



Supervisor's Checklist for New Employees

Employee Information

Name: _____ Start date: _____

Position: _____ Manager: _____

Department: _____

Prior to New Employee's Start Date

- Official Job Offer Phone Call
 - Extend official offer to final candidate
 - Discuss starting salary
 - Discuss start date **Note: when discussing start date, allow ample time for completion of a background check**
 - Advise final candidate to expect email to initiate the background check
 - Suggest final candidate prepares for new-hire paperwork by locating required I-9 documents
- Enter non-selection reasons in PeopleAdmin or provide them to department administrator
- Begin appropriate form to hire new employee (Form 1 or Form 3)
- Communicate starting time/work schedule, directions to worksite, and acceptable attire/uniform
- Arrange for building/office keys
- Request access to any necessary programs (e.g., SAP, PeopleAdmin, E-Forms)
- Formally announce the new employee's arrival and responsibilities to current staff members

Please note that a new employee cannot begin working before background check is complete and cleared by Human Resources. A representative from HR will phone the candidate upon final approval.

New Employee's First Day

- Introduce new employee to coworkers and give brief explanation of each person's role
- Provide tour of department, building, and bathroom locations
- Show new employee their work station and instruct them on use of office equipment
 - Computer, printers, networks, and faxing
 - Phone and voicemail setup
- Introduce new employee to other electronic communications
 - Email (Outlook)
 - myOleMiss and UMToday
 - SAP (if applicable)
 - PeopleAdmin (if applicable)

- E-Forms (if applicable)
- Other departmental related programs
- Review University Creed, department handbook, job related policies and procedures, departmental dress code, and work hours
- Advise how and when to submit a timesheet (if applicable)
- Assign a “buddy” within the office (if possible, it is recommended that the “buddy” be someone who has worked in the office/department for less than 2 years)
- Encourage new employee to attend any events conducted by Staff Council (including voting and Staff Appreciation Week)

During New Employee’s First and Second Weeks

- Allow new employee time to attend scheduled meeting with their Benefits representative
- Review first week’s schedule and meaningful work assignment
- Identify critical members of the department/University
- Share office resources (e.g., directories, manuals, staff listings)
- Discuss customer service expectations
- Allow new employee time to complete the “Preventing Sexual Harassment” and “Preventing Employment Discrimination” training (must be completed within 30 days from start date)
- Discuss with and send new employee to any applicable computer or process training (e.g., SAP, PeopleAdmin, Effective Communication)
- Take new employee on a “walking meeting” to show them around campus OR allow time to attend a scheduled campus walking tour
- Encourage new employee to attend next “Welcome Home” new hire orientation
- Update department directory and website with new employee’s information

During New Employee’s First Month

- Ensure completion of “Preventing Sexual Harassment” and “Preventing Employment Discrimination” training
- Develop a Career Development Plan
- Meet regularly to answer questions and ensure that new employee is becoming acclimated to department and position responsibilities
- Schedule office/department for team building activities

Between 3-6 Months (Probationary Period) – for STAFF ONLY

- After 3 months of employment – conduct a Probationary Staff Appraisal with new employee (this paper form should be submitted with a recommendation as to permanent status or continuation of probation) **Note: an employee may not be changed to permanent status prior to serving 3 months. However, a supervisor may separate an employee prior to 3 months of service.**
- If employee not made permanent after 3 months – a second performance evaluation should be conducted between 3 and 6 months
- Celebrate orientation, evaluation, and completion of probationary period!