

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

The University of South Alabama is a thriving institution situated in the historic port city of Mobile. The fastest growing university in the state and region, USA has over 14,000 students and has awarded over 60,000 degrees. With a broad range of fully accredited graduate and undergraduate programs, the University of South Alabama offers a multitude of options for the ambitious student. An ongoing burst in new construction on campus, coupled with the university's proximity to the beautiful beaches of the gulf coast, make USA a jewel nestled in one of Alabama's largest and vibrant metropolitan areas.

THE USA MARCHING BAND

In 2007, the University of South Alabama Board of Trustees approved the formation of a football program. In conjunction with the football announcement, the Board also approved the addition of a marching band program for the Department of Music. We invite you to join us for *History in the Making*, the unique opportunity to march in USA's first ever marching band. The Marching Band will be an exciting and energetic addition to campus, performing at least 3 different shows each season to home and away football crowds, as well as exhibitions. In style, the band will follow a traditional model of a high-stepping pre-game style coupled with a modern, high-velocity glide step. The ensemble will use the finest equipment, with a matching line of brass and percussion coupled with a sharp, unique uniform. Students in our band will represent the University with class while having a great time and making memories and friends that will last a lifetime.

The Feature Twirler in the USA Marching Band is chosen to not only add visual excitement to our field shows, but also to serve as an official representative of the band and the University. The Feature Twirler serves as an ambassador at University and off-campus activities, and is expected to uphold the image and values put forth by our institution and its mission statement. This position is rewarded with a full, in-state tuition scholarship of over \$5,000. Candidates from outside the state of Alabama are welcome and encouraged to apply.

AUDITIONS

Finalists for the feature twirler position will be selected from a nationwide search conducted via video and resumé submissions. All videos and applications are due postmarked by Friday, November 21, 2008. Submissions should be mailed to:

Ward Miller, Marching Band Director
Department of Music
Laidlaw Performing Arts Center 1072
University of South Alabama
Mobile, AL 36688-0002

After reviewing all submissions, select finalists will be notified and invited to the University of South Alabama campus for a live audition. In any given year, the USA Marching Band reserves the right to select no finalists and/or no feature twirler if no applicant is deemed an appropriate candidate.