2015 – 2016 SOUTHERNER APPLICATION INFORMATION SHEET

Important Dates:
Monday, March 16, 5:00 p.m. – Applications Due
Wednesday, March 18 - Call for Interview Time
Monday, March 23 – Interviews

The Southerners, a twenty member student group sponsored by the National Alumni Association, serve as the official ambassadors for the University. They work closely with alumni, University and community groups to promote the institution. Special emphasis is placed on alumni, fund raising, legislative affairs, and community activities.

If you are interested in serving as a Southerner, please complete an application and return it, along with your letter of recommendation and photo, to the Office of Alumni Relations no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 16, 2015. If selected for an interview, you will be contacted Wednesday, March 18, 2015 to schedule a 10-minute interview time for Monday, March 23, 2015. In order to be considered, you must be able to attend the interview.

All applicants are encouraged to visit with current Southerners at the open house Monday, February 23, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., at Alumni Hall. The Southerners will be happy to answer any questions you may have about guidelines, duties and the application procedure, and take a photo for your application if you need one.

Print your name on the back of your photograph, and attach it to the application.

Criteria for Selection

Students selected:
♦ Must have and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 at the time of application, attending as full-time student during academic year 2015-2016.
♦ Must have class, work, extracurricular and social schedule that permits accomplishment of Southerner commitments.
♦ Must be able to attend weekly mandatory meetings on Mondays at 5:00 p.m.
♦ Should not be scheduled to complete academic requirements before the end of Spring Semester 2015.
♦ Must possess a positive desire to work for and promote the University.
♦ Must show exceptional leadership and communication skills, and
♦ Must have a positive outlook and be self-motivated.

Members are chosen on the basis of the application, the reference, a personal interview with a committee of USA alumni and faculty, overall academic achievements and campus involvement.

APPLICATION PACKETS ARE DUE, MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2015 AND MUST INCLUDE:
• COMPLETED APPLICATION
• COMPLETED LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
• PHOTO WITH YOUR NAME WRITTEN ON THE BACK
Deadline Date: Monday, March 16, 2015

Name ______________________________ Name Preferred __________________ J # _____________

Address __________________________________________________________________________________

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Street ___________________________________________________________________________________

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City __________________ State __________ Zip __________

Campus Mailing Address _____________________________________________________________________

Cell Phone ______________________________ Email______________________________________________

Year in School _________ Degree ___________ Major _____________ Anticipated Grad. Date _________

Please answer the following: (You may download and complete the application or you may attach answers/ responses on separate sheets, but please make sure to correctly number your responses and attach to this application.)

1. List the most important organizations or activities that you were involved in while attending high school.

2. List activities you have been involved in at USA and in the community with the emphasis on leadership.

3. Work experience (include summer, part-time and volunteer).

4. Do you plan to work during 2015-2016? (If so, give employer's name, phone, and number of hours you will work.)

5. List your leisure interest.
6. Describe your short- and long-range goals, both personal and career.

7. Were you aware of the Southerner program before you received this application? If yes, how did you know about the group?

**REMINDER:** DID YOU REQUEST A RECOMMENDATION AND ATTACH A PHOTO?

Signature__________________________________________________ Date __________________________

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YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO VISIT DURING THE OPEN HOUSE FOR ALL PROSPECTIVE SOUTHERNERS AT ALUMNI HALL Monday, February 23, 5:00-6:00 P.M. CURRENT SOUTHERNERS AND ADVISOR WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT GUIDELINES, DUTIES AND THE APPLICATION PROCEDURE.

Return to: Office of Alumni Relations
Alumni Hall
University of South Alabama
Mobile, AL 36688

For info call Ailey Shirazi: (251) 460-7084

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Application Rec’d _________________________ Reference Rec’d _________________________
Verified Cumulative GPA ________________

Interview Day/Time ____________________