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## Other Types of Admission

### Admission of Visiting Students

A student who regularly attends another recognized institution and who plans to return to that institution may be admitted to the university as a visiting student. The applicant must comply with the general requirements for admission and, in lieu of transcripts of credits, may submit a letter or certificate of good standing from an official of the institution that the student regularly attends. A student admitted to the summer session as a visiting student may elect to enroll in the university's next regular session. The student can qualify by submitting transcripts of credits from the other institutions attended and by meeting the requirements applicable to transfer students. If the student has attended the University of Mississippi previously, he or she must be re-admissible.

### Admission of Students Who Are Not Graduates of Regionally Accredited High Schools

Applicants who are home-schooled or who have not successfully completed high school must submit standard test scores (ACT composite minimum of 18 or SAT combined minimum of 860) and successfully complete the Accuplacer (see "Other Admission Criteria" above). Home-schooled students must present summaries of their educational experiences, which may include portfolios and transcripts. Students who are not high school graduates must present qualifying GED scores or, in some cases, may qualify as undergraduate special students (see below).

Applicants who have not graduated from a regionally accredited high school and were not home-schooled must submit qualifying scores on the General Education Development Test (GED) and any transcripts reflecting academic performance in high school. Home-schooled students must present portfolios summarizing his or her home-school education as well as standard test scores (ACT composite minimum of 18 or SAT combined minimum of 860). Applicants may be required, at the discretion of the admitting IHL institution, to appear for an on-campus interview.

### Admission of Undergraduate Special Students

A student who is at least 21 years of age, has been out of school for at least three years, and cannot present an acceptable high school record may be admitted to the university for such courses as he or she may be prepared to enter. This category is reserved for those who have had delays or interruption of the traditional sequence of educational pursuits. A person admitted as a special student is admitted with the same retention standards as degree-seeking students. Special students must have a minimum of a 2.0 GPA on 12 hours of course work to become degree-seeking students. After meeting this requirement, the special student may become a regularly enrolled student and the work completed while in the special status may be applied toward a degree. Failure to meet the stated requirements will result in academic suspension. While in special student status, a student may not register for more than 12 hours in a semester or summer session and will not qualify for financial aid programs.

### Admission of Unclassified Students

Applicants who have already received the baccalaureate degree may enroll in the university if they desire to take courses for personal or professional improvement at the 400 level or below; or are pursuing a second undergraduate degree. Generally, students pursuing a second undergraduate degree will not be permitted to take graduate courses, but under certain circumstances, with the approval of the appropriate academic dean, they may enroll as unclassified students in 500-level courses.

### Admission of Graduate Students

An applicant who has completed all requirements or has received the bachelor's degree from an institution accredited by a regional or recognized professional accrediting association may be admitted to the university as a graduate student for a program leading to an advanced degree, or as a graduate student with nondegree status for enrollment in graduate course work. Applicants desiring to enroll in the Graduate School should consult the Graduate School catalog for admission requirements and procedures.

### Admission to the University of Mississippi Medical Center (Jackson campus)

After completion of the undergraduate prerequisites, applications for enrollment in medicine, nursing, dentistry, and health-related professions are submitted to the Division of Student Services and Records, The University of Mississippi Medical Center, 2500 N. State Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39216. Students should consult the [School of Medicine](#) website for admission requirements and procedures. Pre-nursing students also may have the option of seeking admission through the Early Entry Nursing Program. See the [School of Nursing] (<http://www.umc.edu/son>) website for details.

