

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Centers

Center for Sustainability. The UNA Center for Sustainability is a unique interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary organization that fosters pedagogy, research and scholarship, awareness, and development initiatives in all aspects of sustainability. The Center is inclusive of the broadest range of disciplines, and draws strength and credibility through its diversity. The Center includes learning and understanding of sustainability issues at the local, state, national and global scales and seeks their solutions. We seek to learn how to learn and make decisions in our rapidly-changing world. The Center works with all elements of the academic and surrounding community, including students, faculty, and staff to promote an understanding and awareness of sustainability issues by coordinating informational presentations and promoting energy and water conservation, waste minimization, recycling, sustainable building and landscape design, alternative transportation, and procurement of green products.

Centre for British Studies. The UNA Centre for British Studies promotes research and teaching in all aspects of British life: cultural, political, social, and intellectual. The CBS advocates an interdisciplinary approach to British Studies by bringing together scholars and apprentice scholars in the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, and related fields. The UNA Centre for British Studies seeks to promote greater understanding amongst the university community and academic community both at home and abroad by facilitating contacts amongst all who take an interest in Britain.

Entertainment Industry Center. The Entertainment Industry Center (EIC) serves as the outreach component of UNA's Department of Entertainment Industry (DEI). Through the EIC, the University operates the Mane Room, a versatile performance and meeting venue in downtown Florence; provides performance opportunities for students and guest performers; and maintains ties to entertainment businesses locally, nationally, and internationally.

Freddie Wood Geographic Research Center. The Center, a research, teaching and public service unit of the Department of Geography, has a three-fold purpose. It enhances the instructional programs of the University, creates research opportunities for students and faculty, and extends benefits of the technology and research to potential users.

Public History Center. The Public History Center serves as the consulting branch of the Public History Program. Additionally, the Public History Center staff participates in community outreach projects.

Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Center. The Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Center promotes a multidisciplinary, collaborative research community. The Center encourages and facilitates interdisciplinary collaboration between faculty, performs research, provides students with applied research experience, and provides consultation and program evaluation to agencies in the community.

Laboratories

Herbarium and Plant Resources Research Laboratory. The focus of the Laboratory is to maintain in the Department of Biology a complete plant collection for use by students and faculty as an instructional and research resource. It also serves as a historical record of the

plant species that occur in northwestern Alabama, northeastern Mississippi and south-central Tennessee. The Laboratory functions in the identification and/or verification of unknown plant material, promotes public awareness of rare and/or endangered species, and conducts environmental impact studies and floristic surveys. In addition, continuing education courses and workshops in plant studies may be offered to the public.

Occupational and Environmental Health Laboratory. The Laboratory offers unparalleled opportunities for student participation in actual industrial hygiene case studies and other relevant health and environmental studies. Opportunities exist for faculty and students to participate in cooperative education programs with federal agencies and local industries as a public service of the Department of Chemistry and Industrial Hygiene.

Program: Critical Languages Program. Under the auspices of the National Association of Self-Instructional Language Programs (<http://www.nasilp.net>), the Department of Foreign Languages offers foundation courses in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian, Swahili and Turkish utilizing native-speaker language partners in the classroom, and external examiners who administer the final exams. Numerous resources for languages taught in the Critical Languages Program are available in the Foreign Language Lab located in Wesleyan Hall Room 305.

Certificates

- Certificate in Applied Behavior Analysis (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-applied-behavior-analysis>)
- Certificate in Art History (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-art-history>)
- Certificate in Business Geographic Information Systems (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-business-geographic-information-systems>)
- Certificate in Child Welfare Practice (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-child-welfare-practice>)
- Certificate in Community Development and Planning Geographic Information Systems (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-community-development-planning-geographic-information-systems>)
- Certificate in Environmental Geographic Information Systems (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-environmental-geographic-information-systems>)
- Certificate in Family Life Education (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-family-life-education>)
- Certificate in Fine Arts – 2D and 3D (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-fine-arts-2d-3d>)
- Certificate in Geographic Information Systems (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-geographic-information-systems>)

- Certificate in Gerontology (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-gerontology>)
- Certificate in Global Studies (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-global-studies>)
- Certificate in Graphic Design (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-graphic-design>)
- Certificate in Photography (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-photography>)
- Certificate in Professional Writing (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-professional-writing>)
- Certificate in Public History (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-public-history>)
- Certificate in Religious Studies (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-religious-studies>)
- Certificate in Security and Emergency Management (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-sem>)
- Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/certificate-tesol>)
- Law Enforcement Academic Certificate (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/law-enforcement-academic-certificate>)
- Sports and Entertainment Management Certificate (<https://catalog.una.edu/undergraduate/colleges-programs/arts-sciences/special-programs-activities/sports-entertainment-management-certificate>)