

First-Year Student Profile and Admission Information 2021 - 2022

USC Class of 2025

New first-year students	3,668
USC Trustee Scholars (full tuition)	98
USC Presidential Scholars (half tuition)	384
USC Dean's Scholars (quarter tuition)	139
Recipients of other USC merit scholarships	65
First-generation college-goers	23%
Scions (legacy students)	13%
Female	53%
Male	47%
Race / Ethnicity	
White	26%
Asian / Asian American	24%
Latinx / Hispanic	20%
International (student visa holders)	13%
Black / African American	9%
Multiple Ethnicities	6%
Not reported	2%
Native American or Pacific Islander	<1%
Most Represented Public High Schools	

Most Represented Independent or Parochial Schools

Foshay Learning Center; Los Angeles, CA

Mira Costa HS; Manhattan Beach, CA

Canyon Crest Academy; San Diego, CA

Palos Verdes HS; Palos Verdes Estates, CA

Wilson HS; Los Angeles, CA

Harvard-Westlake School; Studio City, CA	11
Bellarmine College Prep; San Jose, CA	11
Archbishop Mitty HS; San Jose, CA	10
The Harker School; San Jose, CA	9
Mater Dei HS; Santa Ana, CA	9

Most Represented Geographic Areas

<u>Outside U.S.</u>
China
India
Canada
United Kingdom
Hong Kong
South Korea
Taiwan

Academic Program Distribution

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Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences	46%
USC's Schools of Visual and Performing Arts	16%
(Architecture, Cinematic Arts, Dramatic Arts,	
Kaufman School of Dance, Roski School of Art	
& Design, Thornton School of Music)	
Marshall School of Business	15%
Viterbi School of Engineering	12%
Annenberg School for Comm. & Journalism	5%
Undeclared Major	2%
Price School of Public Policy	1%
Keck School of Medicine (Health Studies)	1%
Iovine-Young Academy	1%
School of Pharmacy	<1%
Occupational Therapy Program	<1%
Davis School of Gerontology	<1%

	Fall Enrolls 3,668	Fall Admits 8,884	Applicants 71,031
	41.3% yield rate	12.5% admit rate	
Middle 50% GPA (un-weighted, 4.00 scale)	3.75 – 4.00	3.83 – 4.00	3.53 – 3.95
From schools in California From schools outside California, but in U.S.	42% 44%	40% 44%	40% 44%
From schools outside of the U.S.	14%	16%	16%
Different high schools represented	2,183	4,018	13,646

Students' Declared Pre-Professional Interests

Pre-Medicine	16%
Pre-Law	11%
Pre-Health (Dent., Pharm., OT, PT, etc.)	3%
Pre-Teaching	1%

Cost and Financial Aid

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USC practices need-blind admission. A student's ability to pay has no bearing on their admission.

USC has a long tradition of fully meeting the USC-determined need of undergraduates through a combination of merit scholarships, need-based grants, Federal Work-Study and loans. Under USC's Affordability Initiative, announced in 2020 (affordability.usc.edu), admitted students from U.S. families with an annual income of \$80,000 or less, with typical assets, will attend USC tuition free.

About 20% of the 2021 entering first-year class received a merit-based scholarship from USC. Approximately two-thirds received some form of financial assistance.

Although international students are not eligible to receive federal or USC need-based aid, they may be awarded merit scholarships and/or other departmental awards. AB 540 students may be eligible to receive a Cal Grant. Undocumented students meeting certain criteria may be eligible for need-based aid.

Items Used to Determine Financial Aid Eligibility

- CSS PROFILE
- FAFSA
- Other specific information may be required, depending upon family's situation

2021-22 Undergraduate Annual Cost of Attendance

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Tuition and fees	\$60,446
Housing	\$10,102
Dining/Meal Plan	\$6,630
Miscellaneous expenses and transportation	\$3,281
Books and supplies	\$1,200
Annual Total	\$81,659

2022 First-Year Application Process

USC accepts the Common Application and does not offer early action or early decision.

Required Application Materials

- Completed Common Application form and USC's Common Application Supplement
- Official high school transcripts, grades 9 11 (and eventually, final high school transcripts)
- Essay and responses to short answer topics
- Activities list
- Counselor/teacher recommendation form and letter

Other Items Required of Certain Applicants

- Supplemental materials and/or auditions, depending upon major.
- TOEFL, IELTS, PTE Academic or Duolingo English Test results required for international applicants whose native language is not English.
- Predicted IB or A-Level Exam results, from students following such curricula.

SAT / ACT Optional

- Applicants decide whether to submit scores
- Applicants without scores will not be disadvantaged/penalized in USC's holistic admission or scholarship selection processes.
- 47% of fall 2021 first-year enrollees submitted SAT or ACT scores.

Important Dates and Deadlines

December 1, 2021

App. deadline for scholarship consideration January 15, 2022

Final application deadline

February 11, 2022

PROFILE and FAFSA should be filed by this date for priority financial aid consideration

Deadline for Cal Grant application (California residents only)

April 1, 2022

Admission notification date

May 1, 202

National Candidates Reply Date