

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location

The University of Arkansas-Monticello is located three miles south of the city of Monticello on a wooded campus adjacent to United States Highway 425. Monticello, the county seat of Drew County, is located 100 miles southeast of Little Rock and 85 miles north of Monroe, Louisiana.

Situated in the pine forests of Southeast Arkansas on the edge of the rich Mississippi delta, the University is ideally located to serve the state's educational needs and provides an excellent setting for the state's only School of Forest Resources. Included in the University's 1,600 acres are 1,036 acres of forest land used for research, management and instruction, and 300 acres devoted to agricultural teaching and research. To the west and south are vast forest lands managed by a rapidly growing private forest industry to produce wood and paper products. To the east, farmers raise cotton, rice and soybeans in the fertile Mississippi delta.

History Of The University

The University of Arkansas-Monticello was established in 1909 by an act of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas to serve the educational needs of Southeast Arkansas. Originally called the Fourth District Agricultural School, the University opened its doors September 14, 1910. In 1925, the General Assembly authorized the school's name to be changed to Arkansas Agricultural and Mechanical College. A & M received accreditation as a junior college in 1928 and as a four-year institution in 1940.

Arkansas A & M became part of the University of Arkansas system July 1, 1971. The University is governed by the University of Arkansas Board of Trustees, which also oversees the operation of institutions in Batesville, Fayetteville, Helena, Hope, Little Rock, and Pine Bluff.

Accreditation

The University of Arkansas-Monticello is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, the National Association of Schools of Music, the National League for Nursing, and the Society of American Foresters. The University offers Associate, Baccalaureate, and Master's degree programs.

Documents concerning accreditation are available for review upon request to the Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Mission

The University of Arkansas-Monticello shares with all universities the commitment to search for truth and understanding through scholastic endeavor. The University seeks to enhance and share knowledge, to preserve and promote the intellectual content of society, and to educate people for critical thought. The University provides learning experiences which enable students to synthesize knowledge, communicate effectively, use knowledge and technology with intelligence and responsibility, and act creatively within their own and other cultures.

The University strives for excellence in all its endeavors. Educational opportunities encompass the liberal arts, basic and applied sciences, and selected professions. These opportunities are founded in a strong program of general education and are fulfilled through contemporary curricula and programs. The University assures opportunities in higher education for both traditional and non-traditional students, and strives to provide an environment which fosters individual achievement and personal development.

The University of Arkansas-Monticello seeks to fulfill its mission by:

1. Offering quality educational opportunities in the form of master's, baccalaureate, and associate degree preparation and certification in a variety of programs;
2. Offering a well-rounded program of general education designed to broaden and enrich students' awareness of the world around them;

3. Providing contemporary curricula which prepare students for careers in selected fields, for personal development, and for meeting societal needs;
4. Strengthening students' capabilities as thoughtful contributors to society by encouraging them to take personal responsibility and seek the benefits of life-long learning;
5. Providing support programs which increase the probability of success for those students needing additional academic preparation to meet college standards;
6. Assisting students in developing interpersonal skills needed by responsible and productive members of society;
7. Providing viable programs of public service, continuing education in selected areas, and cooperative programs with other educational institutions;
8. Promoting research programs which strengthen the institution and contribute new information to the existing body of knowledge and the extension of knowledge to serve the public;
9. Providing cultural and aesthetic experiences that will serve to enhance appreciation of the arts;
10. Maintaining regional and national recognition of the institution and its academic programs by continuing to meet the standards of accrediting bodies, and seeking similar recognition of appropriate programs for which accreditation is available but yet to be achieved.

Academic Degrees and Majors

Degrees and majors are listed below. Consult the Programs of Study section of the catalog for course requirements of individual programs of study.

Associate of Applied Science

Agriculture Production Management
 Industrial Technology
 Paper/Pulp Technology

Associate of Arts

Bachelor of Arts

Art
 Elementary Education
 English
 History
 History and Social Studies
 Music
 Political Science
 Special Education, Mildly Handicapped
 Speech Communication

Bachelor of Business Administration

Accounting
 Business Administration
 Computer Information Systems

Bachelor of Music Education

Bachelor of Science
Agriculture
Biology
Business Education
Chemistry
Criminal Justice
Forestry
Health and Physical Education
Mathematics
Physical Science
Psychology
Social Work
Wildlife Management

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Master of Education
Elementary Education
Secondary Education

Master of Science
Forest Resources

The University's faculty provide courses to prepare students in numerous professional programs. These programs include:

Pre-Veterinary
See the Division of Agriculture section

Pre-Engineering
See the School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences section

Allied Health, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Pharmacy
See the School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences section

Pre-Law
See the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences section

Students may not have decided upon an academic major during their first two years of enrollment. The University provides a program of general studies for such students. Students may complete the Associate of Arts degree without deciding upon a major. Alternatively, students may earn the Associate of Arts degree while completing freshman and sophomore course requirements for a chosen major.

Academic Structure

The University's academic structure consists of ten academic units, which are more fully described in the Academic Units section of this catalog. Please refer to the following listing to find further information about particular academic programs.

Associate of Applied Science
See the College of General Studies section

Associate of Arts
See the College of General Studies section

Graduate Education

See the Graduate section

Agriculture

See the Division of Agriculture section

Accounting, Business Administration, Business Education, Computer Information Systems

See the School of Business section

Art, English, Speech

See the School of Arts and Humanities section

Elementary Education, Physical Education, Special Education (and all teacher education programs)

See the School of Education section

Music, Music Education

See the Division of Music section

Forestry, Wildlife Management

See the School of Forest Resources section

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physical Science

See the School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences section

Nursing

See the Division of Nursing section

Criminal Justice, History, History and Social Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Social Work

See the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences section

Academic Support Units

The Library

LOCATION: Campus quadrangle

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1080

HOME PAGE: <http://www.uamont.edu/~uamlibrary/library.htmlx>

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3599, Monticello, AR 71656

The University Library and Technology Center occupies a new \$5.5 million facility centrally located on the campus. The Library collections comprise over 500,000 items including books, bound periodicals, microforms, government documents, and over 1,200 serial subscriptions. An online catalog provides access to all library collections from many campus locations and nationwide through the Internet. The UAM Library home page furnishes access to extensive periodical databases as well as links to web sites of interest to the graduate and undergraduate student. Microcomputers are available for student use in the adjacent computer lab. Computer ports and outlets are located throughout the building for personal use.

The Library participates in a reciprocal borrowing agreement with the University of Arkansas System libraries. Memberships in regional and national computer networks provide extensive opportunities for research and promote resource sharing.

The Writing Center

LOCATION: Memorial Classroom Building Room 113

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1378

E-MAIL: writing@uamont.edu

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3460, Monticello, AR 71656

The Writing Center is staffed by senior-level English majors who can assist students during all stages of the writing process. Writing is recognized as a recursive, overlapping activity which involves pre-writing, drafting, revising, proofreading, and publishing. Whatever the academic discipline or class assignment, the peer tutors provide feedback and suggestions which will help students understand the essential elements of academic writing.

Writing Center tutors can help students generate ideas, develop a thesis, organize material, and revise early drafts. Students are also assisted in learning about grammar, style, and clarity; learning about their own writing process; and learning how to improve proofreading skills. The Center's staff and tutors work one-on-one with students on a variety of writing projects: compositions, reports, outlines, business letters, research, and fiction.

Additionally, the Writing Center has 25 networked computers with Internet capability. Tutors can also assist students with World Wide Web research and word processing.

Services of the Writing Center are free to university students. For further information, visit the Writing Center's home page at <http://www.uamont.edu/~boyd/writing.html>.

Information Technology

LOCATION: Sorrells Hall

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1036

FAX: (870) 460-1920

E-MAIL: compserv@uamont.edu

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 3626, Monticello, AR 71656

The University provides an opportunity for students and other members of the UAM community to enhance their educational experiences and expand their academic knowledge by making available to them access to computer facilities and resources, including the Internet. Computing and networking resources have been allocated for academic activities that are consistent with the mission and goals of the University; i.e., to support teaching, research, administrative processes, UAM-sponsored community service, and other legitimate pursuits. Each faculty and staff member is eligible for an e-mail account and Internet access, as is any student who is enrolled in three or more hours (credit or audit).

The Department of Information Technology is responsible for administering and/or overseeing the campus computer network, including all network connections in campus offices, labs, and Residence Halls, as well as the campus's public computer labs and facilities. The Information Technology Department also provides support for Distance Education services, which include interactive video conferencing, satellite downlink, and web-based instruction. Workshops covering the UAM computer network options are offered to faculty/staff and students. For further information about the UAM Information Technology Department, check the UAM Home Page at <http://www.uamont.edu>.

Distance Education

LOCATION: Technology Center

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1663

FAX: (870) 460-1920

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3490, Monticello, AR 71656

One of the ways in which the University is addressing the needs of the population it serves is through distance education.

The University provides several interactive video classrooms for on- and off-campus instruction and for teleconferencing for business and industry. All of the conferencing/classroom facilities are professionally staffed and maintained. The University also provides satellite downlink and viewing facilities with the capability to seat large audiences. Other distance education services include web-based instruction and computer labs for individuals needing public access to equipment and the Internet.

Registrar's Office

LOCATION: Harris Hall 118

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1034

FAX: (870) 460-1935

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3598, Monticello, AR 71656

This office supervises registration for classes, maintains academic records, and issues transcripts. This office also provides certification information for Department of Veterans Affairs programs.

Continuing Education

LOCATION: Academic Affairs, Administration Building

CAMPUS TELEPHONE: (870) 460-1032

FAX: (870) 460-1933

E-MAIL: acad_affairs@uamont.edu

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3478, Monticello, AR 71656

The University seeks to meet the educational needs of the working adult, and life-enrichment and skill development needs of children and adults of all ages. Programs offered through the Continuing Education Office range from full-semester courses to one- or two-month mini-courses or workshops lasting from one day to a week or more. Some programs are offered in partnership with professional, business, and public service organizations. Most programs are initiated by and taught by UAM faculty.