

Class of 2028 – USC’s 145th entering class

New first-year students 3,489

USC Trustee Scholars (full tuition)	57
USC Presidential Scholars (half tuition)	334
USC Dean’s Scholars (quarter tuition)	164
Recipients of other USC merit scholarships	90

First-generation college-goers	22%
Scions (legacy students)	14%

Female	53%
Male	46%
Another Gender	1%

Race / Ethnicity

White	21%
Latine / Hispanic	19%
Asian / Asian American	18%
International (student visa holders)	17%
Ethnicity Not Reported	13%
Black / African American	7%
Multiple Ethnicities	5%
Native American or Pacific Islander	<1%

Most Represented Public High Schools

Foshay Learning Center; Los Angeles, CA	38
Mira Costa HS; Manhattan Beach, CA	17
Palos Verdes HS; CA	17
Orange County HS for the Arts; Santa Ana, CA	14
Santa Monica HS; CA	14

Most Represented Independent or Parochial Schools

Flintridge Prep; La Canada, CA	15
Loyola HS; Los Angeles, CA	12
Notre Dame HS; Sherman Oaks, CA	11
Sierra Canyon School; Chatsworth, CA	11
Bellarmino College Prep; San Jose, CA	9
Viewpoint School; Calabasas, CA	9

Most Represented Geographic Areas

<u>U.S. States</u>	<u>Outside U.S.</u>
California	China
New York	India
Illinois	South Korea
Texas	Canada
Washington	Singapore
Florida	Hong Kong
New Jersey	United Kingdom

Academic Program Distribution

Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences	40%
Marshall School of Business	18%
Schools of Visual, Performing & Creative Arts (Architecture, Cinematic Arts, Dramatic Arts, Kaufman School of Dance, Roski School of Art & Design, Thornton School of Music)	17%
Viterbi School of Engineering	12%
Annenberg School for Comm. & Journalism	5%
Irvine-Young Academy	2%
Price School of Public Policy	1%
Keck School of Medicine (Health Studies)	1%
Mann School of Pharmacy & Pharm. Science	1%
Gould School of Law	1%
Academic Explorer/Undeclared	1%
Occupational Therapy Program	1%
Davis School of Gerontology	<1%

	<u>Applicants</u>	<u>Fall Admits</u>	<u>Fall Enrolls</u>
	82,027	8,050	3,489
		9.8% <i>admission rate</i>	43.3% <i>yield rate</i>
Middle 50% GPA (<i>un-weighted, 4.00 scale</i>)	3.59 – 3.97	3.85 – 4.00	3.77 – 4.00
SAT and/or ACT score submitters	36%	51%	41%
Middle 50% SAT (super-scored)	1450 – 1540	1490 – 1550	1460 – 1540
Middle 50% ACT (super-scored)	32 – 35	33 – 35	32 – 35
Applied Early Action	40,953	2,938	1,212
Deferred to RD	34,523	1,791	794
Applied Regular Decision	41,074	3,321	1,483

Students’ Declared Pre-Professional Interests

Pre-Medicine	14%
Pre-Law	9%
Pre-Health (Dent., Pharm., OT, PT, etc.)	3%
Pre-Teaching	2%

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 (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 18% of the 2024 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. Students who meet California Dream Act requirements or undocumented students who have Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals status 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.

2024-25 Undergraduate Annual Cost of Attendance

Tuition and fees	\$71,647
Housing	\$12,271
Food/M meal Plan	\$7,660
Miscellaneous expenses and transportation	\$2,447
Books and supplies	\$1,200
Annual Total	\$95,225

2025 First-Year Application Process

USC accepts the Common Application.

Required Application Materials

- Completed Common Application form.
- Official high school transcripts, grades 9 – 11 (and eventually, final high school transcripts).
- Personal Statement & 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 are 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.
- 41% of fall 2024 enrollees submitted scores.

Important Dates and Deadlines

November 1, 2024	Early Action (EA) & scholarship application deadline for most majors
December 1, 2024	Regular Decision (RD) & scholarship application deadline for audition/portfolio majors
December 13, 2024	EA Financial Aid deadline (PROFILE & FAFSA)
January 15, 2025	Regular Decision (RD) application deadline
January 17, 2025	EA admission notification date
February 5, 2025	RD Financial Aid deadline (PROFILE & FAFSA)
March 3, 2025	Deadline for Cal Grant app (CA residents only)
April 1, 2025	RD admission notification date