STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Division of Student Affairs maximizes each UA student’s learning experiences. Student Affairs staff create intentional programs, services and environments that promote student learning, development and well-being in an inclusive community that encourages students to be informed and engaged students.

Career Center
The Career Center is a vital part of the University community. Students do not necessarily need to select a major when they are freshmen, but they need to begin exploring academic majors and career options that can be available to them. Even students considering pursuing graduate or professional education when they complete college should discuss career and graduate school options with a career consultant. Students should visit the Career Center or one of the satellite offices during their first semester at the University. The Main Office is located at 3400 Ferguson Center. Satellite offices are located in 190 Reese Phifer Hall, 249 Bidgood Hall, and 1004 Bevill Hall. The Career Center offers a comprehensive range of career development services and employment opportunities. All Career Center offices are open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and there is 24/7 online access to job postings, resume referrals and on-campus recruiting through Crimson Careers. To schedule an appointment or for more information, call (205) 348-5848. Specific information on services is available at career.sa.ua.edu.

Center for Service and Leadership
The Center for Service and Leadership strives to enhance student experience through active and diverse engagement opportunities in the community. The Center for Service and Leadership connects students to meaningful experiential learning experiences, including volunteer opportunities, that provide students the ability to enhance their leadership skills while becoming active global citizens. The CSL is located in 1100 Ferguson Center. For more information, call (205) 348-2865 or visit leadandserve.sa.ua.edu.

Counseling Center
The Counseling Center helps students achieve academic success and personal growth through quality counseling, as well as psychological and consultative services. By providing short-term emotional health care services, the Counseling Center serves as a screening, intake and referral resource. The Center can assist students in identifying needs and locating an appropriate resource if more help is needed. Among the services provided are individual, couple and group counseling; substance abuse counseling; crisis intervention; and medication referral services. The Counseling Center is located in 1000 South Lawn Office Building. For information and assistance, call (205) 348-3863 or visit counseling.sa.ua.edu.

Dean of Students
The Office of the Dean of Students is a starting place for students who have questions or concerns about their experience at the University. The office works with other offices in Student Affairs and Academic Affairs to engage and support students during their experience at the Capstone. The mission of the Dean of Students office is to maximize each UA student’s learning experience by fostering personal development through opportunities for participation, involvement and engagement. The Division of Student Affairs provides educational experiences outside the classroom that serve to develop students personally, socially and spiritually, helping them become responsible citizens of the world. Areas within the Dean of Students office include: the Women and Gender Resource Center, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, the Office of Student Conduct, Campus Ministries, Graduate Student Services, National Student Exchange and the On-Call Dean program. The Dean of Students office is located in 230 Ferguson Center. For more information about programs and services, call (205) 348-3326 or visit dos.ua.edu.

Ferguson Student Center
The University Union supports, supplements and complements the overall academic, research and service mission of The University of Alabama by offering a variety of high-quality services, collaborative programming and leisure-time activities. The University Union’s Ferguson Center serves as the center of the campus community and is open more than 340 days per year, seven days per week and at least 15 hours per day to serve the needs of the campus community. The Ferguson Center is the site of many University offices, including the Career Center and the Community Service Center, as well as other offices dedicated to serving students. Conference and meeting room reservations for the Ferguson Center, Student Services Center and Ferguson Plaza are also made through the Ferguson Center Reservations and Event Planning Office. For more information and to access the Online Room Reservation Form, please visit ferguson.sa.ua.edu or call (205) 348-2827.

First Year Experience
First Year Experience (FYE) is committed to supporting first year students’ academic and social transition to The University of Alabama. A first-year student is any undergraduate student attending the University for the first time, and FYE provides support, resources and programs for freshmen and transfer students. FYE helps first-year students understand expectations associated with being a member of the UA family and educates them about support services on campus. To find out more about First Year Experience, call (205) 348-8404 or visit fye.sa.ua.edu.

Housing and Residential Communities
Housing and Residential Communities provides safe, secure housing for undergraduate and graduate students, supporting their academic success. Campus housing provides leadership opportunities and avenues for campus involvement and engagement. For more information about campus housing, call (205) 348-6676 or visit housing.sa.ua.edu.

Parent Programs
The Office of Parent Programs supports the successful academic and social transition of new students into The University of Alabama community, as well as promotes continuous relationships among our students’ parents, families and the University. Parents of students can also find the answers to questions and learn how to best support their student’s education and outside-of-the-classroom experiences. For more information about parent programs, including Family Weekend in the fall, call (800) 392-2777 or visit parents.sa.ua.edu.

Student Involvement
The mission of the Office of Student Involvement is to connect every student to the groups and activities that best fit their goals and foster his/her interests. The Office of Student Involvement is located in 3610 Ferguson Center. To find out more about the many ways to get involved on campus, visit studentinvolvement.ua.edu or call (205) 348-6114.
Student Media

The Office of Student Media provides UA students with direct, hands-on, real-life experience, preparing them for careers and success after graduation. Student Media offers out-of-classroom opportunities through The Crimson White, a print and an online newspaper; WVUA, a non-commercial radio station at 90.7 FM; Marr’s Field Journal, an undergraduate literary/art journal; Black Warrior Review, a graduate-level national literary journal; Southern Historian, a graduate-level research journal; Alice, a lifestyle magazine for young women; and a Digital Media unit that develops content and services for the web. For more information, visit osm.ua.edu or call (205) 348-7257.

University Recreation

University Recreation conducts sports and fitness programs for the University community that strengthen well-being, learning and personal growth. Areas include intramural sports, sport clubs, outdoor recreation, personal training, fitness testing and consultations, group exercise classes, non-credit instructional classes, aquatic services and informal (open) recreation. Facilities available include the ultramodern, award-winning Student Recreation Center, University Aquatic Center, the Student Activity Center at Presidential Village, outdoor fields complex, outdoor pool complex and tennis courts. For more information on these facilities and programs, call (205) 348-3994 or visit urec.ua.edu.

Women and Gender Resource Center

The mission of the Women and Gender Resource Center is to address gender inequity and foster a community that values social justice, safety, leadership, mentoring, education, multiculturalism, partnership and research. The center provides students with counseling and advocacy services when dealing with issues of dating violence, sexual assault, childhood abuse or stalking. There are opportunities to get involved through ongoing programs, such as the Young Women Leaders program (YWLP); the Young Men’s Leadership Program; the Safe Sisters Peer Education Program, and many more programs and initiatives. Additionally, there are opportunities to be involved with special events and programming, such as the Brown Bag Lunch Series, book clubs, conferences and awareness event activities. The WGRC is located in 2000 South Lawn Office Building and is open Monday – Friday from 8:00-5:00. The on-call advocate is available 24/7, even during school holidays. For additional information about programs and services, contact the Women and Gender Resource Center at (205) 348-5040 or visit wgrc.sa.ua.edu.