

Global USA

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Global USA is a division of Academic Affairs and is the central international office for the University of South Alabama. This division supports the University's Strategic Priority of Global Engagement by working with colleges, departments, faculty, staff, students and the Mobile area community to facilitate the comprehensive internationalization of the University of South Alabama. Global USA encompasses all international and continuing education offices on the University of South Alabama's main campus and our two satellite campuses, Baldwin County Fairhope Campus and the Gulf Coast Campus.

The Office of Immigration and International Admissions is specifically designed to handle immigration compliance and admissions. The Office of Global Outreach and International Student Programs provides support services and activities for international students and scholars and is in charge of all international recruiting. The English Language Center provides an intensive English program available to internationals who come to the United States to learn English or those who are already living here that endeavor to improve their English. The Office of International Education connects students to study abroad programs in a variety of countries, facilitates foreign exchange programs and works with international partnerships. The Center for Continuing Education and Conference Services designs international and domestic camps, offers training programs and certificate programs, plans conferences and special events as well as providing continuing education for adults. Our satellite campus in Fairhope offers another location for students to take courses and our Gulf Coast Campus in Gulf Shores houses a new Internship Academy as well as a venue for the Distinguished Lecturer series and other conferences.

Global USA is here to serve and support our international students and scholars as well as our domestic students who are interested in traveling and studying all over the world..

Global Outreach And International Student Programs

Global Outreach and International Student Programs	(251) 460-7800
Director	Ms. Hannah Murphy
Assistant Director	Ms. Maya Constantine
Coordinator, International Student Programs	Ms. Noel McCann
International Program Assistant	Ms. Sharon Leinhos

The Office of Global Outreach and International Student Programs oversees the University of South Alabama's international student recruitment activities as well as programming and support services for international students once they arrive on campus. The Office of Global Outreach and International Student Programs provides new international students with an on-campus orientation upon arrival, events and programs each semester, as well as a variety of services for students throughout the year. New, readmitted and those changing degree level international students are required to participate in an orientation program prior to their first semester at the University. International Student Orientation serves to welcome students to the University, introduce them to staff and students and familiarize them with immigration regulations, academic procedures and the campus community.

Any student interested in participating in events or volunteering is encouraged to visit the office located in Alpha Hall East 214 or email globalusa@southalabama.edu.

Office Of Immigration And International Admissions

Office of Immigration and International Admissions	251-460-6050
Director	Ms. H. Regina George
Associate Director	Mrs. Heather Nix
Immigration Coordinator	Ms. Denise Robb
Immigration Coordinator	Mr. Maurice Chavarry, Sr.
Academic Records Specialist	Ms. LaSonya Toney
Secretary	Mrs. Reese Olewnik

The Office of Immigration and International Admissions at the University of South Alabama is responsible for the processing of applications for admission submitted by non-citizens and immigration compliance for those students and foreign national scholars, faculty, and staff associated with the University. The University of South Alabama does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, race, color, religion or national origin. These provisions also apply to disabled individuals pursuant to current federal and state regulations subject to reasonable standards of admission and employment.

Immigration Compliance

The Office of Immigration and International Admissions is responsible for the development and implementation of policies and procedures associated with US immigration compliance functions for foreign nationals associated with current and potential nonimmigrant degree, non-degree and English language training students, nonimmigrant faculty/staff employment, J exchange scholars (including postdoctoral trainees, degree and non-degree students, professors and research scholars), academic/co-curricular exchange program participants and international guests. Inquiries regarding immigration matters should be emailed to immigration@southalabama.edu. For specific Immigration policies and procedure, please visit <https://www.southalabama.edu/departments/international>.

Admission

The Office of Immigration and International Admissions processes all non-citizen applications for admission to undergraduate and graduate programs at the University of South Alabama. Inquiries about admission for non-citizens should be addressed to the Office of Immigration and International Admissions, 390 Alumni Circle, Meisler Hall, Suite 2200, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama 36688-0002, or e-mail at internationaladmissions@southalabama.edu. For specific International Admissions policies and procedure, please visit <https://www.southalabama.edu/departments/international>.

Office Of International Education

Office of International Education	(251) 460-7053
Director of International Education	Ms. Bri Ard
Assistant Director of International Programs	Ms. Shawn Dillard
Education Abroad Advisor	Ms. Jan-Dominique Santos
International Programs Assistant	Ms. Elizabeth Calhoun
International Education Programs (IEP) Advisor	Ms. Natasha Spradlin

The Office of International Education provides to the University community information and support on international initiatives and is responsible for Education Abroad, student exchange and international partnerships as well as providing assistance with visiting

international delegations, reviewing and approving university related travel abroad for students, faculty, and staff. OIE is actively involved in facilitating international academic exchange programs and additional international agreements for the University.

The Office of International Education is available for collaboration with local governmental, business and community organizations that foster international cooperation, exchange and understanding. All existing or proposed international programs, exchanges, contracts and grants are reviewed and registered with the Office of International Education. The director chairs the University Council on International Education and Scholarship (USACIES), whose members are appointed by the Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs and charged with disseminating information, developing as well as guiding policy and planning for USA in the international arena.

Study Abroad

The Office of International Education administers all USA Education Abroad Programs and international cooperation agreements/contracts. In addition, the Director of International Education works in collaboration with University deans, division heads and directors responsible for curriculum and faculty development.

All USA students who plan to participate in a study, research, internship or work abroad opportunity must contact the Office of International Education for information on program advising and approval procedures.

English Language Center

The English Language Center	Alpha Hall East 224 (251) 460-7185
Director	Ms. Chimène Gecewicz, M.A.
Student Services Coordinator	Ms. Justine Burbank

The English Language Center (ELC) provides intensive English instruction to individuals whose native language is not English.

The ELC offers both credit bearing and non-credit classes.

Credit Classes for University Students:

ESL 015, 016, and 018 are offered during the fall and spring semesters. Enrollment in these courses is limited to University students. ESL courses CANNOT be substituted for EH 101 or 102 requirements. However, they may be counted as part of the 12-hour course load required of F-1 students and may be taken as electives by students wishing to improve their proficiency in English with the permission of the ELC Director.

Credit Classes for Global Path to Success Students:

GPS 115, 116, 118, and 101 are offered for students who are enrolled in the University's SEVP Pathway program – Global Path to Success (GPS). Students are placed in GPS 115, 116, 118, and 101 based on IELTS/iTEP/PTE/TOEFL subscores. Students who successfully complete the requirements of the GPS program with a GPA of 2.0 or higher are granted full acceptance into University.

Non-Credit Classes:

The ELC also offers four levels of non-credit classes to students wishing to improve their English either to reach personal goals or as part of the Pre-Global Path to Success program. These classes are in the areas of composition, grammar, oral skills, and reading. Students who complete level four of the program with a final average of 70% or better in all core classes and a Michigan EPT score of 61 or better will fulfill the English proficiency requirements of the University for undergraduate study.

The English Language Center ESL professionals:	
Lead Grammar & Composition Teacher/Senior Instructor	Mr. Mark Basque, M.A.
Instructor	Ms. Sylvia Koestner, M.A.
Lead Oral Skills and Reading Teacher/Instructor	Ms. Sandra Wingate, M.A.

Center For Continuing Education And Conference Services

Center for Continuing Education & Conference Services	Alpha Hall East 335 (251) 460-7200
Interim Director	Joy Aull
Program Director	J. J. Moody
Program Coordinator/Support Staff	Emily Wilson
Accountant	Patricia Miles

The mission of the Center for Continuing Education and Conference Services (CCE or the Center) is to provide innovative and in-demand educational programs and experiences to the Mobile, Gulf Coast and international communities focused on growing strategic partnerships, providing student enrichment opportunities and encouraging economic, civic and cultural development. The CCE offers professional and career development opportunities through noncredit programs, camps and conferences, cultural offerings, and lecture series. The Center also works with local businesses and industry to provide custom training solutions.

In addition, the CCE enriches the lives of individuals who seek to challenge and stimulate their minds. Non-credit course offerings include: conversational languages, art, music, literature, communication, and leisure activities. The Center administers the awarding of Continuing Education Units (CEUs) and issues transcripts for non-credit courses, workshops, and conferences.

Workforce Development

The CCE offers programs which emphasize education for the working professional in the form of seminars, workshops, conferences, and short-term courses. University faculty, along with field experts, actively participate in the development and instruction of these programs. Staff members focus on meeting the needs of our regional community partners by assisting them in building human capital.

The CCE Safety and Emergency Response Training program serves industry, government and other agencies with state-of-the-art instruction in the handling of hazardous materials and emergency spills, technical rescue and incident command in accordance with state and federal regulations. The Center also offers training programs in mental health and crisis intervention for first responders and other primary responders such as school counselors and hospital personnel.

Certificate programs are available for individuals seeking new careers or ways to advance in their current profession. Some of our certificate programs are Paralegal Studies, Nonprofit Management, Photography and Medical Billing and Coding.

Recognizing that members of the community may need more flexibility than traditional in-person classes, the CCE has partnered with some of the most widely recognized providers of online educational courses to bring students learning opportunities in a plethora of areas for both professional development and personal enrichment.

Personal Enrichment

The CCE offers non-credit classes for adults in a number of areas for personal enrichment. Whether it is to learn a new hobby or simply have fun, the CCE selects instructors who are experts in their field to provide engaging quality courses in a wide variety of topics including foreign languages, photography, music and physical activities.

The University has programs for lifelong learning in both Mobile and Baldwin counties. Odyssey USA is the University's Institute for Learning in Retirement in Mobile. It is a membership organization that gives members the opportunity to serve in leadership roles, to develop class topics based on their interests, to work with experts from the University and the community, and to organize and plan member events. Members enjoy a broad selection of classes and events year-round. Discover is the life-long learning program based out of the Gulf Shores Campus. It offers a variety of courses designed to provide accessible opportunities to continue learning in retirement and to meet other members of the community.

Test Prep

With test preparation courses for the GRE®, GMAT®, LSAT®, Praxis®, SAT® and ACT®, the CCE is the Gulf Coast's leading test prep solution for admission exams. Also offered is a Part 107 Remote Drone Pilot Ground School to prepare students with the technical and practical understanding of the regulations, procedures, and aeronautical knowledge necessary to take and pass the FAA Part 107 Remote Pilot Certification Knowledge Test and receive their Remote Pilot rating which is required for commercial drone applications.

Summer Programs, Camps And Conferences

The CCE serves as a resource for event administration, registrations and payment processing. For external groups seeking to hold events at USA, the Center coordinates arrangements for University facilities and services. Our professional staff can also provide these services for educational events off-site. Additionally, the CCE develops custom short-term, non-credit programs designed to inspire and to promote developmental growth for domestic and international audiences.

USA Baldwin County Campus

University of South Alabama Baldwin Campus	10 North Summit Fairhope, Alabama 36532 (251) 928-8133
Director	Dr. Cynthia L. Wilson
Business Operations	Kim Martin
Criminal Justice faculty	Michael Hollingsworth
Computer Support	Deneane O'Cain
Security	Ralph McDonald
Secretary	Julie Hamner
Custodial	Rhoda Jetson, Brenda Gordon
Maintenance	Dirk Bayer

The University of South Alabama Baldwin County (USABC) was established as a campus of the University in August, 1984, to offer higher education in one of the fastest growing and most diverse counties in Alabama. USABC offers upper-level (junior and senior) undergraduate courses, graduate courses, and non-credit programs. The campus is in downtown Fairhope. The administration building is located at 10 North Summit Street and the classroom complex is at the corner of Summit Street and St. James Place; and the College of Nursing building at 161 N. Summit Street.

Academic offerings include courses leading to Bachelor's degrees in Interdisciplinary Studies, Communication, Criminal Justice, Elementary Education, Emergency Medical Services and Nursing Accelerated BSN Track. Courses in business, education, and liberal arts are offered each semester which can be used as credit in a variety of degree programs. Faculty who teach these courses are hired by the University's academic divisions.

Computer services are provided for students and faculty. Classrooms have internet access and audio-visual equipment. The administration building contains a computer laboratory and computers are available in the building's lobby for use during business and class hours. An additional computer lab is located at the Classroom Complex.

Credit courses are offered during the day and the evening in Fairhope. Most evening courses meet once per week and day time courses meet in a variety of formats. USABC students are eligible for on-line courses scheduled by the academic departments. Check the USABC website for the complete schedule of courses for each semester.

Printed materials for admission, academic programs, financial aid and student services are available in the administration building. Academic advising is available, by appointment, on the campus.

USABC supports the University's mission of public service by working cooperatively with community organizations. The Fairhope Film Festival is co-sponsored by USABC and is held in the USABC Performance Center, USABC co-sponsors Leadership Baldwin County which is open to adults in the county. Special events are held on the USABC campus throughout the year.

USA Gulf Coast Campus

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Coordinator

Dr. Jenny Manders

Reflective of the mission and vision of the University, the USA Gulf Coast campus was established to make a difference in the lives of those it serves in south Baldwin County through promoting discovery, health, and learning by linking community needs and interests with University resources. In addition, USA Gulf Coast functions to provide innovative learning experiences for students in all majors. Programs offered at USA Gulf Coast include internship opportunities and housing, a Distinguished Lecture Series, and Discover: An Institute for Learning in Retirement. Opportunities for training and professional development are offered both onsite and online through the Center for Continuing Education.