



## “Developing Today’s Leaders for Tomorrow’s Success” 2008-2009 Agenda

Session	Date	Time	Topics
1	Fri.-Sat. Aug 15-16	1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p>Friday, August 15 Moore Hall, MSU Campus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Myers-Briggs Personality Assessment – <i>Ronnie White</i> (1:00-2:00)</li> <li>• <b>Team Building</b> – <i>Culinary Exercise</i> – <i>Chef Roland Parry</i> (2:00-6:00)</li> <li>• <b>Supper</b> (6:00-7:00)</li> <li>• <b>Public Speaking Skills</b> – <i>Wendy Brewer</i> (7:00-8:00)</li> <li>• <b>Overview of the FORUM Class</b> – <i>Alan Barefield</i> (8:00-9:00)</li> <li>• <b>Overview of Starkville/Oktibbeha County</b> (1:00-5:00)</li> </ul> <p>Saturday, August 16 TVA Service Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Colors (working with different personalities)</b> – <i>Ann Sansing, Bonnie Carew, Rachael Carter</i> (8:00-11:00)</li> <li>• <b>Leadership Principles</b> (11:00-12:00)</li> <li>• <b>Interpersonal Skills</b> (1:00-2:00)</li> <li>• <b>Overview of Starkville/Oktibbeha County</b> (2:00-4:00)</li> <li>• <b>Discussion with former class members about individual and group projects.</b></li> </ul>
2	Thursday Sept. 25	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Conflict Management Theory &amp; Practice</b> <b>Debating An Issue; Agreeing to Disagree</b> Regions Bank <i>Steve Smutko, North Carolina State University</i></p>
3	Thursday Oct. 23	1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<p><b>Community Strategic Planning/Vision-to-Action</b> <b>Performance Measures and Evaluation</b> <b>Add Specific Community Issues to Presentation</b> Memorial Hall, MSU <i>Alan Barefield</i></p> <p style="color: blue;"><b>(Individual Research Project Topics Due)</b> <b>(Assign Individual Research Project Oral Report Dates)</b></p>
4	Thursday Nov 13 *	12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Community &amp; Economic Development Theory &amp; Practice</b> <b>The State Perspective on Community and Economic Development</b> <i>Phil Pepper, Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning</i></p>
5	Thursday Dec 11 *	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<p><b>Indepth Analysis of Starkville/Oktibbeha County Social and Economic Sectors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Economic Development and State of Local Economy</b> – <i>Al Myles, Garen Evans, Alan Barefield, Kirk Schulz</i></li> <li>• <b>Education</b></li> <li>• <b>Community Organizations</b></li> <li>• <b>Senior Citizens</b> – <i>Bonnie Carew, Ann Sansing</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Team Projects Work Session</b> (5:00-7:00)</p> <p><b>Bost Auditorium</b></p>

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6	Thursday Jan 8 *	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Building Strategic Community Partnerships; Vision-to-Action Opportunities and Challenges of Being a University Community</b> <i>Phil Hardwick, Stennis Institute of Government</i>  <b>(Brief Description of Team Projects Due)</b>
7	Thursday Jan 22 *	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Working with the Media</b> – <i>Ned Browning, Aundrea Self, Nicole Thomas (3:00-5:00)</i>  <b>Facilitating a Public Deliberation (Emphasis on the February Southern Growth Policies Board Forum)</b> – <i>Alan Barefield (5:00-7:00)</i>
8	Thursday Feb 19	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Southern Growth Policies Board Forum</b>  <i>Partnership with the Mississippi Community Action Team</i>
9	Wed-Thurs Mar 4-5	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<b>How Our Government Works; Jackson Tour</b> <i>P.C. McLaurin</i> <i>Secretary of State, State Auditor, Ethics Commission, Superintendent of Education, State Treasurer, Insurance Commissioner, Supreme Court, Finance and Administration Commissioner, State Capitol Visit, Transportation Commissioner, Legislative Visits, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce, State Health Officer, Attorney General</i>
10	Thursday Mar 26 *	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Local Government/Issues</b>  <b>Starkville/Oktibbeha County Planning Issues</b>  <b>(Proposals of Team Projects Due)</b>
11	Thursday Apr 23	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Public Issues Forum</b> <i>Panelists to be Determined</i>
12	Thursday May 14 *	3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Cultural Diversity Theory &amp; Application</b>  <b>First Impressions Visit Training</b> <i>Virgil Culver (Mississippi Community Action Team)</i>
13	Thursday June 4	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>First Impressions Visit</b> – <i>Virgil Culver (Mississippi Community Action Team)</i>
14	TBA	TBA	<b>Create Foundation's State of the Region Meeting</b> (Tupelo)
15	TBA	6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	<b>Community Project Presentations; Graduation</b>

**\* Dates for Individual Project Oral Reports**