



ABOUT UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI'S AAMERG INITIATIVE

The purpose of the AAMERG Initiative is to unite UM faculty, staff, and students through community outreach, mentoring, personal and professional development, and servant leadership. The ultimate goal of the AAMERG initiative is to strengthen efforts for recruiting, educating, retaining, and graduating African American males at the University of Mississippi. AAMERG is housed within the Center of Inclusion and Cross Cultural Engagement (CICCE).

ABOUT THE UM AAMERG AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

The purpose of this program is to identify current leaders and potential leaders (not to exceed 8 individuals per distinction) among the African American male population at UM who are able to serve as effective peer leaders, liaisons between students and faculty/staff, and key programming coordinators for events that serve the interests of African American males both on and off campus. Leaders selected to participate in this program must demonstrate proficiencies in academic performance, leadership development, and an understanding of African American males on UM's campus.

Members of the ambassador program will be invited to participate in conferences, networking events, leadership excursions, assist the CICCE Graduate Assistants with implementation of programs, publicize various programs, and provide community service through mentoring and other civic engagement opportunities. Additionally, these members will be required to provide support at events affiliated with CICCE. Each ambassador will have the opportunity to be matched with a mentor to assist with academic, career, and personal development. Finally, Ambassadors will be responsible for leading the personal and professional development of members of the AAMERG Initiative whom do not serve as ambassadors.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Provide leadership experience for students and tangible support for AAMERG functions.
- Positively affect the growth, retention, and graduation of African American males through academic support, leadership development and community service.
- Offer special opportunities that allow participants to develop leadership and service potentials through mentorship, workshops, and programming.
- Build strong mentoring, professional, teamwork, and academic skills.

- Develop a community of service and social support for African American Males.
- Exposure to new learning experiences and civic opportunities

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR THE UM AAMERG AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Selection for participation is contingent upon students' ability to meet the following criteria.

- Completion of a minimum of 30 hours at UM
- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above
- Expected graduation date of May 2016 or later
- Submission of a completed application, including essay questions, references, and resume
- No UM disciplinary or conduct violations
- UM faculty or staff member must serve as one of the 2 required references

TENTATIVE AAMERG AMBASSADOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Participate in bi-weekly mentoring and development meetings
- Attend sponsored AAMERG programming
- Lead the personal and professional development AAMERG members
- Lead service projects at local high schools
- Serve as peer mentor to freshmen and/or sophomore African American male students
- Serve as a liaison between students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 18th: Application available [online](#)

April 6th: Application Deadline (Due to the CICCE by 4:00 PM)

April 10th: Applicants selected and notified

April 15th: New Ambassador initial meeting 5:00pm-8:00pm



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