For almost a century the University of Memphis has been a catalyst for progress in the city of Memphis, the state of Tennessee and the surrounding Mid-South region. From its inception as a normal school dedicated to the education of public school teachers, to its role today as an educator of technologically-savvy graduates who face a complex world, the University of Memphis has always fulfilled its current mission while looking forward to and planning for its future.

Exceptional students from Tennessee, from every other state in the nation and from almost 100 countries around the world choose to attend the University of Memphis. They come here on the recommendation of their major professors at European universities; they come here to study subjects that are offered nowhere else; they come to study alongside men and women who are recognized and respected throughout the academic and scientific communities as foremost in their fields.

Ever forward-looking, the University of Memphis is poised to enter one of its most historic and productive periods. From the faculty and staff we have in place to our alumni and benefactors, our “people assets” have never been more willing, able and generous in their efforts to build an academic environment that makes a life-long impact on the young minds at the U of M.
Fogelman College of Business and Economics is ranked by Princeton Review as one of the 143 Best Business Schools of 2005.

Our graduate program in discrete mathematics and combinatorics was ranked one of the top 15 programs nationally by U.S. News and World Report in 2006.

Loewenberg School of Nursing students had over a 97 percent passage rate on the December 2005 state licensure exam.

Our audiology program is ranked 8th and speech-language pathology is ranked 13th in the nation by U.S. News and World Report.

For more than a decade, the pass rate on the bar exam for graduates of the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law has exceeded state averages.

Our Center for Earthquake Research and Information (CERI) is among the leading earthquake research organizations in the United States.

The U of M has 24 Chairs of Excellence, more than any other university in Tennessee. A Chair of Excellence is a state-designated, definitive authority in his or her field of study.

Researchers from the Institute for Egyptian Art and Archaeology unearthed a tomb in Egypt’s Valley of the Kings in December 2005, the first discovery in the area since King Tutankhamen’s tomb in 1922.

The University of Memphis has raised more than $700,000 for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital since the Up 'til Dawn fund-raising program was implemented in 1999, making the U of M the largest collegiate contributor to St. Jude ever.

The Institute of Egyptian Art and Archaeology is home to the largest public collection of Egyptian antiquities in the South.

Researchers in the U of M’s Institute for Intelligent Systems are developing intelligent computer tutors that are currently helping students learn physics and reading strategies.

More than 50 judges in the State of Tennessee are graduates of the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law.
Dr. Shirley C. Raines became the 11th president of the University of Memphis on July 1, 2001. She is the first woman to hold the presidency of the University, which was founded in 1912.

Before her appointment at the University of Memphis, Dr. Raines was Vice Chancellor for Academic Services and Dean of the College of Education at the University of Kentucky. While at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, she received the Distinguished Faculty Member award and has received two research awards from the Eastern Educational Research Association. She is the author of 14 books and numerous journal articles, and is widely regarded as an expert in teacher education and early childhood education.

Dr. Shirley C. Raines
University President

During the years of Dr. Raines' tenure at the University of Memphis, the following building projects have been completed: the FedEx Institute of Technology, the Kemmons Wilson School of Hospitality and Resort Management, the Student Activities Plaza and fountain, the clock tower, University Services Building with new bookstore, the Athletic Training Facility, additions to the Carpenter Student Housing Complex, and the renovation of Wilder Tower, which is devoted to student services. New construction ventures underway include renovation of the former Millington Naval Hospital to classrooms for the University’s Millington Campus, a new student center and the relocation of the Law School to a historic downtown location on the Mississippi river.

Described in The Memphis Commercial Appeal as “powerful, prepared and personable,” she has become known for her effective work in building productive partnerships on and off the campus. Some of the most visible partnerships include those with FedEx Corporation, Methodist LeBonheur Healthcare, First Tennessee and Baptist Memorial Health Care. Major focus areas of her work with students include expanding the University’s Honors program and creating internships and co-op experiences in many majors.

Dr. Raines is one of 12 college presidents on the board for the NCAA and chairs the Presidential Task Force Oversight and Monitoring Group and continues with the C-USA board. While Chair of the Board of Directors of C-USA, Dr. Raines led the conference through realignment. As a community leader, she serves as the past chair of the Memphis Regional Chamber of Commerce and on the board of directors of several non-profit organizations, including Memphis Tomorrow, local PBS station WKNO, and the Higher Education Division of United Way. The April 2007 issue of Business TN, included her on the magazine’s list of the 100 most powerful people in Tennessee.

Dr. Raines earned her Doctorate in Education and her Master of Science degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Her Bachelor of Science degree is from the University of Tennessee at Martin. She also completed the Management Development Program from the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

A native of Bells, Tenn., she is married to retired professor, Dr. Robert J. Canady. In his retirement, he is a stained glass artist and a private pilot. Bob and Shirley are the parents of four adult children and three grandchildren.

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R.C. Johnson, who has worked for 33 years in athletic administration and previously served as athletic director at Temple University, was named the Director of Athletics at the University of Memphis on December 29, 1995.

Johnson came aboard in February of 1996 and immediately set forth in bringing University of Memphis Tiger athletics into national prominence. Over the last 11-plus years, the dynamic administrator has structured one of the most successful coaching staffs in the history of Tiger athletics and continues to strive for athletic and academic excellence while recognizing the importance of building strong university and community ties.

Since his arrival, Johnson has hired such high-profile coaches as former Clemson head football coach Tommy West and former New Jersey Nets and UMass head basketball coach John Calipari. In addition, several of his most recent hires have garnered success in just a short period of time. Daron Schoenrock led the Tiger baseball team to the 2007 NCAA Regional Tournament for the first time in 13 years last season, while women’s golf coach Jenny Bruun and track coach Kevin Robinson both earned C-USA Coach of the Year honors in 2007. Bruun’s Lady Tigers won the C-USA title this season, and Stacy Tate earned a berth in the NCAA Championships. Robinson, a former Tiger assistant who Johnson promoted to head coach over both track programs, led his squad to the 2007 C-USA men’s track championship and qualified Gai Lee and Stefan Nerdal for the NCAA championship event.

Johnson is currently spearheading his second major capital campaign which will benefit nearly every area of the Tiger Athletic Department. Included in the $12.9 million project is a new addition to the Athletic Office Building, the newly-completed softball complex, an approaching redesign of the Tiger baseball stadium, a golf practice facility, a renovation of the Finch Center men’s basketball practice facility and a Hall of Fame to honor Tiger athletes. Johnson’s first capital campaign was previously the largest fund-raising effort in the history of Memphis athletics. The $8 million campaign included a new 8,000-square-foot football and basketball office complex addition, a new basketball practice facility which is still considered one of the best in the country, and a complete renovation of the Murphy Athletic Complex.

During his tenure, Johnson has created the Athletic Director’s Honor Roll, the Tiger Scholarship Fund Board of Directors and the Athletic Director’s Ambassador’s Club. The Ambassador’s Club, which started with two members in 1997, has reached an all-time high of 24 members under Johnson. A significant revenue source for Tiger Athletics, members of the Ambassador’s Club pledge to commit $500,000.

In June 2007, Johnson inked a lucrative long-term contract extension with Learfield Sports, which would enable Tiger Sports Properties to retain the multimedia rights for Memphis Athletics through 2017. In addition, the terms of the new agreement allow for options to continue through the 2021-22 academic year. The Tigers signed on with Learfield Sports in 2001, granting the partner radio and television rights, athletic venue signage, game day promotions and sponsorships, as well as the official athletic department website. Terms for the contract call for the Tigers to receive a financial guarantee each year of the agreement and to participate in annual revenue sharing.

A believer in academic excellence as well as athletic success and national prominence, Johnson leads a department that ranks in the top 30 percent according to the latest APR announced in May 2007. For the most recent academic year, which includes fall 2006 and spring 2007, 295 student-athletes earned at least a 3.0 grade point average and 26 students excelled with a 4.0 grade point average. Just this past spring, 10 teams logged a semester GPA of 3.0 or higher and the athletic department as a whole is represented by a 2.8 GPA. In May 2007, 39 athletes earned their degrees, marking the largest group for one ceremony since 2002 when the athletic academic services department began keeping record. And, under Johnson’s guidance, Memphis boasts an 89 percent graduation rate of all student-athletes who complete their eligibility at the University of Memphis.

Before taking over Tiger Athletics, Johnson was responsible for directing a Temple program with more than 500 student-athletes in 20 men’s and women’s intercollegiate sports, including nationally-visible programs in men’s basketball and football. He was named Temple’s director of athletics on May 9, 1994, after serving nearly six years as director of athletics at Miami (Ohio) University. He had also previously led the department at Eastern Illinois from 1980-88, and was the associate athletic director at Northern Iowa from 1974-80.

A former football coach himself, Johnson served as an assistant at Mankato State University from 1968-74. He coached at Youngstown State University during the 1967 and 1968 seasons after serving as an assistant coach at Northern Iowa (1965-67) and the University of Iowa (1963-65).

An Ottawa, Ill., native, Johnson holds his bachelor’s degree in sociology from the University of Iowa in 1965 and earned his master’s degree in physical education from the University of Northern Iowa in 1967.

Johnson is a member of the National Association of College Directors of Athletics and serves on the NCAA Management Council. A veteran administrator in Conference USA, Johnson sits on both the C-USA Board of Directors and the Athletic Director’s Ambassador’s Club. The Ambassador’s Club, which started with two members in 1997, has reached an all-time high of 24 members under Johnson.

His involvement in the Memphis community includes serving on the Memphis and Shelby County Sports Authority, and he most recently was invited to serve on the Mayor’s Stadium Committee which is charged with evaluating the feasibility of a new football stadium. In addition, he is a member of the University of Memphis President’s Council.

Johnson and his wife, Melba, have three children and five grandchildren.
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In 2007, the Memphis Tigers will bring an exciting style of soccer to the Mike Rose Soccer Complex (MRSC). It will mark the seventh season that the MRSC has served as the home of Tiger soccer.

The state-of-the-art facility sits on 136.17 acres and houses 16 FIFA dimension fields equipped with Bermuda grass, superior playing surface complete with underground drainage, sprinkler systems and lighted playing fields. Accompanying these fields are fully paved walkways, easily accessible parking, restrooms, covered pavilions, picnic and recreation areas and a three-acre lake. It is a definite asset to both the Tiger and Lady Tiger soccer programs.

“The facility has helped us in recruiting some of the better players in the region to our program,” said head men’s coach Richie Grant.

Participant facilities within the stadium structure include showers and locker rooms, a food court, corporate skybox, full media services, administrative offices and a conference room.

“Being able to play at Mike Rose enables our program to compete with anyone, facility-wise,” said head women’s coach Brooks Monaghan. “There may be some facilities that are similar or close to Mike Rose, but I honestly don’t feel there are any better. As far as quality and atmosphere, Mike Rose is first class.”

Located in southeast Shelby County, just east of the Memphis city limits, the Mike Rose facility has established itself as one of the premier soccer facilities in the Mid-South. In 2003, the MRSC was the host site for the Ford Conference USA Tournament.

“We feel like Mike Rose is one of the best college soccer facilities in the country,” Grant said. “The quality of the surface makes for entertaining soccer every night.”

MEMPHIS MRSC RECORDS

TIGERS YEARLY RECORDS

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DIRECTIONS TO THE MRSC

From the University of Memphis campus, head south on Getwell Road for two miles. Take I-240 East via the ramp on the left and continue east for two and a half miles. Merge onto the Bill Morris Parkway/TN-385 East via exit No. 16 and continue east for approximately 8.4 miles. Then take the Forest Hill-Irene Road exit heading south for half a mile. Turn right onto East Shelby Drive and enter the Mike Rose Soccer Complex parking lot on your right at 9000 East Shelby Drive.
The University of Memphis Murphy Athletic Complex is located approximately one mile south of the institution’s main campus and serves as the home and training facility for many of the Tiger athletic teams. Facilities Director Murray Armstrong is responsible for overseeing the facility.

The Murphy Complex underwent some major changes and renovations in 2003. The renovations were part of a $6 million facelift given to the Murphy Complex, giving Tiger student-athletes a state-of-the-art training facility.

The renovated training room has examination rooms for team doctors, rehabilitation and taping areas and an inground aquatic pool for rehabilitating injuries.

The equipment room has been renovated with an additional laundry room to ease the burden of taking care of the equipment needs of the football, track, baseball, softball and soccer teams.

Additional locker rooms have been added for the football staff, women’s soccer team and visiting teams competing at the track and field and baseball facilities. A media interview room, video room and storage room were also a part of the renovation project.

The renovation of the Billy J. Murphy Training Complex was completed in the spring of 2003.
Head Strength and Conditioning Coach Mike Stark oversees all workouts at the Park Avenue Campus. He is aided by graduate assistants Jason Hartman, Chad Smith, Josh Medlin and volunteer assistant Ken Roach. The Tiger football, men’s and women’s soccer, baseball and track teams work out with Stark and his staff.

A former U of M football player, Stark has worked with over 40 NFL players, including the Carolina Panthers’ DeAngelo Williams, the New England Patriots’ Stephen Gostkowski, the New York Giants’ Marcus Bell and Michael Stone, the Detroit Lions’ Idrees Bashir and the St. Louis Rams’ All-Pro receiver Isaac Bruce.

In addition to the Park Avenue Campus weight room, there is a weight facility in the Elma Roane Fieldhouse that was refurbished in the spring of 2005. That weight room benefits women’s basketball, volleyball, men’s tennis, women’s tennis, cross country, women’s golf and softball. Assistant Strength Coach Lee Yerty is responsible for all workouts in the Fieldhouse. He is assisted by graduate assistant Jake Fitts.

The men’s basketball team utilizes a weight room that is located in its practice facility, the Larry O. Finch Center. Assistant Strength Coach Richard Hogans is charged with the workouts of Tiger basketball, as well as the men’s tennis and men’s golf teams.

With three state-of-the-art facilities located around campus, the U of M Strength and Conditioning staff is well-equipped to handle the training needs of Tiger Athletes.

The 10,500-square-foot varsity weight room is equipped with rugged, versatile hardware so that groups of up to 75 student-athletes can train concurrently with optimal effectiveness and efficiency.

Workouts are designed and supervised by one or more of the Strength and Conditioning staff’s certified specialists, and each student-athlete’s individual progress is projected via a computerized database.

The Tiger Power philosophy couples functional, multi-joint movements with fundamental principles: exercise techniques are simplified and performed on an alternating heavy/explosive basis in order to maximize training effects while minimizing teaching and training time (as well as fatigue). Performance based fitness and work quality are the bottom-line objective.

The weight room’s equipment upgrade plan reflects this philosophy and includes: 10 self-contained Olympic platforms and power racks; a plyometric/medicine ball area; a complete dumbbell line; and a variety of hip sleds, glute/ham stations, cable stations and other supplemental pieces allowing student-athletes to perform an unlimited variety of exercises and movements.

The modern and spacious facility is also equipped with dressing/restrooms; is naturally illuminated; and is maintained at a constant 70-74 degrees.

In planning the long-range Tiger Power programs, student-athletes are assigned to respective developmental levels based on individual ability and training history. For example, newcomers begin with an extensive volume of “foundational” or generalized movements and progress toward more intensive and specialized exercises with each successive phase.

The actual workout menu may remain fairly constant over a student-athlete’s four- or five-year sport career; however, broad variations in workload combine the program’s simplicity with a measure of sophistication.
The University of Memphis’ Center for Athletic Academic Services (CAAS) is dedicated to the academic and personal development of all Tiger student-athletes. Its mission is to provide support services to ensure that U of M student-athletes succeed in the classroom and obtain undergraduate degrees.

The services include orientation programs, tutoring, mentoring, academic counseling, study hall and academic advising.

In March 2002, vast improvements were beginning to take place in the CAAS. At that time, Dr. Joe Luckey took over the staff after spending the previous 10 years at Austin Peay State. Dr. Luckey, who was nationally recognized for his outstanding leadership in 1999, came to Memphis with a vision. In just one short year, Dr. Luckey recruited six new staff members, instituted new academic programs, designed and inspired two special sections of ACAD 1100 for student-athletes and transitioned the office from the basement of the Elma Roane Fieldhouse to the newly-renovated Wilder Tower.

Dr. Luckey heads a full-time staff of eight, while also utilizing 20-30 tutors, an academic intern, graduate assistants and student workers. CAAS has a unique responsibility as an office as it provides academic services to all student-athletes and conducts all necessary paperwork for NCAA academic compliance.

Assistant director Kelley Bickham, who was hired May 2007, was brought in specifically to handle NCAA, conference and institutional compliance matters associated with prospective and current student-athletes. The five academic counselors are assigned to specific sports working closely with those student-athletes and coaching staffs.

Dr. Luckey has continued to challenge the Center’s staff, the coaching staffs and the student-athletes to collaboratively enhance the academic performance of U of M student-athletes. As the following highlights indicate, the group effort has resulted in positive results for the university. During the last five academic years, 14 teams have posted their highest-ever semester GPAs, a record number of student-athletes made the C-USA Commissioner’s Honor Roll and the Tiger 3.0 Club and several individual student-athletes have been honored for prestigious academic awards, such as the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship and Academic All-America.

The CAAS received a new home during the summer of 2003 with the completion of the Wilder Tower. The Wilder Tower also houses admissions, the bursar, financial aid, the registrar, student development and academic advising. A total of 8,000 square feet, encompassing the entire sixth and seventh floors of the tower, have been designated for the CAAS. The area supports 21 student computer stations, 17 offices and numerous study tables.

Inspired by Dr. Luckey, two special sections of ACAD 1100, Introduction to the University, were offered to student-athletes only. The class was so well received that a third section was offered in 2003 so that all freshman student-athletes could be included in the course. Students who participated in the class earned an average of 15.2 credit hours and an average GPA of 3.25.

Three academic awards are sponsored by the CAAS as a means of honoring the top student-athletes. The Tiger 3.0 Club recognizes student-athletes who earned grade-point averages of 3.0 during the fall/spring semesters, while the Tiger Academic Thirty is dedicated to the 30 student-athletes with the best grade-point average on each team and then the next best group of student-athletes, totaling 30. The final honor, the TEAM GPA Award, is presented to the male and female team with the best grade point average for the semester.

Since 1999, men’s soccer has graduated 31 of 33 seniors, while 34 of 36 women’s soccer seniors have earned their diploma. Last fall, men’s soccer posted its highest GPA ever with a 3.10. The men’s soccer team has 14 straight semesters with a 3.0 GPA or higher. Pictured are some of the 41 Memphis student-athletes who graduated in May 2007. Included in the graduating class is men’s soccer alum Andy Metcalf, and women’s soccer alum Genell Newbern.
Considered the “Home of the Blues” and the “Birthplace of Rock ‘n Roll,” the city of Memphis’ musical roots run deep. However, music is just a chapter in the history as well as the future of the city located in the heart of Mid-America.

Memphis, named after the capital of ancient Egypt, boasts all the amenities you would expect in a city with over 1 million residents, while retaining the charm and down-to-earth feel of a small town.

Downtown Memphis is in the midst of a building boom valued at $2.3 billion which is transforming the heart of the city. One of the most visible projects has been the construction of AutoZone Park, the downtown ballpark which is the home of the Memphis Redbirds.

Beale Street - One of America’s most famous musical streets!

Where Beale Street meets the Mississippi River is Tom Lee Park, site of the annual Beale Street Music Festival. The weekend-long event is just a part of the month-long Memphis in May International Festival which also includes the World Championship Barbecue Cooking Contest and the Sunset Symphony.

Located just off Beale Street is the Peabody Place Retail and Entertainment Center which opened in 2002. The 300,000-square-foot retail complex offers visitors a one-stop-shop for fun and excitement with a unique mix of entertainment, dining and shopping options unlike anything else in the region.

Also located within a block of Beale is Gibson Guitar Memphis, which includes factory tours and cultural exhibits. Across the street is the Smithsonian’s Rock ‘n’ Soul Museum located at the FedExForum, which includes artifacts documenting music’s past.
Memphis' musical roots also include Stax and Hi-Records as well as Sun Records recording studio. Stax became known for “sweet soul music” through such artists as the MarkKays, Booker T. and the MGs, Otis Redding, Wilson Pickett, Sam and Dave and Isaac Hayes. The Stax Museum reopened on its original location at McLemore and Crump in the summer of 2003 and offers visitors a complete history of “Soulsville USA.”

One of Hi-Records’ premier artists was Al Green. Sun Records’ most famous recording artist was Elvis Presley and also boasted Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Johnny Cash among its recording artists.

Elvis Presley’s Graceland is one of the five most visited home tours in America and is the most famous home in the United States after the White House. In 1991, Graceland was placed on the National Register of Historical Places. Over 600,000 visitors tour Graceland each year. Also located downtown is the beautiful Orpheum Theater which serves as a venue for performances by Ballet Memphis, the Memphis Symphony Orchestra and traveling Broadway shows, as well as the Orpheum Classic Movies series and other concerts.

The city’s location makes Memphis a major distribution hub with two interstate highways intersecting the city. Memphis is also home of FedEx, the nation’s largest package carrier which makes Memphis International Airport the world’s busiest cargo airport. Over 500 commercial passenger flights originate from Memphis International each day.
WHY TIGERS?
When the University of Memphis first fielded a football team in the fall of 1912, no one had selected a nickname for the squad.

Early references to the football team tabbed them only as the Blue and Gray Warriors of West Tennessee Normal School.

After the final game of the 1914 season, there was a student parade. During this event, several Normal students shouted, “We fight like Tigers.” The nickname was born.

More and more the nickname “Tigers” was used, particularly in campus publications. But it did not catch on with the newspapers downtown. They continued to use “Normals” or the “Blue and Gray” when referring to the University.

Under Coach Lester Barnard in 1922, Normal’s football team gave a ring of truth to that old student yell about Tigers. The team adopted a motto – “Every Man a Tiger” – and went on to score 174 points while allowing its opponents just 29 points.

In the late 1920s, student publications and downtown newspapers began referring to the football team as the “Teachers” or “Tutors.” The Tiger nickname would return, but not until 1939 was it finally adopted as the official nickname for the University of Memphis.

A Proud History
TIGER TRADITIONS

A BENGAL FOR A MASCOT
For over 30 years, the sideline mascot for The University of Memphis has been the Bengal Tiger. TOM II, the current Tiger mascot, attends all Tiger football home games, and he can also be found at many other University events throughout the year as a powerful and majestic symbol of Tigers Athletics. TOM II travels in style in a custom-designed, climate-controlled trailer, always with police escort.

The first Tiger, TOM, was procured by the Highland Hundred Football Boosters in 1972 and served the U of M faithfully for nearly 20 years until passing away in February of 1992.

TOM came to the university on November 9, 1972, when the tiger cub was placed in a dog kennel in Michigan City, Ind., and put on a Memphis-bound flight via Chicago’s O’Hare International Airport. He arrived in Memphis at 3:00 a.m., and C. Cleveland Drennon, President of the Highland Hundred, approved a check for $1,500 to purchase the animal. That morning, TOM was taken to Athletic Director Billy Murphy’s office for a press conference. The Highland Hundred officially presented TOM to the University in a ceremony at Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium on November 11, 1972, during a football game against the University of Cincinnati.

TOM had initially been named “Shane” at the suggestion of the breeder’s daughter. Once in Memphis, though, a contest was held to name the mascot. More than 2,500 entries were submitted to a committee chaired by Judge Harry Pierotti, including colorful monikers like Spook, Sampson, Goliath, Bengo, Sultan, Sahib, Big Cat, Fiah, Touchdown, Sonny Shiloh, and even Bengie Wougie Bengal Boy from Tennessee. The list was ultimately reduced to two choices, Shane and TOM, which stands for Tigers Of Memphis. TOM won.

During his first few months in Memphis, TOM was housed by Highland Hundred member Bill Proctor in his garage, which the Club had redecorated, and was closely guarded by Proctor’s hound dog.

As TOM grew older, the decision was made by the Highland Hundred to keep the Tiger Tradition alive by securing a new Tiger to be raised as TOM II. In the fall of 1991, Highland Hundred President Ray Daniels and President-Elect Bobby Wharton received TOM II as a gift from Tom and Carolyn Atchison of Florence, Alabama.

In 2005, TOM II moved to a new habitat in a rural area just south of Memphis on land offered by long-time Tiger fans Jeff and Mary Kuntz. The new facility was designed as a virtual copy of the original facility in Collierville, but includes many upgrades that improve TOM’s comfort and safety.

As one of only two universities in America with a live Tiger mascot, the University of Memphis is unique in its Tiger Tradition.

SCHOOL COLORS
The University of Memphis’ official school colors of Blue and Gray were selected in the early 1900s.

The colors were chosen in an effort to show unity in a nation that was still recovering from the effects of the Civil War. The student body thought that by picking the colors of the North and the South, the school would show a togetherness among all students.

THE LOGO
The University of Memphis’ official logo was redesigned by Craig Thompson, from Disciple Design in Memphis, Tenn.

The original logo was an MSU with a leaping tiger coming out from behind the letters. The new logo is an “M” with a leaping Tiger coming up over the center of the “M.”

THE U OF M ALMA MATER
Stand, fight, O Alma Mater Through All the Years To Come; In Days of Youth and Beauty Thy Halls Have Been Our Home. In Time of Preparation Great Lessons Didst Thou Teach Till Now O Alma Mater The Stars We’ll Strive To Reach.

Lead on, O Alma Mater Thy sons To Highways Give Light and Truth Unto Them For All Their Coming Days. To Thee We’ll Give All Honor, Our Hopes Abide In Thee, For Thou, O Alma Mater, Hast Made Us Ever Free.

THE U OF M FIGHT SONG
Go Tigers Go, Go On To Victory, Be A Winner Thru And Thru Fight Tigers, Fight Cause We’re Going All The Way – Fight, Fight For The Blue and Gray And Say – Let’s Go Tigers Go, Go On To Victory. See Our Colors Bright and True; It’s Fight Now Without A Fear, Fight Now Let’s Shout A Cheer, Shout For Dear Memphis U. (Yell)

Go Tigers Go
Go Tigers Go
Yea – Tigers Go!