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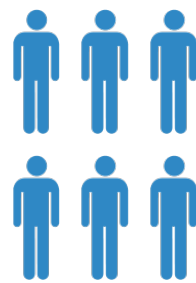
Dear Student,

Congratulations on your acceptance to the Public Policy Leadership degree program and welcome to the Trent Lott Leadership Institute. Public Policy Leadership is an interdisciplinary program that prepares high-performing students for positions of leadership in an increasingly complex world. You will be engaging with curriculum that incorporates economics, geography, history, philosophy and political science. While at the Institute, you learn the leadership qualities necessary to formulate and implement public policy, the methodological skills necessary for policy analysis, and the ethics of leadership.

Lott is a small institute with selective admission, challenging academic program, small classes, and well-appointed facility. As a PPL major, you are now part of the Lott family. In saying that, it is important that you get to know your fellow classmates, as well as the faculty and staff. We've included in this newsletter some information about the class of 2023 and some overall information about the Lott Institute and the PPL program. Throughout your time in the Trent Lott Institute and at the University of Mississippi, you will be exposed to challenging academic studies and exciting opportunities for service. Much is and will be expected of you in terms of your leadership development and understanding of the Policy that shapes our nation, state and hometowns. We hope that you'll take advantage of the countless resources, connections, and opportunities provided by the Lott Leadership Institute and the Department of Public Policy Leadership.

Sincerely,
William R. Gottshall
Executive Director, Lott Leadership Institute

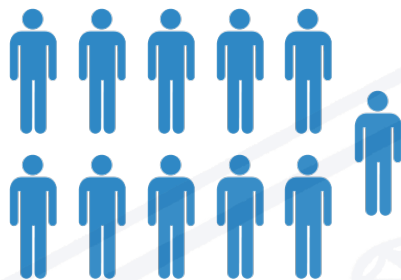
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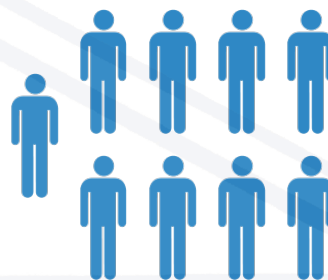
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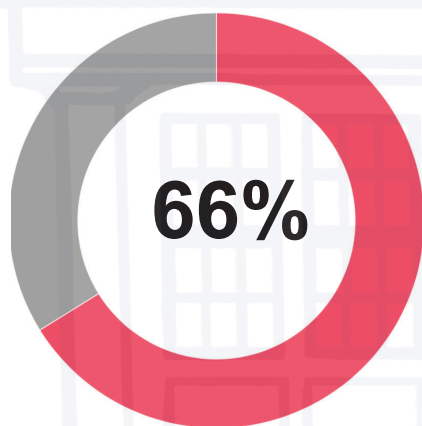


Students participated in Girls State or Boys State

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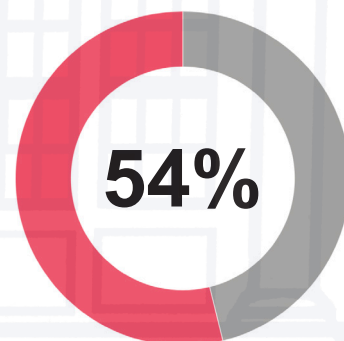


Students participated in Speech & Debate

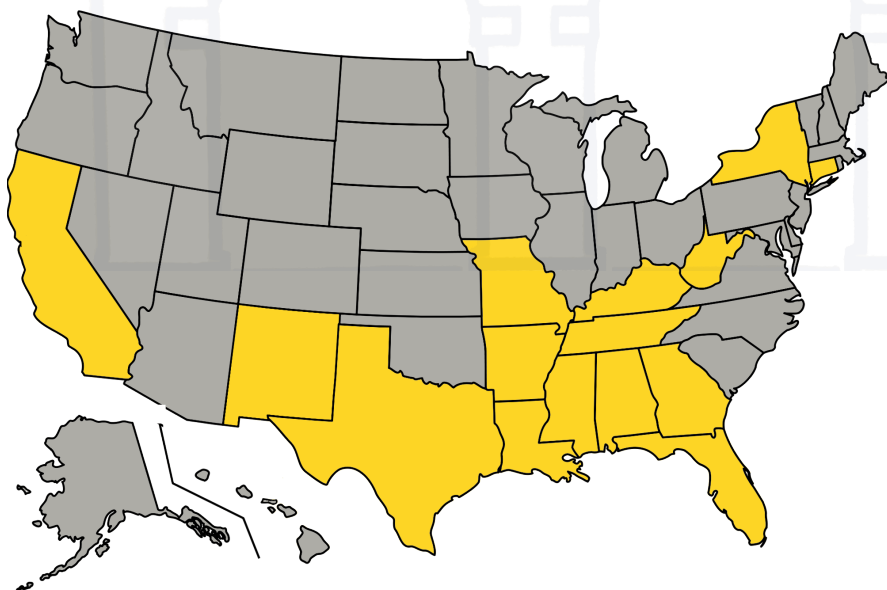


Of students played a sport in high school

Were involved in the arts in high school



Where Students are From



66%

Of students were involved in student government at their high schools

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Isabella Mucci
Austin, TX

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new friends and football season.

Fun Fact: I make really good lasagna!

Favorite Hobby: Playing lacrosse



Anna Grace Robinson
Olive Branch, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Getting involved on campus and meeting new people!

Fun Fact: I can wiggle my ears lol!

Favorite Hobby: Hanging out with friends



Brady Zegras
Darren, CT

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people, football games, playing hockey for Ole Miss.

Fun Fact: Despite living in California for six years, I still don't know how to surf.

Favorite Hobby: Hiking and Fishing



Isabella Sanders
Springfield, MO

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to meeting new people, being a part of the Lott Institute and game days!

Fun Fact: I am a triplet!

Favorite Hobby: Traveling and visiting new places!

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Anna Lee Taylor
Ocean Springs, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people and learning more about myself!

Fun Fact: If I could drink milk with every meal, I would.

Favorite Hobby: Dancing and listening to music



Emmaline Schild
Germantown, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to getting involved on campus and meeting new people!

Fun Fact: I created International Girls Day when I was 9 years old and it is now celebrated all across the country.

Favorite Hobby: Traveling



Charles Beamish
Vicksburg, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to the community and connections made.

Fun Fact: I was an attorney on my high school Mock Trial team.

Favorite Hobby: Videogames



Anna Lowrey Robinson
Pensacola, FL

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people and gamedays in the Grove.

Fun Fact: I am left handed.

Favorite Hobby: Shopping and hanging out with my friends!

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Kennady Hertz
Long Beach, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Making lifelong friends and learning about things that are important to me!

Fun Fact: I can do a headstand!

Favorite Hobby: Either making bracelets or running!



Calvin Sanders
Springfield, MO

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to meeting new people, and building relationships that will last a lifetime!

Fun Fact: I am a triplet!

Favorite Hobby: Playing and watching soccer



Carrie McPherson
Southaven, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Eating Raising Caine's chicken fingers.

Fun Fact: I am related to someone who signed the Declaration of Independence, Caesar Rodney!

Favorite Hobby: Arts and crafts while watching movies



Maggie Jefferis
Jackson, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Moving away from home and studying new things.

Fun Fact: I was homeschooled between 3rd and 6th grades.

Favorite Hobby: Cutting my own hair

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Brandon Kriplean
Franklin, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Pretty much everything except the mosquitoes.

Fun Fact: I can fly airplanes.

Favorite Hobby: Hunting and Fishing



Rachel Berry
Brandon, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to the endless opportunities and friendships Ole Miss has to offer.

Fun Fact: I have the same name as the main character on the television show Glee :)

Favorite Hobby: I enjoy making videos of my friends and the places I travel.



Anastasia Jones-Burdick
Huntington, WV

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Everything! (SEC football, Greek Life, and my majors!)

Fun Fact: I've been in a music video!

Favorite Hobby: Dancing & Cooking



David Simmons
Tupelo, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Making new friends

Fun Fact: I have five wisdom teeth.

Favorite Hobby: Miniature Painting

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Sophia Sanders
Springfield, MO

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am so excited to be a part of the Trent Lott Leadership Institute and I am looking forward to all the new experiences to come at Ole Miss.

Fun Fact: I am a triplet.

Favorite Hobby: I enjoy spending time at Camp Barnabas (a camp for individuals with special needs) and I love traveling.



Rainey Zaugg
Germantown, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Being around people who genuinely care and are interested in the state of the world!

Fun Fact: When I was younger, I had a pet turtle that ran away...twice.

Favorite Hobby: Listening to old music!



Kylie Scott
Bowling Green, KY

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to studying the things I am passionate about and becoming involved within the many communities Ole Miss hosts.

Fun Fact: I have met singers like Willie Nelson, Luke Bryan, Randy Houser, Jamey Johnson, and Luke Combs! I actually met Luke Combs in a Walmart at Gulf Shores!

Favorite Hobby: Reading or going out to get ice cream



Lydia Johnsey
Fayetteville, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Other than Lott, I'm looking forward to meeting new people who share similar interests to me! I am one of two from my high school to be attending Ole Miss, so I'm hoping to make new connections quickly.

Fun Fact: I could roof an entire house by myself (if need be), so call me for all of your natural disaster relief needs.

Favorite Hobby: Being active, whether it's in the gym or outdoors!

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Lila Osman
Ocean Springs, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people with different backgrounds and experiences.

Fun Fact: I've played flute for 6 years.

Favorite Hobby: Reading



Annie Perkins
Gautier, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new friends, learning and growing through the Lott Leadership Institute.

Fun Fact: I turned 9 on 9/9 in 2009, and I was featured in the newspaper because of it!

Favorite Hobby: Cheerleading and I'm also passionate about helping people with special needs



Carson Llewellyn
Atlanta, GA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am most looking forward to all the new people I'll meet and new relationships that will form.

Fun Fact: I have never had a pet.

Favorite Hobby: Playing soccer



Abby Newton
Ridgeland, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to meeting new people and being able to eat South Depot regularly.

Fun Fact: I am terrified of ladybugs.

Favorite Hobby: Cooking

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Alexander Dyer
Hernando, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Making friends.

Fun Fact: I have four siblings.

Favorite Hobby: Going new places with friends



Spencer Heitman
Baton Rouge, LA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Establishing social and professional connections!

Fun Fact: I wear a size 14 shoe!

Favorite Hobby: Reading!



Hailey Ellis
Olive Branch, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm excited to make new friends and expand my knowledge on a variety of subjects.

Fun Fact: I still don't like my food to touch. (for example, my mac and cheese and mashed potatoes at holiday meals CANNOT touch.)

Favorite Hobby: Watching movies with friends and family



Shaddia Lee
Jackson, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Stepping out of the norm and getting myself involved in several activities to help me grow spiritually, mentally, and academically .

Fun Fact: I play eight different musical instruments.

Favorite Hobby: Writing

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Emma Brewer
Mt. Juliet, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: All of the new people I will meet once school starts!

Fun Fact: I have never had a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Favorite Hobby: Spending with friends and family



Eric Narbo
Madison, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to meeting talented, passionate, exciting new people.

Fun Fact: I did theater in high school.

Favorite Hobby: Reading



Thomas Tucker
Acworth, GA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to growing as a person and meeting new friends.

Fun Fact: I was the youngest guest from Georgia at the 2016 RNC in Cleveland.

Favorite Hobby: I enjoy playing golf and Atlanta Braves baseball.



Brennan Teeter
Madison, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Besides the education I am excited to meet people from all over the country and some that are from other parts of the world.

Fun Fact: I love to travel and I am always down to try anything new.

Favorite Hobby: Anything art related, especially pottery

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Lane Mitchell
New Albany, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I look forward to participating in student led activities such as Student Government, Mock Trial, and community service events. I cannot wait for the social functions of sports games and worship services. I am very excited for the internships and study abroad that come with my major and minor, and I look forward to studying in my specific field to become an attorney.

Fun Fact: I am a certified scuba diver.

Favorite Hobby: Spending time with old friends and spending time making new friends.



Preston Antes
St Louis, MO

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am excited to meet new people and make new friends.

Fun Fact: I am left handed.

Favorite Hobby: Playing Sports



Andy Flores
Ocean Springs, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to meeting a variety of wonderful new people and applying myself to the best of my ability! I want to immerse myself in Lott and do as much good as I possibly can. Personally, the sound of Steak n Shake being on campus really speaks to me.

Fun Fact: I'm not too shabby on the saxophone.

Favorite Hobby: Plotting my slow and steady world domination



Katie Long
Brandon, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm excited about the friendships and connections to be made.

Fun Fact: I'm on the American All-Star

Favorite Hobby: Karaoke

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Philip Christian
Brandon, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to meeting new people and having those lifelong connections.

Fun Fact: I can hold my breath for two-and-a-half minutes.

Favorite Hobby: Recreational Sports



Angela Alexander
Cleveland, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Moving out!!

Fun Fact: I am originally from Oxford.

Favorite Hobby: Having fun with friends

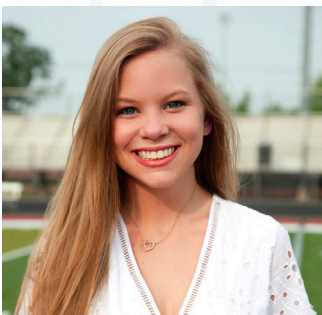


Grace Gober
Grenada, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am ready to grow. I feel that my time at Ole Miss will allow me to grow personally, intellectually, socially, and spiritually. I am also excited to meet other people and hopefully find some of my closest friends through my four years on campus.

Fun Fact: When at home, I only eat with children's utensils.

Favorite Hobby: Soccer, Tennis, and Singing



Maggie Walker
Suwanee, GA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to meeting new people from different places with diverse backgrounds, beliefs and opinions.

Fun Fact: I am a balloon artist!!

Favorite Hobby: Exploring new places and going on adventures

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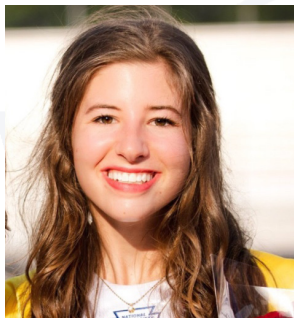


Ryan Colliau
Austin, TX

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: The connections and community that I'm coming into.

Fun Fact: I have played at least seven sports.

Favorite Hobby: Video Games and Reading



Morgan Whited
Marion, AR

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I can't wait to learn as much as I can while meeting and interacting with others who are also excited to learn as much as they can.

Fun Fact: I can juggle and unicycle (separately or at the same time).

Favorite Hobby: Reading and playing tennis



Kelly Li
Hattiesburg, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am excited to meet new people who share the same passions as me about the world we live in.

Fun Fact: I can speak four different dialects of Chinese.

Favorite Hobby: Public speaking



Antosia Briggs
Gulfport, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm excited for the fresh start! Meeting new people and getting to know what I really enjoy doing with people who are doing the exact same thing.

Fun Fact: My family is pretty big and most of them are based from the coast! I also have a dog named Ebony who I adore!

Favorite Hobby: Listening to music!

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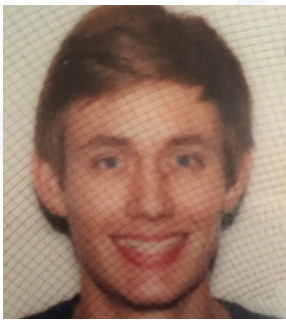


Alyssa Langlois
New Orleans, LA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people from all over the country.

Fun Fact: I love wearing fun socks with different patterns.

Favorite Hobby: Volunteering

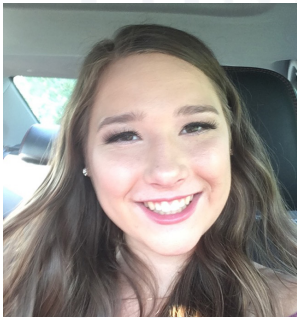


Noah McClanahan
Hot Springs, AR

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am looking forward to meeting new people and forming new friendships.

Fun Fact: I can wiggle my ears.

Favorite Hobby: Ultimate Frisbee



Elaina Smith
Florence, AL

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I look forward most to the long lasting friendships I will obtain during my time at Ole Miss. College is the time to grow and have fun, but the friendships made during this time can last a lifetime.

Fun Fact: I love to paint and create new things! I like to create things from landscape paintings to 3D dragons eggs.

Favorite Hobby: My favorite hobby is reading. Nothing beats curling up with a good book!



Liam McKeon
Waveland, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new and exciting people.

Fun Fact: I can play a little bit of piano.

Favorite Hobby: Soccer

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Ashton Wiggins
LaFayette, GA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm most excited about all the new people I'll get to meet.

Fun Fact: I inadvertently put my school on a two-hour long lockdown because I accidentally released our agriculture teacher's chinchilla during first block.

Favorite Hobby: Playing tennis, hiking, or trying new foods / eating in general.



Connor Campbell
Olive Branch, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Living with a roommate.

Fun Fact: I can flip my eyelids inside out

Favorite Hobby: Playing the bass guitar



Andrew Foxworth
Columbia, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am excited to meet new people that will help make me a better person and intellectual.

Fun Fact: I am a very sociable, and I love to talk.

Favorite Hobby: Watching and playing soccer



Thomas Ward
Jasper, AL

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I look forward to being educated on the problems within our world and thinking critically to birth solutions, developing new friendships, and taking advantage of the endless opportunities offered by the University of Mississippi.

Fun Fact: I wear a size 15 shoe.

Favorite Hobby: Running

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Jack Day
Madison, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm looking forward to being able to immerse myself in Ole Miss's culture by participating in a lot of clubs and tailgating for the football games.

Fun Fact: This last summer, my friends and I drove across the country to visit Yellowstone National Park.

Favorite Hobby: Playing pick up sports with my friends



Hayes Leyser
Pass Christian, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people.

Fun Fact: I procrastinate.

Favorite Hobby: Hanging out with friends



Evan Raines
Birmingham, AL

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am so excited to be attending a school where I don't know many people! I am also excited for all of the opportunities here at Ole Miss including the Lott Institute!

Fun Fact: I have a sister who is the same age as me, but we aren't twins!

Favorite Hobby: I love shopping, eating out, and reading.



Meg Thomas
Carthage, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I am the only person from my county attending Ole Miss this fall, so I am very excited to meet new people from around the state and country.

Fun Fact: I served as Leake County's Distinguished Young Woman.

Favorite Hobby: Baking

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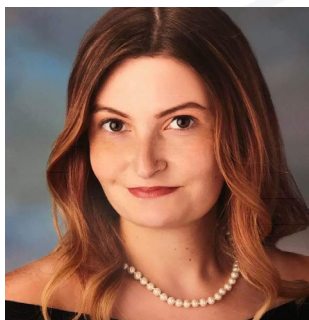


Dresden Day
Fayetteville, GA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Learning more about myself, the world we live in, and the people that make it special.

Fun Fact: I was named after a woman who won the gold medal in the 2001 X Games for women's snowboarding.

Favorite Hobby: Playing trivia games hopefully to practice for Jeopardy



Courtney Coleman
Madison, MS

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: I'm so excited to learn about public policy and meet a lot of great people!!

Fun Fact: I used to play trombone in the band and I miss it already.

Favorite Hobby: Reading and Practicing calligraphy



Katherine Broten
Farmington, NM

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Taking classes in the Honors College, joining debate / political / mock trial clubs and making new friends.

Fun Fact: I've met the current President of the United States.

Favorite Hobby: Trivia



Patrick Mayo
Livonia, NY

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Growing as a person and meeting new people away from home. Also, the southern culture and cooking!

Fun Fact: I am a avid traveler and I studied abroad in Switzerland in high school!

Favorite Hobby: Woodworking

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Andrew Meyer
Shreveport, LA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Living on the beautiful campus.

Fun Fact: I would've been a triple legacy at LSU.

Favorite Hobby: Driving



Anna Reese Couhig
Baton Rouge, LA

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people, football games, getting involved, and rushing.

Fun Fact: I'm really double jointed.

Favorite Hobby: Watching Netflix



Tanner Atkins
Birmingham, AL

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people

Fun Fact: I'm ambidextrous

Favorite Hobby: Sports



Benjamin Gilliland
Memphis, TN

Looking Forward to Most about Ole Miss: Meeting new people

Fun Fact: I went to an all-boys school

Favorite Hobby: Reading

**Not Pictured: Joseph Jiles, Robert Jordan*

Faculty & Staff



Dr. Melissa Bass
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Bio: Melissa Bass has a Master's in public affairs from the University of Minnesota and a Ph.D. in Politics from Brandeis University. Her research and teaching focus on U.S. social policy, civic engagement, and American political development. She wrote a book on U.S. national service programs and is currently researching state infant adoption policies.

Courses typically taught: PPL 101, PPL 310, and other upper-level courses

Tip for success: Be open to the possibility that you can learn something important from someone with whom you profoundly disagree.



Dr. Joseph (Jody) Holland
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Bio: Jody received his PhD from Mississippi State University in Public Policy and Administration. Jody Holland teaches public policy courses that range from general policy issues to specialized policy such as food policy, economic development, nonprofit organizations, grant writing, and leadership. Using a critical analysis perspective, Jody teaches solution-based strategies to enhance the implementation of public policy. In addition, he pursues an engaged scholarship agenda with nonprofit organizations regarding leadership and organization development.

Courses typically taught: PPL 101 and other upper-level courses

Tip for success: Read, read, and read more



Henry Barbour
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Courses typically taught: PPL 211



Dr. Weixing (Mark) Chen
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Bio: Dr Weixing (Mark) Chen, Chair and Professor, is responsible for all matters academic. He specializes in international policies and regularly teaches PPL 360 and PPL 376.

Courses typically taught: PPL 360, PPL 373

Tip for success: Have an open mind

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JoAnn Edwards
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Bio: JoAnn Miller Edwards received her M.A. in Theatre Arts from the University of Mississippi and holds a Graduate Certificate in Communication Education. Edwards revived the University of Mississippi Forensics Program within the Trent Lott Leadership Institute in 2000, now called the Ty R. Warren Debate Union. Since then, the team has garnered regional, national and international recognition. She directs the annual Speaker's Edge Competition, a collaborative event including the Lott Institute, the School of Business MBA Program, the Patterson School of Accountancy and Strategic Arts and Sciences, a corporate communications firm in Eugene, OR

Courses typically taught: PPL 212, Spch 102, Spch 105, Spch 314

Tip for success: Thoroughly read every syllabus in every class



Dr. Kyle Fritz
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Bio: I earned my Ph.D. in Philosophy from Florida State University. I specialize in ethics, teaching and writing about what it means for a policy to be moral and which policies fit those standards. In particular, I'm especially interested in what it means to be morally responsible and how we ought to hold each other and our leaders responsible through our blaming practices and our punishment policies.

Courses typically taught: PPL 212 and PPL 300

Tip for success: (1) Put in effort. If you're struggling to understand a concept, don't get discouraged or think that means you're not smart enough or good enough. Learning takes effort. If you're putting in effort, that's a sign you're learning and growing. Make mistakes, learn from them, change strategies, and try again. (2) Practice empathy. The world is full of people with vastly different worldviews, who were raised in different circumstances. Put yourself in others' shoes and try to understand their values and their reasons for believing something before you criticize those beliefs.



William "Billy" Gottshall
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Bio: William R. Gottshall graduated from the University of Mississippi in 1968 with a Bachelor's of Business Administration degree. While at Ole Miss, Gottshall was very involved on campus through Greek life and the School Spirit Association, as well as being elected Vice President and President of the Associated Student Body. Upon graduation, Gottshall served in the United States Army. In 1972, Gottshall returned to Oxford to work at First National Bank, eventually becoming its CEO. In 1998, Gottshall moved to Washington D.C. where he would spend the next 8 years working as Senator Trent Lott's Chief of Staff. In 2005, Gottshall returned to the University of Mississippi to lead the Trent Lott Leadership Institute.

Position: Executive Director, Trent Lott Leadership Institute

Tip for success: Make life-long friends.



Crystal Jones
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Bio: A native of New Orleans, Louisiana, Crystal Ferrier Jones serves as the Administrative Coordinator II for the Department of Public Policy Leadership. She began working at The University of Mississippi June 1999 and started working in Public Policy Leadership in August 2013.

Position: Administrative Coordinator II, Public Policy Leadership

Tip for success: Find a goal. Focus on that goal and ground yourself as you prepare to achieve said goal.

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Melissa Jones
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Bio: Melissa Groover Jones received her M.B.A. with a specialization in Human Resources from the New York Institute of Technology in 2009. In 2013, Melissa received her J.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Law and is admitted to the Mississippi Bar. Melissa spent time in private practice as well as in the corporate arena as In-House Counsel. She joined the Trent Lott Leadership Institute in 2017, and is pursuing her EdD in higher education.

Position: Assistant Director, Trent Lott Leadership Institute

Tip for success: Always seek to apply what you're learning in the classroom to real world opportunities



Dr. Christian Sellar
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Bio: I am a political and economic geographer. Geography is a cross disciplinary subject that studies how human (and non-human) activities develop over the surface of Earth. My research focuses on state support to international firms: entrepreneurs increasingly work beyond national borders, so government and business associations work to support them through embassies, consulates, chambers of commerce abroad, and the like. I particularly work on Italy's government effort to support firms in Central Europe and China. I teach classes on the international dimension of public policy.

Courses typically taught: PPL 328, PPL 329, PPL 330, PPL 388

Tip for success: It's not about how smart you are; it's about persistence. My best students are the one who have a hard time in the beginning, but then read and work with consistence: not too little, but also not too much so they burn out. They do not only pay attention in class, they actually spend one hour or so before every class to read and think about what they've read.



Charles "Chip" Pickering
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Courses typically taught: PPL 211



Dr. David Rutherford
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Bio: Bring a broad background in geography to the study of public policy and leadership, a background that encompasses physical, human, regional, technical and educational components of the world in which we live. My professional employment has included visitor service and resource management positions in state and national parks, outdoor education, and teaching geography and earth science at the secondary level.

Courses typically taught: PPL 210 and other upper-level courses

Tip for success: Tremendous tension exists in the contemporary world because, in large measure, the ways that have worked in the past are not working so well any longer. Change is occurring rapidly in the environment, in the economy, and in all manners of society more broadly. The old saying goes that, "You can't stop progress," but importantly, you can direct it's course. The Public Policy Leadership major will prepare you to do just that.

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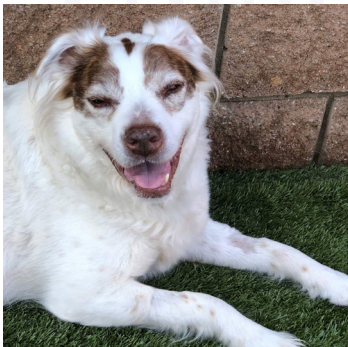
Dr. Nidhi Vij Mali
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Courses typically taught: PPL 210 and PPL 310



Senator Trent Lott

Tip for success: To be a leader you must learn the traits of a good leader, study hard, and take advantages of opportunities that come before you. "The glory is not in never failing, but rising every time you fail."



Winston

Position: Lott Institute mascot

Tip for success: Keep your nose to the grindstone and start every day off with a treat

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Student Organizations

Ty R. Warren Debate Union

Debate at the University of Mississippi prioritizes personal skill and knowledge development, institutional ambassadorship, and fostering an inclusive, enjoyable, and close-knit environment. Housed within the Lott Institute, the Warren Debate Union practices competitively the Parliamentary World's style debate format at a national and even international level with other academic institutions across the ideological and geographical spectrum. This style itself was chosen as it is incredibly complementary to those involved in higher education, particularly public policy, for a number of key structural reasons: firstly, each round is on a different pressing issue or current event meaning that those well versed in policy issues and solutions tend to be successful and while still proving to be an excellent opportunity to learn about issues you are less familiar about in the process, complimenting your in-class academic education. Secondly, as each round is on a different topic and each team is allowed only fifteen minutes of preparation beforehand, debaters develop skills such as quick, critical thinking and composure that possess clear transferability to both academic and professional pursuits while insuring students do not have to spend excessive time outside of tournaments or practice writing or memorizing speeches and arguments. Thirdly, and potentially most importantly, debate can help students appreciate the complexities and nuances of the pressing issues of our times in a way that transcends partisanship. Because good debaters learn how to argue for and against both sides of topics, they also learn that most controversial issues are controversial because they are multifaceted and complex-- thereby growing in an appreciation and sympathy of most perspectives even when they do not share them-- a truly worthwhile aspiration of any current or future public policy leader. There are no tryouts or dues associated with joining the Warren Debate Union and travel expenses are covered. Qualification for traveling is purely determined by attendance, availability, and contribution to debates and discussions. Debaters are only expected to dedicate the time that they can without interfering with the other important aspects of a holistic college experience. Please reach out if you are interested or have any questions.



Mississippi Political Review

The Mississippi Political Review is an undergraduate student magazine about politics, public policy, and international affairs serving the University of Mississippi Community. Our mission of the MPR is to elevate the level of political discourse on the Ole Miss campus. We promote tenants of analysis over opinion and objectivity over partisanship. Pick up a free copy all across campus! To find out more information or how to get involved, visit our website mississippipoliticalreview.wordpress.com or email us at mpoliticalreview@gmail.com



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The John Quincy Adams Society

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS?



The John Quincy Adams Society is building a network of student groups on campuses around the country. We help our members develop intellectually and prepare for relevant careers. We examine tough strategic questions facing the United States, and look to an approach that hews closely to core national interests and avoids involvement in conflicts abroad when intervention won't clearly make Americans safer. We're dedicated to serious, nonpartisan debate.

Some of Our Activities



Scholarly
Discussions



Expert
Speakers



Professional
Development

The John Quincy Adams Society is a nonpartisan student led discussion group on US foreign policy. We meet once a week to discuss current events. Our group is nonpartisan and apolitical in an attempt to hear from everyone. The group has a wide reaching network of foreign policy professionals that can be valuable resources to anyone seeking advice on a career in international relations. For more information about our national group go to jqas.org and to inquire about the Ole Miss chapter email jqasolemiss@gmail.com!

Rebels Against Sexual Assault (RASA)

Rebels Against Sexual Assault advocates and supports survivors of any form of sexual assault while attempting to educate the Ole Miss community on the issue of sexual assault. We are a student led group with faculty support from the Sarah Isom Center for Women and Gender Studies. Each month we hold events and at least one general meeting open to the public. These happenings help bring awareness to sexual assault on college campuses. Our educational platform consists of presentations led by our peer educators. These educators are fellow classmates that must apply and be selected for a day long training seminar before they are allowed to spread our message. To find out more about our group please email umrasa@go.olemiss.edu!

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RebelTHON

RebelTHON is the biggest college lead fundraiser in the state of Mississippi where Ole Miss students unite to raise funds and awareness for Blair E. Batson Children's of Mississippi, which is Mississippi's only children's hospital in Jackson, MS. Our year of efforts culminates with a 12-hour Dance Marathon on February 15th where we undergo a celebration for our Miracle Kids and families (current or previous patients at Children's). Registering for RebelTHON means you are joining already over 100 registered students and fighting for the kids that could one day be Ole Miss students too.



Associated Student Body (ASB)

The Associated Student Body is the student government here at the University of Mississippi. ASB is comprised of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches, and each branch works in unison to represent the interests of all students. Freshmen are invited to apply for and participate in our First Year Experience programs: Freshman Council, Freshman Forum, and Freshman Connect. First Year Experience programs seek to engage



freshmen, help them become involved on campus and in the community, and grow our university's next generation of student leaders. Freshmen can also get involved with the ASB Senate by applying to be a Legislative Aide. These aides work directly with Senate committees to do research and help write legislation. For more information on these opportunities and to apply for First Year Experience programs, please visit our website olemissasb.org.

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