Mississippi Governor's School

Theme: A Light for Learning

What is Governor's School?

Mississippi Governor's School (MGS) is a residential honors program which was established in 1981 by Governor William F. Winter, as well as the faculty and administration of Mississippi University for Women (MUW or the W).



Governor's School is designed to provide academic, creative and leadership experiences for a limited number of rising high school juniors and seniors from around the state of Mississippi.

Applicants must show high intellectual and leadership potential. These scholar must also demonstrate exceptionable ability and achievement in academics, as well as community involvement.

Each summer, MGS brings together the high potential learners of Mississippi for a 3-week residential, collegiate experience that blends together cultural, academic, social and recreational components.

One feature that distinguishes the Governor's School model from traditional models of learning is the emphasis on the interaction between formal and informal learning. The community of interaction created by the MGS program inspires a love learning, discovery of self, and a desire to use ones gifts and talents to improve the society.



Since its establishment, MGS has provided approximately 3,880 students from across Mississippi with a high quality educational experience that has challenged their growth as individuals.

Important Dates

Applications available	Oct. 2, 2014
Application deadline	Feb. 4, 2015
2015 Session	May 31-June 19

How's the Curriculum?

The curriculum for the Governor's School program is developed each year and is based on the course proposals submitted by university faculty and other educators from Mississippi and surrounding areas.

Using the studies of humanities, arts, mathematics

and science, as well as their interrelatedness as a forum, the major courses offered at MGS will examine the relationships between the application of knowledge of social and economic issues. These studies will also focuses on the political, environmental, cultural and educational issues facing a

changing world.

Past interest area courses include scuba diving, photography, chorale, sports, business, dance, and much more!

