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A Tornado ravaged the community of Jacksonville on March 19, 2018. Learn how the campus, and people, of JSU are healing

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Explore all of the dining options in Jacksonville, on and off campus, no matter your budget

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FROM THE DESKS OF...

Dear Students:

Welcome to Jacksonville State University! You have made a very wise choice in selecting the “Friendliest Campus in the South” as your future home. Your fellow students and our faculty, staff and administrators are committed to making your experience at JSU special. You will have a wonderful opportunity to develop all aspects of yourself in preparation for life and your future career. You will have many choices in selecting from all of the courses and engagement opportunities that will tailor your experience to your personal needs and future aspirations. We are here to help you make the right choices that will lead you to your future success even beyond your dreams and aspirations.

Jacksonville State University is your new home. It is very important for you to become familiar with our campus, its traditions and all that it has to offer. The more you know, the greater will be the opportunities for you to grow. A big part of going

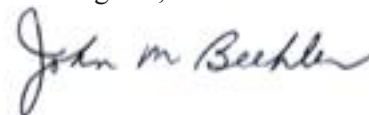
to college is to be engaged in the life of the campus. Getting involved in the many things that may be of interest to you will make your college experience very special and personally enriching.

The Chanticleer staff has assembled an excellent orientation guide for your new home. Please take the time to become familiar with it as it provides a campus map, a list of campus activities and information on all the resources available to you.

This year as new students, you will be participating in JSU’s Summer Reading Program. The 2018 reading, *Suicide Notes* by Michael Thomas, will be read by all first year students and will be discussed in your English and first-year student experience classes. Through this reading, you will be united with your freshman class and develop your own thoughts on a variety of issues.

Welcome new Gamecocks! We are so glad that you are here with us. Get ready for your special JSU adventure.

Best regards,



John M. Beehler, Ph.D., CPA
President



Steve Latham/JSU



Matt Reynolds/JSU

To the freshman class of 2022:

Welcome to the Friendliest Campus in the South! I am so glad that you have decided to attend JSU and become a part of the Gamecock family. The next few years are going fly by. By the time you reach your senior year, you will look back at the friendships formed and the memories made and realize that these have been the best years of your life.

Your time here at JSU is whatever you make it. While keeping academics your first priority, I encourage you to get involved on campus. Involvement in the SGA, Fraternity and Sorority Life, or even a common interest club will lead you to relationships and experiences that will last a lifetime. Don’t be afraid to put yourself out there! There is something on our campus for everyone.

Here at JSU, every student is a member of the Student Government Association. This means that you can attend our free student

events, vote in Homecoming and Spring General Elections, and get involved in the branch of the SGA that interests you the most. Our five SGA Officers have worked hard to plan an exciting year for all of you. Follow “jsucampuslife” on Instagram, Twitter, or Snapchat to stay informed on all things student life.

The SGA wants to make sure your concerns are being heard here at JSU. I will be your advocate to the administration in order to make your JSU experience the best that it can be. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you ever need anything... it’s my job! My office is on the fourth floor of the TMB and my door is always open!

Welcome home, Gamecocks!

Kasey Gamble
SGA President
Jacksonville State University

JACKSONVILLE RECOVERS FROM A DEVASTATING STORM

Taylor Mitchell

Chanticleer Reporter

On Monday, March 19, the first day of spring break for Jacksonville State University, an EF-3 tornado tore a line of destruction through the city of Jacksonville, leaving heartbreak in its wake. The damage was mostly along Alabama Highway 204 and north of Mountain Street. This included Jacksonville State University's campus and its immediate surroundings. The Reserve apartments were damaged beyond repair, and The Gamecock Village apartment complex was also heavily damaged. The storm also tore through the neighborhoods east of Church Street, and a large number of homes were damaged or outright destroyed. The Dollar General on 204 had the entire front wall blown into the store while the employees sheltered inside. The Alumni House lost its roof, Merrill Hall was turned into a ruin, and JSU's library lost part of its roof. The Avenues, the neighborhood east of Church, looked as if a war had been fought and lost. By Tuesday morning a large portion of Jacksonville lay in pieces under trees and rubble.

With the morning, came the clean up. The morning air was alive with the sound of chainsaws cutting trees and hammers attaching tarps to roofs. Police set up checkpoints in affected neighborhoods to keep out looters, and JSU's campus was completely closed off from the public until it

could be deemed safe. Over the ensuing days and weeks volunteers poured into Jacksonville, working piece by piece to shift through the rubble and rebuild buildings. President Trump approved FEMA assistance for Alabama on April 27, opening up federal aid for affected residents.

As for JSU, it was initially announced that campus would reopen on April 2. At first, there was much confusion as to what this actually meant. Would classes start back then? Would there be housing for displaced students? Would students even finish the semester? In the coming weeks, all of these questions and more were answered. Dr. Timothy King, JSU's Vice President of Student Affairs, reached out to students through email and social media and clarified many concerns. Students started back classes on April 9 and were given the option to take their current grade in a course, take an incomplete, or finish the course normally. Additionally, a "one stop shop" was set up on April 6 and 7 to advise students on what option to take and future plans. On May 4, only 45 days after the storm, JSU awarded 724 degrees at its spring commencement ceremony. The storm may have affected students in more ways than can be imagined, but it did not stop a single one of them.

JSU Senior Sydney Sorrells was particularly affected by the storm. Sorrells lived and worked at the Reserve Apartments. She was at home on the night of the storm with her dog, roommates and boyfriend.

"About five minutes before the storm actually hit everything went dark, the power went out," said Sorrells. The power outage caused people to be locked out of their apartments, which used electric keycard locks. Sorrells began rushing those without shelter into her own apartment. During this time she told me she saw a man pulled from the second floor of an apartment building and thrown to the ground. She and her boyfriend got him into her apartment and as the tornado hit everyone hunkered down in bathrooms. Sorrells had managed to fit several people into her apartment.

"I had about thirty people and two dogs sheltering in my apartment," reports Sorrells, who sat in her bathroom as she heard her apartment getting ransacked by the storm. After it was over The Reserve gathered the residents in the main office. Sorrells and the other employees tried to help the residents into the office, only to notice the roof was buckling in.

"I was the last one out before the roof collapsed," said Sorrells. After that she went to her boyfriend's house and Gamecock Express buses came for students. The next morning Sorrells found her car hit by a dumpster that had flown from somewhere nearby. She also found out she was losing her job due to the closing of the Reserve Apartments. Yet that isn't the end of the story. Sorrells found a new home and a new job. She, like JSU and the city of Jacksonville, is rebuilding. Jacksonville will rebuild.



H H M E

A large red and white rooster logo, the mascot of Jacksonville State University. The rooster is depicted in a stylized, cartoonish manner, facing right with its wings spread.

Photos by JSU Photographer Matt Reynolds

SGA OFFICERS 2018



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2018 GO! LEADERS



Stone Alexander



Jenna Bennett



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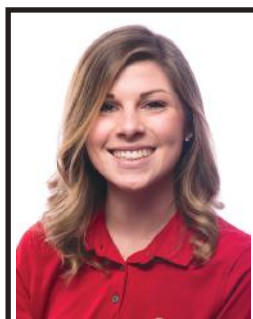
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Megan Ogle



Reyna Ramirez



Danielle Sanders



Caitlyn Whitehead



Jalia Wilkins

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CAMPUS BUILDINGS

Academic Buildings

Ayers Hall
Brewer Hall
Carlisle Fine Arts Facility
Hammond Hall
Honors House
Houston Cole Library
Martin Hall
McGee Science Center
Mason Hall
School of Business &
Industry Complex
Ramona Wood Building
Rowe Hall
Self Hall
Stone Center
Wallace Hall*

Service Facilities

Anders Hall
(Roundhouse)
Baptist Campus Ministry
Duncan Maintenance
Leone Cole Auditorium
President's Home
Rock House
Salls Hall
Theron Montgomery
Building (TMB)
Visitor Center
Wesley Foundation
Williams Student Health
Center

Athletics Facilities

Athletic Fieldhouse
Baseball Field
JSU Stadium
Kenamer Hall
Pete Mathews Coliseum
Soccer Field
Softball Field
Tennis Courts



Photos by Matt Reynolds and Steve Latham/JSU

ABOVE: The Houston Cole Library, which is the tallest academic building in the state, sustained damage during the March 19 tornadoes that struck Jacksonville.

LEFT: Ayers Hall is home to JSU's Math and Computer Science programs.

CAMPUS BUILDINGS

Resident Halls

Campus Inn Apts
College Apartments
Colonial Arms
Apartments
Crow Hall
Curtiss Hall
Daugette Hall
Dixon Hall
Fitzpatrick Hall
International House
Jax Apts
Logan Hall
Pannell Hall
Patterson Hall
Paul Carpenter Village
Penn House Apartments
Sparkman Hall
Meehan Hall

Off-Campus Facilities

JSU McClellan
JSU Gadsden
Little River Canyon
Center
Longleaf Studios

Administrative Buildings

Bibb Graves Hall



Photos by Matt Reynolds/JSU

ABOVE RIGHT: Bibb Graves Hall serves as the home of the administrative offices at Jacksonville State.

RIGHT: One of the several resident halls on campus, Meehan Hall offers rooms with four private bedrooms and a common area.

TO PARK, OR NOT TO PARK?

If you have a car, you may bring it to campus, but be wary of JSU's color coded parking. Parking lots are divided into four colors: gold for faculty and staff, silver for commuter students, orange for students living on the south side of campus and green for students living on the north side of campus.

Parking passes must be purchased online through your MyJSU account for \$25.

Orange Parking

Students living in Meehan or Curtiss Halls, Colonial Arms, Campus Inn, Penn House or Jax Apartments or in Paul Carpenter Village qualify for an orange parking decal and can park at:

- Curtiss Hall
- Meehan Hall
- Kennamer Hall
- Athletic Field House
- Paul Carpenter Village
- Colonial Arms
- Campus Inn
- Penn House
- Jax Apartments

Green Parking

Students living in Logan, Patterson, Dixon, Crow or Pannell Halls or at the International House receive a green parking decal and can park at:

- Logan Hall
- Patterson Hall
- Dixon Hall
- Crow Hall
- Pannell Hall
- International House

Silver Parking

Students who commute to campus qualify for silver parking and can park in:

- Stone Center lot
- Highway 21 lot across from Brewer Hall
- behind the Houston Cole Library
- in front of the TMB and Stephenson Hall
- Curtiss Hall lot
- Pete Mathews Coliseum
- Lower Mason lot

Gold Parking

Gold Parking is reserved for faculty and staff. Any students found parking in a gold lot during business hours will be ticketed. This rule applies from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Keep in mind that there is gold parking at every academic and administrative building on campus.

WHOOOPS!

Here are some of the most common parking violations and fines:

- **improper decal display - \$15**
- **parking in the wrong zone, on a yellow curb or in a no parking zone - \$25**
- **obstructing the flow of traffic - \$45**
- **parking in handicap without decal - \$50**
- **traffic citations (speeding, running a stop sign or red light, etc.) - \$10-\$50**

Tickets can be paid online through your MyJSU account. Tickets may also be appealed through an online application. The student will then present their argument to the SGA's Traffic Court, which meets monthly.

ALL ABOARD THE GAMECOCK EXPRESS!

The Gamecock Express is the university's transit system for students. Each bus route is color-coded and stops at different buildings in and around the university. Each stop takes approximately 3 to 5 minutes, depending on traffic. This page highlights the routes of each bus and the times of operation. There are designated routes for special events such as sporting events or Gamecock Orientation.

Red Route

Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

- GX Bus Station
- Stone Center
- Wallace Hall
- McGee Hall
- Library
- Library-Back Parking Lot
- Sparkman/Ayers
- PAnnell/Mason
- Curtiss Hall
- Park Place II
- Dixon/Self Hall
- Brewer Hall
- Stone Center
- GX Bus Station

Purple Route

Mon.-Fri., 6:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

- GX Bus Station
- Brewer Parking Lot
- PC Village
- Dixon/Self Hall
- Sparkman/Ayers
- Pannell/Mason
- TMB - Mail Center
- Colonial Arms Apts
- Meehan Hall
- Wallace Hall
- McGee Hall
- Houston Cole Library
- Library - Back Parking Lot
- Stone Center West
- GX Bus Station

Blue Route

Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

- GX Bus Station
- Sparkman/Ayers
- Pannell/Mason
- TMB - Mail Center
- Jacksonville Square
- Winn-Dixie
- CVS
- Hampton Inn/Bojangles
- Dollar Tree
- Jacksonville Hospital
- Jacksonville Mediplex
- Wal-Mart
- IGA/Dollar General
- Jacksonville City Offices
- Walgreens/Jeffersons
- Sparkman/Ayers
- Pannell/Mason
- TMB - Mail Center
- GX Bus Station

White Route

Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

- GX Bus Station
- Colonial Arms Apts.
- Gamecock Diner
- Meehan Hall
- Kitty Stone/SBI Complex
- Park Place II/Parking Lot
- Dixon/Self Hall
- Penn House Apts.
- Trac II Apts.
- Paul Carpenter Village
- GX Bus Station

Green Route

Mon.-Fri., 5 p.m.-9 p.m.

- GX Bus Station
- Sparkman/Ayers
- Pannell/Mason *
- TMB-Mail Center
- Jacksonville Square
- Winn-Dixie
- CVS
- Hampton Inn/Bojangles
- Dollar Tree
- Wal-Mart
- IGA/Dollar General
- Walgreens/Jeffersons
- Sparkman/Ayers
- Pannell/Mason
- TMB-Mail Center
- GX Bus Station



A STUDENT'S GOT TO EAT

ON-CAMPUS DINING OPTIONS



Located on the Quad, the Jack Hopper Dining Hall is open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner. It is an all-you-can-eat buffet style eatery with pizza, burgers, sandwiches, a salad bar and international dishes offered daily.



Located next to the Cafe, WOW is open daily and often until midnight. WOW offers a menu of burgers, quesadillas, wraps, chicken fingers and more! And a WOW food truck is stationed in the parking lot of Stone Center if you ever find yourself unable to make it back to the storefront.



The Gamecock Diner is open for lunch and dinner Mon-Thurs and lunch on Fri. It is located on the back side of Stephenson Hall and equipped for dine-in or carryout service. Each visit costs one meal off of your meal plan, and dine-in meals include a main course, soup and salad, drink and dessert.



Jazzman's is located in the lobby of the Houston Cole Library and sports a selection of freshly baked cookies, brownies, scones and muffins as well as smoothies and hot or cold coffees and teas. Jazzman's is open Mon-Fri until 10 p.m. and on Sun from 3:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.



The **Theron Montgomery Building** (or TMB) is home to several retail eating establishments, including Chick-fil-a, Freshens Fresh Food Studio, and Mein Bowl Asian Market. Chick-fil-a is home to the sandwiches, nuggets, and waffle fries you know and love, and Freshens serves a unique menu of crepes, rice bowls, salads, smoothies and frozen yogurt. Mein Bowl, the newest addition to the TMB, serves a variety of classic Chinese favorites. Also available for purchase in the TMB are sushi, yogurt parfaits, fresh fruit, sandwiches, chips and bottled drinks. The TMB as a whole is open Mon-Thurs for breakfast, lunch and dinner and Fri for breakfast and



Mein Bowl

by *sodexo**



DINING JACKSONVILLE

OFF-CAMPUS DINING OPTIONS

\$	< \$8 per meal
\$\$	\$8-\$12 per meal
\$\$\$	\$12+ per meal

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The City of Jacksonville also is home to several off-campus options to satisfy every craving. Whether you are a chicken wing connoisseur or need to go to for a fancy atmosphere and good Italian fare, Jacksonville has a restaurant for you!

DINING JACKSONVILLE

A GUIDE FROM A FOOD-OBSSESSED EDITOR

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief

You're about to be spending a large portion of your time in a new city, so, understandably, you want to know more about the food options you'll have to choose from. I fancy myself as sort of a foodie, so here is my take on the dining situation in Jacksonville and the surrounding areas.

Jacksonville contains many of the most popular national fast food chains—your McDonald's, Burger King, Wendy's, Sonic, etc.—but it's also home to Cookout.

If you've never eaten at Cookout, it's a must for one of the first things to do once getting to campus. It's basically the college student's paradise. Their "Cookout Tray" is basically the Wendy's "4 for \$4" on steroids, with an entrée, two sides (with choices like a quesadilla, chicken nuggets, or a full size chicken wrap), and a drink all for \$5. It's as great as it sounds. Cookout is even open til 3 a.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 a.m. the rest of the week, so it's great for a late night food



@CookOut/Twitter

Editor-in-Chief Daniel Mayes is particularly fond of Jacksonville's Cookout.

run.

Jacksonville has no shortage of options for my favorite food, which is chicken wings. Struts and Jefferson's have some of the best, and they have great deals on their wings on Wednesdays (Wingsday). Both locations also have some other great food on the menu, but if you're like me, you won't be able to get something other than wings when you are there.

WiseGuys on the square has wings that are almost as tasty as their pizza. WoW's are especially delicious when it's 11:30 and your body decides to get the craving for wings and none of the other options are open (not an uncommon occurrence for yours truly).

Jacksonville has a wide variety of sandwich shops, with two Subways, a Momma Goldberg's, and a Jimmy Johns, which just opened in April and definitely lives up to its Freaky Fast® promise.

There's a coffee shop in Jacksonville called Java Jolt, and it has a broad selection of coffees, pastries, and more, and it's great for a study session with friends (or those mornings when you don't want to talk to anyone until you have some caffeine in your system).

The best dessert treat in Jacksonville is definitely Mad Hatter Cupcakes. They have lots of different flavors of cupcakes (my favorite is the Pucker Up, a lemon cake with lemon meringue icing). I made up a slogan for the cupcake shop, but something tells me they wouldn't like it: Come to Mad Hatter and you'll get a tad fatter!

When you are feeling a little fancy, Jacksonville is also home to Effina's, an Italian restaurant located just off campus, and Yamato Steak House of Japan.



Madhatcakes.com

Mad Hatter cupcakes are a staple sweet treat for JSU students

Effina's has a great pesto sauce that I affectionately refer to as "besto", and Yamato has a wide selection of Sushi and other Japanese flavors.

Just down the road in either direction you'll find some of the larger chain restaurants, like Red Lobster, Olive Garden, and the like, in Gadsden and Oxford.

Gadsden is also home to my single favorite restaurant, Tre Ragazzi's Italian Café. It's worth at least one trip during your college career. Try the Limone Parmigiano & Potatoes. You won't be disappointed. Trust me.

But back to campus. Jack Hopper Dining Hall and Gamecock Diner are good enough options and have a wide variety of pretty good selections. The Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) has Chick-fil-a(!) and Freshens Fresh Food Studio, which has customizable salads and rice bowls.

My salad order, chicken with croutons, bacon, tomatoes, gorgonzola cheese, and Roadhouse Barbecue Ranch dressing is particularly good. I refer to it as the Daniel Special, but the employees at Freshens don't know it as that name (with your help, we can change that)..

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

WHAT TO DO WHEN THERE'S NOTHING TO DO

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief

College is a serious learning environment, and you're here to get an education and in no way take part in any extra-curricular shenanigans that will detract from that.

(At least that's what you've been telling your parents).

College is, after all, about the education, but you'll have your fair share of down time between classes and on weekends, and, although Jacksonville is not a huge, sprawling metropolis by college town standards, there's still plenty to do to keep you busy, or full, or entertained, or even fit when you aren't in the classroom.

If you're like me, your primary form of entertainment is eating, so check out page 7 for a full breakdown of the dining choices in on and off campus in Jacksonville and the surrounding areas.

When all those calories have you feeling guilty, or you're a health nut, or you want to get some #bucketz, there are several fitness options around town to keep you going. Stephenson Hall is JSU's on-campus gymnasium, and it's got a full-on weight room, basketball courts, treadmills and other cardio equipment, and much more.

Jacksonville is also home to a portion of the Chief Ladiga Trail, which runs from the Georgia-Alabama state line all the way through Jacksonville before reaching its end just outside of Weaver. The trail is paved and relatively flat, making it great for biking or your morning run.



Matt Reynolds/JSU

The Chief Ladiga Trail runs through Jacksonville and provides an excellent spot for running, biking, walking a pet, or just admiring nature.

There's plenty of nature to be seen in Jacksonville and the surrounding areas, including Chimney Peak, which is more commonly known as "The Mountain" by JSU students. "The Mountain" can be reached by following Mountain Street (convenient), and it offers some incredible views. It's evolved into sort of a rite of passage for JSU students to make the trip to see the views at sunset.

The Anniston Museum of Natural History is also located just a short distance away and contains information and dioramas that tell you all you'd ever want to know about the natural world.

When your favorite movie is finally released or you need a failsafe first date destination, you're out of luck, Jacksonville does not have a movie theater. There are theaters located about 30 minutes in either direction in Oxford and Gadsden.

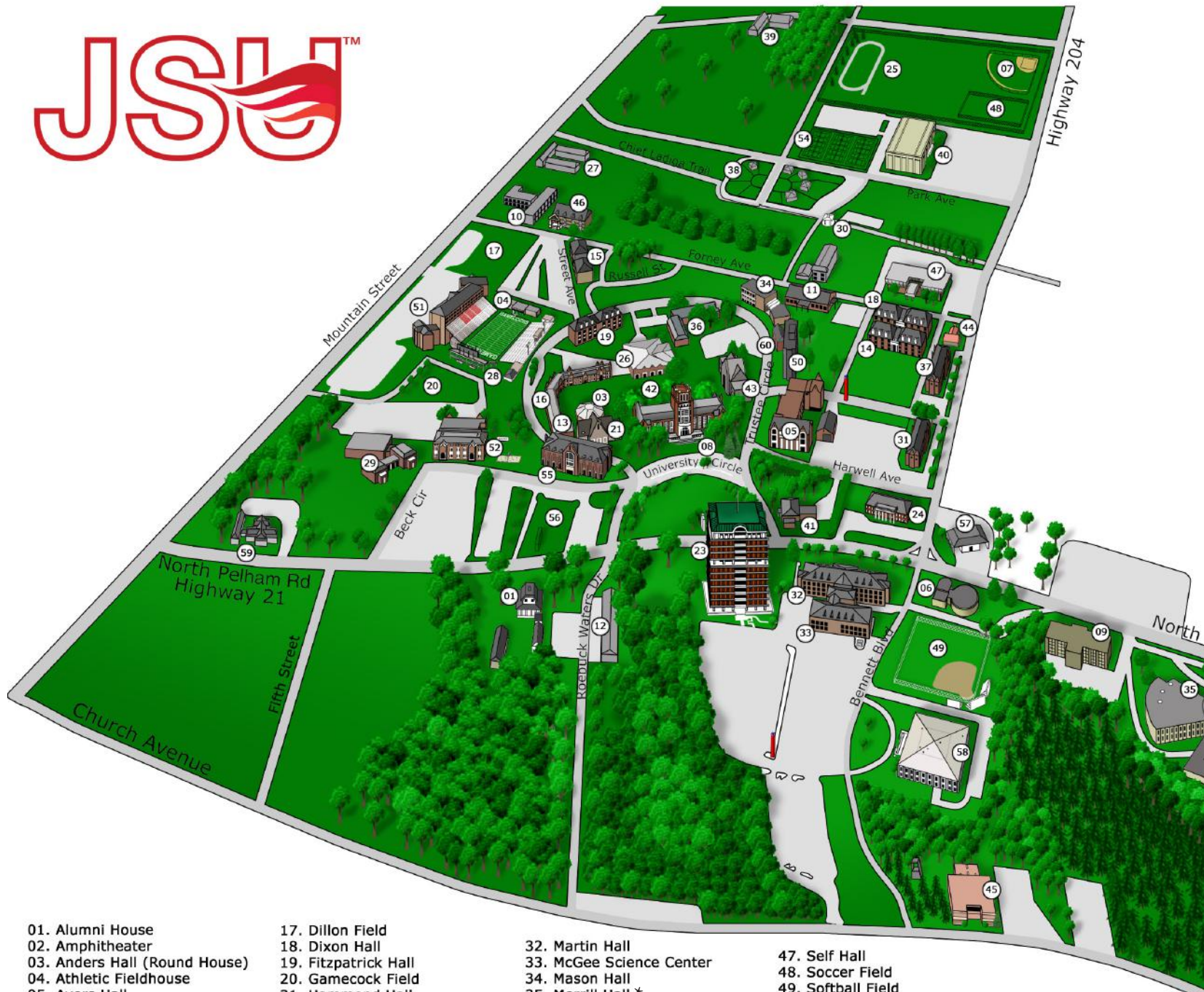
Each theater is located at a mall as

well, giving you plenty of shopping options (or shoptions, as the cool kids* call it). For your less exciting but more essential shopping needs, there's a Walmart and Johnson's in Jacksonville for you to stock up on Ramen Noodles or frozen meals for when you just don't want to leave the comfy confines of your freshman dorm.

Whether you are involved in an organization that requires you to complete service projects, or you just feel in a giving mood, there's a Jacksonville Boys and Girls Club that's always looking for volunteers, and the First United Methodist Church has a "Serving Table" once a month where they give out free meals to the needy.

Jacksonville may not appear to have too much to do at first glance, but you'll find there's plenty to keep you relaxed when you're not in the classroom.

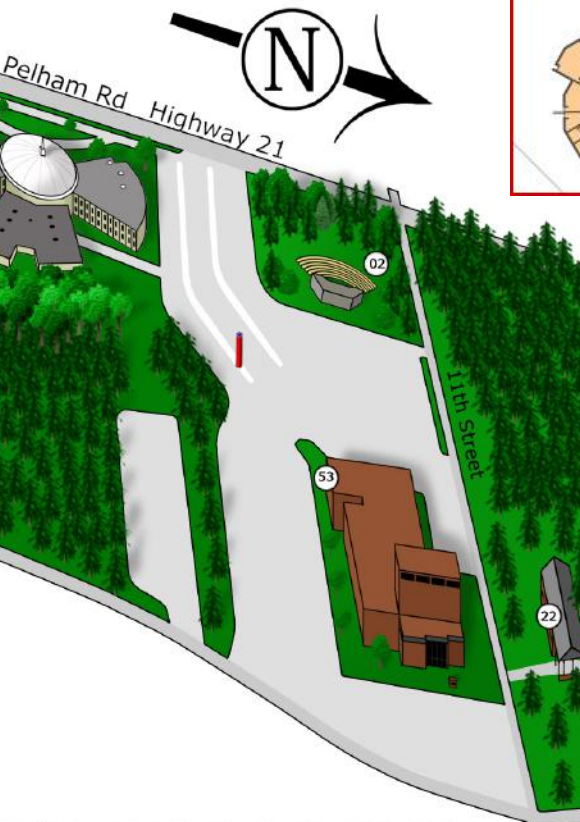
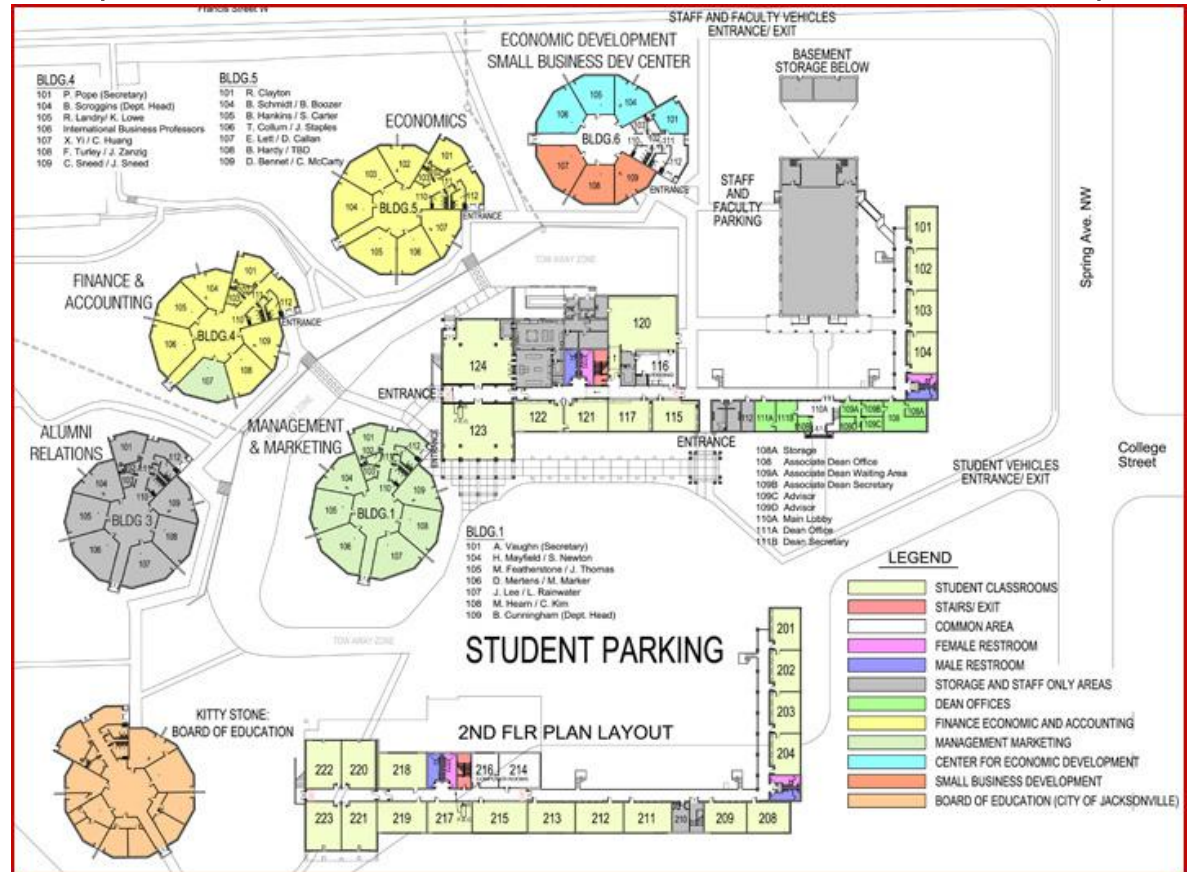
**In this scenario, I am considered the "cool kids"*



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|---------------------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 01. Alumni House | 17. Dillon Field | 32. Martin Hall | 47. Self Hall |
| 02. Amphitheater | 18. Dixon Hall | 33. McGee Science Center | 48. Soccer Field |
| 03. Anders Hall (Round House) | 19. Fitzpatrick Hall | 34. Mason Hall | 49. Softball Field |
| 04. Athletic Fieldhouse | 20. Gamecock Field | 35. Merrill Hall * | 50. Sparkman Hall |
| 05. Ayers Hall | 21. Hammond Hall | 36. Pannell Hall | 51. Stadium Tower |
| 06. Baptist Campus Ministry | 22. Honors House | 37. Patterson Hall | 52. Stephenson Hall |
| 07. Baseball Field | 23. Houston Cole Library | 38. Paul Carpenter Village | 53. Stone Center |
| 08. Bibb Graves Hall | 24. International House | 39. Penn House Apts | 54. Tennis Courts |
| 09. Brewer Hall | 25. Intramural Field/Track | 40. Pete Mathews Coliseum | 55. Theron Montgomery Bldg |
| 10. Campus Inn Apts | 26. Jack Hopper Dining Hall
Leone Cole Auditorium
McCluer Chapel | 41. President's Home | 56. TMB Lawn |
| 11. Carlisle Fine Arts Facility | 27. Jax Apts | 42. Quad | 57. Visitor Center |
| 12. College Apts | 28. JSU Stadium | 43. Ramona Wood Building | 58. Wallace Hall |
| 13. Computer Center | 29. Kennamer Hall | 44. Rock House | 59. Wesley Foundation |
| 14. Crow Hall | 30. Ladiga Kiosk | 45. Rowe Hall | 60. Williams Student Health Center |
| 15. Curtiss Hall | 31. Logan Hall | | |

JSU MAP

Temporary School of Business and Industry Complex



* Merrill Hall was heavily damaged during the March 19, 2018 tornadoes that ravaged JSU's campus.

The School of Business and Industry has relocated to the old Kitty Stone Elementary in Jacksonville.

Additional buildings may still be impacted by storm damage.

GAMECOCK ATHLETICS

National Championships

Football - 1992
Men's Basketball - 1985
Baseball - 1990, '91
Gymnastics - 1984, '85

JSU's Fight Song

Fight on, fight on for ole Jax State
We're proud that we're from Alabama
Fight on, now don't you hesitate,
Courage, pride and honor
Will lead you on to victory, so
Fight on, fight for the Red and White,
We're gonna howl tonight,
Come on! You Gamecocks,
Fight and see,
That we will win the victory!

Conference Championships

Rifle
2003, '05, '06, '07, '08, '09, '12, '
4x13, '14, '15
Football
1962, '63, '64, '65, '66, '70, '74, '77, '78,
'81, '82, '88, '89, '91, '92, 2003, '04, '11,
'14, '15, '16, '17
Baseball
17973, '74, '75, '76, '77, '83, '88, '89,
2004*, '05, '06*, '08, '10*, '14*
Men's Basketball
1975, '80, '85, '89, '90, '92, 2017*
Women's Basketball
1991, '93
Volleyball
1991, '92, 2005*, '06^, '07, 09*
Men's Tennis
1990, '91, '92, '93, 2005*, '07^, '09, '14^
Women's Tennis
1985, '86, '88, '89, '90, '92, '93, 2010,
'11^
Men's Golf
1997, 2002, '03, '04, '07, '11, '12, '14,
'17*, 18*
Women's Golf
2005, '06, '07, '08, '12
Softball
1990, '96, 2001, '05, '08^, '09, '10*, '11*,
'13*, '14, '16^, '17, '18*

* = Tournament Champions

^ = Regular Season and Tournament Champions

GAMECOCK ATHLETICS

Fall Sports

Volleyball

Head Coach: Todd Garvey
Regular Season: August - November
Last Season: 23-13, 9-7 OVC
Home Court: Pete Mathews Coliseum

Soccer

Head Coach: Neil MacDonald
Regular Season: August - October
Last Season: 6-10-2, 3-7-0 OVC
Home Pitch: JSU Soccer Field

Cross Country

Head Coach: Steven Ray
Regular Season: September - October
Home Course: JSU Cross County Course

Football

Head Coach: John Grass
Regular Season: August - November
Last Season: 10-2, 8-0 OVC
Home Field: Burgess-Snow Field
at JSU Stadium



Winter Sports

Golf

Head Coach: James Hobbs
Regular Season: September - April
Home Course: Silver Lakes Golf Course

Tennis

Head Coach: Andres Amores
Regular Season: September - April
Last Season - Women's: 13-5, 6-3 OVC
Last Season - Men's: 15-5, 4-2 OVC
Home Court: JSU Tennis Courts

Rifle

Head Coach: Ron Frost
Regular Season: October - January
Home Range: Gamecock Rifle Range

Men's Basketball

Head Coach: Ray Harper
Regular Season: November - February
Last Season: 23-13, 11-7 OVC
Home Court: Pete Mathews Coliseum

Women's Basketball

Head Coach: Rick Pietri
Regular Season: November - February
Last Season: 19-12, 12-6 OVC
Home Court: Pete Mathews Coliseum

Spring Sports

Track & Field

Head Coach: Steven Ray
Regular Season: January - May
Home Complex: Track and Field
Complex

Softball

Head Coach: Jana McGinnis
Regular Season: February - May
Last Season: 35-25, 16-6 OVC
Home Field: University Field

Baseball

Head Coach: Jim Case
Regular Season: February - May
Last Season: 32-25, 18-12 OVC
Home Field: Rudy Abbott Field

Beach Volleyball

Head Coach: Todd Garvey
Regular Season: March - April
Home Court: Stephenson Hall



IT'S GREAT TO BE A GAMECOCK

A GOLDEN AGE OF JSU ATHLETICS

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief

When JSU's freshman class of 2022 arrives on campus this fall, it will be doing so during one of the most successful periods for Gamecock athletics.

Jacksonville State's sports teams compete at the highest level of collegiate sports, NCAA's Division I, with the football team competing in the Football Championship Subdivision of Division I.

Football is perhaps the king of all sports in the southeast, and that's no different at Jacksonville State.

While Alabama and Auburn are busy laying claim to the SEC at the NCAA's highest level, JSU has carved out its own sector of dominance in the FCS.

JSU won its only national championship in football in

1992 at the Division II level, but since bumping up to Division I, the Gamecocks have brought the programs to new heights under John Grass.

The Gamecocks come into 2018 in the midst of arguably the most successful stretches in program history. JSU is the winner of four-straight Ohio Valley Conference victories and hold the nation's longest active Division I win streak for conference victories, having won a league-record 32 straight OVC contests. In 2015, the Gamecocks made a run all the way to the National Championship game behind quarterback Eli Jenkins, eventually falling 37-10 to current NFL star Carson Wentz and North Dakota State.

The Gamecocks don't show any signs of being ready to lose their dominant form yet, and will enter 2018 as fa-

vorites to win the OVC yet again. A solid returning core combined with newcomers such as former Clemson quarterback Zerrick Cooper and Auburn's Tre Threat look to help keep JSU on track and lead the Gamecocks back to another title.

Football is not the only program at JSU in the middle of one of the best stretches in program history.

Led by coach Jana McGinnis, the Gamecock softball team has taken home at least a share of the OVC crown in nine of the last eleven seasons. JSU finished out 2018 with yet another title and an impressive run to the Tallahassee regional finals, eliminating perennial SEC power Auburn before bowing out to host Florida State.

JSU's baseball program, which also won national titles at the Division II level, taking home the big trophy in both 1990 and 1991, has seen some success in recent years under coach Jim Case.

The Gamecocks are scheduled to finally move back into Rudy Abbott Field, which has been undergoing renovations for the last two seasons, for the 2019 slate.

JSU's basketball teams are also on the rise after years struggling to adjust to competition at the Division I level.

Ray Harper is the head man for the Gamecock men's program, and he made an immediate impact on JSU after set-

ting foot on campus in Jacksonville. Harper led the turnaround from what was an 8-23 finish in 2015-16 to a 20-15 mark in his first season, and the Gamecocks took home the school's first ever OVC title and appearance in the Big Dance itself, March Madness, the NCAA Tournament.

After another great season last year, in which the Gamecocks finished with a Division I school-record 23-13 mark and made it to the semifinal rounds of both the OVC and the College Basketball Invitational Tournaments, Harper has JSU basketball formed into a winning environment that looks to compete for the conference crown for years to come.

The JSU Women's basketball program, led by coach Rick Pietri, also has enjoyed some success in recent years. Last season the Gamecocks joined the men in the OVC tourney semifinals, bowing out to eventual champ and nationally ranked Belmont to finish a great turnaround season.

JSU's other sporting teams, such as volleyball, soccer, tennis, golf, cross country and rifle, field competitive teams year in and year out, and the Gamecocks newest program, beach volleyball, is already gaining ground quickly after just two seasons of play.

Overall, there's never been a better time to be a Gamecock.



Matt Reynolds/JSU

JSU's 2017 Football squad celebrates their fourth consecutive OVC Title after a 14-7 clinching win over UT Martin last season.

GAMECOCK TRADITIONS

Jacksonville State University Alma Mater

**"Alma Mater, Alma Mater
Grateful voices raise
A song of tribute and
devotion
Thy honored name we
praise.
Light of knowledge,
Store of wisdom,
Love of truth abide in thee
Quest for beauty,
Search for freedom,
Thine eternally
Oh, Alma Mater,
Alma Mater
We humbly bow to thee!"**

I'll Fly Away

The Southerners and Marching Ballerinas put their own spin on a classic hymn. In recent years, it has become a tradition for band members, football players, cheerleaders and fans to sing this song after football games. Be sure to join in next time!

**"Some glad morning
when this life is o'er,
I'll fly away
To a home on God's
celestial shore.
I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, oh Glory,
I'll fly away
IN THE MORNING!
When I die, Hallelujah
by and by,
I'll fly away."**

THE MARCHING SOUTHERNERS

THE MOMENT YOU'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR...

MarchingSoutherners.org

2018 marks Director of Bands Dr. Kenneth G. Bodiford's 25th season at the helm of the Marching Southerners. His staff, most of whom have worked alongside Bodiford for over 20 years, are alumni of JSU and The Marching Southerners. During this quarter of a century, the rich traditions and kinships of this organization have served as the inspiration that propelled it to national and international acclaim. From the shores of Hawaii to the ancient streets of Europe, the Marching Southerners have truly left their mark on the world. No matter how many miles are traveled or how many years come and go, there is a path of love, family, and tradition that always leads us home. When I Think of Home is a soundtrack for the memories of every Marching Southerners member and fan, past and present, young and old.

When I Think of Home



Marching Southerners 2018

The 2018 production opens with Benji Pasek and Justin Paul's *From Now On* from the hit musical drama, *The Greatest Showman*. Driving, contemporary melodies and percussion are brought to the marching field in a "new school" opener that pushes the envelope of innovation in ways only the Marching Southerners can. We are reminded we can always "come back home again..."

The *Ballerinas* are a Jacksonville State institution embedded in a tradition and history all their own. Their signature style and character are unmistakable and timeless. Fred Ebb and

John Kander's *And All That Jazz* from Chicago provides the perfect backdrop as the *Ballerinas* take center stage in a feature that pays tribute to both their traditional roots and modern transformation.

Dr. John T. Finley set the Southerners' sound on a more symphonic course over 60 years ago. One of the most cherished memories from this period was Dr. Finley's brass choir performing "Going Home". The trademark power of the Southerners' hornline is unleashed once again with Antonín Dvořák's *Largo* from the *New World Symphony*. The strains of this hauntingly beautiful melody will echo off

of the Appalachian foothills once again.

While the Marching Southerners call Jacksonville, Alabama home, the fiery spirit of Latin music has always been near and dear to the organization. The 2018 production concludes with a brand new, over-the-top arrangement of Ernesto Lecuona's *Malagueña*.

Nothing else really needs to be said.

Join the Marching Southerners as they mark this "silver anniversary" and "Gather In" once again and do what they do best with their 2018 production, *When I Think of Home*.

Photo by Matt Reynolds/JSU



JSU: WHERE I WENT

JSU GRAD HOLLIE IVEY SHARES HER EXPERIENCE

Hollie Ivey

JSU Graduate

It was a Wednesday. I was both excited and overwhelmed. Eager and completely mortified. I was a freshman. And for my very first class that day, on my very first day as a student, I had my introduction class for my major.

I made a decision during my drive to campus that day. “This is your fresh start. This is where you will become the person you want to be – new faces, new friends, new classes, new you.”

I walked into that class of 70 students, sat down, listened to the syllabus being read, and left once class was dismissed. I did this for my other classes that day, too. And every other day for that semester.

I barely talked. I spent time alone studying on the quad under one of the many large trees, or in a remote corner of the library enjoying a cup of coffee from Java Jolt. I would walk around campus taking in the beauty of JSU during my four-hour break because I was a commuter and didn’t want to make the trek home between classes. I ran on the Ladiga Trail and pushed myself into the best health I had been in years.

I wasn’t involved in clubs or campus groups. I didn’t make any new friends. But I absolutely loved that semester and I wouldn’t change a single thing about it. That semester I found joy in who I was. I grew closer to myself and stronger in my walk with Christ.

Fast forward to the next year and the years after, and things changed. I made



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Recent JSU graduate Hollie Ivey shares her college experiences and gives incoming freshmen one piece of advice: don’t take your time at JSU for granted.

friends. My department was small, so I was able to be in the same classes, with the same people, semester after semester, up until graduation. Professors learned my name, my cat’s name, my dreams and my passions and my aspirations. They learned who I was, and not just my student number.

I was involved in multiple organizations, in some of which I eventually took on leadership rolls. I organized study groups. I looked forward to campus events. And I loved it, too.

What changed? Nothing really. Both of those people were and still are me. I just took my college career into my own hands and enjoyed it as I wanted.

During freshman orientation they advised being as involved as possible. Which is great for some. For me, it wasn’t at that time. Later on, however, I would be following that very same advice.

I am thankful for my time at Jacksonville. I’m thankful for the classes, career preparation, networking and skills gained. I’m more thankful for the friendships it gave me, the experiences it offered me, the memories that were made during that time and the family that was gained (looking at you Communication and Spanish Departments).

Did I go about those four years in the typical way? Probably not. But that’s because there isn’t a typical way. College is about you and what you make it. Want to be involved from day one and become one of the very familiar faces on campus? Do it. Want to enjoy a small group of friends and bask in the sun in between class under one of the few remaining trees on campus? Do it.

But whatever your decision is – enjoy it. I always thought those years as a student would feel like forever and that I would have plenty of time to appreciate the joys of Jacksonville. But here I sit, typing this, my diploma on a shelf in my room, a graduate of the Spring of 2018. And what I wouldn’t give to be back in my freshman or sophomore year. Not to redo it, but to enjoy it all over again.

So to JSU, thank you. To incoming freshman, don’t take it for granted.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

“The mission of the Office of Academic Enhancement and Tutoring Services is to support the University’s mission by providing a variety of academic support services including objective based study halls, small group or individual tutoring, academic mentors, and academic enhancement workshops. The ultimate goal is to advance student learning through academic excellence for the purpose of educating students to be productive, responsible citizens and effective leaders.”

-JSU Website

Supplemental Instruction

SI sessions are conducted by a student leader who has successfully completed the course, attends the course and works with the professor to design collaborative learning sessions for the students to attend on a voluntary basis.

Drop-In Tutoring and Labs

The Academic Center for Excellence has drop-in tutor centers to help you pass your class. ACE is located on the third floor of the TMB. Free tutoring is offered in all centers (Fall and Spring semesters) Monday - Thursday 10am - 8pm and Friday 10am - 2pm.

Tutoring Services

Tutoring is available for any JSU student for most core courses and is FREE as long as you are a JSU student. No appointment is necessary.

FAQs

Who is eligible for tutoring services?

Tutoring is available to all JSU students regardless of level or grade point average.

How much does it cost to get a tutor?

Tutoring is free for all JSU students.

How often can I be tutored?

Every day.

What if there is NOT a tutor available for a specific subject?

Every effort will be made to make a tutor available. Tutoring Services will contact the instructor and/or department for recommendations.

Who is eligible to be a tutor?

Any JSU student who maintains a 3.0 overall GPA at JSU and received either an A or a B in the course he/she will be tutoring can apply to be a tutor.

JSU CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

Active Minds At JSU

To promote awareness and education and to remove the stigma that surrounds mental illness and to create an environment for discussion.

American Chemical Association

Emphasize the importance and relevance of chemistry and offer tutoring services.

American Enterprise Institute

To promote campus dialogue surrounding free enterprise and American leadership and to work with other campus organizations to educate our campus about issues of public policy.

American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA)

To promote student involvement in the local design community, create a community of their own and help build leadership and valuable design skills applicable to the professional world.

Circle K International

Promote community service, leadership and fellowship among members of the JSU community

College Democrats

Promote the views and success of the Democratic Party through active interaction in the campus setting.

College Republicans

Encourages participation in the Republican Party through active interaction in the campus setting.

Collegiate National Association for Music Educators

Promotes the professional and artistic development of music teachers through professional conferences, in-service meetings, and events; supports the JSU Department of Music.

Dietetics and Culinary/Hospitality Student Association

Promotes community and fundraising projects.

E.A.R.T.H. Club

To raise awareness of abuse inflicted upon our planet and to promote recycling.

ENACTUS

A community of student, academic and business leaders committed to

using the power of entrepreneurial action to transform lives and shape a better more sustainable world.

F.A.C.T.S. (Focus Achieve Create Thrive Succeed)

Promote the idea of success while embracing individual aspirations. Giving students the opportunity to express themselves without the pressure to conform.

FCS Association

To unify the concentration within Family and Consumer Sciences into a student international chapter of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS).

Forever Young Modeling Troupe

To promote fashion and help build confidence.

Freshman Forum

Provides freshmen an opportunity to become more involved in SGA. Must be an in-coming freshman who has shown campus involvement in high school and is committed to pursuing that commitment in college.

Geography Club

To promote volunteer work for the community, exercise environmental stewardship, and participate in geography related trips.

History Club

To encourage further learning and understanding of world history and our nation's great history.

Honors Program

The Honors Program provides academically gifted students with an enriched educational experience in a diverse range of courses which foster independent, critical thinking and effective communication.

International Association of Emergency Managers

The mission of IAEM is to serve its members by providing information, networking and professional opportunities, and to advance the emergency management profession.

International Student Organization (ISO)

To foster a cultural understanding and

sharing between the international students and increase international student ties with the local community.

Ironclad Gaming

To teach the mechanics of the gaming system, basic role-playing, socializing and enjoying the gaming experience.

Jacksonville Association of Nursing Students

Promoting a positive image of nursing throughout the local, state and national level.

JSU Botanical Society

To connect JSU students and faculty with the national world through education in botanical and cultivation subjects.

JSU Collegiate Recovery Community

Offer students in recovery a total college experience.

JSU Fan Club (Fandon Association Network)

To unite all nerds that have a passion for anime, video games, shows, books and comics.

JSU CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

JSU Fishing Team

To promote the fellowship of individuals who enjoy the sport of competitive bass fishing.

JSU Judo Jujitsu

To strive toward a harmonious development of the human character.

JSU Math Club

To promote the interest of mathematics among students.

JSU Model Arab League-Geography

To learn more about the Arab world, to develop skills in parliamentary debate, and to participate in the Southeast Model Arab League sessions in the spring semester.

JSU Potter's Guild

To bring in visiting artists from around the country to give lectures and demonstrations for the Jacksonville community at JSU ceramics studio.

JSU Rugby RFC

To promote teamwork, build character, and raise moral through

playing rugby.

JSU-SAS (Jacksonville State University Students About Service)

To provide a conduit for students to learn the importance of providing service for others through volunteerism.

JSU Students for Equality

To promote diversity and inclusion for individuals of all sexualities and genders as well as other historically marginalized groups.

JSU Ultimate Frisbee Team

To encourage and teach teamwork, to be competitive, to become physically fit and have fun.

Kingdom Culture (formerly L.E.A.D.)

Promote striving for excellence in all areas of life.

Level Up

To provide a general understanding and interest of electronic gaming of the past, present and future.

Model United Nations

To provide a

way for students with an interest in international relations to learn new skills.

Multicultural Student Alliance

Our goal is to join students of multicultural backgrounds together so they can experience and gain understanding of other cultures and have a place they can fit in and feel comfortable.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People-N.A.A.C.P.

An outlet devoted to school involvement and community service.

Outdoor Adventure Club

The club would like to offer Jacksonville State University students the opportunity to try various outdoor activities and learn outdoor skills.

Pre-Law Society

To create a comfortable atmosphere for students to learn the process of pursuing

law school.

Public Relations Student Society of America

To enhance the education of students and broaden their professional network and launch careers.

ROTC (Gamecock Battalion)

The JSU ROTC courses taught instill invaluable leadership and critical thinking skills that are necessary in leading, managing, and motivating people. The kind of leadership experience that will be very attractive for civilian agencies,

S.O.A.R (Survivors Overcoming Abusive Relationship)

To promote awareness and advocating against domestic violence, sexual assault and abuse and providing a positive voice for survivors everywhere.

Secular Student Alliance at Jacksonville State University

SSAJSU is dedicated to normalizing

secularism and being active in the local community

Tabletop and Card Game Club

To provide a fun environment for all tabletop games.

Young American for Liberty at Jacksonville State University

To promote economic and social freedom.

Women's Issues, Support and Empowerment (W.I.S.E.)

Through education and activism we seek to connect individuals with solutions to the problems we face in order to create a more balanced world where women's issues are addressed, women are supported in their endeavors, and empowered to make changes in their lives and ultimately society.

Writers' Club

An artistic outlet that encourages writers to find their talent in a specific genre and to improve writings skills.

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

Baptist Campus Ministries

Calling students to authentic discipleship and presenting the gospel of Jesus to the campus of JSU.

Campus Outreach

To build college students into laborers for Jesus Christ.

Cooperative Student Fellowship

Bringing like-minded students together for fellowship and service.

Engage JSU

A Christian organization that seeks to worship Christ and foster Christian relationships and serve the campus and community.

Episcopal Campus Ministry

To encourage spiritual growth in Christ and provide services to the campus and community.

Faith Outreach Campus Ministry

Teaching and leading to an identity in God.

Jacksonville Christian Student Center (JCSC)

Striving to bring first century Christianity to twenty-first century students.

JSU Interfaith Alliance

To promote the understanding of various religions and belief systems through study.

Reformed University Fellowship

A college ministry of the Presbyterian Church in America dedicated to the cultivation of a Christ-centered community on the campus of Jacksonville State University.

Retreat from the Heat

To promote fellowship and worship with college students and young adults in the community.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON JSU'S CLUBS AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED ON CAMPUS, VISIT THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE (TMB, ROOM 402)

To promote diversity, talents and gifts from different denominations and backgrounds to worship.

Sav-A-Life PCC Student Group

Sav-A-Life is a life affirming ministry that offers emotional and spiritual help to women affected by unplanned pregnancies. Our mission is to help these women choose life for their babies and eternal life for themselves.

UPC (United Pentecostal Church) Student Ministry

To unite students of the Pentecostal faith and continue in the Apostles doctrine.

Wesley Foundation

Providing an alternative community for students to hang out, study and ask questions; a place to belong, and to explore ones spirituality while serving God.



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Baptist Campus Ministries is one of many Religious Organizations on JSU's campus.

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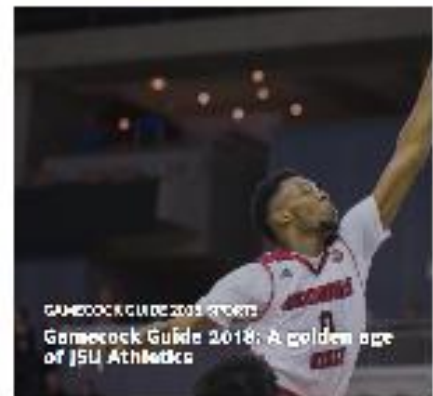
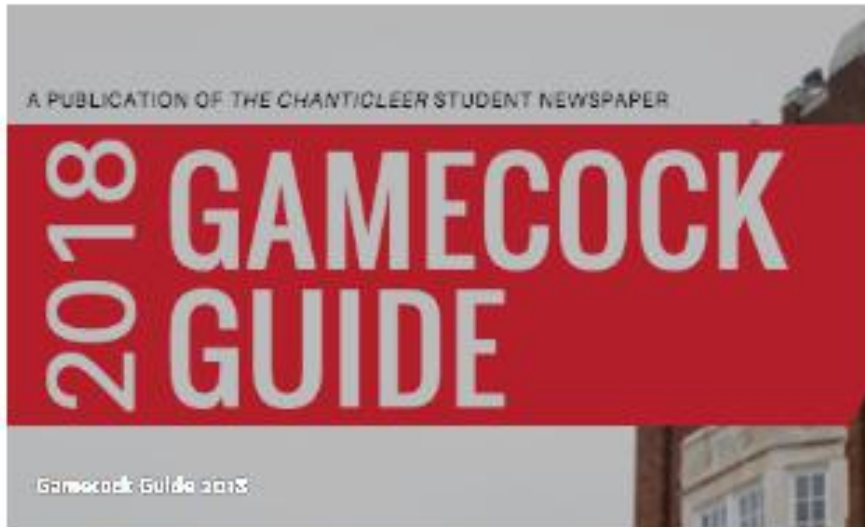
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A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hi! My name is Daniel Mayes, and I'm the Editor-in-Chief for JSU's student-published newspaper, The Chanticleer.

I hope you enjoyed this inside look at what life is like on "The Friendliest Campus in the South." The Gamecock Guide was a lot of fun to put together this year! Although we had to cover subjects like the March 19 Tornado that affected so many lives in Jacksonville, I got to write about two of my favorite loves (food and sports) and so many of the other little things that make Jacksonville State as great a place as it is.

As much fun as creating the Gamecock Guide was, it is only a small part of our jobs here at The Chanticleer. Every week during the Fall and Spring Semesters, we publish a weekly issue that covers all the happenings at JSU and the surrounding community—whether that's campus events, sports, entertainment, or more. We also have a presence on the web and social media to keep students, alumni, or really anyone who is curious, informed whenever or wherever they may be.

The Chanticleer is always looking for new writers, reporters, columnists, photographers, graphic designers or social media specialists. Whether you're looking for a platform to get your message out, to try your hand at a possible career path, or if you're just feeling bored, we'd love to have you as part of the family!

Coming into college, I never thought I'd even consider joining the campus newspaper, but during my time at The Chanticleer, I've grown as a person, developed amazing friendships and relationships, and gone through some incredible experiences (sitting courtside to cover JSU's March Madness game in Indianapolis in 2017 ranks pretty high up there).

If you're interested in joining The Chanticleer, you can follow us on social media @ChanticleerJSU (Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram), visit our website thechanticleer.wordpress.com, drop by Self Hall 124, or email chantynewstips@gmail.com. Otherwise, I invite you to connect with us on social media and visit our website to stay informed on all that JSU has to offer.

Thanks, and Go Gamecocks!

Daniel Mayes
Editor-in-Chief





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