



Dear Prospective College Student Applicant,

One of the most important decisions you will make in your lifetime is selecting the right college to attend. If you are looking for a college rich in tradition, a caring faculty and atmosphere, and a sense that you are a part of a learning community, Tougaloo College is that “*Special Place*.” Please take a moment to review the attached *Special Place* brochure.

Nationally known as the “*Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement*,” Tougaloo College, a transformed slave plantation, is a special place where you can grow personally, socially, and spiritually. Tougaloo is listed on the National Historic Register. It ranks among the top 25 U.S. institutions whose graduates earn their Ph.D.s in the science and engineering disciplines and among the top 15 historically black colleges and universities in the graduation of females with undergraduate degrees in the physical sciences. The *Princeton Review* and *U.S. News & World Report* consistently list Tougaloo College as one of the “Best Colleges in the Southeast” and the most recent rankings of *U.S. News & World Report* list Tougaloo among the top 15 of “America’s Best Black Colleges.” BET recently (2013) ranked the college among the Top 15 Best Black Colleges in the U.S. in their “Head of the Class” list.

Enclosed is an application packet that includes the following information:

- Application Procedures and Checklist
- Application for Admission
- Application Fee Transmittal Form
- Request for Transcript
- Early Entry and Provision Admissions
- Important Program Dates and Deadlines
- Financial Aid and Frequently Asked Questions
- Financial Aid Important Dates and Deadlines
- Tuition and Fees
- Academic Scholarships and Scholarship Resources
- Important Numbers and Campus Tour Request

If you are interested in scheduling a campus tour of the College, please contact LaQuanda Fields, Coordinator of Enrollment Management Activities, at 601-977-7772 or lfields@tougaloo.edu.

If you have questions or need additional information, call us toll free at 1-888-42-GALOO (1-888-424-2566), 601-977-7768, or 601-977-7765. Again, thank you for your interest in Tougaloo College.

Sincerely,

Juno Leggette Jacobs, Ph.D.
Director of Enrollment Services

Enclosures





EARLY ENTRY PROGRAMS

PRE-COLLEGE SCHOLARS

With Tougaloo College Precollege, students entering their junior or senior year of high school can apply to take college-level courses for credit and experience life as a Tougaloo College student. High school students who participate in Tougaloo College's Precollege demonstrate when they apply that they are ready for and committed to doing college-level work throughout the program. The student must possess a "B" (3.00) average or better in an accredited high school curriculum, and a score of 18 or better on the enhanced ACT assessment or a score of eight hundred (800) or better on the SAT. A student is allowed to take up to 9 credit hours (freshmen courses only).

Pre-College Application Checklist:

☐ Complete Application for Admission

- Complete the Application for Admission

☐ Request Official Transcript

- Make sure your transcript includes all coursework beginning with 9th grade. If you attended multiple institutions during high school, official copies must be obtained from all high schools attended.

Transcripts

Only official transcripts are acceptable. Official transcripts are those that include the school's seal and the signature of the appropriate official in a sealed envelope. High school and college transcripts should be sent directly from the school to the Office of Enrollment Services.

☐ Complete the Application Fee Transmittal Form

- Attach your \$25 non-refundable application fee to the application (or pay online at www.tougaloo.edu).

☐ Mail all required documents to:

Office of Enrollment Services
Tougaloo College
500 West County Line Road
Tougaloo, MS 39174

☐ Watch for your confirmation

- You will receive a letter from the Office of Enrollment Services confirming processing of your application.

PROVISIONAL ADMISSION

Students who do not meet the College's general admission requirements may be considered for provisional admission. Provisional admission offers students a chance to prove themselves academically at the College. Being admitted provisionally means you will be required to:

1. Submit letter of appeal.
2. Submit three letters of recommendation from your attending school or college official.
3. Complete an academic success plan.
4. Meet regularly with your advisor.
5. Earn a 2.0 GPA (C average) or higher your first semester at Tougaloo.



Important Dates & Deadlines

Tougaloo College is looking for students with potential and desire to succeed in a rigorous academic environment. We are interested in finding out about your intellectual curiosity, creativity, and commitment to learning. Here are some key deadlines for you to remember.

November 1, 2015

- Deadline for Early Decision applications

December 15, 2015

- Admission Decisions released to Early Decision candidates

January 1, 2016

- Deadline for Regular Decision candidates.
- Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

March 1, 2016

- Academic Scholarship (Presidential and Partial) applications must be postmarked

March 31, 2016

- Admissions Decisions released to Regular Decision candidates
- Financial Aid Award Letters mailed if all required documents are received

April 3, 2016

- Presidential Scholarship Recipients Notified

May 1, 2016

- Housing Deposit deadline for all admitted students.

May 15, 2016

- Partial Scholarship Recipients Notified

June 30, 2016

- Final high school transcript due for incoming students

August 13, 2016

- Required New Student Orientation for academic year begins



Financial Aid

Tougaloo College offers a high quality education at an affordable cost. And nearly 80 percent of our students receive some form of financial aid - making college more affordable than ever!

How Financial Aid Works

Tuition and fees at Tougaloo College are already low compared to other colleges and universities. Financial aid is available for students who are unable to pay all college costs. Based on federal and some state requirements, completing your FAFSA will determine your eligibility for assistance.

Financial Aid programs include academic scholarships, need-based grants, student and parent loans and employment. Other sources of assistance may include scholarship from private organizations, foundations, and some campus sources.

How New Students Apply for Financial Aid

1. All financial aid applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
 - File the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.
 - Complete the FAFSA after January 1, 2016, even if you have not yet filed your 2015 tax returns. Use estimates if necessary.
 - Contact the Office of Financial Aid if you have specific questions. This is the best source of financial aid information.
2. Investigate other sources of aid. See the enclosed list of Scholarship resources.
3. Keep a file of records and copies of applications.
4. If you require assistance to complete the FAFSA, contact the Financial Aid Office at 601-977-7766. Check with the Financial Office to see when "Financial Aid Days" will be hosted on the campus.

How Transfer Students Apply for Financial Aid

1. If you did not submit a FAFSA for the current 2015-2016 academic year, you should follow the application instructions above for new students.
2. If you did apply for financial aid for the current 2015-2016 year, you can complete the FAFSA Renewal on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov (You will need your pin number).
3. To apply for financial aid as a transfer student go to FAFSA Renewal. The code for Tougaloo College is **002439**.

How The Award Process Works

Once the College has received the FAFSA results from the federal government's processor, we review the information to arrive at your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).

Need determines how much aid a student may receive during a given year. To meet this need, the financial aid officer uses various resources to "package" a student. Pell grant is the first resource used. After that, funds available through available campus-based programs such as FSEOG, Federal Work Study, and Tougaloo scholarships or grants are used. Award notifications are mailed or emailed to the student and parent listed on the FAFSA. Students/Parents should read this carefully and follow all instructions.

Parents may wish to obtain a Direct PLUS loan or participate in a monthly payment plan. Students who do not qualify for need-based aid programs will be notified.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: We've been told we probably will not qualify for aid. Should we bother to apply?

Yes, you should? Many factors are taken into consideration in determining a family's financial need, and each family's circumstances are unique, so you can't know you'll qualify for without completing the aid application process. There is no arbitrary cut-off for determining a family's eligibility for financial aid. The income range of those eligible for assistance covers a wider page.

Q: When should I apply for aid?

File your FAFSA application as soon as possible after January 1 if you plan to enroll at Tougaloo during the period between June 2016 and March 2016. It is very important that you apply no later than March 1, 2016, if you are a freshman application planning to enroll in September. Transfer students should also apply by March 1st.

Q: Do "Early Decision" admissions applicants use an earlier financial aid process?

No. Early decision candidates who file the FAFSA application by March 1st will receive award notifications before the housing deposit is due.

Q: Will I be eligible for the same amount of financial aid each year? In most cases, the answer is yes, but not in every case. Every effort will be made to continue a similar level of institutional gift aid each year. Students receiving merit scholarships do not need to reapply to renew those scholarships as long as renewal requirements are met.

Students must reapply for need-based financial aid each year. Assuming you remain in good academic standing, file the application forms by the recommended deadline and demonstrate a similar level of need, you can expect approximately the same level of institutional gift aid

each year. Examples of circumstances that might cause a change in a need-based financial aid award could include, but are not limited to:

- A significant rise or drop in family income
- A reduction in room and meal plan expenses for students living off-campus
- More or fewer siblings in college at the same time you are attending Tougaloo
- More or fewer family members living at home.

Q: Are families expected to contribute toward education expenses?

If the student is dependent upon his or her parents for support, then the expected family contribution will include amounts from both the student and parents based on their respective incomes and assets. The contribution for students who are financial independent on their parents is based on the student's income and assets, as well as on those of the student's spouse if married.

Q: Does Tougaloo offer academic merit scholarships?

Yes. Merit scholarships are offered based on a student's academic record, leadership potential or other factors, and financial need is not taken into consideration. At Tougaloo, most merit scholarships for new students are awarded through our Presidential Scholarship program. There are also a number of merit scholarships awarded to upperclassmen based on academic performance.

Q: If my parents are divorced or separated, which parent should provide the information required to apply for aid?

You should answer the questions using information about the parent you lived within the past 12 months. If you did not live with one parent more than with the other, then provide information for the parent who

provided the most financial support for you. (Support would include money, gifts, loans, housing, food, clothes, medical care, etc.) Child support payments from your other parent will be taken into consideration, and information about the income and assets of any step-parent must also be provided. We realize that these situations can be sensitive and complicated. Please feel free to discuss your individual circumstances with one of our counselors. All information will remain confidential.

Q: What happens if our financial changes after I enter college?

While many families' financial needs remain constant while a student is attending college, some families will experience significant changes in their ability to contribute to their children's education. Sometimes these changes can even occur during the middle of an academic year. We are always willing to review financial aid appeals from families experiencing difficulties due to significant changes in their circumstances.

Q: I have been notified that I will receive a scholarship from my high school. How will this scholarship affect my financial aid?

We encourage students to apply for scholarship awarded by private organizations. If we are required to amend the financial aid award as a result of receiving an outside scholarship, we will make every effort to reduce the student's loan before reducing any grants. See the enclosed list of scholarship sources.

Q: Can I get an estimate of my college costs before I apply for admission?

Colleges are required to provide a "net price calculator" on their website to provide estimated financial aid and cost information based on institutional data for enrolled students. You can find our calculator at www.tougaloo.edu/financialaid



Tougaloo College

Office of Financial Aid Important Dates

After January 1st; Before March 15th

Any student who wishes to apply for financial aid should file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to **March 15th (priority deadline)**. You may begin filling out the FAFSA form as soon as January 1st. Tougaloo College's school code is **002439**. Request a FAFSA booklet from your high school guidance counselor or from the Financial Aid Office of the college you are currently attending. You may also go to www.fasfa.edu.gov to complete the application online, which will generate a Student Aid Report (SAR).

Mid March

The Financial Aid Office also begins mailing out "Document Tracking Letters" to all students. "Document Tracking Letters" tell the students what documents need to be turned in to the Financial Aid Office. About 80% of all students who file a FAFSA are selected for the verification process. While not all students are selected for verification, all awards are considered tentative until the verification process is complete.

Electronic award notifications to incoming first-year and transfer students are emailed in March of the calendar year.

After April 1st

Instructions on how to accept a Stafford Loan, and information on how to complete a Master Promissory Note as well as how to apply for a Parent PLUS Loan, are available after **April 1st**.

The Office of Financial Aid is "going green," which means that many of our communications will be sent electronically. Applicants should ensure that we have the most up-to-date email address, and should remember to regularly check their emails.

For additional information or if you have questions, contact the Office of Financial Aid. Our office is located on the first floor in the Blackmon Administration Building. We are available Monday through Friday, 8a.m. to 5p.m.

Maria Thomas, Director
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A College Education is an Investment . . . One That Pays Dividends the Rest of Your Life



TOUGALOO COLLEGE 2015-2016 BOARD APPROVED TUITION & FEES

TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Tuition Rate per Credit Hour: \$423.00

PER SEMESTER	Commuter	Branch Hall/ Renner Hall	Berkshire/ New Dormitory <i>(Triple & Quadruple Occupancy)</i>	New Dormitory <i>(Double Occupancy)</i>
Tuition	\$5,065.00	\$5,065.00	\$5,065.00	\$5,065.00
Room	-0-	\$1,105.00	\$1,525.00	\$2,000.00
Board	-0-	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
General Fees	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$235.00
Residential Service Fees	-0-	\$242.50	\$242.50	\$242.50
Commuter Fees	<u>\$95.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL:	\$5,395.00	\$7,847.50	\$8,267.50	\$8,742.50
 ANNUAL TOTAL	 \$10,790.00	 \$15,695.00	 \$16,535.00	 \$17,485.00

On-Line Fees: \$150.00

NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS

Tuition rate per Credit Hour: \$296.00

TOTAL HOUR	TUITION	GENERAL FEES	COMMUTER SERVICE FEES	TOTAL
0-3	\$889.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$1,218.00
4	\$1,184.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$1,514.00
5	\$1,480.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$1,810.00
6	\$1,776.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$2,106.00
7	\$2,072.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$2,402.00
8	\$2,368.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$2,698.00
9	\$2,664.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$2,994.00
10	\$2,960.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$3,290.00
11	\$3,256.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$3,586.00
12-18	\$3,552.00	\$235.00	\$95.00	\$3,882.00

GRADUATE PROGRAM FEES

Rate per Credit Hour: **\$550.00**
General Fees: **\$235.00**
Commuter Service Fees **\$95.00**

SUMMER SCHOOL FEES

Rate per Credit Hour: **\$137.00**
General Fees: **\$75.00**

DISTANCE LEARNING FEE

Rate per Credit Hour: **\$50.00**

***The fees listed above are subject to change upon approval of the Board of Trustees.**

Tuition and fees are due at registration and may be paid by American Express, MasterCard, VISA, Tuition Payment Plan, cash, check or money order. Checks and money orders should be made payable to Tougaloo College. Students are not officially enrolled until all charges have been paid. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice.



TOUGALOO COLLEGE

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NEW STUDENTS

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY:

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016

(FAX COPIES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION)

AWARD NOTIFICATIONS:

PRESIDENTIAL I, II SCHOLARSHIPS - **FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016**

PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS – **FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016**

Presidential I and II Academic Scholarships

To qualify, the prospective student must submit the following documents:

- 1) Application for Admission
- 2) Official high school transcript
- 3) Official ACT or SAT score
- 4) Notification of Acceptance Form

Upon receipt of the acceptance letter, the student must submit the following:

- 1) Scholarship Application
- 2) Verification of Leadership or Work Experience (signature required)
- 3) Verification of Community or Volunteer Service (signature required)
- 4) Two Letters of Recommendation (*Letters of recommendation should provide specific insight into the applicant's personality and/or distinguishing characteristics and may be from a principal, instructor or counselor. Letters must be typed on letterhead with original signatures.*)
- 5) Medical records
- 6) Housing Deposit - \$50.00

PRESIDENTIAL I SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal: 3.50
GPA \geq 3.50	Tuition, Fees, Room, Board,	
ACT 27+	\$300 Book Voucher, Laptop	
SAT 1220+		

PRESIDENTIAL II SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal: 3.50
GPA \geq 3.50	Tuition, Fees, Room, Board,	
ACT 24-26	\$300 Book Voucher	
SAT 1100-1220		

PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP (Application not required)

GPA	ACT	SAT	Award:	GPA Renewal:
3.49	24-36	1080	\$5,000	3.20
4.00	23	1050	\$5,000	3.20
3.50-3.99	23	1000	\$3,500	3.20
3.50-4.00	22	980	\$3,500	3.20
3.25-3.48	23-36	960	\$3,500	3.20
3.50-4.00	20-21	940	\$3,000	3.20
3.25-3.49	20-22	920	\$2,500	3.00
3.00-3.24	20-36	900	\$2,500	3.00
3.50-4.00	18-19	850	\$2,000	3.00
3.00-3.49	18-19	800	\$1,000	3.00

VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal:
Class Valedictorian	Tuition, Room, Board	3.50
Class Salutatorian	Tuition, Room, Board	3.50

NOTE: Scholarships are limited and very selective. Scholarship recipients are selected by a Scholarship Committee. If a scholarship offer is made, the award is contingent upon the grade point average and ACT/SAT score listed on the final submitted transcript.



TOUGALOO COLLEGE ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSFER STUDENTS

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY:

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016

(FAX COPIES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION)

AWARD NOTIFICATIONS:

PRESIDENTIAL I, II SCHOLARSHIPS - **FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2016**

PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS - **FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016**

Transfer Presidential I and II Academic Scholarships

The prospective student must submit the following documents:

- 1) Application for Admission
- 2) Official transcript from an accredited community college
- 3) Notification of Acceptance Form

Upon receipt of the acceptance letter, the student must submit the following:

- 1) Scholarship Application
- 2) Verification of Leadership or Work Experience (signature required)
- 3) Verification of Community or Volunteer Service (signature required)
- 4) Two Letters of Recommendation (*Letters of recommendation should provide specific insight into the applicant's personality and/or distinguishing characteristics and may be from an instructor, advisor or counselor. Letters must be typed on letterhead with original signatures.*)
- 5) Housing Deposit - \$50.00.

TRANSFER PRESIDENTIAL I SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal: 3.80
GPA \geq 3.80	Tuition, Fees, Room, Board, \$300 Book Voucher, Laptop	

TRANSFER PRESIDENTIAL II SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal: 3.50
GPA 3.50-3.79	Tuition, Fees, Room, Board, \$300 Book Voucher	

TRANSFER PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP (Application not required)

Criteria:	Award:	GPA Renewal: 3.00
GPA: 3.49-3.39	\$5,000.00	
GPA: 3.38-3.29	\$3,500.00	
GPA: 3.28-3.00	\$2,000.00	

NOTE: Scholarships are limited and very selective. Scholarship recipients are selected by a Scholarship Committee. If a scholarship offer is made, the award is contingent upon the final submitted transcript reflecting the graduation date, associate degree received, and the required grade point average.



SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

A variety of scholarships are available at Tougaloo College. They have been generously donated in honor of individuals or organizations. Each of these scholarships has specific and unique criteria. While some are available to one or more students each academic year, others are renewable and only become available after the current recipient has graduated or becomes ineligible for the scholarship. Because competition for scholarships is intense, merit scholarships are usually available only to the most outstanding new first-year students and continuing students.

Black College Dollars

www.blackcollegedollars.com/

College Funds

<http://www.collegefunds.net/>

College Xpress

www.collegeexpress.com/

Eunice Turner Foundation

www.euniceturner.org/

FastWeb Scholarship Search

www.fastweb.com/

FindTuition

<http://www.findtuition.com/>

Federal Department of Education,
Student Financial Assistance Programs

www.ed.gov/finaid.html

Magic Johnson Foundation

<http://www.magicjohnson.org/>

Mississippi Scholarships

<http://www.naas.org/>

Mississippi Student Financial Aid

www.mississippi.edu/ihl

My Free Degree

www.myfreedegree.com/

Sallie Mae Fund

www.salliemafund.org/

Scholarship America

www.scholarshipamerica.org/

Scholarship Guidance

www.scholarshipguidance.com/

Student Scholarships

<http://www.studentscholarships.org/>

The Financial Aid Information Page

www.finaid.org/

The U.S. Department of Education

Student Aid Programs

www.studentaid.ed.gov/

United Negro College Fund

[uncf.org/](http://www.uncf.org/)

(These sites are provided for resource purposes only.)



IMPORTANT NUMBERS TO KNOW

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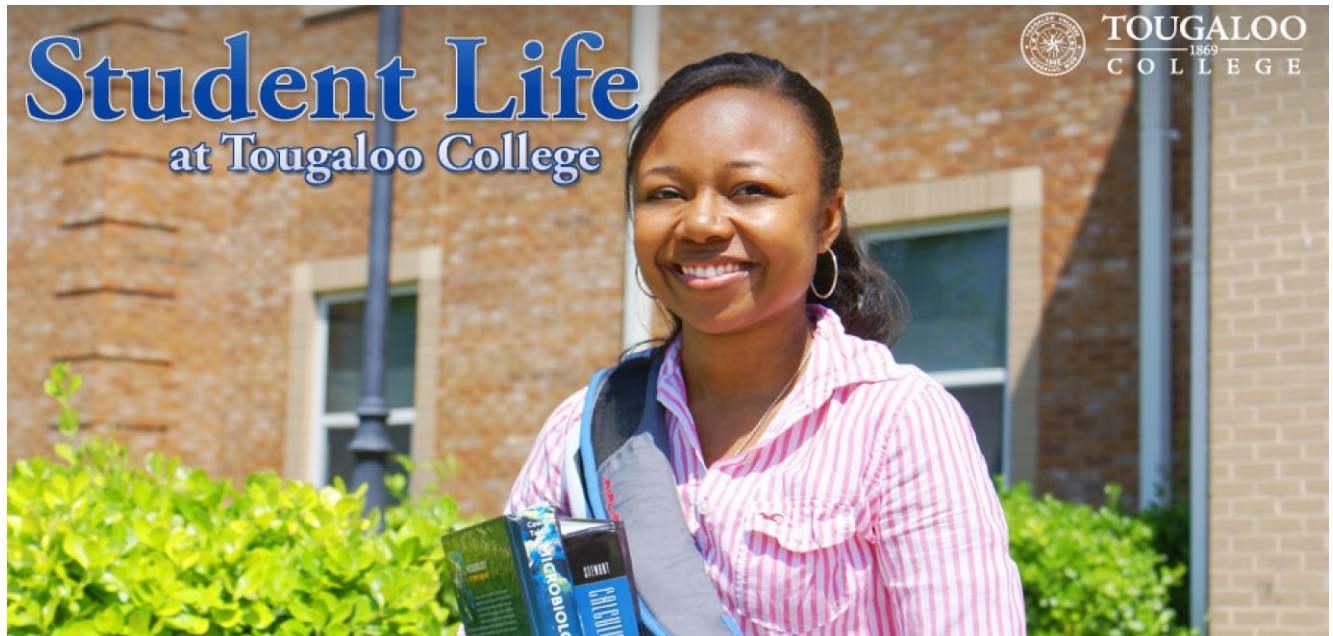
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Visit the Campus



Words and pictures give you impressions of Tougaloo, but to fully appreciate it, you need to visit us in person! We invite you to visit Tougaloo for an event or personal visit. During any of our visits or events we can make arrangements for you to eat in one of our dining facilities, attend a class or meet with professors or coaches.

Interested in bringing your school group to visit campus? Special tours can be arranged for groups of 10 or more students. We welcome this opportunity to showcase our academic programs and vibrant student community.





Campus Tour Request Form

We recommend planning your visit at least **two weeks** in advance so that we may arrange the appointments you have requested and contact you to confirm your appointment. *Required fields must be completed.

First Name*

Last Name*

Tour Group/Organization*

Email Address*

Mobile Number*

Telephone Number*

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Preferred Day/Date of Visit*

Alternate Day/Date of Visit*

Preferred Time of Visit*

a.m. / p.m.

Number of Students

Number of Adults

What would you like to do during your visit?*

- ☐ Take a campus tour ☐ Meet an Admissions Counselor ☐ Talk to a faculty member
- ☐ Sit in on a class ☐ Have lunch (\$7.16 per person/Lunch served 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.)
- ☐ Meet with a coach Indicate sport: ☐Basketball ☐Baseball ☐Tennis ☐Volleyball ☐Cross-Country
- ☐ Other (use comment field below)

Comments

Email the completed Campus Tour Request to lfields@tougaloo.edu. If you have questions, please contact Ms. LaQuanda Fields at 601-977-7772.