Academic Support

Troy University offers students a variety of academic support services, including resources to assist students in areas such as technology, career planning, study skills, academic planning, and tutoring in selected subjects. Students at the Troy Campus may also participate in the First-Year Studies Program geared to the needs of students making the transition to college from high school or post-high school experiences.

Students should contact the registrar or an academic adviser at their campus locations for more information about available resources.

Alumni Association

The Troy University Alumni Association’s sole purpose is to establish mutually beneficial relationships between Troy University and its alumni. Alumni Affairs coordinates the activities of this association, promotes alumni services, and establishes scholarships. In addition, Alumni Affairs broadens communication between alumni and the university. Through these activities and services, the university is able to respond to the needs of its constituents thus enabling alumni to respond to the needs of the university. Additional information regarding these activities and services can be obtained by calling Alumni Affairs at (334) 670-3318 or 1-877-487-6978.

Centers and Institutes

Center for Design, Technology and Innovation

Better known as <dtid>, the Center for Design, Technology and Innovation is a design think tank housed within the Department of Art and Design at Troy. Synthesizing an aggressive, multi-disciplinary design education with the varied visual communication demands of the global marketplace, <dtid> is responsible for developing design strategies for qualifying businesses, industries and not-for-profit organizations.

Center for International Business and Economic Development

The Center for International Business and Economic Development (CIBED) is an administrative unit of the Sorrell College of Business. The CIBED coordinates the outreach and research activities of the college and directs the economic development undergraduate and graduate programs. CIBED offices are located at all Troy University campuses in Alabama to enable personnel to be involved in the economic and community development of the region and to extend assistance to existing small businesses, industries and governmental agencies.

The Center for Business and Economic Services (CBES) within the CIBED was established in 1974. CBES activities include applied research, educational activities and management consulting. The CIBED also publishes the “Troy University Business and Economic Review” and co-edits the national “Journal of Applied Research in Economic Development.”

CIBED supports the economic development of small businesses through its Small Business Development Center (SBDC). The SBDC offers one-to-one consulting, training, information and government bidding opportunities to small businesses in a ten-county area of southeast Alabama.

Center for International Programs

The Center for International Programs at Troy University promotes international education for all students. It works to help prepare students with the necessary knowledge, skills, and attitudes to be responsible and concerned citizens in the 21st century. It actively supports international students attending Troy by providing counseling, orientation programs, travel opportunities, assistance with visas and other governmental requirements. In addition, it works to create a bridge between the community and the international students. It coordinates degree programs offered in Malaysia, and Vietnam. The Center for International Programs also develops and encourages study abroad agreements and activities in order to assist all students at Troy University with invaluable experience in international education. The Center for International Programs offers instruction in English as a Second Language (ESL) to ensure that all international students studying at Troy University have the necessary English language skills to be successful in their chosen academic programs.

Confucius Institute

The Confucius Institute at Troy University is a non-profit institute aiming at sharing Chinese language and culture through affiliated Confucius Institutes worldwide. Its headquarters is in Beijing, under the Office of the Chinese Learning Council International (Hanban). The CII provides non-academic university credit in conversational language instruction to the community in addition to serving as an informational resource. For more information about the CII, please visit troy.edu.

Institute for Leadership Development

The Institute facilitates development of ethical, responsible leaders who want to use their leadership abilities at school, on the job and in various sectors of society. The Institute promotes servant-leadership; that is, leading to serve others and the organization. Servant Leaders must demonstrate character (who they are), competence (what they can do), and confidence (belief in themselves and their ability to lead). The Institute facilitate leadership development by:

1. Administering and teaching courses that are open to all students. These courses develop knowledge and leadership skills. Furthermore, the Institute offers the Minor in Leadership Development.

2. Instituting, attracting, administering, and coordinating leadership conferences, including the Alabama HOBY (Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Seminar), Alabama Lions High School Leadership Forum, and the African American Leadership Conference. These conferences each attract hundreds to the TROY campus. The Institute also hosts County-wide Youth Leadership Programs where high school students spend a day on the TROY campus.

3. Cooperating with various academic departments and student programs to enhance LATC—Leadership Across The Curriculum. A study of LATC was the project of the 2018 Chancellors Fellows.

4. Directing the Chancellor’s Fellowship program which enables full-time faculty and staff to develop increased knowledge and understanding of the programs and operations of Troy University. Furthermore, fellows are mentored by the Senior Vice Chancellors, and receive executive leadership, management, and communication skills training and they complete a project beneficial to the university. Participants are selected by the Chancellor based on their leadership potential and service to the University. Previous Fellows have risen to positions of Vice Chancellor, Academic Dean, Graduate Dean, Dean of Library Services, as well as Directors and Chairs of many academic and support programs.

Institutional Research, Planning and Effectiveness (IRPE) Office

The IRPE office provides required services for institutional research, planning, and effectiveness. In the area of research, the IRPE office prepares analyses, surveys, and reports regarding numerous subjects for federal agencies, state agencies, non-governmental external agencies, and the University. In the areas of institutional planning and effectiveness, the IRPE office coordinates activities which include providing information to the various divisions and units of the University; maintaining the
HOMER system, which documents program-level institutional effectiveness activities; surveying students, alumni, and employers; and reviewing the effectiveness and planning documentation for existing, new and revised programs. The IRPE office publishes the results of online surveys and provides the TROY Fact Site of demographic information online. In addition, the IRPE office assists the University liaison with the Alabama Commission on Higher Education (ACHE) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS/COC).

International Center for Collaboration and Creativity (iC3)

The International Center for Collaboration and Creativity (iC3) fosters and facilitates intercultural, international and interdisciplinary ventures. The central catalyst for and the expectation from this center will intrinsically be collaboration and creativity. Cultures and disciplines are converging. As a result of this convergence, there is a new emergence of discoveries and hybrid disciplines. The creation of the iC3 not only develops hybrid academic ventures but provides impetus for attracting new interdisciplinary programs and instructional models in higher education. The iC3 is housed within the College of Communication and Fine Arts.

Endowed Chairs and Professorships

Five endowed chairs have been established by the Troy University Board of Trustees and endowed with funds from Mrs. Anise J. Sorrell and others. Some of these chairs have full-time occupants; others provide visiting lecturers and enhancements.

Sorrell Endowment

The Adams-Bibby Chair of Free Enterprise

The Adams-Bibby Chair of Free Enterprise was made possible by a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Walter Berry Bibby and a bequest from the estate of Mrs. Anise J. Sorrell. The chair is named in honor of the Bibbys and Mrs. Bibby’s father, Mr. Eason Young Adams.

As an incentive to encourage private donations to the state’s public universities, the 1985 Alabama Legislature established the Alabama Endowment Trust Fund for Eminent Scholars. This trust provides $400,000 to the Troy University Foundation for each $600,000 donated to the foundation for the Eminent Scholar Endowment.

Eminent Scholars

- ALFA Eminent Scholar in Environmental Management and Agriculture
- Eminent Scholar of Computer and Information Science
- HealthSouth Eminent Scholar in Sports Medicine
- Troy University Foundation Eminent Scholar Chair in Banking and Finance.

Professorship

- The E. H. Sherman Professorship in Accounting
- The Sherman Professorship was established by gifts from alumni and friends of the Troy University accounting program.

Graduate School

A student with a bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university may apply to the dean of the Graduate School for admission. The Graduate Catalog should be consulted for detailed information on the regulations of the Graduate School, the programs and courses offered for graduate credit, the requirements for degrees, financial aid and other matters pertaining to graduate study with Troy University.

Information and Technology

Broadcast and Digital Network

The Broadcast and Digital Network provides for Troy University Television (TROY TrojanVision), and Troy University Public Radio. The Troy University Public Radio Network includes WTSU-89.9 FM serving Troy/Montgomery; WTJB, 91.7 FM serving Columbus/Phenix City; and WRWA, 88.7 FM serving Dothan. The network broadcasts diverse international, national and local news and cultural and entertainment programs. The network is affiliated with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, National Public Radio (NPR) and American Public Media. TROY Public Radio operates the Radio Reading Service for the sight-impaired and handicapped.

The Broadcast and Digital Network also gives “hands on experience” to broadcast majors of the Hall School of Journalism and for other qualified students in studios in Troy and Montgomery. TROY TrojanVision is an educational access cable station received by viewers in central and south Alabama and Columbus, Ga. Students and staff produce regular news programs and a variety of musical programs, lectures, sports and community/university events for delayed airing.

Information about Troy University Public Radio and TROY TrojanVision is available at their website on https://www.troy.edu/student-life-resources/campus-media/troy-trojanvision/index.html and at (334) 670-3555.

Intercollegiate Athletics

The Troy University Department of Athletics is affiliated with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and competes at the Division I-A level. Troy sponsors nine women’s sports and seven men’s sports. The men’s sponsored sports include baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, outdoor track & field, and tennis. The women’s sponsored sports include basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, track & field (indoor and outdoor), tennis and volleyball.

Beginning in the fall of 2005, all Trojan sports began competition in the Sun Belt Conference which includes 12 schools from Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Tennessee and Texas. In the fall of 2001, the football program successfully completed its first year in Division I-A as an independent with a 7-4 record and the Trojans shocked SEC powerhouse Mississippi State as the Trojans defeated the Bulldogs 21-9. Since then, the Trojans have defeated nationally ranked Missouri, Oklahoma State, the United States Naval Academy, nationally ranked LSU and Nebraska.

In 2006, the Trojans earned their first of five consecutive Sun Belt Conference championships and were winners of the 5-1 Carrier’s New Orleans Bowl. The team also appeared in the New Orleans bowl in 2008, losing in overtime to Southern Miss. In 2009, the Trojans earned their fourth straight league title and became the first team in Sun Belt history to go through a season 8-0 in league play. In 2010, the Trojans once again appeared in the New Orleans bowl.

The football program just completed the most successful three-year period in school history as the Trojans won 10 or more games in three straight seasons for the first time in program history and tied a school record with 31 wins over those three seasons. Additionally, the Trojans have won four straight bowl games—2010 New Orleans Bowl, 2016 Dollar General Bowl, 2017 New Orleans Bowl, and 2018 Dollar General Bowl. Troy won its Sun Belt-record sixth football conference championship in 2017 and finished as Sun Belt East Co-Champions in 2018.

Similarly, the 15 other Trojan sports have enjoyed great success since reclassification to NCAA Division I in the fall of 1993. The Trojan golf team received a 10th-in-the-nation ranking in 1994 and advanced to the NCAA Regional Tournament in ’95. The Troy baseball team captured conference titles in 2005, 2006, and 2013 and advanced to the Division I Regional Tournament in ’95, ’96, ’06, ’07, ’11, ’13 (where Troy beat the University of Alabama not once, but twice) and ’18. In the 2017 baseball season, the Trojans defeated Alabama in walk-off fashion and nationally ranked Auburn. Troy’s softball team won the conference championship, defeated the Ohio Valley Conference champions in a play-in, and advanced to post-season play in
‘96, the first softball team from the state of Alabama ever to do so. In 2018, Troy defeated a trio of nationally-ranked teams and posted its greatest win total in almost a decade.

Further, the men’s basketball team dominated the Atlantic Sun Conference by capturing the regular season Conference Championships in 1999-2000, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and back on top in the Sun Belt Conference in 2009-2010. “March Madness” invaded Troy in 2003 and 2017 when the Trojans won the Conference Tournament and advanced to participate in the NCAA Basketball Tournament. The Trojans also competed in the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) in 2004, and in the College Basketball Invitational (CBI) Tournament in 2009.

In 2016 the women’s basketball team won the Sun Belt Conference Tournament and participated in the NCAA Tournament facing the Oregon State Beavers. In 2017 the Trojans won the Sun Belt Conference Tournament again and participated in the NCAA Tournament competing against Mississippi State. The women’s basketball program led the nation in 2018 in both rebounding and offensive rebounds. The Trojans have won 20 or more games in three of the last four seasons, with 18 wins in the other year.

The women’s golf and men’s tennis won the 2016 Sun Belt Conference Tournament and participated in the NCAA Tournament. Men’s golf received an at-large bid to participate in the NCAA tournament as well. In 2017 women’s golf repeated in winning the Sun Belt Conference Tournament and both men’s and women’s golf participated in the NCAA Tournament.

University athletic teams have a history of success at every level. In all, Troy has won 11 NCAA National Championships in four different sports. The 1968 football team earned notoriety by winning the NAIA national championship with a wide-open passing attack that was years ahead of its time. The men’s golf team won NCAA Division II national crowns in 1976, 1977, and 1984, while the Lady Trojan golfers were national champions in 1984, 1986, and 1989. The football team won Division II championships in 1984 and 1987, and the baseball team won the 1986 and 1987 Division II World Series.

Troy University’s athletic facilities are among the finest in the nation. The Tine Davis Field House is home to the administrative staff. It features a newly renovated 140 seat auditorium (the Elizabeth Mills Rane learning Center) and the Ben F. Beard Recruiting Lounge as well as locker rooms and several meeting rooms.

The Troy football program moved into the state-of-the-art North End Zone Football Facility in the fall of 2018. The three storied facility is more than 70,000 square feet, includes a 35-by-90 foot video board, 400 additional club seats, coaches offices, weight room, locker room, and multiple player lounges.

Adjacent to the Davis Field House is Veterans Memorial Stadium which includes the Douglas Hawkins Press Box, home to a 10,000 square foot strength and conditioning center, state-of-the-art athletic training center and Student-Athlete Academic Support Center as well as a Stadium Club and 29 private suites for fans to enjoy home football games.

Next to Veterans Memorial Stadium is the newly renovated Riddle-Pace Field, home of the Trojans baseball team. The facility includes the Lott Baseball Complex, which houses coach’s offices, locker rooms, meeting rooms and covered practice facilities. Recent stadium renovations included the addition of an artificial turf playing surface, a 30-foot wall in right field and a new scoreboard that includes video replay capabilities.

Other nearby facilities includes the new Golf practice facility and clubhouse (2015), Trojan softball complex (2014) and soccer/track complex. Also, the state-of-the-art Lunsford Tennis Complex was completed in the fall of 2001, doubling the number of courts available to TROY students and the Troy community.

Additionally, construction was completed in 2012 on a state-of-the-art multi-purpose Trojan arena, which is home to the men’s basketball, women’s basketball and volleyball programs. The facility is located directly behind the Tine Davis Fieldhouse adjacent to the track/soccer complex. The men’s basketball program initiated the first win in Trojan Arena on its inaugural night beating SEC opponent, Mississippi State, 56-53.

Department of Athletics Mission Statement

The Troy University Athletics Department is an integral part of the University. Its mission is to assure a balance between the desire to win and the desire to facilitate positive growth of student-athletes. The Athletics Department will strive to graduate student-athletes who will make significant contributions to society, view their experience in athletics as rewarding and who will be proud alumni and advocates of the University.

Vision Statement

Our expectation is to be a model program reaching the highest level of success in all NCAA measures in each sport program both on the fields of play and in the class-room. We expect to advance Troy University Athletics to be the premier program in the Sun Belt Conference while maintaining viable candidacy for future conference expansion and/or realignment. We also expect to be among the top institutions in NCAA academic measures such as the student-athlete graduation rate, the Academic Progress Rate (APR) and the Graduation Success Rate (GSR).

Libraries

The Troy University Libraries hold a wide variety of resources in multiple formats, including print, multimedia (DVDs, CDs, and streaming video) as well as a vast array of online databases. These resources allow the libraries’ staff to ensure that students and faculty have access to the information they need to fulfill their educational and research goals.

The libraries’ networked system consists of the on-line catalog, numerous general and subject oriented databases including many with full texts of journal articles, and other services including tutorials to help individuals use library services more efficiently. The libraries’ homepage is constantly developing to provide more sophisticated and user friendly access to the resources in the library and around the world. The libraries’ faculty and staff are continually developing quality collections, facilities, and services to assist students and faculty in their educational journeys. The libraries’ faculty and staff provide professional and technical assistance and instruct users in the best methods of utilizing the libraries’ resources. Through this instruction and assistance, students learn information literacy skills that will support lifelong and continuing education.

Office of Development

The Office of Development strives to build and foster positive relationships with our alumni, donors, friends and corporate and foundation partners as well as with our deans, faculty, staff and students to secure private philanthropic support for all of the campuses of Troy University that reflects the institutional goals and priorities of the University.

We strive to be good stewards of the University’s resources as well as of those who support us with their time, money and resources. With a decrease in stated funding over the years, support from private philanthropy will continue to be important to future growth and expansion at the University. We are responsible for Annual Giving, Faculty/Staff Giving, Major Gifts, Planned Giving, Donor Events, Advancement Services (including updating alumni records) and Stewardship of all gifts, as well as Foundation Scholarships (both current and endowed).
Sponsored Programs

The Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP) is responsible for facilitating the activities of faculty, professional staff and students in seeking external support for research and creative projects. OSP is responsible for assuring that agency guidelines and University policies are followed. Sponsored Programs assists in identifying sources of external funding and assists faculty, professional staff and students in all aspects of securing grants, contracts, cooperative agreements, and other types of awards. OSP maintains funding source databases and can provide sponsor guidelines and application forms. OSP can provide advice on funding possibilities, conceptualization of projects, budget preparation, completing applications, proposal editing and review, as well as other aspects of the proposal development. In addition, OSP, in consultation with the principal investigator, can assist in negotiating the terms of funded awards.

In summary, Sponsored Programs serves as a facilitator to aid the principal investigator from project inception to closing of a funded grant or contract. OSP strives to serve as a communication link between the University community and outside sponsors - federal, state, and private sector foundations and corporations. The goals of OSP are to help faculty, professional staff and students secure funding, minimize the burden of regulations, and ensure programmatic and fiscal accountability for all sponsored programs.

Additional information about Sponsored Programs can be obtained by contacting the OSP by phone at (334) 670-3102, email osp@troy.edu or visiting the Office of Sponsored Programs website at http://www.troy.edu/osp.

TROY Online

TROY Online is responsible for the delivery of educational programs outside the state of Alabama, and internationally. Our courses and delivery method is designed to meet the needs of civilian working adults, military and government agency civilians, and other adults seeking degrees. Courses and degrees are delivered at a time and in formats to fit the needs of adult learners who have full-time employment, work shifts, and are prone to short notice moves. Adult learners generally have education needs different from those catered to by traditional colleges and universities. On military bases, guidance is worked cooperatively with the base education services personnel. In addition, the military usually provides classroom and office space, utilities, and local program support.

Academic programs and courses offered through TROY Online are the responsibility of the deans of the academic colleges. Troy University faculty and administrative oversight functions include, but are not limited to, academic oversight and control, new site approval, monitoring institutional effectiveness, faculty selection, certification, evaluation and graduate faculty status determination. The administration of TROY Online is the responsibility of the three Associate Vice Chancellors of TROY Online.

All student services functions are provided and monitored from the Troy Campus. Student service reviews include, yet are not limited to, admission activities, maintaining the official academic records, providing transcripts, and issuing degrees for all students enrolled in the component units of TROY Online Troy University Support Center sites.

All of the degree programs offered at Troy University Support Center sites or campuses are approved programs in the Undergraduate Catalog; however, not all degree programs are offered at every location.

Troy University’s TROY Online was established as a comprehensive, educational unit of Troy University to allow and provide any student, regardless of location, the opportunity to earn a Troy University degree online. Since its inception, TROY Online has expanded to include different programs and methodologies to reach local and distant students, working adults, and the military. TROY Online offers students the opportunity to obtain both undergraduate and graduate courses, certificate programs, and degree programs online. The online courses integrate textbooks with online materials, graphics, audio, and video, and facilitate faculty and student interactions. Specialized software is utilized. For more information on undergraduate programs offered via this format, visit TROY Online at http://www.troy.edu/online/.

State Authorizations

Information on state authorizations is located at: https://www.troy.edu/about-us/fast-facts/state-authorization.html

Troy University Foundation

As authorized by the Board of Trustees, the Troy University Foundation was established in 1968. The Foundation is a permanent, non-profit organization created to attract private support for the Troy University system. The Foundation is governed by a self-perpetuating board of directors. The University, through its Foundation, seeks to gain meaningful financial support from private sources as an essential supplement to legislative funds, students’ fees and federal grants. It is, therefore, committed to an active program to attract contributions from foundations, corporations and individuals. The Foundation accepts gifts of cash, real estate, securities, life income gifts, bequests through wills, life insurance policies, charitable trusts, life estate agreements, named funds and approved gifts-in-kind. For more information, please contact the associate vice chancellor for development at: (334) 670-3608 / fax (334) 670-5855 / email bwatson@troy.edu.

University Relations

University Relations provides information to the university’s various audiences and supports a number of university and community events. University Relations generates news and feature story releases, provides student achievement releases to hometown media, prepares media kits for special events, responds to media requests for information, maintains news media contacts, provides content for and oversight of the University’s official social media accounts, and provides necessary events coordination.

University Relations also maintains a news presence on the University’s website and produces or assists with production of a variety of special publications including the Troy University Magazine. For more information, contact University Relations at (334) 670-3196.