ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY
Student Affairs News

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- August 13 Residence Halls open to freshmen ONLY
- August 13-15 New Student Orientation
- August 14 Residence Halls open to ALL students
- August 17 Registration at Vicksburg (3 p.m.—6:30 p.m.)
- August 18 Registration at Natchez (9:30 a. m.)
- August 19 Registration on Main Campus

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2011-2012 Miss Alcorn State University and Student Government Association President Welcomes New and Returning Students to the University

We hope that you are having a wonderful and safe summer, and we are excited to welcome all returning and new students to Alcorn State University.

During this academic school year we will be celebrating Alcorn State University's 140 year history. We are glad that you will experience a year full of academic success, as well as create a lifetime's worth of wonderful memories.

You are a part of the best Institution of Higher Learning in Mississippi, and we want you to fulfill your potential just as past great Alcornites such as Medgar Wiley Evers. Our university is growing and changing rapidly, and the best is yet to come. As students, we want to be sure that you play a pivotal role in the improvement and development of our prestigious institution. As leaders of this unique student body, we plan to make this school year an exciting, fun and memorable experience for you to hold on to for the rest of your life. The SGA team is here to assist you with a variety of activities and programs, as well as being your voice to the administration about student life. We aim to listen to your ideas, and to guarantee that we are offered nothing less than the best.

Arkayla Ellis—Miss ASU
Brandon Rook—SGA President

We are eager to work with the student body to ensure that each of us will enjoy a wonderfully, challenging collegiate experience while maintaining integrity and excelling academically. "Beneath the shade of giant trees..." is where you belong. So, come on home to Alcorn where we call you family!

ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST

- ✓ **Application for Admissions**
- ✓ **Official High School Transcript and/or College Transcript**. (transcript should be mailed directly from the school; transfer students must submit original transcript from all institutions attended)
- ✓ **Official ACT/SAT Score Report** (may be submitted on high school transcript) Test scores should be less than five years old
- ✓ **Immunization Record** (verifying two (2) doses of the MMR combo injection)
- ✓ **Copy of Social Security Card**

CONTACT NUMBERS

STUDENT AFFAIRS	601-877-6380
ADMISSIONS	877-6148
BUSINESS AFFAIRS	877-6151
CAREER SERVICES	877-6324
FINANCIAL AID	877-6190
REGISTRAR	877-6170
RESIDENCE LIFE	877-6478
STUDENT ACTIVITIES	877-6329

FOUR EASY STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL REGISTRATION

"FOUR EASY STEPS"

1. Complete the FAFSA
2. Complete the ASU Financial Aid Application
3. Accept Your Financial Aid Award Online
4. Pay Fees Online

Apply for Financial Aid Online – Accept Financial Aid Award Online – Pay Fees Online

1. **Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid** (FAFSA)
   www.fafsa.ed.gov
   - Verify that ASU School Code, "002396" is on FAFSA
   - If selected for verification, additional documentation may be requested from the Office of Student Financial Aid. An asterisk (*) will appear beside the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on Student Aid Report. If the asterisk appears, mail or fax the 2010 Tax Return and Verification Worksheets to the Office of Student Financial Aid.

2. **Complete the Alcorn State University Financial Aid Application** www.alcorn.edu
   - Click on Forms
   - Print and Sign Application
   - Mail or Fax Application to the Office of Student Financial Aid

3. **To accept your award (Federal Work Study and Loans Only)**
   - Click on Banner Online Services (www.alcorn.edu)
   - Click on Enter Secure Area
   - Enter your ASU ID number
   - Enter your password (*Note: Your pin number will be your numeric date of birth unless you have changed it: Example MMDDYY*)
   - Click on Student Services & Financial Aid
   - Click on Financial Aid
   - Click on My Overall Status of Financial Aid
   - Select Awarded
   - Accept or Decline Loans and/or Federal Work Study
   - Submit Award

4. **To pay fees, click on Student Services and Financial Aid**
   - Click on Registration
   - Click on Register Using Financial Aid (follow the prompts to complete registration)

NOTE: **All financial aid updates or correspondences will be sent to your Alcorn email address. It is your responsibility to REGULARLY check your ASU email.** To set up your ASU email account, please contact Center for Information Technology Services (CITS) at 601-877-6182.

GET READY FOR FALL 2011 NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All first-time and transfer students must attend New Student Orientation **August 13-15, 2011.** Attendance is mandatory and the **fee of $100** will be charged directly to the student's account even if the student does not attend. The orientation fee covers meals, publications, and programmatic costs.

New Student Orientation provides opportunities for students to bond with their peers and develop new relationships, dialogue with academic advisors, partake in academic and extracurricular activities, and most importantly discover the rich traditions that make being an Alcornite special.

Upper class students who serve as ambassadors will share stories about life at Alcorn. Faculty and staff will be available to answer all your questions, discuss student services available and provide information to promote academic success and personal development. See you **August 13-15**!

2011-2012 STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)

The newly elected SGA members accepted the Charge to be an advocate for the student body. This includes serving as liaison between the students, faculty, staff, and administration, being committed to enhancing the student experience and quality of life on campus, promoting the image of the institution, and leading the student body with integrity and honor. The inductees are as follows:

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Student	Hometown
Arkayla Ellis Miss Alcorn State University	Paulding, MS
Brandon Rook SGA President	Broomall, PA
Jasmine Lafayette 1st Vice President	Metcalfe, MS
Marissa Butler 2nd Vice President	Durant, MS
Alexis Jones Business Manager	Crystal Springs, MS
LaQuana Burks Executive Secretary	Indianola, MS
Calandra Davis RHA President	Brandon, MS
Cameron Jenkins Senior Class President	Ruth, MS
Ronald Turner II Junior Class President	Meridian, MS
Stephen King Sophomore Class President	Battle Creek, MI
Freshman Class President	(open)
Antoinette Powell Miss Senior	Lexington, MS
Errolyn Gray Miss Junior	West Point, MS
Dee Mangum Miss Sophomore	Brandon, MS
Miss Freshman	(open)

ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY
FALL 2011–SPRING 2012 TUITION
(RATES FOR NEW AND RENOVATED RESIDENCE HALLS)
UNDERGRADUATE (12 Hours)

Commuting Students		Hiram Revels/John Burrus		Female Honors		Heritage Village A B C D	
In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State
$2,628	$6,456	$5,757	$9,586	$5,813	$9,642	$6,424	$10,253

GRADUATE (9 Hours)

Commuting Students		Hiram Revels/John Burrus		Female Honors		Heritage Village A B C D	
In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State	In-State	Out-of-State
$2,628	$6,456	$5,757	$9,586	$5,813	$9,642	$6,424	$10,253

NOTE: Commuting students have the option of purchasing a meal plan for $1,221 per semester.
Fees are subject to change without notice.

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Health Services 877-6460
Judicial Affairs 877-6696
Student Engagement 877-6385

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY ALCORN!

POINTERS FOR SUCCESS FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

1. Have an open mind and be willing to learn.
2. Learn to prioritize.
3. Learn to do for yourself.
4. Know what, how, and when to wear certain clothing items.
5. Exhibit good citizenship.
6. Overcome bad habits.
7. Utilize best practices and principles.
8. Be passionate about doing your life's work.
9. Stand firm on your beliefs.
10. Read, read and read some more.
11. You are in charge of your happiness.
12. You are in school to learn.
13. You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
14. What other people think of you is none of your business.
15. Do the right thing!
16. Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
17. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
18. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
19. The best is yet to come.
20. NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE. The word itself says: I'M POSSIBLE