

aid, limited laboratory service, vaccines, physicals, and allergy shot administration. Student Health also dispenses some prescription medications. There is no charge for an office visit; however, minimal fees are charged for prescription medications, lab tests, and vaccines. Volunteer Community Hospital is located near the university and is available for medical and surgical services and emergencies, but the student must pay his/her own hospital expenses.

Students are urged to carry health insurance to cover illnesses and accidents that may occur while they are enrolled, since this coverage is not provided by the institution. Information about insurance coverage available to students at low costs can be obtained at Student Health Services.

**Note: All students are required to be in compliance with Tennessee Department of Health requirements regarding two MMR vaccines, Hepatitis B vaccines, and the vaccine for meningococcal disease. Proof of vaccinations must be on file in Student Health Services. Failure to comply will result in inability to register for classes.**

## **Student Life**

UT Martin offers many opportunities for students to become involved in the total collegiate experience. The Office of Student Life coordinates a number of special activities throughout the year in conjunction with various student organizations and university departments. The Office of Student Life works to support more than 125 student organizations including professional organizations, honorary societies, service organizations, special interest groups, and social Greek letter organizations (fraternities and sororities).

Student Life works closely with the Office of Campus Recreation in support of the intramural sports, club sports, and outdoor recreation programs, and with the University Center in support of the various program opportunities for students. Also, Student Life provides advisement for the Student Activities Council, and co-directs the university's Freshman Experience Program. For more information, call the Office of Student Life at 731-881-7525 or visit the Website at [www.utm.edu/~utmlife](http://www.utm.edu/~utmlife).

### **Opportunities at UT Martin**

- Professional Organizations – UT Martin has more than 50 student organizations that represent different academic disciplines or career paths. These organizations offer opportunities for students to interact with professionals in their given fields and with students with similar professional interests. Each year, several professional student organizations at UT Martin receive national recognition and honors.
- Honorary Organizations – UT Martin hosts several honorary societies that recognize students for significant academic accomplishment and exceptional leadership ability. Phi Kappa Phi is the flagship honorary organization at UT Martin.
- Service Organizations – UT Martin is home to several service oriented organizations, including Alpha Phi Omega and Up 'Til Dawn. During the academic year, these organizations engage in community service and philanthropic projects that contribute to the quality of life throughout Northwest Tennessee.
- Student Government Association (SGA) – The Student Government Association provides opportunities for students to participate in the governance of the university. When a student enrolls at UT Martin, he/she becomes eligible to participate in Student Government. Executive and Senate positions are elected on an annual basis. Representatives of the SGA, along with members of the faculty, serve on major campus committees.

- Student Activities Council (SAC)– The Student Activities Council is charged with providing student entertainment activities for the campus. Various committees include entertainment; arts, news, and views; cafe house; film and video; and publicity. Participation on the various committees is encouraged and open to all students. The SAC produces in excess of 75 events during an academic year. For more information, see the Web at [www.utm.edu/sac](http://www.utm.edu/sac).
- Special Interest Organizations – Ranging from the Young Republicans Club to the Second Nature Environmental Society, UT Martin hosts several student organizations that focus on the specific interests of the UT Martin community.

### **Fine and Performing Arts Opportunities**

**Vanguard Theatre** presents two or three major theatrical productions and a series of one-act plays during the academic year. These provide the opportunity for students to participate in acting, stage-managing, and lighting, as well as designing and constructing stage sets and costumes. In addition, a series of original plays written by students in the playwriting classes is presented in the spring. These performances are directed by students from directing classes. Thus, students work together as playwrights, directors, and actors, toward the realization of a script.

**The UT Martin Dance Ensemble** is an auditioned group which performs a variety of dance styles. Student productions in the spring semester provide opportunities for dancing, choreography, stage-managing, lighting, and designing sets and costumes for dance. Two credit hours.

**The Skyhawk Marching Band** is organized fall semester and is open to all university students who have a background in marching band. The band performs for football games and presents exhibition performances at area marching band contests. Band camp is held for one week before fall semester. Marching band carries two credit hours, and band camp carries another credit hour. Pep bands are organized to perform for basketball games and pep rallies. ***Band scholarships are available by audition.***

**The Wind Ensemble and Concert Band** are also open to all students with instrumental music experience. These bands perform a variety of wind band repertoire during the spring semester. ***Band scholarships are available by audition.***

**The Concert Jazz Band** rehearses throughout the academic year and is open to all students by audition. A variety of jazz, rock and popular music styles are performed for special events on- and off-campus, including concerts for area schools. Two credit hours.

**Instrumental Ensembles – Brass, Woodwind, and Percussion Ensembles** are open to all students by audition. These groups perform in chamber music concerts and for other occasions. One credit hour each.

**University Singers** is an auditioned choir of about 40 to 50 voices which performs both sacred and secular music from all periods of history. The choir meets four times each week. Two credit hours.

**New Pacer Singers** is an auditioned show choir of students chosen for their singing and dancing ability. The group performs mostly show tunes and popular music for campus activities, civic groups, and high schools. Two credit hours. ***New Pacer Singers scholarships are available by audition.***