## **Centers and Institutes**

# Center for Applied Research

The Center for Applied Research (CAR) conducts research for criminal justice agencies throughout Alabama. The CAR is an administrative part of the Department of Criminal Justice and was created in the fall of 1997. Activities include applied research in criminal justice, improvements in the classroom instruction in the social sciences, and publishing the Criminal Justice Journal. The Journal is practitioner based and provides a forum for discussion of important issues to the criminal justice field.

#### **Center for Business and Economic Services**

The Center for Business and Economic Services (CBES) conducts applied research and provides services to businesses and government agencies throughout Alabama. CBES, an administrative unit of the Sorrell College of Business, was founded in December 1974. Activities include applied research, educational activities, management consulting, and publishing the Business and Economic Review semiannually. CBES supports the economic development of small businesses through the Small Business Development Center (SBDC). SBDC offers one-to-one consulting, training, information and government bidding opportunities to small businesses in a ten-county area of southeast Alabama. Opportunities are also available for business students and faculty to work together with area businesses to provide research projects for small firms. Students receive practical knowledge and earn class credits.

## Center for Design, Technology and Innovation

Better known as <<dti.troy>>, the Center for Design, Technology and Innovation is a design think tank housed within the Department of Art and Design at Troy. Synthesizing an aggressive, multi-disciplinary design education with the varied visual communication demands of the global marketplace, <<dti.troy>>

# **University College**

University College is responsible for the delivery of off-campus, out-of-state educational programs. The college is comprised of five geographic regions with approximately 60 branches and teaching sites located in 13 countries and 17 states. The branches and sites are not only based on or near military installations to serve military and civilian personnel and their dependents , but sites also exist within large metroplexes and at partner-ship universities overseas. The administration of University Col-