"Service is Sovereignty"

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
“When applying for colleges in my junior and senior years of high school, I had a variety of choices from which to choose. However, when it came to my final decision, I was torn between Purdue and Alabama A&M. Previous to making my decision, I had visited both schools and fell in love with each campus. I had heard great information about both schools as well. Yes, Purdue is one of the top ten schools in the country, and I’m sure they had plenty to offer me. Nevertheless, there was something about Alabama A&M that caught my eye. When I was on Alabama A&M’s campus I had that feeling of comfort and family. I was shown that the faculty tries to make the school a family away from home for the students and that was something I admired in the university.

This is my first year at the university (2011-2012) and I do not regret my choice. I would highly recommend attending Alabama A&M University to anybody.”

Ariel Dowdy, Class of 2015
Chicago, IL
Mechanical Engineering Technology

Motto: “Service is Sovereignty”
Colors: Maroon & White
Mascot: Bulldog
Location: Normal, Alabama
Physical Address:
4900 Meridian Street
Huntsville, AL 35810-1015
President: Andrew Hugine, Jr., Ph.D.

Enrollment Checklist

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS:
⇒ Submit a Completed Application Online and Pay Application Fee
⇒ Submit Official High School Transcript
⇒ Transfer Students - Submit Transcript from Each Institution Attended
⇒ Apply for Financial Aid Online: www.fafsa.ed.gov
⇒ FAFSA Must Include the AAMU School Code: 001002
⇒ Submit ACT or SAT Scores

INCOMING STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN ADMITTED:
⇒ Submit Admissions Enrollment Fee
⇒ Apply for Financial Aid Online: www.fafsa.ed.gov (after Jan. 1st)
⇒ FAFSA Must Include the AAMU School Code: 001002
⇒ Submit Completed Scholarship Applications (ONLY IF ELIGIBLE)
⇒ Submit On-Campus Housing Application
⇒ Confirm Financial Aid Award
⇒ Accept Financial Aid Award Online
⇒ Submit Final Official High School Transcript
⇒ Submit Completed AAMU Student Medical Form

ONCE ENROLLMENT FEE IS PAID:
⇒ Register for Student Orientation and Registration (SOAR)
⇒ Plan to attend the Torch Lighting Ceremony for New Students

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS:
⇒ Office of Undergraduate Admissions 256-372-5245
⇒ Office of Financial Aid 256-372-5400
⇒ Student Orientation and Registration 256-372-5646
⇒ Veteran Affairs & Disability Services 256-372-4263
⇒ Residential Life and Housing 256-372-5797

Campus Tour Apply Online Scholarship Application

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Campus Life

Trust us, it won’t take long before you are navigating the AAMU campus like an expensive GPS system. Your college experience will be filled with the wonders of our hillside campus. It will also be strengthened when you venture into the city of Huntsville. The University and the city complement each other. Our students and graduates are making a difference in every thread of this city’s fabric – from the arts scene to the local political arena to the broad research and science communities.

On campus involvements are extensive, too. Why not become a member of the world-renowned AAMU University Choir? How about the Marching Maroon and White Band, better known as The Show Band of the South or one of our student mentoring programs? There are also numerous honor societies, fraternities, sororities, religious organizations, a student newspaper, yearbook staff and other activities. A variety of events, such as concerts, comedy shows, noted speakers and student-sponsored programs round out each semester.

YOU have a place at Alabama A&M University where the lights shine bright on THE HILL!

Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University reflects the uniqueness of the traditional Land-Grant Institution, which combines professional, vocational and liberal arts pursuits. The University provides baccalaureate and graduate studies that are compatible with the times to all qualified, capable individuals who are interested in further developing their technical, professional, and scholastic skills and competencies.

Alabama A&M University is a dynamic and progressive, 137-year-old Land-Grant Institution with a strong commitment to academic excellence. The picturesque campus is situated on what many alumni and friends fondly refer to as “The Hill”, only a few miles from downtown Huntsville. AAMU offers numerous undergraduate and graduate degree programs, including four doctoral (Ph.D.) degree programs in Food Science, Physics, Plant and Soil Science, and Reading/Literacy.

AAMU is a state, regional, national and international resource that has made a significant impact on the lives of people the world over.
Admission Requirements

FRESHMAN STUDENTS:
- Minimum GPA: 2.0
- Minimum ACT Score: 18
- Minimum SAT Score: 1290

TRANSFER STUDENTS:
- Minimum GPA: 2.0 (last institution attended)
- Minimum 12 Transferable Semester Hours
- Minimum 18 Transferable Hours if from a Quarter Hours System
- Must be in Good Standing with Previous Institution

APPLICATION TIP: A COMPLETED APPLICATION CONTAINS 3 PARTS:
1. The AAMU Admission Application
2. The Official High School Transcript / GED Transcript
3. ACT or SAT Score(s)
All 3 parts must be submitted before an acceptance decision can be made!

The Application

Online:
aamu.edu/admissions
Fee: $30.00

Mail Transcript to:
AAMU Office of Admissions
P.O. Box 908
Normal, AL 35762

Freshman Students Must Live on Campus. University scholarships that include room and board require on-campus housing.

Normal Hills Student Apartments are considered "off-campus" housing.

Residential Life

Alabama A&M University provides a wholesome residential atmosphere that will allow you to shine academically. Because the campus is the center of so many resources, students who decide to live on campus are often better able to excel in their studies. Incoming freshman are typically housed in traditional residence halls and upperclassmen are typically housed in non-traditional residence halls. There are traditional female residence halls and traditional male residence halls. Suite-style or non-traditional residence halls are available in the five-story Mamie Labon Foster Complex (men) and the Ernest L. Knight Complex (women).

Rooms are equipped with extended basic cable, along with wireless internet access. Updated campus information and events are available through our on-campus station WJAB TV, Channel 78. For additional information, contact the Office of Residential Life and Housing at (256) 372-5797.

Obtain Housing

1. First, secure admission to AAMU
2. Complete an online Housing Application at www.aamu.edu
3. Submit a $100 Non-Refundable Application Fee with the Housing Application and $250 refundable Housing Security Deposit. Mail to: Alabama A&M University, Office of Residential Life and Housing, P.O. Box 630, Normal, AL 35762
4. Make certain all Financial Aid matters are finalized prior to arrival in August!
**Veteran Affairs and Disability Services**

The office of V.A.D.S. serves as a liaison to enrolled veterans and their dependents with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) by providing information on educational benefits, certifying enrollments with the VA and monitoring veterans and/or their dependents degree plan and academic progress.

Additionally, V.A.D.S. identifies, provides and coordinates reasonable modifications in academic and social policies, practices and/or procedures to qualified disabled students who are covered by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA of 1990).

V.A.D.S. or Student Special Services can be reached by calling 256-372-4263 or by mail: AAMU Student Special Services, P. O. Box 1507, Normal, Alabama 35762. The on-campus office is located in room 106 Carver Complex South.

The V.A.D.S. office serves as a liaison between the University and the disabled student with a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities.

**YOU’VE BEEN ACCEPTED ~ NOW WHAT?**

1. **Complete and return the Enrollment Response Form**
   - Submit the one-time non-refundable fee of $100

2. **Complete and return all Housing Forms**
   - Submit the $100 non-refundable Housing Application Fee
   - Submit the $250 refundable Housing Security Deposit
   - Submit the Housing Application & Lease Agreement

3. **Complete and return the Medical Response Form**

4. **Register for Student Orientation And Registration** (available to students upon meeting all Enrollment Response Form requirements)

5. **Pay Tuition and Fees**

**COMMUNICATIONS TIP:**
E-mail is the most efficient way to communicate with Admissions and Financial Aid Staff. Responses can often be given the same day.

**ENROLLMENT TIP:**
Once you have been accepted, you must pay your Enrollment Fee as soon as possible to finalize your acceptance offer.
What is Financial Aid?
By definition, Financial Aid is any funding provided to students and families to help pay for post-secondary educational expenses. Financial Aid will usually not pay for the entire cost of college. It will rather assist students in paying for college. Therefore, you must start planning as soon as possible! At Alabama A&M University, we offer grants, scholarships, work-study and loans.

Our priority date for submission of the FAFSA and all supporting documentation is March 1st for the academic year.
AAMU Federal Code: 001002

Does the university offer scholarships?
Yes. Students may apply for scholarships by completing the AAMU Scholarship Application Form and submitting the required essay. The university also offers Grant-In-Aid Awards. An application is not required for the GIA Award. This award does not require repayment. Students, however, must meet specific academic requirements.

Academic scholarship applications and details are available online at www.aamu.edu/admissions under Financial Aid.

How will students know that they have been awarded aid?
An award letter indicating the type and amount of financial aid the university is willing to provide will be sent to students.

What is the AAMU Financial Aid Award Packaging Policy?
A student’s need is funded on a first-come, first-served basis and based on fund availability. Funds are distributed in the following sequence: The Federal Pell Grant is considered to be the first source of aid to the student, therefore packaging Federal Student Aid funds will begin with Pell eligibility. When the Office of Student Financial Aid is notified that the student is a recipient of any types of scholarships, the aid is added to the student’s award package as part of the Estimated Financial Aid (EFA) after the calculation of the Federal Pell Grant (if applicant is Pell eligible).

What is E.F.C. and who determines the amount?
E.F.C. is a measure of your family’s financial position, as determined by the U.S. Department of Education. Once established, the E.F.C. is used by the university to determine eligibility for available types of Federal Student Financial Aid.

My FAFSA was selected for verification. Why?
The U. S. Department of Education randomly selects FAFSAs for verification. The university cannot finalize your Financial Aid until all requested documents have been verified.

Essentially, the school must collect certain documentation prior to being able to award Financial Aid to the selected student. A timely response is very important!

Are there eligibility requirements for Financial Aid? Yes.
- You must be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
- You must have a valid Social Security Number.
- You must be admitted into a degree-seeking program.

Submitting your FAFSA before March 1st will afford you the best opportunity to be considered for certain limited funding sources such as FSEOG, AAMU Grant In Aid and Federal Work-Study Funding.

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