Mechanical College. A & M received accreditation as a junior college in 1928 and as a four-year institution in 1940.

Arkansas A & M became part of the University of Arkansas system July 1, 1971 and its mission expanded to serve the needs of the state, region, and nation. On July 1, 2003 the University of Arkansas at Monticello again expanded its mission to include technical education with the merger of the Forest Echoes Technical Institute and the Great Rivers Technical Institute becoming, respectively, the UAM College of Technology at Crossett and the UAM College of Technology at McGehee.

The University of Arkansas System Board of Trustees governs the University of Arkansas at Monticello. The University of Arkansas at Monticello Board of Visitors aids in the continuing development of the University and furnishes counsel, guidance, and recommendations for the University. Its diverse membership, appointed by the Governor of the State of Arkansas, is representative of the Southeast Arkansas region.

Accreditation

The University of Arkansas at Monticello is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (a commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools), the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, the National Association of Schools of Music, the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, the Society of American Foresters and the Council on Social Work Education.

Technical programs have been approved by the Arkansas State Board of Nursing and the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education.

The University offers certificates of proficiency, technical certificates, associate, baccalaureate, and master's degree programs. Documents concerning accreditation are available for review upon request to the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs on the Monticello campus; the Vice Chancellor for the UAM College of Technology at Crossett; or the Vice Chancellor for the UAM College of Technology at McGehee.

Mission

The mission of the University of Arkansas at Monticello is to serve the needs of the state, region, and nation by providing quality educational opportunities in the form of associate, baccalaureate, and master's degree programs. The University strives to provide an environment that fosters individual achievement and personal development.

The University of Arkansas at Monticello seeks to fulfill its mission by:

1. Offering quality educational opportunities in the form of associate, baccalaureate, and master's degree preparation, as well as certification in a variety of vocational/technical programs, or workforce training;
2. Offering a well-rounded program of general education designed to broaden and enrich students' awareness of the world around them;
3. Providing contemporary curricula which prepare students for careers in selected fields, for personal development, and for meeting societal needs;
4. Strengthening students' capabilities as thoughtful contributors to society by encouraging them to take personal responsibility and seeking the benefits of life-long learning;
5. Providing support programs which increase the probability of success for those students needing additional academic preparation to meet college standards;
6. Assisting students in developing interpersonal skills needed by responsible and productive members of society;
7. Providing viable programs of public service, continuing education in selected areas, and cooperative programs with other educational institutions;
8. Promoting research programs which strengthen the institution and contribute new information to the existing body of knowledge and the extension of knowledge to serve the public;
9. Providing cultural and aesthetic experiences that will serve to enhance appreciation of the arts;
10. Maintaining regional and national recognition of the institution and its academic and technical programs by continuing to meet the standards of accrediting bodies, available but yet to be achieved; and;
11. Preparing students to live and work in a technological and global society.

Assessment

Assessment for the University of Arkansas at Monticello is a process leading to improvement in the institution and in the quality educational programs it offers. Assessment occurs at the individual, class, program, academic unit, and university levels. Evaluations of these assessments are used to enhance student learning outcomes and University outcomes. Students can expect assessments throughout their educational experience.

Because UAM students are expected to become productive citizens, assessment of student learning outcomes is significant. Faculty assess the extent to which students have learned to synthesize knowledge, communicate effectively, use knowledge and technology with intelligence and responsibility, and act creatively within their own and other cultures. Students assess coursework, teaching, and other services of the University, lending a voice to improving not only their own educational experience but also the experiences of other students.

All students, faculty, and staff who participate in assessment...
and evaluation are expected to be open and honest in an effort to improve the institution and its educational programs.

**Academic Degrees, Majors, Technical Certificates, and Certificates of Proficiency Programs**

Degrees, majors, and technical certificates are listed below. Consult the Academic Units section of this catalog for course requirements of individual programs of study.

**Associate of Applied Science**
- Crime Scene Investigation
- General Technology
- Industrial Technology
- Law Enforcement Administration
- Nursing (LPN to RN)

**Associate of Arts**

**Associate of Science**
- Land Surveying Technology

**Bachelor of Arts**
- Art
- Communication
- English
- Health and Physical Education, non-licensure
- History
- Middle Childhood Education
- Modern Languages
- Music
- P-4 Early Childhood Education
- Political Science

**Bachelor of Applied Science**

**Bachelor of Business Administration**
- Accounting
- Business Administration

**Bachelor of General Studies**

**Bachelor of Music Education**

**Bachelor of Science**
- Agriculture
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Information Systems
- Criminal Justice
- Forest Resources
- Health and Physical Education
- P-12
- Non-licensure
- Exercise Science
- Mathematics
- Natural Science
- Psychology
- Spatial Information Systems
- Teaching and Learning

**Bachelor of Science in Nursing**

**Bachelor of Social Work**

**Master of Arts in Teaching – Online**

**Master of Education – Online**
- Education
- Educational Leadership

**Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing – Online**

**Masters of Physical Education and Coaching – Online**

**Master of Science**
- Forest Resources

**Pre-Professional Studies**
- The University’s faculty provides courses to prepare students in numerous professional programs. These programs include:
  - Pre-Veterinary
  - Pre-Engineering
  - Allied Health, Pre-Dentistry, Pre-Medicine, Pre-Pharmacy
  - Pre-Law

**Advanced Technical Certificate**
- Electromechanical Technology – Instrumentation

**Technical Certifications**
- Administrative Office Technology
- Automotive Service Technology
- Computer Maintenance/Networking
- Correctional Law Enforcement
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Early Childhood Education
- Electromechanical Technology
- Emergency Medical Technology (EMT)
- Health Information Technology
- Health Professions
- Heavy Equipment Operator
  - Construction
  - Timber Production