2,016	1,242	202	1,306	2,154
JSU	633	8,860	309	3,413	6,389
MSU	14,744	4,022	2,107	10,633	10,240
MUW	1,534	965	174	518	2,155
MVSU	61	2,120	128	904	1,405
UM*	18,273	3,194	2,371	10,466	13,372
USM	9,157	3,993	1,401	5,341	9,210
SYSTEM	46,548	27,625	6,851	33,807	47,217

^{*}Includes UMMC.

FALL 2015 ENROLLMENT BY RESIDENCE/ATTENDANCE STATUS

Institution	In-State	Out-of-State	Full-Time	Part-Time
ASU	2,838	680	2,757	761
DSU	2,923	537	2,581	879
ISU	7,781	2,021	7,548	2,254
•		6,777		
MUW	2,298	375	2,070	603
MVSU	1,767	542	1,866	443
UM*	14,233	9,605	22,042	1,796
USM	11,727	2,824	11,735	2,816
	,	23,361	,	,

^{*}Includes UMMC. Students enrolled in health professional programs are all considered full-time.

FALL 2015 ENROLLMENT - TOP 5 BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

1. Biology/Biological Sciences, General	4,683
2. Business Administration and Management, General	
3. Elementary Education and Teaching	2,886
4. Nursing	2,800
5. Accounting	2,511

FALL 2015 ENROLLMENT - TOP 5 MASTER'S PROGRAMS

1. Business Administration and Management, General	98
2. Social Work4	37
3. Nursing	87
4. Counselor Education/School Couns. and Guid. Serv	17
5. Secondary Education and Teaching	60

RESEARCH AND SPONSORED PROJECTS

2014-15 Summary of External Funding (In Millions)

Institution	Federal	State	Private, Corpo	rate Grand Total
			\$0.3	
DSU	\$4.6	\$0.1	\$2.1	\$6.8
JSU	\$27.2	\$1.1	\$1.2	\$29.5
MSU	\$128.9	\$22.4	\$16.3	\$167.5
MUW*	\$0.2	\$4.5	\$1.0	\$5.7
MVSU	\$5.2	\$0.8	\$0.6	\$6.6
UM**	\$76.7	\$8.7	\$28.7	\$114.4
USM	\$46.4	\$6.0	\$20.6	\$73.0
SYSTEM	\$301.8	\$44.2	\$70.6	\$416.6

^{*}MUW figures include MS School of Math & Science

FACULTY/STAFF INFORMATION

IHL System Total by Gender, Fall 2015

EEO-Category	Male	Female	Total
Executive, Managerial and Admin	402	475	877
Faculty	3,108	2,791	5,899
Other Professionals	3,044	6,227	9,271
Technical and Paraprofessional	837	1,559	2,396
Clerical and Secretarial	202	2,808	3,010
Skilled Crafts	530	26	556
Service/Maintenance	1,111	1,224	2,335
Instruction/Research Assistants	1,763	1,639	3,402
TOTAL	10,997	16,749	27,746

^{*}Includes UMMC.

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RETENTION AND GRADUATION

IPEDS Fall to Fall Retention Rates, Fall 2012 Freshman Cohort

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ASU	DSU	JSU	MSU	MUW	MVSU	UM	USM	SYSTEM
68.4%	66.1%	75.5%	78.5%	79.1%	53.0%	85.6%	71.6%	77.3%
Six-Year IPEDS Graduation Rates, Fall 2006 Freshman Cohort								
ASU	DSU	JSU	MSU	MUW	MVSU	UM	USM	SYSTEM
31 5%	37.0%	45 1%	57.8%	39 4%	22.3%	59 9%	49 5%	50.0%

FACULTY/STAFF INFORMATION

IHL System Total by Ethnicity, Fall 2015

EEO-Category	White	Black	Other
Executive, Managerial and Admin	609	246	22
Faculty	4,170	990	739
Other Professionals	6,431	2,221	619
Technical and Paraprofessional	1,289	1,028	79
Clerical and Secretarial	1,546	1,407	57
Skilled Crafts	373	179	4
Service/Maintenance	641	1,650	44
Instruction/Research Assistants	2,038	426	938
TOTAL	17,097	8,147	2,502
*Includes UMMC.	·	·	,

2015-16 IHL SYSTEM AVERAGE FULL-TIME FACULTY SALARY BY RANK

	Professor	Associate Professor		Instructor	Total
ASU	\$76,678	\$67,252	\$56,684	\$42,704	\$59,892
DSU	\$69,001	\$60,061	\$54,399	\$50,802	\$56,788
JSU	\$76,140	\$67,350	\$58,553	\$42,501	\$61,799
MSU	\$105,068	\$76,933	\$69,164	\$46,195	\$75,342
MUW	\$64,324	\$59,368	\$51,585	\$50,849	\$55,878
MVSU	\$65,261	\$57,167	\$51,106	\$42,432	\$52,417
UM*	\$115,463	\$84,689	\$73,720	\$47,198	\$79,350
USM	\$90,379	\$70,507	\$64,561	\$47,872	\$68,002
SYSTEM	\$96,715	\$74,226	\$65,200	\$46,598	\$70,304
*Excludes UMMC.					

2015-16 ANNUAL COST OF EDUCATION

Institution	In-State Tuition	Average Room		Other Costs	Tuition Surcharge	State Tuition & Other Costs
	*	,	,	\$14,719		,
DSU	\$6,012	\$4,114	\$1,675	\$11,801	\$0	. \$11,801
JSU	\$6,866	\$5,124	\$3,173	\$15,163	\$9,955	. \$25,118
MSU	\$7,392	\$5,646	\$3,116	\$16,154	\$12,640	. \$28,794
MUW	\$5,681	\$3,882	\$2,800	\$12,363	\$10,066	. \$22,429
MVSU	\$5,916	\$4,153	\$3,241	\$13,310	\$0	. \$13,310
UM*	\$7,344	\$5,203	\$3,317	\$15,864	\$13,230	. \$29,094
USM	\$7,224	\$5,011	\$3,527	\$15,762	\$8,870	. \$24,632

^{*} Excludes UMMC.

2015-2016 BUILDINGS/FACILITIES

Institution	No. of Buildings	Square Footage
ASU	120	1,939,519
DSU	80	1,720,217
JSU	54	2,656,988
MSU	716	8,719,441
MUW	57	1,532,786
MVSU	122	2,591,523
UM*	248	9,540,407
USM	237	5,005,330
IHL**	7	236,149
SYSTEM	1,641	33,942,360

^{*} Includes UMMC.

2014-15 DEGREES AWARDED By Degree

Institution	Assoc.	Cert.	Bach.	Mast.	Spec.	Prof.	Doct.	Total
ASU	34	0	348	118	4	0	0	504
DSU	0	0	452	250	53	0	11	766
JSU	0	0	989	424	19	0	80	1,512
MSU	0	0	3,211	760	25	80	146	4,222
MUW	46	0	731	81	0	0	2	860
MVSU	0	0	324	106	0	0	0	430
UM*	0	14	3,659	890	55	413	120	5,151
USM	0	61	2,352	794	12	0	149	3,368
SYSTEM	80	75	12,066	3,423	168	493	508	16,813

^{*} Includes UMMC.

2014-15 DEGREES AWARDED By Ethnicity and Gender

Institution	White	Black	Other	Male	Female
ASU	39	453	12	154	350
DSU	442	292	32	282	484
JSU	116	1,330	66	500	1,012
MSU		•			•
MUW	548	287	25	130	730
MVSU	27	381	22	143	287
UM*	4,021	719	411	2,042	3,109
USM	2,307	672	389	1,255	2,113
SYSTEM	10,695	4,751	1,367	6,652	10,161

^{*} Includes UMMC.

^{**} Education & Research Center (Excludes ETV)

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2014-15 TOP FIVE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES AWARDED

874
651
617
537
499
DED
340
161
157

4. Computer and Information Sciences, General

5. Nursing

2015 MISSISSIPPI BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

Casey Elementary School Jackson Public School District

2016 A-RATED SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Booneville School District
Clinton Public School District
DeSoto County School District
Enterprise School District
Forrest County Ag. High School
Jackson County School District
Long Beach School District
Madison County School District
Ocean Springs School District
Oxford School District
Pass Christian Public School District
Petal School District
Rankin County School District
Union Public School District

2016 A-RATED SCHOOLS

Alcorn – Kossuth Elementary School Baldwyn – Baldwyn Elementary School Bay St. Louis Waveland – Waveland Elementary School

 $Biloxi-Jeff\ Davis\ Elementary\ School$

Biloxi - North Bay Elementary School

Booneville – Anderson Elementary School

Clinton – Clinton Park Elementary School Clinton – Northside Elementary

DeSoto Co. - Center Hill Elementary School

DeSoto Co. - Center Hill High School

DeSoto Co. - Center Hill Middle

DeSoto Co. – DeSoto Central High School

DeSoto Co. – DeSoto Central Middle School

DeSoto Co. – Greenbrook Elementary School

DeSoto Co. – Hernando Elementary

DeSoto Co. - Hernando High School

DeSoto Co. – Hernando Hills Elementary

DeSoto Co. – Hernando Middle School

DeSoto Co. – Lewisburg Elementary School

DeSoto Co. – Lewisburg High School

DeSoto Co. – Lewisburg Middle

DeSoto Co. – Lewisburg Primary

DeSoto Co. – Olive Branch High School

DeSoto Co. – Walls Elementary School

Enterprise – Enterprise Elementary

Gulfport – Anniston Avenue

Elementary School

Gulfport - Bayou View Elementary School

Gulfport – Gulfport High School

Gulfport - West Elementary School

Hancock Co. – East Hancock

Elementary School

Hancock Co. - West Hancock

Elementary School

Harrison Co. - North Woolmarket

Elementary and Middle

Harrison Co. - Pineville Elementary School

Jackson - Bailey Middle Apac School

Jackson - Baker Elementary School

Jackson – Davis Magnet School

Jackson – Power Apac School

Jackson Co. - East Central High School

Jackson Co. – East Central Middle School

Jackson Co. - St. Martin East

Elementary School

Jackson Co. - St. Martin North

Elementary School

Jackson Co. - Vancleave High School

Jackson Co. – Vancleave Lower Elementary

Jackson Co. – Vancleave Middle School

Lamar Co. - Oak Grove High School

Lamar Co. - Purvis High School

Lauderdale Co. - Clarkdale

Elementary School

Lauderdale Co. - Northeast Lauderdale

Elementary School

Lauderdale Co. – West Lauderdale

Elementary School

Lauderdale Co. - West Lauderdale

High School

Lee Co. - Mooreville High School

Lee Co. - Saltillo High School

Long Beach - Long Beach Middle School

Long Beach - Long Beach Senior

High School

Long Beach - Thomas L. Reeves

Elementary School

Long Beach - WJ Quarles

Elementary School

Madison Co. - Germantown High School

Madison Co. - Madison Central

High School

Madison Co. - Madison Middle School

Madison Co. - Madison Station

Elementary School

Madison Co. - Rosa Scott School

Newton Co. - Newton County

Elementary School

Ocean Springs - Ocean Springs High School

Oxford – Della Davidson Elementary

Oxford - Oxford Elementary School

Oxford - Oxford High School

Oxford - Oxford Middle School

Pascagoula - Pascagoula High School

Pass Christian - Pass Christian High School

Pearl River Co. - Pearl River Central

Jr. High

Petal – Petal High School

Pontotoc – Pontotoc Jr. High School

Rankin Co. - Brandon Elementary School

Rankin Co. - Brandon High School

Rankin Co. - Brandon Middle School

Rankin Co. - Florence Elementary School

Rankin Co. - Flowood Elementary School

Rankin Co. - Highland Bluff Elementary

Rankin Co. – Northshore Elementary

Rankin Co. - Northwest Rankin

High School

Rankin Co. - Northwest Rankin

Middle School

Rankin Co. – Rouse Elementary

Rankin Co. - Stonebridge Elementary

Stone Co. – Perkinston Elementary School

Tunica Co. – Dundee Elementary School

Tupelo – Carver Elementary School

Tupelo – Thomas Street Elementary School

Union - Union Elementary School