



COME HOME TO CAROLINA...

It's time to join your friends!

Join the Carolina Alumni Association and join more than 30,000 like-minded friends of USC throughout South Carolina and around the world who are always home in the growing, *global* Carolina community.

- Alumni Clubs • Gamecock Network • Career Center • Pre-season Preview Parties
 - Alumni Insurance Program • Kaplan Courses • Carolina Travelers • Alumni Legacy Program
- ...there's something for everyone who joins the Carolina Alumni Association.*

My
Carolina
Alumni Association



YOU BELONG IN MY CAROLINA

Your Carolina Alumni Association promotes a lifelong connection to Carolina and offers a long list of benefits, but the main focus is the great times, the great friends, and the greater good of Carolina. Membership is open to all alumni of the University of South Carolina (and anyone who has earned at least 15 credit hours at Carolina).

With year-round events, programs, and activities, your Carolina Alumni Association has something for everyone!

**Considering a career change?
Moving to a new city? Seeking
scholarships for your nieces,
nephews or children?**

As a member of the Carolina Alumni Association, you'll receive discounts on career counseling, free membership in your local alumni club, and eligibility for the \$500 Alumni Legacy Scholarship. With alumni interest groups ranging from Carolina Centurions (graduates of more than 50 years) to the Young Alumni Council (graduates of less than 10 years) and Black Alumni Council, you're sure to find something that's right for you.



Take Pride in our Carolina Community.

Here are some of the pride-worthy accomplishments each Carolina Alumni Association member can proudly call their own:

- Carolina is the top-ranked public university for academics in the Southeastern Conference, according to the *Princeton Review's* The Best 357 Colleges.
- Carolina's International Business graduate program is once again the top-ranked public university program in the country, according to *US News & World Report*. It marks the 15th consecutive year that the program in the Moore School of Business has been ranked No. 1 or 2.
- Athletes with Carolina ties took home seven medals at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens.
- Carolina is now a smoke-free campus.
- Carolina bucked the national trend of declining SAT scores as the 2006 freshman class averaged a school record 1171, improving seven points from the previous year.
- Carolina researchers are in the frontlines in the fight against cancer with recent genetic discoveries and cancer disparity findings.





MY CAROLINA MEMBER BENEFITS

Here is a brief look at the member benefits you receive as a Carolina Alumni Association member. For more information about My Carolina programs and activities, visit our web site at www.CarolinaAlumni.org.

FIVE COMPELLING REASONS TO JOIN TODAY!

1. **Get news on university enhancements** and updates on the lives of former classmates.
2. **Foster the education of students** through recruitment efforts and alumni scholarships.
3. **Show the little Gamecocks in your life with complimentary birthday cards** and gifts from Cocky.
4. **Network and socialize with fellow alumni and friends** of Carolina through our online network and many programs and events.
5. **Enjoy numerous discounts** on university merchandise and other services!

JOIN TODAY AND BEGIN ENJOYING THESE BENEFITS!

- Subscription to the **Carolinian** magazine, which features university news, alumni profiles and campus activities
 - **Gamecock Network**, the premiere online social and professional experience for Carolina alumni
 - **Alumni Legacy Program** membership that fosters Carolina spirit in the youngsters in your life with free cards and gifts from Cocky (Free to members who can sign up multiple children, grandchildren, nieces and/or nephews. Requires enrollment.)
 - Invitations to **exclusive pre-season preview parties for Carolina athletics**, featuring coaches Tanner, Spurrier and Odom
 - Free area **Alumni Club** membership that includes game-viewing parties, freshmen send-off receptions and networking
 - **Member gifts** at several Alumni Association and select university campus and sporting events throughout the year.
- **Online directory** for quick access to old friends
 - **Priority for available football and basketball tickets** after the Gamecock Club and before the general public
 - **Inn at USC** discount – (803) 777-8724
 - Participation in **Carolina Travelers** programs
 - Access to **Thomas Cooper Library**
 - Access to the **Blatt P.E. Center** (\$3 per visit, \$250 per year)
 - **Alumni Legacy Scholarship** for entering freshmen (\$500 first-come, first-served for academically qualified children and grandchildren of members)
 - Participation in the Carolina Alumni Association **VISA card program**, the only card that supports the Gamecocks
 - **Liberty Mutual Insurance** discounts – (800) 837-5249
 - **CFS Affinity Services** student loan consolidation – (866) 724-1740
 - Life and Health Insurance Coverage (including short-term medical) through the **Alumni Insurance Program** – (800) 922-1245
 - **Kaplan courses** – (800) KAP-TEST
 - **Hotel discounts** at a variety of establishments – (800) 258-2847
 - **Avis** rental car discounts – (800) 831-8000
 - Discounts on Carolina logo merchandise and clothing purchased from **Addam's Bookstore, SC Bookstore** and **Russell House Bookstore** (mail order service available for Russell House Bookstore)
 - **Career Center** discounts
 - Discount on courses offered through the **Wine and Beverage Institute at Carolina**
 - **Capstone Conference Center**

ALUMNI PROGRAMS

Young Alumni Council

YAC is an all-volunteer group dedicated to making the association important to new graduates. Two traditional events, the annual Young Alumni Golf Tournament and the Fall Sports Preview Party, plus an etiquette dinner to mentor student members of Garnet Circle, the association's honorary student organization, keep new graduates involved.

Black Alumni Council

BAC is a special interest group that sponsors several activities, including a jazz social and tailgate party during Homecoming and the Richard T. Greener Scholarship.

Richland-Lexington Alumni Club

The Rich-Lex Alumni Club, as it is known among members, resembles a special interest group of the Alumni Association because of the large number of alumni who live in the greater Columbia metropolitan area and sponsors events throughout the year.

Alumni Club Network

For alumni living outside of the greater Columbia metropolitan area, the Alumni Association sponsors a network of some 40 clubs designed to maintain graduates' connection to Carolina. Clubs sponsor activities like game viewing parties and community service projects on a monthly basis.

Legacy Program

The Alumni Association's Legacy Program sends birthday cards and gifts to the children and grandchildren of members of the Alumni Association, from newborns through age 18.

Centurions

The Carolina Centurions, approximately 3,500 Alumni Association members who graduated 50 or more years ago, sponsor special events for senior Carolinians.

Alumni University

Alumni University offers alumni the opportunity to return to campus and participate in special learning opportunities, guided by the best professors on a variety of topics and that are fascinating educational experiences not to be missed.

To join, use the application form on the next page. Be sure to include the name of the person who referred or encouraged you to join so they receive reward points for helping us to get new members. Plus, you'll get points too!



JOIN TODAY!

REFERRED BY A FELLOW MEMBER?

Did someone refer or encourage you to join? If so, please include this person's name here so they receive reward points for participating in our Every-Member-Get-A-Member campaign:

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(803) 777-4111 • (800) 476-8752 (Toll Free) • (803) 777-6263 (Fax) • www.CarolinaAlumni.org

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

FULL NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____

JOINT MEMBER NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

AAID* _____

*AAID: Alumni Association ID number (replaced the Social Security Number for identification by the Alumni Association). You can find this number on your membership card or on any mailing label from the Association -- usually 4-6 numbers. If you don't know your AAID number, use your student ID number.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE

- \$45 Annual Single
- \$55 Annual Joint*
- \$175 Five Year Single (save \$50)
- \$200 Five Year Joint* (save \$75)
- \$800 Life Member Single
- \$1000 Life Member Joint*
- \$400 Centurion Life
- \$500 Centurion Life Joint*

NEW GRADUATE:

- \$30 Graduate Single*
- \$40 Graduate Joint*

*Membership Eligibility: Joint membership is available to two individuals living at the same address. New graduate membership is available to individuals joining within three years of graduation date. Carolina Centurions membership is available to individuals over the age 70 or 50 years from graduation date.

**For information on life membership payment plans,
call 803-777-4111 or 800-476-8752.**

PAYMENT METHOD

- Check
- Visa
- MasterCard

MAIL OR FAX COMPLETED FORM TO:

Carolina Alumni Association
Membership Department
Attn: EMGAM Campaign
1600 Hampton St. Annex, Suite 305
Columbia, SC 29208

CREDIT CARD NUMBER: _____

EXP. DATE _____

SIGNATURE: _____

FAX: (803) 777-6263

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