

Mike the Tiger 2022 Tryouts Informational Session

Who is Mike the Tiger?

Mike the Tiger

- The official mascot of Louisiana State University
 - Named after Mike Chambers
 - First mascot Mike: 1959
- Personality
 - A Energetic, mischievous, and flirtatious ball of energy
 - He is the top cat on campus and behaves as such
 - Is always looking for a good time and opportunity to cheer on the Fightin' Tigers of LSU
- Serves not only as a spirited member of the LSU community but also an ambassador to the university as a whole



Team Mike

- A group of well-rounded students who are committed to helping Mike maintain his busy schedule
- Beginning in 2005, Team Mike has become one of the best known mascot programs in the country
- Since its inception, over 40 LSU students have been members of Team Mike
- Responsible for performing as, handling, and scheduling Mike the Tiger



Team Mike Requirements

- Student at Louisiana State University
- Full-time student during Fall 2022 to Spring 2022 (Year-long obligation)
- Overall GPA: 2.0
- Must be able to work every home football game as well as a large portion of other athletic events
- Able to attend weekly practices and work outs
- No specific height / weight
 - Height: 5'7-6'3*
 - Weight: 145-200lbs*



Perks and Benefits

- Student-Athlete Status
 - Priority Scheduling
 - Stipend
 - Access to workout facilities
- Gear
 - Polos and Khakis (Gameday)
 - Workout Gear (Practice)
- Travel Opportunities
 - Away Games, Basketball
 Tournaments
- Resume Builder



What type of events does Mike attend?



Athletic Events

- Most common type of event Mike appears at
 - Every Football, Basketball (men's and women's), and Gymnastics
 - Volleyball, Baseball, and Softball once a weekend
 - Handful of Soccer and Beach
 Volleyball
- During the game, Mike is out on the court dancing, in the crowd interacting with fans, and messing around on the sidelines



Campus Events

- Mike averages about 2-3 on-campus events a week
- Can range from a video shoot for LSU Social Media, promoting an upcoming sporting event with LSU Marketing, or making an appearance at an the LSU Vet School Open House
- Most common on-campus events are LSU Ring Ceremonies, Campus Life events, and impromptu holiday appearances (Mardi Gras and Halloween)



Community Events

- Least common of the three types of events
- Most common community events are parties but also include school visits, community service events, and hospital visits
- Since these events are off-campus,
 LSU Marketing or Spirit Squad is often responsible for transporting
 Mike to the event



Other Events Mike Has Attended

- College Football National
 Championship (New Orleans)
- March Madness/SEC Tournament
- Bowl Games (Atlanta, Orlando, Houston, Phoenix, etc).
- D.C. Mardi Gras (Washington D.C.)
- Commercial Shoots (Los Angeles, Dallas, Orlando)
- St. Jude Children's Hospital (Memphis)
- New Orleans Saints Game and Facility
- Country Music Awards 2015 (Nashville)



UCA Mascot Nationals

- UCA Mascot Nationals (January 14th, 2023)
- Location: Orlando, Florida
- A yearly competition featuring the top collegiate mascots in the country
- Score:
 - 50% Video Entry
 - 50% Skit
- Large focus moving forward





Time Commitment

- Avg: 5-7 Hours a week
 - Weekly Practice
 - Workouts
 - Avg. Two Events a Week
 - Fall: Every football home game
 - Mike Camp every August
- Student-Athlete
 - School is the priority and we will work with your class schedule



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10 12pm VB vs Florida (F	11 Columbus Day Indigenous Peoples' Day	12	13	14 12pm Volleyball Free 7pm Celebrity Waiter 7pm VB vs Kentucky	15 11am Fall Fest (Mock 2pm President's Cup (2 more	16 FB vs. Florida
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23 • 5:45pm (Maybe) LSU	24	25	26 8pm MBB vs Texas Al	27	28	29
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What to expect for tryouts?

Mike Tryouts

- April 22-24
 - April 22: Look in suit
 - April 23: Walk and Character
 - April 24: Final Tryout
- There will be cuts each day
- Times are likely to change so please look out for update emails



Mike Tryouts

- What to wear:
 - Workout Clothes
 - T-shirt, gym shorts, athletic shoes
 - You WILL be sweating
- What to bring:
 - Water/Powerade
 - Towel
 - Extra change of clothes for interview portion
 - Filled-out forms



Forms to Bring to Tryouts

- Tryout Form
 - Basic Info
 - Name
 - EducationalBackground
 - Talents / Interests
- Liability Form
- Printed-out College Record
 - To confirm GPA



How can you prepare?

- Watch past Mike videos
 - Learn the character and behavior
- Become familiar with LSU
 Cheers and songs
 - Fight Song, Pre-Game,
 Hey Fightin' Tigers,
 1st-4th Down Cheers
- Practice being animated and your best dance moves
- Build Stamina / Cardio



Thank you for your interest!

