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## Mission, Vision, and Core Values

### Our Vision

As a great American public university, the University of Mississippi will lead and excel by engaging minds, transforming lives, and serving others.

### Our Mission

The University of Mississippi's mission is to create, evaluate, share, and apply knowledge in a free, open, and inclusive environment of intellectual inquiry. Building upon a distinguished foundation in the liberal arts, the state's oldest university serves the people of Mississippi and the world through a breadth of academic, research, and professional programs.

The University of Mississippi provides an academic experience that emphasizes critical thinking; encourages intellectual depth and creativity; challenges and inspires a diverse community of undergraduate, graduate, and professional students; provides enriching opportunities outside the classroom; supports lifelong learning; and develops a sense of global responsibility.

### Statement of Institutional Core Values

In pursuing its mission, the University of Mississippi:

- Reaffirms its identity and purpose as fundamentally academic
- Nurtures excellence in teaching, learning, creativity, and research
- Provides the best and most accessible undergraduate education in the state of Mississippi
- Offers high quality graduate and professional programs
- Protects academic freedom and cultivates individual integrity and academic honesty
- Promotes inclusiveness in its student body, faculty, and staff
- Requires respect for all individuals and groups
- Fosters a civil community of shared governance and collaborative endeavors
- Practices good stewardship of its resources
- Devotes its knowledge and abilities to serve the state and the world
- Honors the dignity of all employees and compensates them fairly

