

Fall 2010 Entering Freshman Class

New freshmen	2,972
USC Trustee Scholars (full tuition)	146
USC Presidential Scholars (half tuition)	399
USC Dean's Scholars (quarter tuition)	121
National Merit Scholars	245
Scions (legacy students)	20%
First generation college goers	12%
Gender	
Male	45%
Female	55%
Race/Ethnicity	
African American / Black	7%
Latino / Hispanic	13%
Native American / Pacific Islander	2%
Asian / Asian American	25%
Caucasian	42%
International (student visa holders)	11%

Most Represented Public Schools

Troy HS; Fullerton, CA	42
Arcadia HS; Arcadia, CA	28
La Cañada HS; La Cañada, CA	24
University HS; Irvine, CA	21
Mission San Jose HS; Fremont, CA	18
Monta Vista HS; Cupertino, CA	18

Most Represented Independent Schools

Harvard-Westlake; North Hollywood, CA	23
Punahou School; Honolulu, HI	19
Shanghai American School; China	19
Loyola HS; Los Angeles, CA	17
Cathedral Catholic HS; San Diego, CA	11

Top non-California Origins of the Class

<u>U.S. States</u>	<u>Outside U.S.</u>
Texas	China (incl. HK)
Illinois	South Korea
New York	Canada
Washington	India
Massachusetts	United Kingdom
Oregon	Taiwan
Florida	Indonesia
New Jersey	Turkey

Academic Distribution

College of Letters, Arts and Sciences	25%
Marshall School of Business	18%
Undecided / Undeclared	15%
Viterbi School of Engineering	15%
USC's Arts Schools	13%
(Architecture, Roski School of Fine Arts, Thornton School of Music, Theatre)	
Annenberg School for Comm. & Journalism	7%
School of Cinematic Arts	5%
Keck School of Medicine (Health Studies)	1%
School of Policy, Planning & Development	<1%
Davis School of Gerontology	<1%

	Fall Enrolls	Fall Admits	Fall Applicants
	2,972	8,715	35,794
	34% yield	24% admitted	
Mean GPA (un-weighted, 4.0 scale)	3.7	3.8	3.5
Middle 50% SAT Critical Reading	620 – 720	640 – 740	550 – 680
Middle 50% SAT Math	650 – 750	680 – 770	580 – 730
Middle 50% SAT Writing	640 – 740	660 – 760	570 – 700
Middle 50% SAT composite	1950 – 2170	2020 – 2230	1720 – 2090
Middle 50% ACT composite	29 – 33	30 – 33	25 – 31
From public HS	59%	60%	63%
From independent or parochial HS	41%	40%	37%
From schools in California	53%	51%	54%
From schools outside CA, but in U.S.	35%	37%	37%
From schools outside of the U.S.	12%	12%	9%
Different high schools represented	1,397	2,694	6,844

Pre-Professional Emphases

Pre-Medicine	12%
Pre-Law	6%
Pre-Health (Dentistry, Pharmacy, etc.)	2%
Pre-Teaching	1%

Cost and Financial Aid

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

USC is committed to meeting every student's USC-determined financial need through a combination of merit scholarships, university grants, state and federal aid, student loans and work.

24% of the entering freshman class received a merit-based scholarship from USC. Over 60% received need-based financial assistance. Many received both.

Although need-based financial aid is only available to U.S. citizens and permanent residents, international students are eligible for USC's merit-based scholarships.

Information Used to Determine USC Aid

- FAFSA
- CSS PROFILE
- 2010 parents' and student tax returns
- Other specific information may be required, depending upon family's situation

2010-2011 Annual Cost of Attendance

Tuition and fees	\$41,022
Room and board	\$11,580
Miscellaneous expenses and transportation	\$1,476
Books and supplies	\$1,500
Annual Total	\$55,578

2011 Freshman Application Process

USC does not offer early action or early decision admission programs. USC is a partner institution of both the Posse Foundation and QuestBridge.

Required Application Materials

- Completed part 2 application
- Official high school transcripts, grades 9 – 11 (and eventually, final high school transcripts)
- Results from the SAT or ACT (with writing)
- Essay and responses to short answer topics
- Activities list
- Counselor/teacher recommendation form and letter

Optional Application Materials

- Completed part 1 application
- Supplemental materials and/or auditions, depending upon major
- Personal interview

Important Dates and Deadlines

October 15, 2010	Part 1 application deadline
December 1, 2010	Part 2 deadline for scholarship applicants
January 10, 2011	Final part 2 application deadline
February 2, 2011	FAFSA and PROFILE should be filed by this date for priority financial aid consideration
March 1, 2011	Financial aid applicants should submit student and parent tax returns by this date
April 1, 2011	Admission notification date
May 2, 2011	National candidates' reply date
August 17, 2011	New student move-in day
August 22, 2011	First day of fall 2011 classes