

# PREPARING *for* SUCCESS

## A GUIDE TO ADMISSIONS

You can be admitted to a Mississippi university by meeting any of the following criteria:

Complete the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum 3.2 high school grade point average (GPA) on the CPC; or

Complete the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum 2.50 high school GPA on the CPC or a class rank in the top 50%, and a score of 16 or higher on the ACT\* (Composite); or

Complete the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum 2.00 high school GPA on the CPC and a score of 18 or higher on the ACT\* (Composite); or

Satisfy the NCAA standards for student athletes who are "full-qualifiers" under Division I guidelines; or

Students who do not meet the above criteria are nonetheless eligible for admission. Such students must participate, however, in an on-campus placement process at the university of their choice. The process will determine whether the student may be enrolled in regular freshman-level courses or be required to enroll in the summer semester with mandatory participation in the Summer Developmental Program. Successful completion of the summer semester entitles the student to continued enrollment in the fall semester at the university of his or her choice.

### College Prep Curriculum

The minimum **REQUIRED** CPC for full admission into a Mississippi public university is as follows:

English: 4 Carnegie Units - All must require substantial communication skills components (i.e., reading, writing, listening, and speaking).

Mathematics: 3 Carnegie Units - Includes Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II. A fourth class in higher level mathematics is highly recommended.

Science: 3 Carnegie Units - Biology, Advanced Biology, Chemistry, Advanced Chemistry, Physics, and Advanced Physics or any other science course with comparable rigor and content. One Carnegie unit from a Physical Science course with content at a level that may serve as an introduction to Physics and Chemistry may be used. Two of the courses chosen must be laboratory based.

Social Studies: 3 Carnegie Units - Courses should include United States History (1 unit), World History (1 unit with substantial geography component), Government (½ unit), and Economics (½ unit) or Geography (½ unit).

Advanced Electives: 2 Carnegie Units - Requirements may be met by earning 2 Carnegie units from the following areas/courses, one of which must be in Foreign Language or World Geography.

- Foreign Language
- World Geography
- 4th year lab-based Science
- 4th year Mathematics

Computer Applications: ½ Carnegie Unit - The course should include use of application packages such as word processing and spread sheets. The course should also include basic computer terminology and hardware operation.

Pre-High School Units: Algebra I, first year Foreign Language, Mississippi Studies, or Computer Applications taken prior to high school will be accepted for admission provided the course content is the same as the high school course.

The **RECOMMENDED** CPC for enhanced readiness for university-level coursework is as follows:

English: 4 Carnegie Units - Compensatory Reading and Compensatory Writing may not be included.

Mathematics: 4 Carnegie Units - Includes Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and any one Carnegie Unit of comparable rigor and content. (e.g., Advanced Algebra, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Discrete Mathematics, Probability and Statistics, or AP Statistics)

Science: 4 Carnegie Units - Includes Biology I, Chemistry I, and any two Carnegie Units of comparable rigor and content. (e.g., Physics, Physical Science, Biology II, Chemistry II, AP Chemistry, Physics II, AP Physics B, AP Physics C – Electricity and Magnetism, and AP Physics C – Mechanics, Botany, Microbiology, or Human Anatomy and Physiology.)

Social Studies: 4 Carnegie Units - Includes World History, U.S. History, Introduction to World Geography, U.S. Government, Economics, and Mississippi Studies. (Credit earned for a State/Local Government course in any other state may stand in lieu of Mississippi Studies.)

Arts: 1 Carnegie Unit - Includes any one Carnegie Unit of visual and performing arts course(s) meeting the requirements for high school graduation.

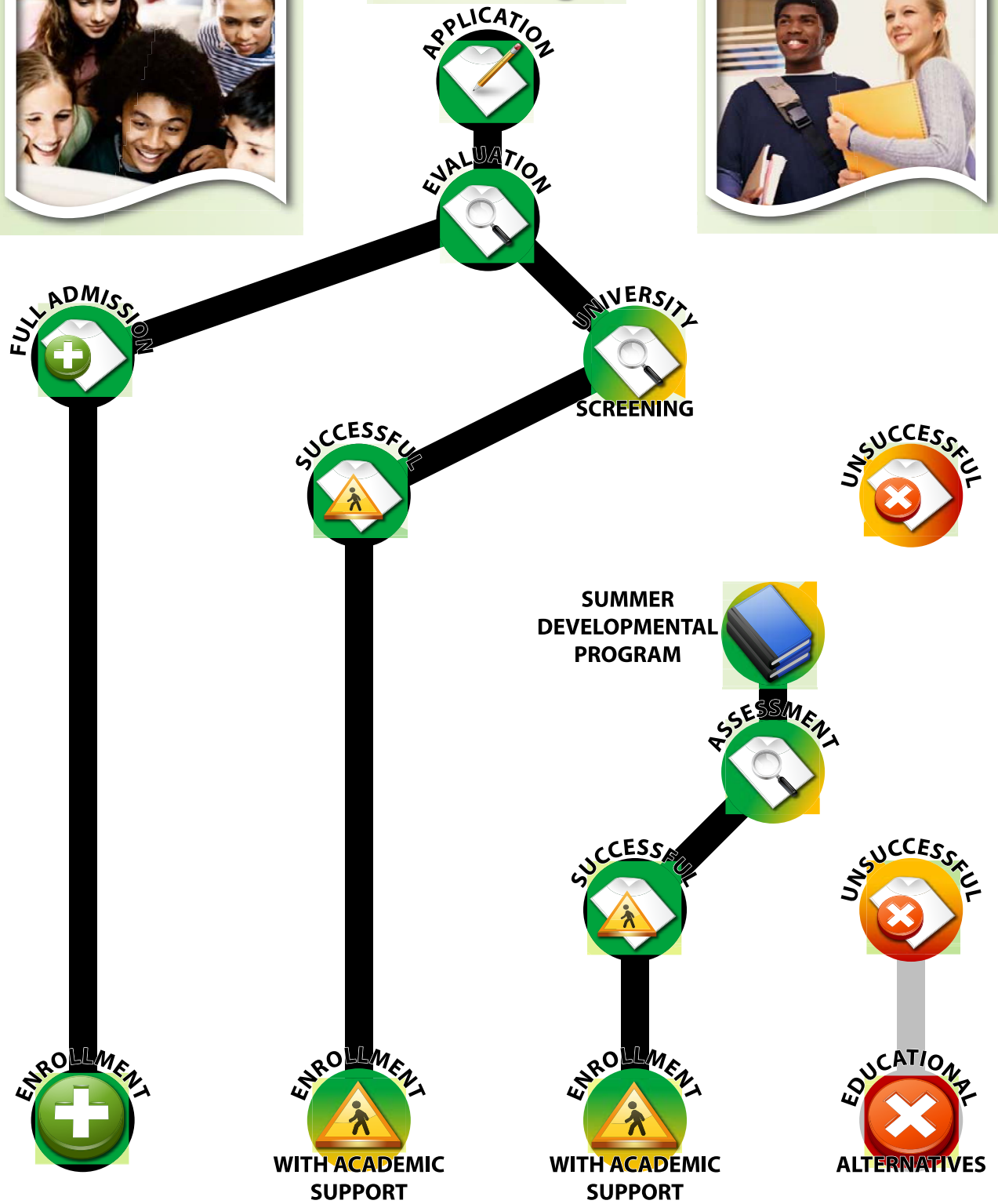
Advanced Electives: 2 Carnegie Units - Includes any two Carnegie Units of Foreign Language (I and II), Advanced World Geography and a Foreign Language (I) or any combination of English, mathematics, or lab-based science courses of comparable rigor and content to those required above.

Computer Applications: ½ Carnegie Unit - Course should emphasize the computer as a productivity tool. Instruction should include the use of application packages, such as word processing and spreadsheets. The course should also include basic computer terminology and hardware operation.

Pre-High School Units: Algebra I, first year Foreign Language, Mississippi Studies, or Computer Applications taken prior to high school will be accepted for admission provided the course content is the same as the high school course.

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