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CRIMSON RIDE STOP

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FREE

\$1-\$10

\$11-\$20

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GUEST WI-FI

Campus visitors have access to our UA-Guest secure wireless network.
Once established, the connection is valid for 30 days and can be renewed endlessly. Please note, new UA-Guest registration is not available on home football gamedays. For instructions on connecting to UA-Guest, visit oit.ua.edu/services/internet-networking



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for more photos and information.

Cover: The new Randall Welcome Center features a stunning, remodeled cupola highlighting the UA campus skyline.

WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA WHERE LEGENDS ARE MADE!

We are delighted to have you explore our vibrant campus, a place that seamlessly blends tradition and innovation, creating an exceptional environment for learning and growth. As you walk through our historic grounds, you'll witness the beauty and energy that define the Capstone. Our commitment to excellence is evident in every corner, from state-of-the-art research facilities to our renowned athletic venues.

Our dedication to academic excellence is reflected in the achievements of our students and faculty. UA has produced 17 Rhodes Scholars, 16 Truman Scholars, 43 Hollings Scholars and 20 Boren Scholars. Additionally, UA has been recognized as a Top Producing Institution of Fulbright U.S. Students and U.S. Scholars, highlighting our commitment to fostering global engagement and scholarship.

Our faculty's dedication to research has led to significant milestones, driving advancements that benefit society and enhance our students' educational experiences. Through their innovative work, our faculty and students address pressing challenges, contribute to economic development and inspire the next generation of scholars and leaders.

Beyond academics and research, our campus life thrives with a spirit of engagement. Tuscaloosa, recognized among the top college towns in America, offers a blend of cultural, recreational and dining experiences that will complement your visit.

We encourage you to explore our campus, engage with our community and discover the opportunities that await at UA. Whether you're here for a college tour, a game or an event, we know your time with us will be inspiring and memorable.

ROLL TIDE!

WHO WE ARE

The University of Alabama, part of The University of Alabama System, is the state's flagship university. UA shapes a better world through its teaching, research and service. With a global reputation for excellence, UA provides a forwardthinking environment and over 200 degree programs on a beautiful, student-centered campus. A leader in cutting-edge research, UA advances discovery, creative inquiry and knowledge through more than 30 research centers. As the state's largest higher education institution, UA drives economic growth in Alabama and beyond.





OUR CAMPUS

UA's core academic campus includes more than 300 buildings on 1,000-plus acres.

- Most beautiful college in Alabama (Travel & Leisure)
- No. 5 Best College Campus in America (Niche)
- No. 2 South's Most Beautiful College (Southern Living)
- No. 5 nationally for most beautiful Quad (Collegerank.net)
- Tree Campus USA, 10 straight years (Arbor Day Foundation)

SCHEDULE A TOUR

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions offers tours for prospective students and their families, beginning at the new Catherine and Pettus Randall Welcome Center on the Bryce Main property. Schedule an in-person tour at **visit.ua.edu**.



COLLEGES/SCHOOLS

College of Arts & Sciences | College of Communication & Information Sciences | College of Community Health Sciences | Culverhouse College of Business | College of Education | College of Engineering | Graduate School | Honors College | College of Human Environmental Sciences | School of Law | Capstone College of Nursing | School of Social Work



A complete, interactive map of all campus buildings, parking areas, bus routes, athletic facilities and more can be found at ua.edu/map or by snapping the QR code.

YTHE NUMBERS

43.7% FROM ALABAMA

56.3%

FROM ELSEWHERE IN THE U.S. **AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES**





ENROLLMENT 40,846 TOTAL

34,389 UNDERGRADUATE

6,001 GRADUATE

456 PROFESSIONAL



1,207 students from 95 foreign countries



LARGEST COLLEGES:

Culverhouse College of Business - 10,439 Arts and Sciences - 9,140



UA AMONG TOP RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES IN THE U.S.

The Carnegie Foundation lists UA among the top doctoral research universities in the United States. UA is included among R1: Very High Spending and Doctorate Production status in the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.



UA MAKING AN IMPACT IN ALABAMA

With students from all 67 Alabama counties. all 50 states, the District of Columbia and 95 countries, UA is educating and graduating more students than any college in the state, awarding more than 9,000 degrees over the past year.



SPONSORED AWARDS CONTINUE TO CLIMB

With \$269.9 million in sponsored awards, UA logged the 11th straight year of record external funding for projects that expand knowledge and spark innovation.



BAMA JOINS STARS COLLEGE NETWORK

The University of Alabama joined the STARS College Network, a coalition of 32 of the nation's most prominent institutions dedicated to ensuring that students from rural and small-town communities have the resources they need to be successful throughout their college journey.



TEACH IN BAMA SCHOLARS WILL SUPPORT NEXT-GEN TEACHERS

The College of Education has developed Teach in Bama, a program committed to identifying and supporting the next generation of exceptional teachers and keeping them in Alabama's classrooms. High school juniors and seniors interested in teaching will be recruited to become Teach in Bama Scholars.



UA SETTING STANDARD FOR AI

UA is setting a new standard for Al research and education with the opening of the Alabama Center for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, housed within the College of Engineering. The new research center will unify new and existing work across campus, greatly expanding research, education and outreach activities related to the development and application of artificial intelligence.



Our new 360 Virtual Campus Visit experience makes the UA campus more accessible to prospective students and families, whether they are viewing from down the road or across the globe. A virtual tour guide leads visitors through a series of panoramic views, showcasing the resources and opportunities available on the UA campus. It's an immersive exploration of the Alabama experience! Check out the virtual tour at **visit.ua.edu**.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2024 FALL ENROLLMENT

- Set a record at 40,846 students, surpassing 40,000 for the first time.
- Enrollment of freshmen from Alabama rose to 3,434 students, marking the largest number of in-state freshmen ever. The 7.9% increase in in-state first-year students is UA's sixth consecutive year with an in-state increase.
- There are 1,173 National Merit Scholars enrolled at UA, an all-time high. UA has set a record for National Merit Scholars every year since 2018, nearly doubling from 614 in 2018 to 1,173 in fall 2024.
- First generation students among all undergraduates increased 9.8%.
- Graduate School enrollment jumped 5.4% with 6,001 students. The number of in-state graduate students increased 8.3%.



APR DEPARTMENT NAMED TOP 5 PROGRAM

PR Week selected the Advertising and Public Relations Department as one of the Top 5 programs in the nation in 2025.



40 FACULTY AMONG NSF CAREER AWARD WINNERS

Forty current UA faculty have received NSF CAREER Awards, one of the nation's most prestigious recognitions of top-performing young scientists in disciplines ranging from nanoscience and engineering to biological sciences.



UA CONTRIBUTES \$3B IMPACT

The University has a total statewide economic impact of \$3.333 billion, including 14,505 jobs.



ADAPTED ATHLETICS SUSTAINS NATIONAL SUCCESS

Adapted Athletics has earned 22 team national championships since 2009, as well as two individual national titles. The women's basketball team earned its 11th national title in March 2025, while thrower Dani Kanas earned a national title in javelin in 2024 and Francesco Felici was named ITA singles national champion in 2024.



STUDENTS CONTRIBUTE \$3M FOR CHILDREN'S SINCE 2011

UA Miracle, the largest student-led philanthropic organization on campus, raises funds for Children's of Alabama as part of the National Dance Marathon Network. Since 2011, the organization has raised more than \$3 million, including \$223,725 in 2025.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN TARGETS \$1.88 GOAL

With an updated goal of raising \$1.8 billion in private donations, The Rising Tide Capital Campaign is the largest fundraising campaign in state history. It will support all areas of campus, including scholarships, faculty research, facilities and athletics.



THE UNIVERSITY HAS PRODUCED:

69 GOLDWATER SCHOLARS

43 HOLLINGS SCHOLARS

20 BOREN SCHOLARS

17 RHODES SCHOLARS

16 TRUMAN SCHOLARS



UA HOLDS HIGH GLOBAL RANKING

According to the 2024 edition of the Global 2000 List by the Center for World University Rankings, UA ranks in the top 2.4% out of 20,966 universities worldwide.



UA SETS FUNDRAISING RECORD

UA achieved another record-breaking year in fundraising for the fiscal year, with more than \$261 million in charitable gifts and pledges from over 60,000 donors.



FORBES BESTOWS BEST EMPLOYER AWARD

UA made Forbes' lists of the Best Employers for New Graduates 2024, America's Best In-State Employers 2024 and America's Top Colleges 2023.



BEAT AUBURN BEAT HUNGER SUPPORTS LOCAL FOOD BANK

UA students raised 431,120 pounds of food for West Alabamians struggling with food insecurity during the 31st annual Beat Auburn Beat Hunger food drive. Combined, the two schools raised more than 1.4 million pounds of food.



CLASS EARNS 100% MEDICAL SCHOOL ACCEPTANCE

UA's McCollough Institute for Pre-Medical Scholars class once again achieved 100% medical school or graduate school acceptance in 2024.



UA TEAM WINS COMPETITION

A student team from UA took the top prize in the unmanned division at the Promoting Electric Propulsion 2024 competition in Virginia Beach. Sponsored by the American Society of Naval Engineers, the event brought more than 200 student engineers from 34 universities to compete in time trials with their vessels that must travel five miles on battery power in uncertain conditions.



\$3 MILLION GRANT SUPPORTS TRANSIT BUS PROJECT

With a arant from the Federal Transit Administration and the U.S. Department of Transportation, UA is gearing up for a \$3 million project to develop advanced driver assistance systems for large transit buses.



UA AMONG NAI TOP 100

UA is among the National Academy of Inventor's Top 100 U.S. Universities Granted U.S. Utility Patents. The annual list highlights and celebrates universities that play a large role in advancing innovation and invention in the United States.



HOLLE CENTER ENCOURAGES STORYTELLING

The College of Communication and Information Sciences unveiled the Holle Center for Communication Arts, an incubator and collaborative space for modern storytelling, in



PSYCHIATRY RESIDENCY PROGRAM ADDED AT UA

The College of Community Health Sciences will launch a residency program to address the critical need for psychiatrists in the state. The newly accredited UA Tuscaloosa Psychiatry Residency Program is a four-year program for medical school graduates that will prepare board-eligible residents in psychiatry. The residency will allow for six residents each year, with the first class to start June 2026.



UA EARNS GOLD MILITARY HONORS

UA earned gold status as a Military Friendly® School in 2024-25. One way UA provides support for students, faculty and staff who are current or former members of the armed services is with the VA satellite clinic on campus.



SHELBY SCHOLARS TO STUDY PUBLIC POLICY

The Shelby Institute for Policy and Leadership selected 39 students for its inaugural class of Shelby Scholars. The program offers a credit-bearing curriculum designed to provide students from any academic field with a deep understanding of policy and public service through unique programming, experiential learning, and interactions with prominent guest lecturers.



UA CENTER TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SECURITY EFFORTS

The University of Alabama's Global Water Security Center will receive \$11.5 million in funding over the next two years from the U.S. Department of Defense to enhance its crucial work that supports national security. The funds will support the center's analysis of alobal environmental factors affecting politics and security.



NURSING GRADS ACHIEVE 100% NCLEX PASS RATE

The Capstone College of Nursing achieved a 100% National Council Licensure Examination pass rate for 2024.



BAMA HONORED FOR CREATING FUTURE LEADERS

Time magazine listed UA as one of its top 50 Best Colleges for Future Leaders in 2025.



ASTROBOTICS WINS 1ST PLACE

Alabama Astrobotics earned a ninth win in NASA's Lunabotics Challenge, a robotic mining competition held in a simulated lunar environment.



UA CONTRIBUTES TO DIESEL **EMISSIONS RESEARCH**

UA researchers will develop and test a novel diesel-engine technology in collaboration with the Alabama Port Authority to reduce idle emissions, save on operating costs, and improve efficiency in diesel trucks with the support of a \$4 million grant from the United States Department of Transportation.



T-TOWN IS A COLLEGE TOWN

Travel + Leisure named Tuscaloosa among its 25 Best College Towns and Cities in the United States in 2024.



UA RANKED FOR ITS VALUE

UA was listed among the Best Value Colleges by The Princeton Review in 2024.

(All facts and rankinas are as of April 7, 2025.)

RANKING HIGHLIGHTS



ALABAMA LAW

nationally among public universities and 33rd among all law schools in the nation (U.S. News & World Report)

Ranks 3rd for Best Value

CAPSTONE COLLEGE OF NURSING

among Best Undergraduate

BSN Programs (U.S. News & World Report)

Ranks 2nd for RN Program in Alabama

(RegisteredNurse.org

RANKED





CULVERHOUSE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

among public business schools and **55th** overall (U.S. News & World Report)

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SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK **GRADUATE PROGRAM**

nationally among public universities and **28th** among all social work master's programs in the nation (U.S. News & World Report)

Ranks 6th for Online Social Work Degrees (BestColleges.com)



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BEST COLLEGE

IN ALABAMA

14 PROGRAMS ARE RANKED FOR BEST ONLINE PROGRAMS, INCLUDING FIVE IN THE TOP 10:

Master's in Nursing for Veterans (#2) Bachelor's in Business (#5) Master's in Nursing (#6) Master's in Nursing Administration (#7) Master's in Nursing Education (#7) (U.S. News & World Report)

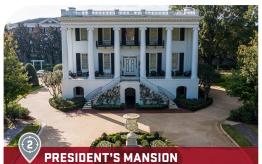
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STUDIES PROGRAM

(U.S. News & World Report)

MANDERSON GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS







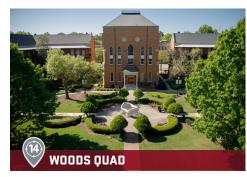


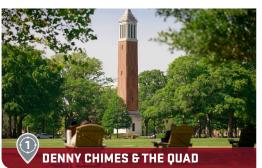


















A-DAY

A-Day is the end of spring football practice that culminates in the A-Day game at Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. The game typically is held in mid-April. For more information, visit RollTide.com.

BAMA BOUND

Bama Bound is the University's new student orientation program for incoming freshmen and transfer students, which takes place May through August. For more information, visit orientation.ua.edu.

UNIVERSITY DAYS

University Days offers prospective students and their families the chance to learn about the Capstone. This event is an excellent opportunity to tour the campus, hear from advisors of various colleges, and learn about support services and scholarships. For more info and the University Days schedule, visit universitydays.ua.edu.

WEEKS OF WELCOME

Weeks of Welcome is a series of programs to help students find resources, build community and have fun. Popular events include Get On Board Day and the incoming class Script A photo.

GET ON BOARD DAY

Get On Board Day (GOBD) is a tradition of campus involvement held in the fall and spring. GOBD serves as a springboard for students who wish to be more actively engaged with campus by connecting them to hundreds of organizations, community vendors and departments at UA. Visit thesource.ua.edu for



FRSTI DAY



FAMILY WEEKEND

Family Weekend is a great time for families of students to visit campus. The weekend includes social and educational family-friendly programs and is highlighted by the signature Tailgate event. The 2025 Family Weekend is set for October 3-5, and registration typically begins in May. Visit parents.ua.edu for more information.

HOMECOMING

Homecoming is a time of celebration for everyone associated with the Capstone. There are a multitude of events scheduled during Homecoming Week, including the annual Roll Tide Run, a bonfire and pep rally, a parade, and the Crimson Tide Football game. The 2025 Homecoming game is slated for November 15 versus Oklahoma.

COMMENCEMENT

The University holds commencement ceremonies three times annually in May, August and December at Coleman Coliseum. Visit commencement, ua.edu for more information.

REALIZING THE DREAM

Held annually in January, the Realizing the Dream celebration includes a Legacy Banquet and concert to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The concert has featured such luminaries as Sidney Poitier, Maya Angelou, Al Green, Cicely Tyson, John Legend and Della Reese. Visit realizingthedream.ua.edu for 2026 information



VISITOR PARKING

bamaparking.ua.edu

The Parking Services office and Crimson Ride Bus Hub are located inside the Transportation Hub Deck at 315 Hackberry Lane. Electing to park in the Transportation Hub Deck or nearby ParkMobile zone allows visitors easy access to the Crimson Ride bus service, which provides campuswide access at no charge.

Visitors on campus Monday through Friday, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., have several parking options:

- You may purchase a one-day permit in the Transportation Services office located at 315 Hackberry Lane. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- ParkMobile provides a convenient option to pay for timed parking on campus. To use: download the app and set up your account; find the parking space with the ParkMobile sign with the zone number; enter the zone number to identify the parking area where your vehicle is located and start the session. More info: bamaparking.ua.edu/parkmobile.
- Four pay parking decks are conveniently located on campus.
 The pay parking decks only accept VISA, Mastercard,
 Discover, American Express and Bama Cash.

Parking Decks

- Student Center Parking Deck: The two entrances are located off Campus Drive West or McCorvey Drive.
- Transportation Hub Deck: The entrance is located off Campus
 Drive East, east of Hackberry Lane.
- North ten Hoor Parking Deck: The entrance is located off Campus Drive West just north of Publix supermarket.
- Capstone Parking Deck: The entrance is located off 2nd Avenue.

The parking decks can be located using the Interactive Campus Map at ua.edu/map. To locate parking decks, enter the name in the search box.

CRIMSON RIDE

crimsonride.ua.edu

Visitors are welcome to use Crimson Ride, the University's free campus transportation service. Crimson Ride operates when the University is open. Crimson Ride is also available on football gamedays, providing service to areas that are not in close proximity or an easy walking distance to Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. All buses are wheelchair accessible and equipped with GPS technology (Passio GO!), which allows them to be tracked from a smartphone, tablet or computer. Visit ua.passiogo.com or the Passio GO! app for route and tracking information. Maps of the routes can also be found at crimsonride.ua.edu/maps.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS

UA offers students, employees and visitors the opportunity to charge electric vehicles in more than 10 different locations on campus. A station is available to a driver for up to four hours. To locate a charging station, search UA's interactive map at ua.edu/map. In the Locations tab, click on Parking and Transportation and select Electric Vehicle Charging Stations for a list of available locations.

ACCESSIBILITY

The University makes every effort to ensure our campus is accessible to everyone. If you need special accommodations during your visit, please contact:

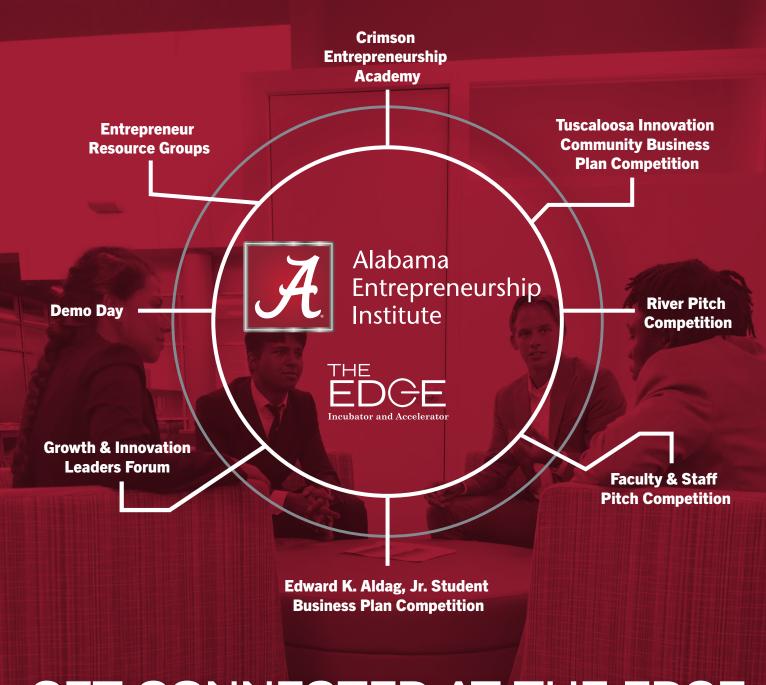
- Student accessibility, 205-348-4285
- TTY, 205-348-3081
- All others, 205-348-5855

FOOTBALL GAMEDAY PARKING

uagameday.com

Parking information for Crimson Tide home football games can be found in this guide on page 19.

For current info on parking & transportation, please visit **bamaparking.ua.edu**.



GET CONNECTED AT THE EDGE

The University of Alabama's hub for emerging entrepreneurs. Working with students, faculty and staff at UA as well as alumni and the local community.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE









UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

The University of Alabama is widely recognized as one of the most beautiful college campuses in America, and getting around is easy on foot, on a bike or via our Crimson Ride bus transit system. Depending on how long you will be in town, you don't want to miss some of these key highlights. Please check the websites provided for hours and additional information. A key to the icons noted on each attraction can be found on page 1 of this guide.

ADAPTED ATHLETICS FACILITY







bamaadapted.com

The facility, the first of its kind nationally, contains the Stran-Hardin Arena, where the wheelchair basketball teams compete. UA also sponsors wheelchair tennis and para track and field. The Parker-Haun Tennis Facility is the only collegiate tennis facility in the nation for adapted student-athletes. The facilities are open to the public during competitions.

ALABAMA MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY (Smith Hall)













almnh.museums.ua.edu

Museum exhibits show off Alabama's rich natural history, including fossil tracks, skulls and skeletons, a Basilosaurus cetoides – the state fossil of Alabama - and rocks and minerals. The museum hosts familyfriendly events, as well as summer trips and camps.

CRIMSON PROMENADE













give.ua.edu/crimsonpromenade

Dedicated in 2001 and recently renovated, the Crimson Promenade brick walkway celebrates the achievements of generations of UA students, alumni, leaders and friends. More than 18,000 personalized pavers are located adjacent to the Student Center.

SABAN FIELD AT BRYANT-DENNY STADIUM/WALK OF CHAMPIONS













rolltide.com/sports/2016/6/10/facilities-bds-tour-request-html.aspx The Walk of Champions, featuring relief tributes to UA's championship football teams as well as statues of Bear Bryant, Nick Saban and other championship-winning football coaches, is outside the stadium and free and open to the public. Tickets for a stadium tour, which includes the locker room, recruiting room and a walk by the field, are sold online. Walkups are not accepted.

THE CORNER





A popular destination, The Corner on Bryant Drive is home to Starbucks and the Supe Store, featuring the latest in UA apparel and merchandise.

DENNY CHIMES & THE QUAD













Located on the University's Quad, the tower was named in honor of former University President George H. Denny. Completed in 1929, Denny Chimes offers carillon performances throughout the day. Outside the chimes, concrete blocks - the Walk of Fame - display handprints. footprints and names of UA football captains, including Joe Namath, DeVonta Smith, Derrick Henry and Bryce Young.



CATHERINE AND PETTUS RANDALL WELCOME CENTER

visit.ua.edu/directions/randall

The Randall Welcome Center provides an immersive exploration of the Alabama experience. With multiple galleries, two theaters, a lounge and a reception area, the Randall Welcome Center is filled with information, photos, videos and artifacts highlighting both UA's rich history and current campus opportunities. The Center is open to the public during normal UA business hours.

FOSTER AUDITORIUM







Built in 1939 and named for former UA President Richard Clarke Foster, Foster Auditorium is listed on the U.S. Civil Rights Trail. Outside the auditorium stands the Malone-Hood Plaza and Autherine Lucy Clock Tower, which honor the three people who integrated The University of Alabama: Autherine Lucy, Vivian Malone and James Hood. The UA volleyball team also plays its matches in the facility.

FRANK MODDY MUSIC BUILDING







music.ua.edu/about/facilities

The facility houses the School of Music and includes a concert hall that seats nearly 1,000. Events are held throughout the year, and a full calendar can be found at music.ua.edu/event.

GORGAS HOUSE MUSEUM













Built in 1829, the museum is the oldest structure on campus and one of four buildings to survive the 1865 campus Civil War burning. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1971.

GORGAS LIBRARY







lib.ua.edu/collections/williams

Named for Amelia Gayle Gorgas, the first female UA librarian, this was the first academic building on campus named for a female. The library has several rotating exhibits a year in the Pearce Foyer and features the A.S. Williams III Americana Collection – displays of printed matter from the history of the South.

MANDERSON LANDING

(on Jack Warner Parkway)













The site of a former lock on the Black Warrior River, the Park at Manderson Landing features a paved walking trail along the river, picnic areas and UA Rowing's boathouse. The site also features a stunning 30-foot statue of Minerva and a bicentennial timeline sculpture, both dedicated in December 2019.

MARR'S SPRING













Tucked behind the Student Center lies Marr's Spring, originally the University's main water source. The area encompasses the spring and a man-made lake, both surrounded by a walking path, and multiple benches. It is a great spot to unwind or have a picnic.

OBSERVATORY (Gallalee Hall)









astronomy.ua.edu/public-events

The observatory offers monthly Public Nights for astronomical viewing both on the UA campus and at Moundville Archaeological Park, weather permitting.



Snap this code for an interactive map to all UA attractions highlighted on pages 12-15.



AUTHERINE LUCY HALL

Home to the College of Education, Authorine Lucy Hall was dedicated on February 25, 2022, to recognize Dr. Authorine Lucy Foster's courage in creating the opportunity for all races to attend the University. In front of the building stands a historical marker to the civil rights hero, which was dedicated on September 15, 2017. Dr. Foster, who was presented an honorary doctorate by UA in 2019, passed away on March 2, 2022, just days after she was honored at the building dedication.

PETER BRYCE PRESERVE









The Peter Bryce Preserve was created following a 2018 UA board of trustees resolution that stated the area will be maintained and preserved in perpetuity as a protected, undeveloped space for the enjoyment of future generations. The preserve, located on the east and west sides of Bryce Lawn Drive leading to Bryce Main, is 23 acres of green space that includes numerous beautiful trees, Adirondack chairs and benches for relaxing, a walking path, and the final resting place of mental health pioneer Dr. Peter Bryce and his wife, Ellen. In March 2023, a Southern Magnolia tree located at the Bryce Preserve was recognized as an Alabama Champion Tree by the Alabama Forestry Commission for being the largest of that species in the state.

STUDENT CENTER







uastudentcenter.ua.edu

The Student Center contains a theater, where films and presentations frequently occur, as well as a ballroom, conference rooms, offices for student government and student-related activities, a Starbucks, and a food court. There is also a Supe Store, where you can purchase officially licensed UA merchandise.

TUSKA PLAZA



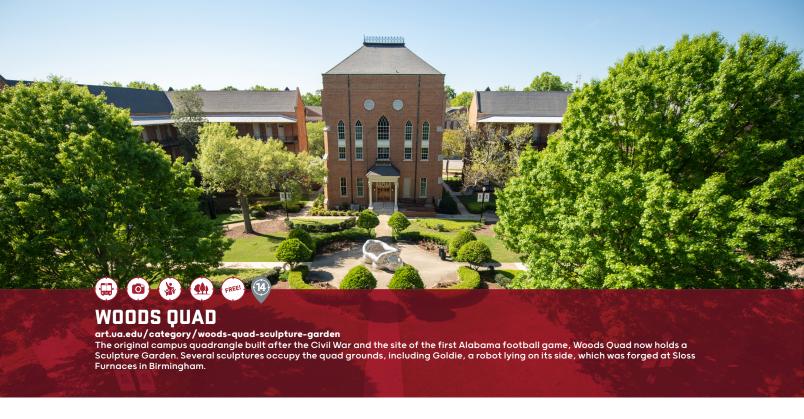












STUDENT RECREATION CENTER







urec.ua.edu

The Student Recreation Center features a large cardio area with equipment; weight room and group exercise studios; lap pool and outdoor pool complex; basketball, racquetball and tennis courts; and a climbing wall. A guest pass is \$10 per day, and a photo ID is required.

THE ROUND HOUSE

(next to Gorgas Library)











Built in Gothic revival style in 1860, the Round House served as a guardhouse during the University's days as a military school and is now a memorial to all UA honor societies. It can be viewed and photographed from the outside: no entrance is allowed.

SARAH MOODY GALLERY OF ART

(Garland Hall)







art.ua.edu/category/smga

Part of the department of art and art history, the gallery has a schedule of art exhibits by contemporary artists as well as UA faculty and its permanent collection.

THEATRE DISTRICT





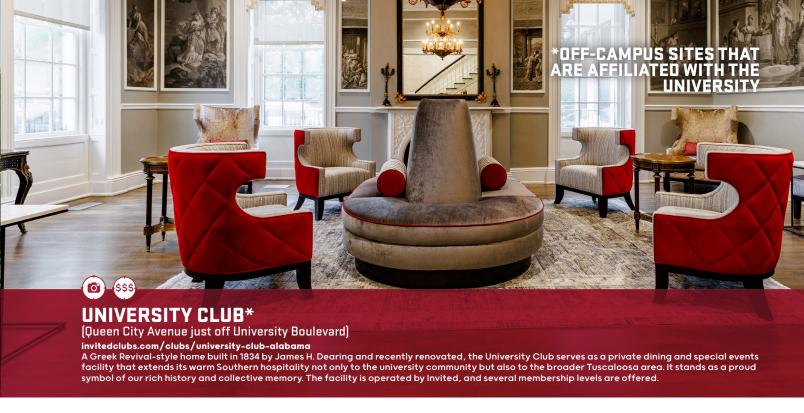
theatre.ua.edu

Consisting of the Marian Gallaway Theatre and the Allen Bales Theatre in Rowand-Johnson Hall and the Dance Theatre across the street (in the English Building), UA's Theatre District is located on Stadium Drive near the intersection of Marrs Spring Road, on the west end of campus. The theatre and dance department puts on several productions each semester. Tickets can be purchased at ua.universitytickets.com.



The museum exhibits artifacts and memorabilia that trace the long history of University of Alabama football. See Bear Bryant's office, the Crystal Hat, the Tide Through Time timeline, as well as the new interactive Wall of Honor. There is also a merchandise store inside the museum.

The President's Mansion was built originally in 1841 and survived the 1865 Civil War burning of the campus. The building serves as the private residence for the UA president. It also serves as a reception center for dignitaries and events hosted by the president.



UA ARBORETUM* (4801 Arboretum Way)









arboretum.ua.edu

The Arboretum features walking trails through a native woodland, a wildflower garden, a collection of ornamental plants, an experimental garden, an outdoor stage and a children's garden.

PAUL R. JONES MUSEUM* (2308 Sixth St.)





paulrjones.museums.ua.edu

The museum in downtown Tuscaloosa houses exhibits drawn from the Paul R. Jones Collection of American Art, one of the largest and most comprehensive collections of 20th-century African American art in the world. The museum also hosts lectures, concerts, workshops and theatre performances.





MOUNDVILLE ARCHAEOLOGICAL PARK*

(634 Mound State Parkway)

Moundville Archaeological Park was the site of a powerful prehistoric community that, at its peak in the 14th century, was America's largest city north of Mexico. On the Black Warrior River 13 miles south of Tuscaloosa, the park preserves massive flat-topped earthen pyramids, arranged around a vast central plaza. The park frequently hosts hands-on events that are included with regular admission. The annual Native American Festival, held in the fall, celebrates Native American culture through performers, vendors, demonstrators, living history teachers and more.







Tuscaloosa nearly doubles in size on football gamedays, and the atmosphere is electric. Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium seats 100,077, and many more Crimson Tide fans can be found tailgating throughout the day on campus. The UA Quad buzzes with energy beginning on Friday, and even if you don't have a ticket for the game, you don't want to miss the pageantry and excitement of football gameday. Be sure to arrive early to welcome your favorite players with a "Roll Tide!" during the Walk of Champions.











TRAFFIC

Four hours prior to kickoff, or earlier if deemed necessary by law enforcement, the entire core campus area is closed to through traffic. A proper Gameday permit is required to enter this restricted area. Please take note of street closings, and make driving and parking plans accordingly. Unless noted, streets remain closed until after the postgame pedestrian and vehicular traffic clears. A full listing of scheduled street closings and traffic patterns can be found at uagameday.com/traffic.

92.5 FM UA INFO RADIO

Tune in to 92.5 FM UA Info Radio for up-to-date traffic, parking and safety information. On gamedays, UA Info Radio also provides information regarding pregame campus festivities and tailgating information.

CRIMSON RIDE SHUTTLE

The Crimson Ride campus shuttle is free and available to all fans on gameday. It services areas that are not in close proximity or an easy walking distance to Saban Field at Bryant–Denny Stadium. These areas include the East Campus RV lots, Lot A and parking lots located along Peter Bryce Boulevard. Visit uagameday.com/shuttles for more information.

RIDESHARE INFORMATION

The two designated rideshare pickup and drop-off areas are on Thomas Street behind Publix and off Hackberry Lane next to Chimes Condos. NO vehicles, including Uber, JoyRide, taxicabs or golf carts, will be allowed to access the core of campus four hours prior to kickoff through approximately 90 minutes postgame.

PARKING

The following lots are available for paid day-of-game parking (prices subject to change):

- Lot A (Soccer) \$250/season
- Bryce Grass Lot \$35/game
- Stallings Drive Lots \$35/game
- Capstone Deck \$35/game
- Transportation Hub Deck \$35/game
- Lot B (University Medical Center) \$35/game
- Lot C (Child Development Center) \$35/game
- Lot D (Softball/Tennis) \$35/game
- Tutwiler Parking Deck \$35/game (Disability Access placard only)

Clutch! is the official UA gameday parking technology. Purchase parking through the Clutch! app or online at reserve.imclutch.com/ua.

DOWNTOWN PUBLIC PARKING

Downtown Tuscaloosa has an area of public parking for gameday, and it is FREE OF CHARGE. The main area, located in and around the Downtown Intermodal Facility parking deck, is actually a shorter distance to the stadium than Lot A on campus. This parking deck is located at 60123rd Ave

Tuscaloosa Transit buses:

- Start transporting 3 hours prior to kickoff
- Run until one hour postgame

Cost for riding the bus (cash only):

- Adults \$1.00
- Children 3 and under Free
- Special needs or 60 and over \$.50

For up-to-date information on gameday procedures, download the UA Gameday app or visit uagameday.com.









DOWNTOWN PUBLIC PARKING (CONT.)

Purchase tickets inside the transit office. There are restrooms and vending machines on site. Contact number is 205-343-2300

You can also park at the facility and take the Stadium Stroll (a less than one-mile walk from the parking facility to Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium). Marked pedestrian paths lead you from the facility to the stadium.

Many other parking lots and side-street parking spaces are free of charge near the Intermodal Facility. You may park there and walk to the bus pickup or take the Stadium Stroll.

OTHER OFF-CAMPUS PUBLIC PARKING

You can park and ride a shuttle from these locations (price & lot availability subject to change prior to start of season):

- University Mall (1701 McFarland Blvd. E.) Free car parking. Shuttle is \$20 (cash only) roundtrip per person.
- DCH Employee Parking Lot (corner of Bryant Drive & Dr. Edward Hillard Drive) - Cost is \$20.
- Tuscaloosa Magnet School (315 McFarland Blvd. E) Cost is \$20. It is a 3/4-mile walk to Peter Bryce Boulevard and a Crimson Ride (free) stop.
- Central High School (905 15th St.) Cost is \$20.
- Parkview Center (15th St. & Hackberry Lane) Cost is \$20.
- The Arc of Tuscaloosa (1330 University Blvd. E) Cost is \$10.

For more information on shuttles, traffic flow, parking maps and more, visit uagameday.com.

TAILGATING

Tailgating on the Quad is FREE in our nonreserved areas on the west side of the Quad. Fans may bring their own tents, tables, TVs, etc., and do not need a grounds use permit. There are two Quad drop-off periods when vehicle access is allowed to unload tailgating equipment. Quad drop-off is accessed via Colonial Drive. Each vehicle is allotted 15 minutes of access to unload and set up on Friday between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Saturday morning, based on the kickoff time. Tailgating items must be removed from campus by 10 a.m. on Sunday.

For information regarding reserved, premium tailgating for the Quad, contact UA's official tailgate services partner, Gameday Done Right, at gamedaydoneright.com.

VECTOR SECURITY CHAMPIONS LANE & COCA-COLA KICK-OFF ZONE

Fans are encouraged to check out Vector Security Champions Lane, a 60,000-square-foot fan fest area located just outside Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. The space includes food trucks, interactive corporate partner displays and a concert stage featuring live band performances prior to each home game throughout the season. Champions Lane also features four giant LED screens for viewing other games, autograph sessions with current and former UA student-athletes, and a Legends Lounge. Visit championslane.com for up-to-date info for each game.

Kids of all ages can enjoy interactive obstacles and games at the Coca-Cola Kick-Off Zone located next to the Walk of Champions.

All gameday activities are subject to change. For up-to-date info, check the UA Gameday app or visit **uagameday.com**.

WALK OF CHAMPIONS

Two and a half hours prior to kickoff, fans are invited to line the walkway outside of the North End Zone and greet the team as they enter the stadium

ELEPHANT STOMP

The Million Dollar Band performs the Elephant Stomp one hour prior to kickoff on the steps of Gorgas Library. The band and cheerleaders lead fans in a short pep rally before marching into the stadium.

SMOKE-FREE CAMPUS

The University of Alabama prohibits smoking inside all facilities, grounds and parking areas on campus, including Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. All forms of smoking are prohibited on campus, including electronic cigarettes.

DRONES

The use of drones on the UA campus, including but not limited to Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium and the Quad, is strictly prohibited during home football weekends (Friday-Sunday). Drone use on campus any other time is strictly regulated as outlined in UA's Unmanned Aircraft Systems Policy.

SECURITY/CLEAR BAG POLICY

In the interest of continued safety for fans, student-athletes, coaches and gameday personnel, fans will enter the stadium through metal detectors at all gates. Guests with prohibited items will have to dispose of them or return those items to their cars before entering the stadium. Individuals who are unable to pass through a metal detector due to special circumstances will be checked with a handheld device.

UA has extended its clear bag policy to all ticketed athletic events. The only nonclear bag allowed is a small clutch purse no larger than 4 1/2" x 6 1/2". If any larger, the bag must be clear and cannot exceed 12" x 6" x 12". Fans can also bring in one-gallon clear plastic freezer bags. Spectators are permitted to carry other items allowed in the stadium such as binoculars and cameras, but the cases will not be allowed. An exception will be made for medically necessary items after proper inspection at specified stadium gates. More information on the clear bag policy can be found at rolltide.com/allclear.

There are multiple security checkpoints located around Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. The security perimeter is 360°, which allows fans to navigate outside any gate once clearing security. Guests are encouraged to queue at the first security checkpoint they arrive to as they approach the stadium. Once inside the security perimeter, fans can navigate to the gate indicated on their mobile ticket.

TICKETS

Tickets are mobile-only at Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium. Fans can manage their tickets on a smartphone via the Alabama Crimson Tide mobile app or online at RollTide.com/MyAccount. It is strongly encouraged that all fans download their tickets prior to gameday. At the gate, fans will simply open their digital wallet on their smartphone, select their game tickets or parking passes, and hold their smartphone near the scanner. For detailed instructions, visit rolltide.com/sports/2020/6/29/mobile-ticketing.aspx.

GATES

Public gates to Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium open two hours prior to kickoff. Check the Gameday website/app for Will Call gate hours.

2025 HOME FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 6.....UL Monroe

Sept. 13......Wisconsin

Oct. 4......Vanderbilt*

Oct. 18......Tennessee*

Nov. 8.....LSU*

Nov. 15.....Oklahoma*

Nov. 22.....Eastern Illinois

*SEC Game

Visit RollTide.com for game times and





The University of Alabama provides visitors a big-time college sports experience on our campus. From an 18-time national championship football team to baseball, basketball, golf, gymnastics, rowing, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track and field, cross country and volleyball, Crimson Tide sports have a tradition of excellence. UA has enjoyed enormous success, not only winning national championships and SEC titles, but also in terms of individual conference, regional and national honors that continue to pour in for our Crimson Tide student-athletes.

CRIMSON TIDE HIGHLIGHTS

- The Crimson Tide vaulted into the top 10 in the annual Learfield Director's Cup, finishing at No. 9 in 2023-24.
- Seventeen of Alabama's 21 teams advanced to national postseason competitions in 2023-24, and 16 Crimson Tide teams ended the year ranked in the top 25 nationally, with six in the top 10.
- With over 225 Academic All-America honors, Alabama ranks fifth all-time among NCAA Division I schools and No. 1 among SEC schools.
- Seven former Bama players were on the roster of the Philadelphia Eagles' Super Bowl LIX championship team, including Super Bowl MVP Jalen Hurts. Former Alabama wide receiver DeVonta Smith became the fifth player in history to win a Heisman Trophy, College Football National Championship and a Super Bowl.
- Ten former players were selected in the 2024 NFL Draft, marking 13 straight years Alabama has had at least seven draft picks. Since 2009, Alabama has produced 133 draft picks, the most by any college football program during that span.
- Men's basketball broke the school, SEC and NCAA Tournament record by draining 25 three-pointers to beat BYU in the Sweet 16. With the victory, Alabama advanced to a second consecutive Elite Eight for the first time in program history and third time overall.
- Women's basketball player Sarah Ashlee Barker scored a school record 45 points in Alabama's second round game of the 2025 NCAA Tournament.
 Barker's feat also marked the most points ever by any SEC player in an NCAA Tournament game. Bama reached the NCAA Tournament for the third consecutive year, and fourth time in the last five years with its 2025 showing.
- Alabama softball has made 15 appearances in the Women's College World Series, including a trip in 2024. The Crimson Tide is one of three Division I schools to play in the WCWS more often than it hasn't since the inception of the program.
- The 2024 baseball team advanced to an NCAA Regional, marking the first time since 2013-14 the squad has earned consecutive Regional trips. The 2025 team won its first four conference games, marking its first 4-0 start in SEC play since 2003.
- Alabama has competed in the regional round of the NCAA Gymnastics Championships every year since its inception in 1982. The Crimson Tide holds 32
 NCAA regional titles and six national championships. The 2025 squad advanced to the NCAA Championship Semifinals, marking the 40th appearance in
 program history.
- Track and field phenom Doris Lemngole has won three NCAA gold medals, including an individual cross country championship in November 2024 and an individual championship in the 5,000m at the 2025 Indoor Track and Field Championships.

(Athletic highlights are as of April 7, 2025.)



Yea Alabama, the official name, image and likeness entity of The University of Alabama, serves as the gateway to link fans, donors and businesses with Crimson Tide student-athletes to facilitate NIL opportunities. Yea Alabama is uniquely structured with its three-prong approach to satisfy various options of connecting, which include:

- **The Fans** Monthly subscribers who select a specific level of support in exchange for exclusive content throughout the year.
- The Legends Individuals who want to make tax-deductible contributions to the Walk of Champions nonprofit.
- The Sponsors Brands looking for endorsement opportunities with Crimson Tide student-athletes.

There are five membership levels granting access to exclusive digital content, special events & experiences, and unique merchandise, with 100% of membership fees benefiting UA student-athletes. For more info or to join, visit **yea-alabama.com**.













The University Supply Store

Where the Tide Shops



The Supply Store is dedicated to serving and supporting our campus by providing course materials and BAMA® merchandise at The University of Alabama Student Center and The Corner on Bryant Drive. Additionally, we invite you to visit our Apple Authorized Campus Store located at the Student Center.













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PLACES TO STAY, PLACES TO EAT

HOTEL CAPSTONE

hotelcapstone.com

Hotel Capstone is the only hotel located on The University of Alabama campus. It is adjacent to the Paul W. Bryant Museum and the Bryant Conference Center and is within walking distance of Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium, Coleman Coliseum, Moody Music Hall and the Quad. Hotel Capstone offers 150 guest rooms and suites, outdoor pool, coffee shop, restaurant and lounge. Legends Bistro at Hotel Capstone offers delicious American fare in a relaxed atmosphere. The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

While Hotel Capstone is the only hotel located on campus, many hotel chains in the Tuscaloosa area are within a five-mile radius of the campus. For an extensive list of hotel options in Tuscaloosa, check out visittuscaloosa.com.



FOOD TRUCKS

Multiple food trucks follow a schedule that plants them daily around campus. The schedule for each week can be found at bamadining.ua.edu.

THE STRIP

A brief stroll down University Boulevard takes you from Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium to the Strip, an area of restaurants, small shops and cafés. The many options for dining on the Strip range from casual to upscale and everything in between.

TAKE A DRIVE AND FIND MORE...

A brief drive can yield a multitude of dining options including local eateries and popular chains. Drive down University Boulevard to the west and you will find an array of restaurants, pubs and hotels as well as popular attractions such as the Mercedes-Benz Amphitheater, Capitol Park and Bama Theatre.

Drive east down University Boulevard to McFarland Boulevard East and you will discover a booming area of restaurants and shopping. There are restaurants for every taste and every budget in this popular part of town.

BAMA DINING

bamadining.ua.edu

Bama Dining offers a variety of places to eat on campus. From popular restaurant chains to grab-and-go kiosks to local food trucks, Bama Dining has you covered. Schedules vary according to the UA academic schedule; stay up to date with hours and special events by visiting bamadining.ua.edu or following Bama Dining on social media

Student Center: The Student Center features Starbucks as well as a food court that offers Subway, Panda Express, Chick-fil-A, Chicken Salad Chick and much more.

Stewart's Corner (Lloyd Hall): The food court features Chick-fil-A and Pizza Hut Express.

Fresh Food Company (500 Margaret Drive): This Dining Hall in the heart of the academic campus is a convenient spot for meals during the day, offering a wide variety including a full salad bar, burgers, pizza, vegetarian options, fried chicken and freshly made donuts.

Starbucks (807 Paul W. Bryant Drive): A drive-through and sit-down Starbucks is located next to a branch of the UA Supe Store.

Starbucks (325 University Boulevard East): Features a drive-through and walk-up express windows.

Raising Cane's (Paty Hall): The chain restaurant offers chicken fingers and its signature dipping sauce.

Burke Hall (920 Hackberry Lane): Mary B's in Burke Hall offers a variety of meal options for students with or without a meal plan. Options include a daily breakfast buffet and made-to-order items such as pizza, burgers, sandwiches, salads and Meat and Three weekend dinners.

Law School: A convenience market is available for grab-and-go items.

Lakeside Complex (160 McCorvey Drive): Lakeside Dining Hall is UA's biggest all-youcare-to-eat restaurant. The restaurant offers selections ranging from global cuisine, homestyle entrees, a variety of proteins grilled over a wood fire, pizzas, pastas, deli sandwiches, salad bar and desserts. The Lakeside Complex is also home to Dunkin' and Social Bites, a late-night dining venue.

In addition, there are convenience markets located in multiple campus buildings as well as specialty options such as: Low Tide Poke and Subway in Alston Hall, a smoothie shop in the Student Recreation Center, Java City Coffee in Hewson Hall and Gorgas Library, as well as Blenz and Boar's Head Deli in Presidential Village and Tutwiler Hall.

POPULAR LOCAL EVENTS

FIRST FRIDAY

firstfridaytuscaloosa.com | First Friday of each month Park your car and take a leisurely stroll to experience downtown Tuscaloosa's businesses, restaurants and galleries during First Friday.

FARMERS MARKET

tuscaloosafarmersmarket.com Every Saturday, 7 a.m.-12 p.m. Visit the Tuscaloosa River Market for locally-sourced fruits, vegetables, meats, baked goods, local honey and regional crafts.

GREAT TUSCALOOSA CHILI COOKOFF

tuscexchange.wordpress.com/cookoff-info | February
Benefiting the Exchange Club, the annual chili cookoff
includes children's activities, entertainment, free food
and the chance to sample 30+ varieties of chili and vote
for your favorite.

TUSCALOOSA HERITAGE FESTIVAL

wamafest.org | Spring WAMA Fest is a free cultural celebration that features live music and dance, and showcases various cuisines from different cultures.

FAMILY DAY AT THE MUSEUM

almnh.museums.ua.edu | Spring Held on UA's campus at the Alabama Museum of Natural History, this free event features interactive activities and games for all ages.

DRUID CITY ARTS FESTIVAL

druidcityartsfestival.com | Spring
The Druid City Arts Festival features artists exhibiting from
all over the Southeast, live music, a kids zone, food trucks
and more. Held at Government Plaza, the event is free.

TUSCALOOSA MAYOR'S CUP

tuscaloosamayorscup.com | Spring
The 5K, benefiting the Tuscaloosa Pre-K Initiative, is
open to all ages. Participants are welcome to run, walk
or even stroll along the downtown route, which starts
and ends at Government Plaza.

LIVE AT THE PLAZA

tuscaloosa.com/latp | Friday nights in May & June
Live music, local bands and a family-friendly
atmosphere highlight this free concert series held at



the Black Warrior River and a performance from the Tuscaloosa Symphony Orchestra at the Mercedes-Benz Amphitheater. The event is free.

tuscaloosa.com/cotr

FOURTH OF JULY

MOUNDVILLE NATIVE AMERICAN FESTIVAL

moundville.ua.edu | October Learn more about area Native American culture and heritage as performers, artists, craftspeople and tradition bearers entertain and educate visitors of all ages about the rich culture and heritage that makes

CELEBRATION ON THE RIVER

Celebrate Independence Day with fireworks over



KENTUCK FESTIVAL

Southeastern Native Americans unique.

kentuck.org/the-festival | October
More than 270 nationally and internationally acclaimed folk artists and craftspeople gather in Tuscaloosa to sell and share their quilts, glassware, woodworking, paintings, jewelry and more. The popular event also features live demonstrations, music, spoken word, food and child-friendly activities.



gorgashouse.museums.ua.edu/haunting | October During the Halloween season, the Gorgas House Museum on UA's campus provides free haunted tours, sharing the spooky stories associated with the home. Costumes are encouraged!



HOLIDAYS ON THE PLAZA

holidaysontheplaza.com | November-January
Tuscaloosa's winter ice skating in Government Plaza
is convenient to local businesses and restaurants.
Admission to Holidays on the Plaza is free, but guests
must purchase skate passes to access the ice rink.



Ttowntinsel.com | November-January
Government Plaza is illuminated by 200+ live Christmas
trees sponsored and decorated by local businesses,
organizations and individuals. The trail is free to explore.



DICKENS DOWNTOWN

First Tuesday night in December

Join carolers in period costume for a traditional Victorian Christmas in nearby downtown Northport. Scenes from Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol are performed, and appearances from a Town Crier and Father Christmas are also featured. This event is free.

Please check websites for up-to-date information on each event.



Tuscaloosa, or "T-Town" as it is affectionately referred to, offers visitors countless possibilities for dining, shopping, outdoor adventures, nightlife, cultural events and more. Named one of the Most Livable Cities in America and voted one of the Top 50 College Towns, Tuscaloosa is more than just a college town with a storied gridiron tradition. We invite you to explore our city by checking out some of the attractions included in this guide. There's plenty to do and see, and we hope you enjoy your stay and return often. Roll Tide!

BAMA THEATRE



bamatheatre.org

The historic Bama Theatre captivates audiences with its year-round exciting calendar of performances. From concerts to productions by nonprofit organizations to the Bama Art House Film Series and art exhibits, the Bama Theatre is a fantastic venue for exploring the arts.

BATTLE-FRIEDMAN HOUSE AND GARDEN







historictuscaloosa.org/properties

Built in 1835, the Battle-Friedman House and its outbuildings originally occupied the entire city block. The house contains a fine collection of Renaissance Revival furniture. It is open to the public for tours and can be rented for private events.

public and private boat ramps, and some vendors offer watercraft rentals.

CHILDREN'S HANDS-ON MUSEUM







chomonline.org

Children are encouraged to explore, create and discover when they visit the Children's Hands-On Museum of Tuscaloosa. There are three floors with exhibits that will interest newborns through age 13. Please call the museum before visiting during holidays and check the website calendar for details.

DINAH WASHINGTON CULTURAL ARTS CENTER



cac.tuscarts.org

The Dinah Washington Cultural Arts Center (CAC) is a hub for the arts in Tuscaloosa. This venue provides the city a valuable gathering space where artists, educators and community members come together to work, meet, rehearse, create and experience art together.





LAKE NICOL









Lake Nicol offers beautiful scenery and a wide variety of activities that include swimming, canoeing, hiking trails and pavilions for grilling and picnics. The lake is free to use, and kayaks and paddleboards are often available to rent.

TUSCALOOSA PUBLIC LIBRARY





tuscaloosa-library.org

With two branches locally, the Tuscaloosa Public Library offers a full array of library services and materials from books in all formats to DVDs, from reference assistance to computer classes, and from children's story times to book discussions. The main branch is located off Jack Warner Parkway across from the River Market and houses an impressive, well-stocked used bookstore offering an ever-varying assortment of fiction, nonfiction, magazines, CDs, DVDs, VHS movies and records.

DOWNTOWN TUSCALOOSA

Serviced by a trolley, downtown Tuscaloosa provides visitors a wealth of options for shops, attractions, restaurants and more. The downtown area is also perfect for a relaxing stroll, where you can visit popular attractions such as the Federal Courthouse and Bama Theatre or enjoy the scenery at Capitol Park and Government Plaza.

GOVERNMENT PLAZA







A beautiful five-acre park, Government Plaza is located in the heart of downtown Tuscaloosa. The park is home to popular events such as the Druid City Arts Festival and the Live at the Plaza concert series. The winter ice skating rink and the Tinsel Trail are also hosted at Government Plaza.

MURPHY AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM





historictuscaloosa.org/properties

Tuscaloosa's first licensed African-American mortician, Mr. Will J. Murphy, built the Murphy house as his private residence in the early 1920s. Tours are offered of the historic Murphy-Collins House that is now home to the Murphy African-American Museum. The museum focus is on the lifestyle of affluent African-Americans during the early 1900s.

PARA PARK SYSTEM



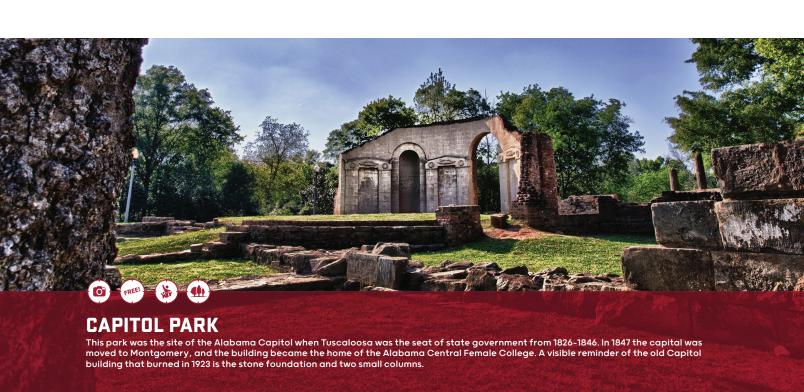






tcpara.ora

If the outdoors is your passion, Tuscaloosa has a robust park system operated by PARA with almost 2,000 acres of green space including over 35 parks, boat landings, seven activity centers, an 18-hole awardwinning golf course and an award-winning tennis facility. Key highlights include disc golf at Bowers Park and Palmore Park, the Will May Dog Park at Sokol Park, mountain biking at Hurricane Creek Park, as well as camping, fishing and canoeing at Van de Graaff Park. Mason's Place is an all-inclusive playground located within Sokol Park South.





NORTHPORT

Just across the Black Warrior River from Tuscaloosa is historic downtown Northport. The streets of this quaint town are lined with art galleries, shops, boutiques, museums and restaurants. A popular stop is the Northport Train Depot, home to one of Alabama's finest model train displays. At the Kentuck Art Center, you can see demonstrating artists, a whimsical sculpture garden, art exhibitions and more. For information on the Kentuck Art Center and events associated with the facility, visit kentuck.org.

PARKER-HAUN PARK









Completed in Fall 2022, Parker-Haun Park includes green space, river-viewing areas along the bank of the Black Warrior River, a plaza and an outdoor stage. There are also color-changing lights throughout the park. Since opening, it has served as a space to hold community events along the Riverwalk of the Black Warrior River.

For attractions in Tuscaloosa that do not have a dedicated webpage, additional information may be found at visittuscaloosa.com.

RANDALL FAMILY PARK & TRAILHEAD









visittuscaloosa.com/listing/randall-family-park-and-trailhead The park, operated by the City of Tuscaloosa, features a trailhead, path, playground, a pavilion and an art sculpture called "Dogs, dogs, dogs, by Birmingham Sculpture.

SHOPPING IN TUSCALOOSA

If shopping is what you are looking for, there are several popular areas to visit local merchants as well as popular national brands. The Tuscaloosa Galleria features an assortment of clothiers as well as a jewelry store, beauty salon and restaurants. Midtown Village is in the heart of Tuscaloosa and offers the perfect place to grab a bite to eat or shop for the latest fashions. Just across from Midtown Village is University Mall for additional indoor shopping options that include typical big box stores as well as local and national shops.

THE STRIP

The Strip is a retail and nightlife district that is a favorite for students and visitors, primarily because of its close proximity to campus. In addition to restaurants and pubs, the area includes a Publix grocery store and several shops where you can find UA apparel and merchandise. UAPD, in partnership with the Tuscaloosa Police Department, opened a precinct on the Strip in 2023 to enhance safety measures.



TUSCALOOSA RIVER MARKET

tuscaloosarivermarket.com

Just off the Riverwalk path, the River Market hosts a farmers market year-round on Saturday mornings. The market is a popular destination for fresh produce, home-baked goods, crafts and much more. The facility also offers rental space for special events.



THE RIVERWALK

Beautiful scenery awaits on the paved trail along the banks of the Black Warrior River. The current length of the loop is over five miles, stretching from the Park at Manderson Landing on UA's campus to the Oliver Lock and Dam – part of the newest paved section, the Western Riverwalk. There are benches along the way as well as a playground for climbing and a fountain that children love to splash in. About midway along the walk is a River Market, a couple of restaurants with beautiful river views and a pier that is popular for paddleboarding.



THEATRE TUSCALOOSA



theatretusc.com

One of the largest community theatres in the state, Theatre Tuscaloosa provides quality theatrical performances. Ticket prices vary and are reasonable for the high-quality shows.

TUSCALOOSA CHILDREN'S THEATRE



tuscaloosachildrenstheatre.net

Tuscaloosa Children's Theatre offers onstage and offstage opportunities for hundreds of children each year and hosts audiences of thousands of children annually. Check the website for upcoming shows and to purchase tickets.





police.ua.edu

In case of emergency, call 205-348-5454 for UAPD rapid response, dial 911 or use the blue emergency phones located throughout campus. In a situation where it's unsafe to place a voice call, text 911. UAPD also takes nonemergency calls at 205-348-5454.

There are more than 200 emergency "Blue Phones" maintained on UA's campus in outdoor areas, parking lots and parking decks. UAPD can be reached directly by pushing the call button.

University Police Center is located at 1110 Jackson Ave., and there is also a precinct located on the Strip at 1209 University Blvd.

LOST AND FOUND

UAPD provides a list of lost and found items on their website. For questions regarding lost and found items, or to report an item that has been lost or found, contact UAPD at 205-348-5454.

MEDICAL CARE

Medical care for nonemergencies is provided at several walk-in clinics in the area.

UA students may visit the Student Health Center; 205-348-6262.

For emergency care, visit the emergency departments at:

- · DCH Regional Medical Center; 205-759-7111; 809 University Blvd. E
- · Northport Medical Center; 205-333-4500; 2700 Hospital Dr., Northport

UA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

ready.ua.edu

Information about severe weather, hazards, emergency plans and shelters on campus are available on the OEM website.

SAFETY AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

The UA Safety app provides immediate access to information in case of an emergency. Features include a built-in GPS to every campus building, shelter location and AED. Users also receive exclusive UA Alerts and current UAPD advisories. Additional features include National Weather Service information for Tuscaloosa County and an emergency contact list for instant dialing with one push. The UA Safety app is available for download on iOS and Android devices. Follow @UA_Safety on Instagram and X and on Facebook (UAPublicSafety) for tips and information about weather and safety issues affecting campus.

92.5 FM UA INFO RADIO

In Tuscaloosa, information about The University of Alabama can be heard on UA Info Radio, which broadcasts on 92.5 FM. For special events, such as gameday and commencement, the



station provides valuable traffic, parking and safety information. In an emergency, the station will broadcast specific safety instructions.



The University of Alabama offers over 100 bachelor's, master's, specialist and doctoral degrees and certificates through UA Online. We have programs in business, communications, engineering, social work, nursing, education, the sciences and more. Tuition is the same for every state and lower than campus rates, but the quality education and degree you receive are the same as on campus. Get started today! See what your future can be — where legends log in!

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THE ELEPHANT?

The story of how Alabama became associated with the "elephant" goes back to the 1930 season when Coach Wallace Wade had assembled a great football team.

On October 8, 1930, sportswriter Everett
Strupper of the Atlanta Journal wrote a story
of the Alabama-Mississippi game he had
witnessed in Tuscaloosa four days earlier.
Strupper wrote, "That Alabama team of
1930 is a typical Wade machine, powerful,
big, tough, fast, aggressive, well-schooled
in fundamentals, and the best blocking team
for this early in the season that I have ever seen.

When those big brutes hit you I mean you go down and stay down, often for an additional two minutes."

Later in his story, Strupper penned what would ultimately be referred to as the start of one of UA's most storied traditions.

"At the end of the quarter, the earth started to tremble, there was a distant rumble that continued to grow. Some excited fan in the stands bellowed, 'Hold your horses, the elephants are coming,' and out stamped this Alabama varsity."

Strupper and other writers continued to refer to the Alabama linemen as "Red Elephants," the color referring to the crimson jerseys.

(excerpt from RollTide.com)

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the 1950s UA enlisted temporary elephant mascots, usually from traveling circuses, for Homecoming festivities.
- Coach "Bear" Bryant did not feel like an elephant would be a good representative because they were "big, slow and clumsy."
- Coach Bryant eventually came around to students' repeated requests for an elephant mascot and charged Melford Espey with bringing the idea to life.
- In the early '60s, Alabama student Melford Espey was the first to dress up as an elephant. But, it didn't quite catch on, and it took more than a decade before Big Al was born.
- Alabama officially adopted the mascot in the late 1970s, and Big Al as we know him today debuted at the 1980 Sugar Bowl against Arkansas.
- The original Big Al costume, made at Walt Disney Studios in Florida, is now displayed at the Paul W. Bryant Museum.
- In the early years of Alabama football, the team was referred to as the "Cadets," the "Crimson White" or "The Varsity."
- The first nickname to become popular and used in headlines was "The Thin Red Line."
- Following the 1907 season, the team adopted the "Crimson Tide" nickname.

Mascot facts from: Yahoo.com, The Story Behind Alabama's Elephant Mascot 10/23/12; AL.com, Original Big Al Costume Added to Paul W. Bryant Museum, 10/13/09; 2017 Tide Football Game Program.



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