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%
Latina / 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
Foshay Learning Center; Los Angeles, CA 40
Mira Costa HS; Manhattan Beach, CA 16
Wilson HS; Los Angeles, CA 15
Canyon Crest Academy; San Diego, CA 14
Palos Verdes HS; Palos Verdes Estates, CA 14

Most Represented Independent or Parochial Schools
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.S. States Outside U.S.
California China
New York India
Texas Canada
Illinois United Kingdom
New Jersey Hong Kong
Florida South Korea
Washington Taiwan

Academic Program Distribution
Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences 46%
USC’s Schools of Visual and Performing Arts 16%
(Computer Science, Cinema and Media Arts,
Dornsife College of the Arts, 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%

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
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.

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.

2022-23 Undergraduate Annual Cost of Attendance

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Important Dates and Deadlines

December 1, 2022
App deadline for scholarship consideration

January 15, 2023
Final application deadline

February 11, 2022
PROFILE and FAFSA should be filed by this date for priority financial aid consideration

March 2, 2022
Deadline for Cal Grant application (California residents only)

April 1, 2022
Admission notification date

May 1, 2022
National Candidates Reply Date