New Faculty Orientation, Spring 2016

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Resources

Department Office Assistance

- 1. Department Mail Box / Supplies
- 2. E-mail Account

Use your USA e-mail account to communicate with your students. JagMail e-mail is the University's official means of communicating with students. Students need to check their JagMail e-mail accounts <u>daily</u>.

JagMail / Google Apps

As a result of ever changing trends in technology and communication, USA is implementing a new feature-rich suite of communication and collaboration tools powered by Google and designed to make working together easier -- Google Apps for Education.

Students: click on Manage Student Account to Activate your account or change your password.

Faculty/Staff: click on Manage Faculty/Staff Account.

You may use the login buttons after your account is activated.

Manage Student Account

Student Login

Manage Faculty/Staff Account

Faculty/Staff Login

NOTE: Google has changed the login process.

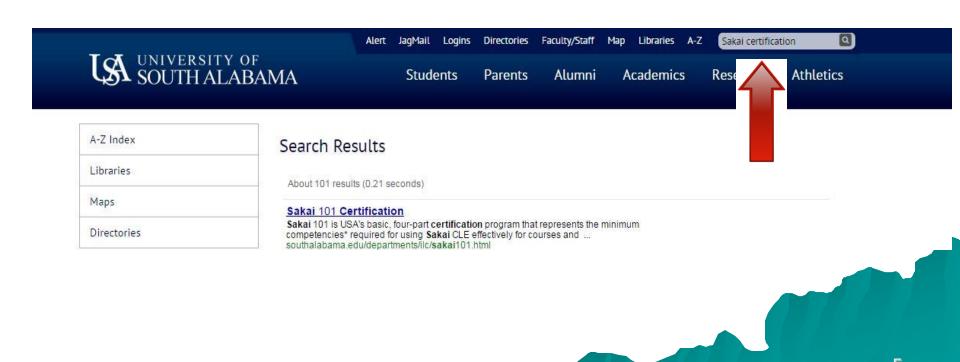
- Click here for more information.
- Click here to go to the new google login page.

Need help? Click Here.

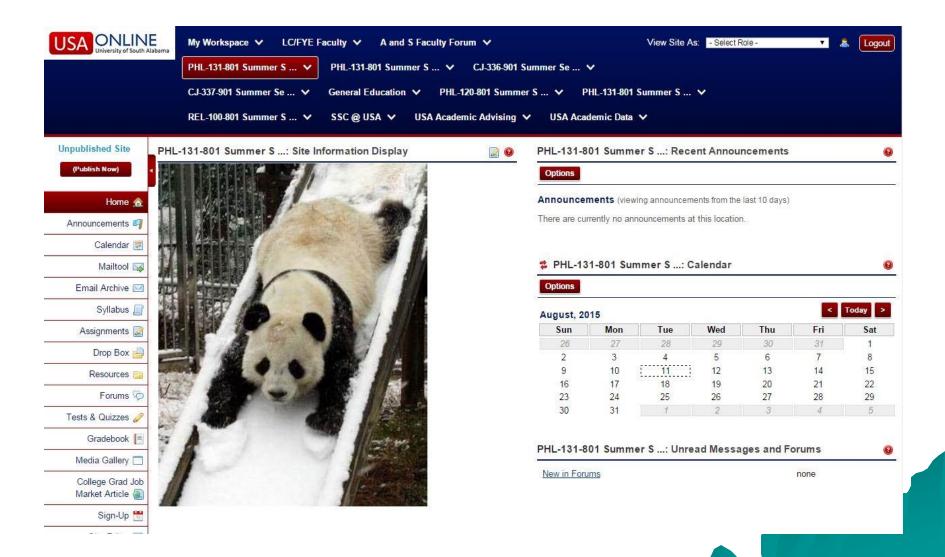
https://jagmail.southalabama.edu/

3. Learning Management System: Sakai

"All full-time faculty are required to be certified in all four parts of Sakai 101. Part-time faculty who teach online or blended courses at USA are also required to be certified in all four parts. Part-time faculty members who teach only web-enhanced courses must complete at least Part 1."



Sakai Online Course Sample



4. Paychecks:

Direct deposit; your appointment letter spells out your payment plan.

5. Faculty I. D. Cards

Human Resources

USA Technology & Research Park

Bldg. III, Suite 2200

6. Parking Permits (need to have your Jagmail first)
Order Online:



7. A&S College Grant and Sponsored Program Support

Charlene Lamonte: HUMB 136, 461-1706

- If you have an idea Charlene can sometimes point you in the right direction for funding.
- If you have a funding source, please come see her as soon as possible. She will review the RFP for administrative issues and can assist in developing the budget.
- The University Office of Research and Economic Development also supports faculty research and grant ideas/proposals

8. Important Numbers:

USA Police.
 511 – campus phone

460-6312 - other phone

Counseling & Testing.

460-7051

- Free and confidential for USA Students
- Psychological Clinic

460-7149

 Low-cost clinic staffed by Psychology faculty and graduate students.

Student Health Services

460-7151

Dean of Students

460-6172

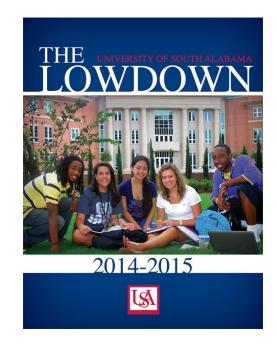
Major References

- a. 2015-6 Undergraduate and Graduate Bulletin (Online)
 - *Admissions/Enrollment Services.
 - *Academic Policies and Procedures.
 - *College of Arts and Sciences.
 - *Your Department.

www.southalabama.edu/bulletin/



- b. The Lowdown
 - * USA Policies.
 - * Student Grievances.



The Lowdown 2015 – 2016 is only available online.

http://www.southalabama.edu/departments/studentaffairs/low down/

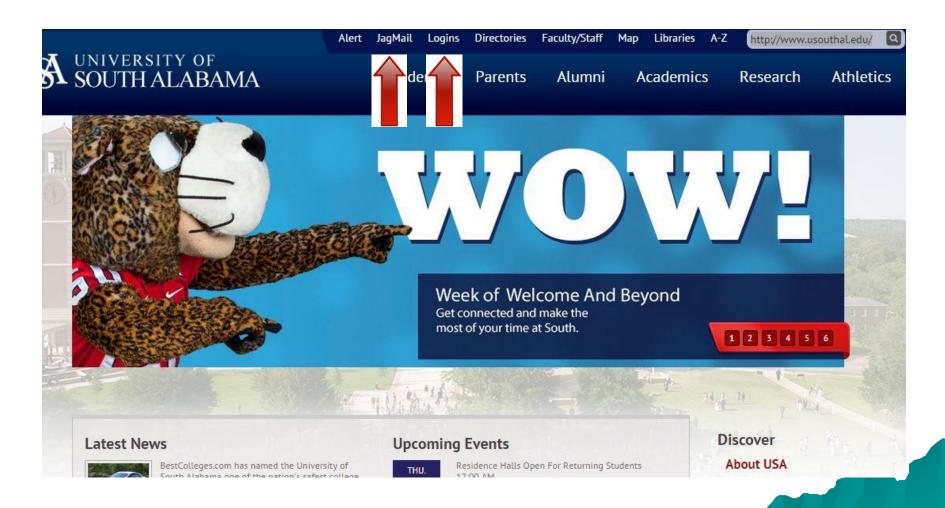
c. Orientation Handbook for New Faculty, 2015

HOME / DEPARTMENTS / ACADEMIC AFFAIRS Academic Affairs Home Academic Affairs Office Academic Calendar Centers/Programs Colleges/Schools Committees Faculty Position Openings LA COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES Faculty Ombudsperson Faculty Handbooks Forms Other Reporting Units Policies

d. USA Faculty Handbook

- Faculty rights, duties, workload, benefits
- Promotion and Tenure
- Academic Policies
- University Administration
- Student Policies





Faculty Attendance

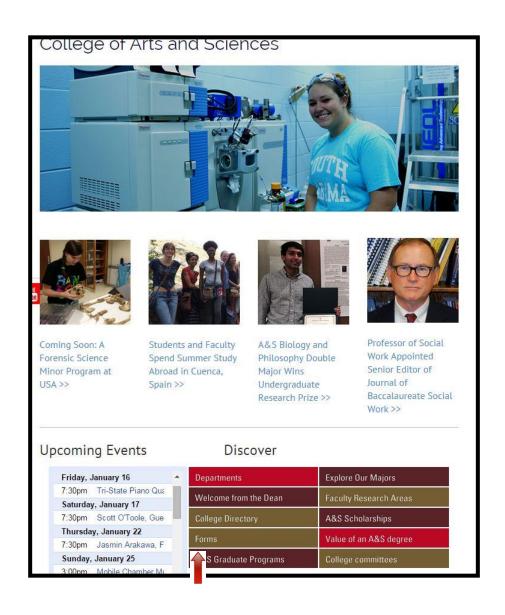
- Scheduled absence during your contract term at times other than university holidays requires a Request for Professional Leave or Travel Form (on A&S and on Academic Affairs website).
- You must be prepared to explain coverage for missed classes, labs, assignments.
- Reasons: Conference/Meeting attendance, professional development, family emergency.
- If you request reimbursement for travel, consult with your chair well in advance.

USA REQUEST FOR PROFESSIONAL LEAVE OR TRAVEL

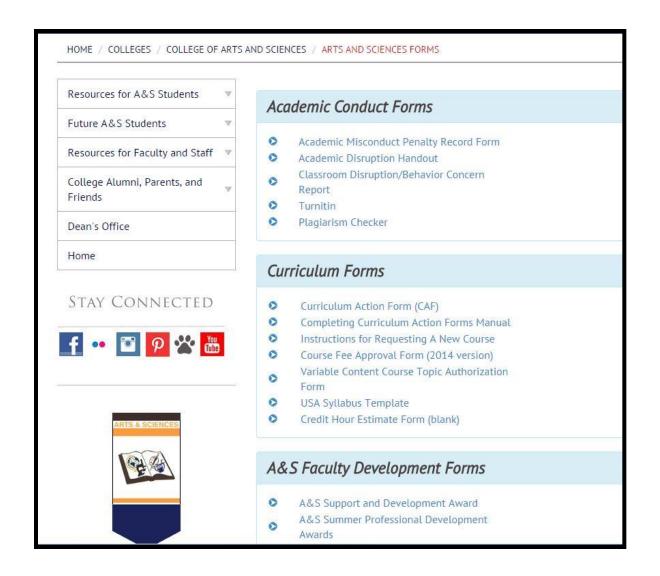
If this leave request includes FOREIGN/INTERNATIONAL travel you must complete the International Travel Review Form PRIOR to making any arrangements and PRIOR to submitting this request.

Name	Title		Department	
Office Address	****		Office Phone #	
Home Address			Home Phone #	
I,, request permission for professional leave or travel from				
A.M./P.M. on	(date) until	A.M./P.M. on	(date)	
This leave request is for:	Professional leave	Consulting	Other	
Specific purpose:				
Destination, if travel is involved:				
Will any classes or assignments be missed?	No	Yes		
If yes, indicate below what arrangement have	been made for appropriate coveraç	ge.		
Indicate below those classes that will be	missed:			
Course		# of Days Missed	<u>Coverage</u>	

E.g.: attend a professional meeting



http://www.usouthal.edu/colleges/artsandsci/



Office Hours

- Include office hours on syllabus. Post hours in dept.
- full-time faculty: 6 hours per week minimum
- part-time faculty: students must be notified about the times and methods of communication with parttime instructors. Guideline: ½ hour/week for each credit hour of class.
 - 3 hour class = 1.5 office hours/week.

Student Attendance

- Check class roster in the first few weeks because:
 - >Students dropped for non-payment but don't know,
 - >Students withdraw from the course (WD),
 - >Students may be attending the wrong course, or
 - >Students may be attending the wrong course section.

If wrong course, talk to your secretary.

Student must fill out a "Change of Course Form" and have it signed.

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Student Attendance Why check attendance?

- Attendance plays a major role in student success.
- You need attendance information for assigning mid-term and final grades (F* and U*)

Course withdrawal: Students can withdraw from a course on PAWS until about the 10th week of a semester.

Put the withdraw deadline on your syllabus (April 1st for spring, 2016)

Course Syllabus

The Syllabus Template is available on Forms site of College website, or on Academic Affairs website under Forms.

University of South Alabama Course Syllabus Template

This includes the minimum requirements for a course syllabus with recommended items in blue. Individual colleges/schools may have different requirements and/or organizational structure for course syllabilitems based on their accreditation needs and/or college/school requirements.

Note: Items in red are required; items in blue are recommended.

Course Information

Term

Subject, Number, Section Number, Course Title

Course Format: No web component, Web-enhanced, Blended, or Online

Class days and time

Building/Room number

Types of course formats:

- No Web component (rare)
- Web-Enhanced (traditional with supplements online; online assignments cannot reduce contact hours)
- Blended (15 85% online)
- Fully Online

Testing and Final Exams

- a. 100 200 level courses should give graded examination or paper by end of the 3rd week (end of 5th week for 300-400)
- b. Midterm grades are required for all full-term courses. Midterm grading will be due at 10:00 a.m. on March 14th, 2016.
- c. Give enough feedback before last day to withdraw (WD).
- d. Give Final Exams at scheduled time (regular classroom)
 University Exam Schedule

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE - SPRING 2016

All exams will take place in the regular class meeting place. No deviation from this schedule is permitted without the permission of the dean of the college in which the course is taught.

RELIEF FROM SEVERAL FINAL EXAMINATIONS PER DAY

Students are entitled to relief from three or four final examinations on the same day. If the student makes a formal written request two or more weeks prior to the first day of final examinations, the student's final examinations will be rescheduled normally on the following basis:

Spring Semester - Second exam may be rescheduled

The request is made to the dean of the college in which the course is taught, and the rescheduling is done through that office. If more than one college in involved, the appropriate deans will coordinate the rescheduling.

	Monday, May 2
Class Time	Exam Time
8:00 A.M. MWF	8:00 A.M 10:00 A.M.
10:10 A.M. MWF	10:30 A.M 12:30 P.M.
12:20 P.M. MWF	1:00 P.M 3:00 P.M.
2:30 P.M. MWF	3:30 P.M 5:30 P.M.
	Tuesday, May 3
Class Time	Exam Time
8:00 A.M. TR	8:00 A.M 10:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M. TR	10:30 A.M 12:30 P.M.
2:00 P.M. TR	1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
	Wednesday, May 4
Class Time	Exam Time
9:05 A.M. MWF	8:00 A.M 10:00 A.M.
11:15 A.M. MWF	10:30 A.M 12:30 P.M.
1:25 P.M. MWF	1:00 P.M 3:00 P.M.
3:35 P.M. MWF	3:30 P.M 5:30 P.M.
	Thursday, May 5
Class Time	Exam Time
7:00 A.M. MWF	8:00 A.M 10:00 A.M.
9:30 A.M. TR	10:30 A.M 12:30 P.M.
12:30 P.M. TR	1:00 P.M 3:00 P.M.
3:30 P.M. TR	3:30 P.M 5:30 P.M.
Classes that do not appear in the ab	ove schedule may use 3:30 – 5:30 P.M. on Tuesday, May 3
	Evening Classes

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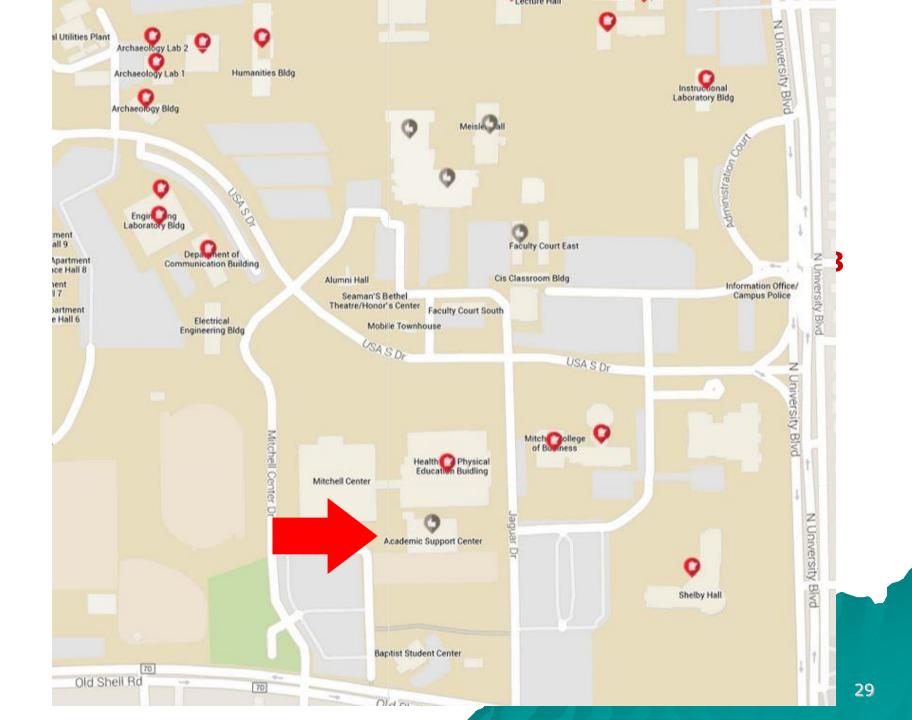
Monday, May 2		Wednesday, May 4	
6:00 P.M. MW or M	6:00 P.M 8:00 P.M.	6:00 P.M. W	6:00 P.M 8:00 P.M.
7:30 P.M. MW, M, W	8:15 P.M 10:15 P.M.	9:00 P.M. MW, M, W	8:15 P.M 10:15P.M.
Tuesday, May 3		Thursday, May 5	
6:00 P.M. TR or T	6:00 P.M 8:00 P.M.	6:00 P.M. R	6:00 P.M 8:00 P.M.
7:30 P.M. TR, T, R	8:15 P.M 10:15 P.M.	9:00 P.M. TR, T, R	8:15 P.M 10:15 P.M.

Weekend Classes

Weekend Classes will have their final exams Friday - Sunday, April 29 to May 1, 2016, at the regular class meeting time.

Student Academic Success and Retention (Jag Success)

- First Year Experience courses (CAS 100: FYE)
- Learning Communities/Block schedules
- Supplemental Instruction
- JagAlert
- JagPALS
- Math Lab
- Writing Center
- First Year Advising Center (FYAC)



Academic Advising in Arts and Sciences

We Use A Mixed Advising Model:

- Freshmen are advised in First Year Advising Center Exceptions: Music, Theatre and Dance, and Social Work Majors.
- Sophomores Seniors are advised in their Department by Faculty.
- 3. Graduation Advising and special advising is done by A&S Advising Center Staff.
- Graduate Students advised in Department with support from Dr. Nancy Howell.

Director of First Year Advising



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Advising Center Staff

Meet the Academic Advisors in the College of Arts and Sciences



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Professional Advisors for Arts and Sciences

A&S Advising Center: AHS 345

Ask A&S Advising Center staff first about advising questions; don't send students to Registrar's Office

Advising Resources for Faculty

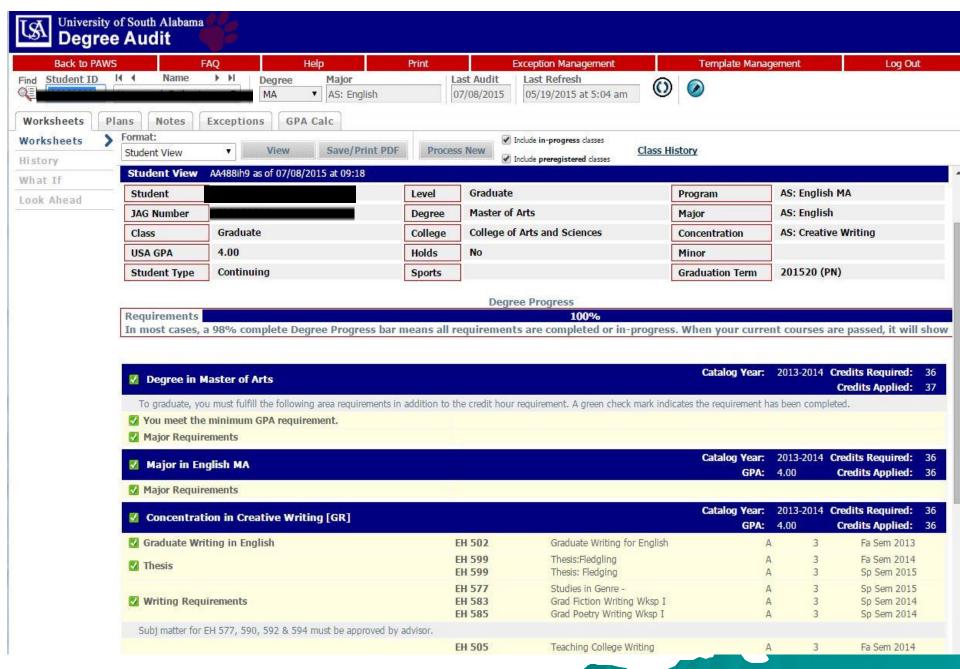
1. Degree Works. Academic Advising Tool.

Search Go	SITE MAP	HELP	EXI
Welcome, Eric J. Loomis, to the PAWS Information System! Last web access on Aug 11, 2015 at 03:42 pm			
Faculty Services 4			
Enter Grades and Registration Overrides, View Class Lists and Student Information			
Personal Information			
View or update your mailing address, current phone number, e-mail address, emergency contact, missing person contact; View name change & social security number change information; Change your PIN.			
Employee Services			
View your benefits information; View your leave history or balances, job information, pay stubs and W-2.			
Financial Information			
Budget Query, Encumbrance Query, View Documents, Approve Documents and Code Lookup.			

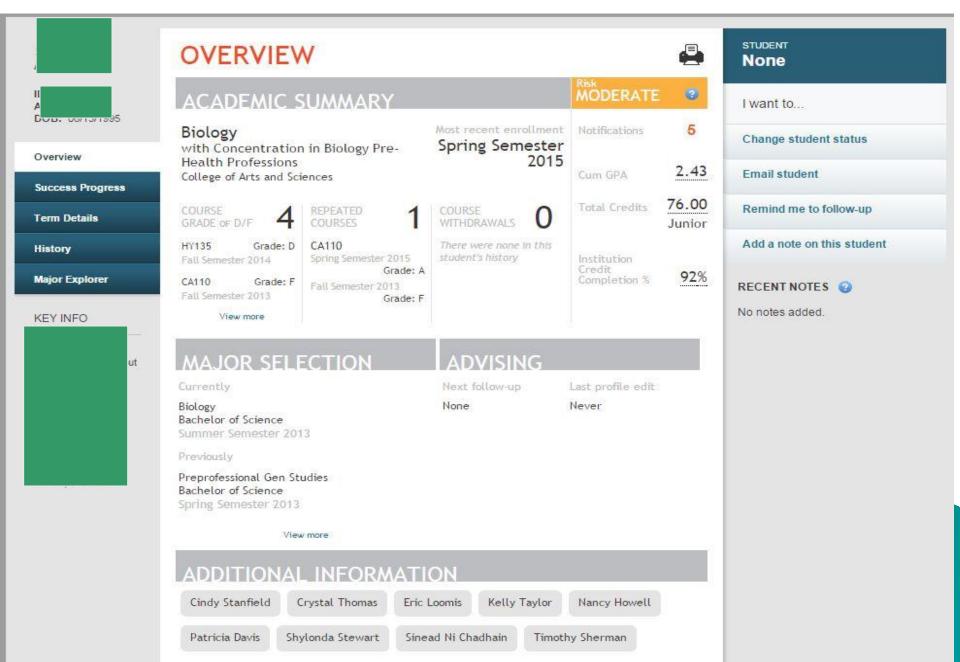
Term Selection
CRN Selection
Faculty Detail Schedule
Faculty Schedule by Day and Time
Detail Class List
Summary Class List
JagAlerts
Final Grades
Registration Add/Drop
Student Menu
Display student information; View a student's schedule; Process a student's registration.
Advisor Menu

View a student's transcript; View a student's grades.





2. Student Success Collaborative: In-depth academic analysis and prediction



Academic Advising

USA is seeking to improve retention and to raise its graduation rate to 50% in five years (currently ~37%).

Improving retention helps everything: students, institutional status, new student quality, even raises!

Quality interactions with faculty, especially in an advising capacity, are among the primary factors affecting retention.

- A substantial body of empirical literature supports this claim. (E.g.:Young-Jones et al, 2013; Swecker et al., 2013; Allen, et al, 2008; McArthur, 2005; Habley, 2004)

Grading

Grades / Symbols:

Grades: A, B, C, D, F, F*, S, U, U*

Symbols: I, X, P

No plus or minus grades.

N.B.: We use "S" for passing (satisfactory), not P.P = in progress

F*, U*

(Attendance)

A grade of F*or U*, rather than an F or U, is assigned in cases where the student did not officially withdraw from the course but who failed to attend. Attendance could be academic attendance or participation in an academically-related activity.

F* or U* grades will be generated based upon the mid-term or final grades and attendance dates you provide. You will not assign them directly, however, you will need to have accurate attendance information at mid-term and final grade submission.

You will be asked to record the last date of attendance for F* and U* grades when you record final grades. You can use the last recorded assignment as the last date of attendance.

An "Incomplete" may be given in certain circumstances:

Ι

Incomplete

Part-time faculty need the chair's permission to give an I

- When a student has completed a substantial portion of the course with a passing grade and experiences a significant health or personal problem preventing him/her from completing the course, an "I" may be assigned.
- The faculty member makes the decision to assign an "I" at the request of and in consultation with the student.
- If the student does not complete the course requirements by the middle of the next semester, the "I" is automatically changed to "F."
- It is the student's responsibility to consult with the faculty member at the beginning of the following semester.



Absence from Final Exam "X"

An "X" is given if the student has a reasonable chance of passing the course, but with good reason missed the final exam.

P

Courses in Progress "P"

The symbol "P" (In Progress) is assigned <u>only</u> in a limited number of approved courses that require more than one term for completion. This grade should not be used merely to indicate that the student was unable to complete a course within the term enrolled and is given some additional time to complete coursework. Use either

More about Grades:

- Submit grades on time.

Usually due at 10:00 am 2-4 days after finals.

Late grade reporting impacts graduation, financial aid, course registrations.

Changing grades.
 use online form

see class roster

HY, EH, GEO, BLY

first name last name

only check one

INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE SEND FORM TO THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE MH 1100

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA CHANGE OF GRADE/SYMBOL FORM (A, B, C, D, F, F*, S, U, U*, N/ I, X, P)



CRN	SUBJECT	COURSE	SECTION
→			

TERM

INSTRUCTOR	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
*		

STUDENT NAME	STUDENT ID	ASSIGNED GRADE OR SYMBOL	AMENDED GRADE OR SYMBOL
	J00		
	J00		
	J00		_
,	J00		

JUSTIFICATION FOR GRADE OR SYMBOL CHANGE (PLEASE SPECIFY) (Please indicate by v') Error in Recording-Grade Error in Evaluation of Grade Student Completed Course Work (I, X, P) Other (please specify)

INSTRUCTOR'S SIGNATURE	DATE
CHAIR'S SIGNATURE	DATE
DEAN'S SIGNATURE	DATE
FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS ONLY:	
GRADUATE STUDIES DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE	DATE
GRADUATE SCHOOL DEAN'S SIGNATURE	DATE

Spring 2016



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME FOR INCOMPLETE GRADE

To extend the time for the removal of an incomplete grade, please submit this form to the Registrar's Office prior to the last day for faculty reports on incomplete grades as published in the University Calendar.

Student Name:	 	

Student No: J00 Semester: Year:

Course		
Subject:	Course No.:	Section No.:

College: Dept.:

Extend the time for removing the incomplete grade (I, X, P) to the specified deadline of:

(Month)	(Day)	(Year)

Reason:

Instructor Name:

Instructor Signature:_____

APPROVAL

Department Chair	Date
Dean	Date

White - Registrar Yellow - Dean

HY, EH,

Check academic calendar for deadline

I, X, P

FERPA

Posting Grades and Privacy

referred to as the Buckley Amendment, prohibits the disclosure of certain types of student information, including the release of grades, without the student's consent. Even if codes are used instead of names, public posting of grades is NOT an advisable practice. The University Registrar provides each student with an official online grade report each semester and students may access their grades on a secure web site.

- b. Consequences of FERPA
 - don't post grades in classroom or on your door. You can post grades in Sakai (recommended).
 - Shred paper documents containing student info.
 - don't e-mail grades to students, or leave them in a pile for students to sort through.
 - don't talk to parents about their student's grades unless the student signs a waiver.
 - Never post student J-numbers, grades, or similar private information to a public website (other than Sakai).

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University of South Alabama Grade Replacement Policy

Under certain conditions, when a course has been repeated, a student may request that an earlier grade not be used in the calculation of the USA grade point average.

Please note: a USA grade point average that includes grade replacement, may not be used for some purposes. For example, graduate and professional programs may recalculate your grade point average with no grade replacement for admissions decisions.

If you are receiving financial aid, please be aware that the Standards of Academic Progress Policy is separate from the Grade Replacement Policy. Replacement of a grade does not change the satisfactory academic progress calculation. All work attempted is part of this calculation and repeating courses could negatively affect your eligibility for financial aid. If you have questions please contact the Office of Financial Aid (251-460-6261 or finaid@usouthal.edu).

Students can replace up to three USA course grades while at USA.

They cannot replace a grade if academic misconduct was involved in a prior course attempt.

The old grade remains on the transcript but is not calculated in the institutional GPA.

Grade Grievances

- a. Keep course materials (exams, quizzes, papers) for a year.
- b. Final Course Grade Grievance Policy
 Students may grieve a final grade due to:
 - i. Grading Error
 - ii. Failure of instructor to follow the syllabus
 - iii. Arbitrary or capricious evaluation
 - iv. Extraordinary mitigating factors

Students must file a grievance within 20 class days of the next semester. First must try to resolve with instructor, then chair, then grievance committee.

	FINAL GRADE GRIEVANCE FORM					
1. <u>B</u>	ckground Information:					
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Cour	e Term: Fall Spring Summer Year					
	e Received or Academic Action Taken: ed Outcome:					
2. <u>N</u> a	ture of Complaint:					
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	the grounds for the grievance that applies to this case:					

www.southalabama.edu/academicaffairs/forms/finalgradegrievance.pdf

Cheating / Plagiarism Student Academic Conduct Policy in Lowdown

- Inform student verbally or in writing of the alleged violation.
- If you decide to impose a penalty, you must prepare a written statement describing the alleged violation and the penalty, along with a copy of the Student Academic Misconduct Policy.
 - Give or mail the statement to the student. Have the student sign for receipt or request a Return Receipt if mailed.
 - Give a copy to your chair. Student has 10 days to reply.

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Academic Misconduct Penalty Record (AMPR)

Semester:

Student Name:	Student Number:	Major:		
Instructor:	Course Title/Section:			
Type of Misconduct:		of Charge II)	Date of Incident:	
Date Student Notified of Alleged Violation, Penalty, and D	oue Process Procedures (Attach Copy	of Notification to AMPR).	:	
Penalty Imposed by Instructor:				
Student Denies Charges and Desires Review Conference	e: Yes No			
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW CONFERENCE			DATE:	
Outcome of Conference (Select One):				
Dismissal of Charge(s)				
Student Accepts Penalty Imposed by Instructor				
Student Requests a Hearing (May Have 2 C	Student Requests a Hearing (May Have 2 Class Days to Make Decision)			
Other:				
Signatures:				

Academic Disruption Policy

Disruptive academic behavior is defined as individual or group conduct that interrupts or interferes with any educational activity or environment, infringes upon the rights and privileges of others, results in or threatens the destruction of property, and/or is otherwise prejudicial to the maintenance of order in an academic environment.

Disruptive Behavior Can Include:

- Sleeping in class.
- Routinely entering class late or departing early.
- Repeatedly talking in class without being recognized, talking while others are talking, or dominating class discussion.
- Loud keyboarding or playing computer games.
- Physical display of anger (such as throwing books)

Form to report Academic Disruption

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA Classroom Disruption/Behavior Concern Report Student Name ID# Instructor's Name Instructor's Phone Email Course Title College Time Incident Date Describe incident including relevant history, instructions given, student response and recommendations:

A&S Faculty Reporting System

Full-Time faculty should begin entering data into Digital Measures for tenure, promotion, and assessment purposes.



College of Arts and Sciences





Faculty Policies

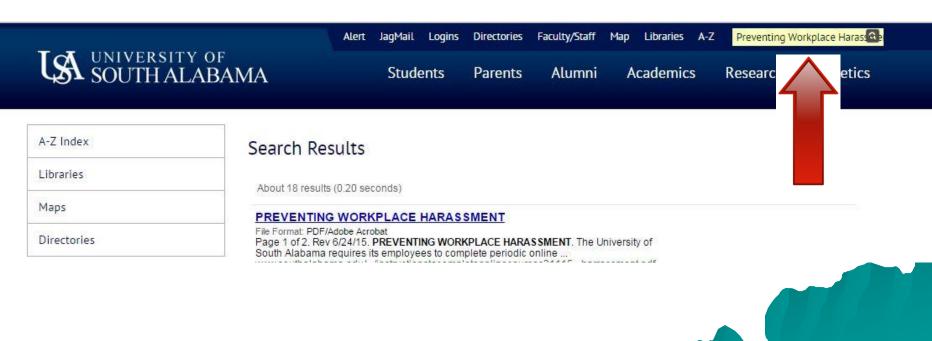
The USA Faculty Handbook specifies policies and procedures that govern all USA faculty. Arts and Sciences College tenure, promotion, and mid-probationary review policies are presented below.

Forms	USA Faculty Policies
Digital Measures	Dean's Office



O. Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence Policy

All faculty must complete the *Campus SaVE Act and the Workplace Harassment Prevention* training online within 60 days of employment. (Set up your Jag mail account first)



The University of South Alabama is committed to an environment in which students, faculty, staff and guests are free from sexual harassment, including sexual violence/sexual assault. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination prohibited under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, as well as the University's Non-Discrimination Policy. Sex discrimination, consequently, encompasses both sexual harassment and sexual violence, which seriously threatens the atmosphere of trust and respect that is essential to a healthy work and academic environment and will not be tolerated by the University. members of the University community (including faculty, staff and students) must abide by this policy. Persons found to be in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary actions by the University – including, but not limited to – warning/reprimand, demotion, transfer, suspension, expulsion, dismissal, or termination. Under certain circumstances, moreover, acts of sexual harassment and sexual violence may result in criminal and/or civil sanctions.

All members of the University community are expected, and in some cases required, to report incidents of sexual harassment or sexual violence.

This Powerpoint presentation is on the College Website under Faculty Policies and Forms (scroll to the bottom of the page).

USA Resources

A.R.R.A.

Thank You!



Parking Services

Download the USA App

Download the USA App for

Virtual Tour & Campus Maps

Take a virtual tour of