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Pathway USA expands to Pensacola State College

The University of South Alabama today announced that Pensacola State College has become part of “Pathway USA,” a collaborative program between the University of South Alabama and select community and state colleges that creates a seamless transition to USA for transfer students who earn their associate’s degree.

Pensacola State is the first Florida College System institution to join the program. The academic partnership will enable more PSC graduates to transfer to USA and earn their bachelor’s degrees from the university.

“The University of South Alabama has historically enjoyed a mutually beneficial relationship with Pensacola State College, and Pathway USA is a natural outgrowth of our relationship,” said USA President Dr. Tony Waldrop. “Both institutions are strongly committed to helping students achieve their degrees in a timely manner and with a minimum of expense. Today’s agreement is an important step in enhancing those goals.”

South currently enjoys similar partnerships with Coastal Alabama Community College, Bishop State Community College and Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

“Pathway USA’s agreement with Pensacola State College takes effect immediately and is geared toward students who are not admitted at USA as well as students who may simply prefer to begin their college education at PSC,” said PSC President Ed Meadows.

These students may choose to have a copy of their USA application and supporting documents forwarded to PSC for admission consideration. Students already attending

PSC may also apply for Pathway USA. A unique application will be created and available for PSC students to complete and submit.

PSC students who enter the Pathway USA program will have unique benefits, such as:

- Guaranteed admission to USA upon successful completion (cumulative grade-point average of 2.0 or higher) of the associate's degree
- A USA academic advisor assigned to them who will provide individual guidance on course selection and map out degree plans
- Special discounts through USA's Jaguar Productions
- Complimentary admission to South Alabama home athletic events

For more information on Pathway USA, contact Sheila Nichols, PSC Executive Director of Marketing and Communications, at (850)484-1428 or snichols@pensacolastate.edu or contact USA's Admissions Office at (251)460-7834 or Recruitment@southalabama.edu.

About the University of South Alabama

The University of South Alabama is a global teaching and research university that provides nearly 15,000 students with an exceptional education in business, the liberal arts, education, engineering, computing, the sciences and health care. USA's commitment to student success includes small class sizes and hands-on research opportunities in 100 undergraduate, graduate and doctoral degree programs offered through nine academic colleges and schools. South also provides advanced and innovative health care through the USA Health system. For more information, visit the University of South Alabama website, www.southalabama.edu.

About Pensacola State College

Pensacola State College is a public, comprehensive state college that was founded as Pensacola Junior College in 1948. As the oldest and largest college in the Panhandle, PSC serves traditional and nontraditional students in Northwest Florida and Southern Alabama. Current enrollment is over 12,000 students. PSC is widely recognized as a premier, student-friendly college that competes with the best – offering more than 100 programs, state-of-the-art resources, a stellar faculty, and is nationally ranked in the top one percent in affordable tuition. For more information, visit www.pensacolastate.edu.