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More Alabama students choose UAH as freshman class grows for third consecutive year

UAH welcomed 1,276 new freshmen from 38 states for Fall 2026, with the first-year class growing for the third consecutive year and bringing the strongest academic credentials in recent UAH history. The incoming class has an average ACT score of 27 and average GPA of 4.0

Overall, UAH's Fall 2026 enrollment reached 8,413 students, with growth among both new undergraduate and graduate students.

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UAH secures nearly $1 million to improve drought and water monitoring across the Southeast

UAH researchers have received two federal research awards totaling nearly $1 million to improve understanding of drought, water availability and agricultural water use across the Southeast. Led by Alabama State Climatologist Dr. Lee Ellenburg, the projects will examine how rainfall is retained in the landscape and how water moves from soil and vegetation into the atmosphere, helping inform drought monitoring and water-resource decisions.

“Both of these projects are really about improving how we understand and monitor water availability in the Southeast,” Ellenburg says. “We live in a region that receives a lot of rainfall, but that doesn’t necessarily mean that water is available when and where it’s needed.”

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UAH Constellation Concerts offer wide variety of sounds

The fall 2026 Constellation Concert series brings a diverse mix of string and reed performances to UAH, from Beethoven and contemporary classical works to a classical take on hip-hop. The series continues Nov. 13 with Ritual Action Reed Trio and Guests, featuring a newly commissioned work by Huntsville native Daniel Pesca, followed by Rocket City Reed Day for area middle and high school students.

“We’re particularly excited about playing ‘Hip-Hop Etudes,’” says Dr. Julie Haring, instructor of violin and music history at UAH. “It’s classical music because we’re playing three classical instruments, but there are different rhythms and styles from hip-hop.”

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GradFest kicks off Fall 2026 graduation celebrations

Fall 2026 graduates can celebrate the start of their final countdown at GradFest Kickoff, sponsored by the UAH Alumni Association.

GradFest Kickoff Dates:

- **Tuesday, Oct. 13: 3–6 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, Oct. 14: 11 a.m.–2 p.m.**

While picking up their cap and gown, students can grab a free Class of 2026 T-shirt, enjoy celebration cake, take photos and browse new alumni merchandise at the UAH Bookstore. Students should check their email for details and a link to RSVP.

The excitement will continue across campus in the weeks leading up to Commencement, with colleges and university units hosting special events to recognize the Class of 2026 and celebrate all they have accomplished.

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UAH's new Executive MBA

UAH's new Executive MBA is a 16-month, accelerated, flexible cohort-based program designed for working professionals, with courses taught by seasoned business leaders and industry-connected faculty. Click the link below to join the inaugural cohort.

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Temple Grandin comes to UAH Oct. 8

UAH will welcome acclaimed autism advocate, academic and author Dr.

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will share her perspective on autism education during the event, followed by a question-and-answer session and book signing.

The event is co-hosted by the Regional Autism Network (RAN) at UAH, Autism Support of Alabama and Future Horizons. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.

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UAH Women's Basketball to face Alabama on Oct. 15

Women's Basketball will face Alabama in a Ballin in Boutwell exhibition game on Thursday, Oct. 15, at historic Boutwell Auditorium in Birmingham. Tipoff is scheduled for noon CT.

"UAH Women's Basketball is honored to be participating in Ballin in Boutwell," UAH head coach Allen Sharpe said. "This is a tremendous opportunity to continue to gain relevance and attention for our program. We are grateful to the University of Alabama and Knight-Eady for this opportunity."

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Ready to apply to UAH? Applications are open!

Thinking about becoming a Charger, or do you know someone who would be a great fit for UAH? Applications for Fall 2027 are open now! Here are some important dates to keep in mind:

- October 1: FAFSA applications open
- October 5-9: Alabama Free Application Week - for both undergraduate and graduate applicants!
- November 14: UAH At A Glance

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Save the Date: Holiday Jazz 2026

The UAH Department of Music, Theatre and Film will once again kick off the holiday season with Holiday Jazz, a festive evening featuring food, drinks and a variety of performances by students and faculty. The event will take place on **Thursday, Dec. 3,** on the UAH campus. Don't miss your chance to be a part of this holiday favorite! Watch for details coming soon!

Click the link below to check out a list of other upcoming events across campus!

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