The aquatics program in the Department of Campus Recreation at the University of South Alabama operates a robust swimming lesson series for both adults and children, as well as many aquatics safety certifications, from our two pools in the Student Recreation Center. The University of South Alabama is located in Mobile, Alabama and has an enrollment of approximately 15,000 students.

Compensation:
- Tuition and registration fee waiver plus stipend of $3,333 per semester. The assistantship is available year-round, pending work and school performance, during fall, spring, and summer semesters for a maximum stipend of $10,000/year.

Applicants are being accepted for Summer 2020. The anticipated start date is June 1, 2020.

This is a year-round graduate assistantship. The GA is required to work 20 hours per week in spring, summer, and fall semesters and in-between semesters. Regular early morning, evening or weekend work is expected.

Responsibilities
The Aquatics Graduate Assistant is responsible for scheduling and supervision of approximately 25 lifeguards, supervisors, and/or water safety instructors, including regular re-training and/or in-service training as needed. This person will be expected to assist with planning and managing a schedule of aquatics events, courses, and swimming lessons. The graduate assistant works under the supervision of the Aquatics Coordinator.

Minimum Requirements
- Bachelor’s degree with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Admission to the Graduate School at the University of South Alabama. Candidate should review the complete list of graduate programs and admission deadlines: https://www.southalabama.edu/departments/admissions/graduatestudents/index.html
• Current certification as an American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor
• Current certification as an American Red Cross Lifeguard
• At least two years’ experience as a lifeguard supervisor or managing a swimming lesson program
• Strong knowledge of social media outlets including Instagram, Snapchat, Twitter, and Facebook.
• Ability to pass a background check.
• Possession of a valid driver’s license and maintenance of a driving record sufficient to maintain insurance coverage under the University of South Alabama.

Preference given to candidates as follows:
• Certified Pool Operator or Aquatics Facility Operator
• Red Cross Instructor Trainer certification in either WSI or Lifeguarding
• Experience managing a lifeguarding training program or managing a pool
• Exhibit a strong proficiency in both written and oral communication.

Interested candidates must submit a resume, cover letter, copies of all certifications, unofficial transcript, GRE scores, and three letters of recommendation to Stephen Fick at sfick@southalabama.edu or mail to: Stephen Fick, University of South Alabama Student Recreation Center, 51 Stadium Blvd, Mobile AL 36688.

Position will remain open until filled. Preference given to candidates who apply by March 1, 2020.