

Fall 2009 Entering Freshman Class

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| New freshmen | 2,869 |
| USC Trustee Scholars (full tuition) | 132 |
| USC Presidential Scholars (half tuition) | 288 |
| USC Dean's Scholars (quarter tuition) | 137 |
| National Merit Scholars | 232 |
| Scions (legacy students) | 22% |
| First generation college goers | 12% |
| Gender | |
| Male | 47% |
| Female | 53% |
| Race/Ethnicity | |
| African American | 7% |
| Latino / Hispanic | 13% |
| Native American / Pacific Islander | 2% |
| Asian / Asian American | 24% |
| Caucasian | 43% |
| International (student visa holders) | 11% |

Most Represented Public Schools

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| Arcadia HS; Arcadia, CA | 30 |
| Palos Verdes Peninsula HS; Rolling Hills, CA | 23 |
| Palos Verdes HS; Palos Verdes Estates, CA | 18 |
| Troy HS; Fullerton, CA | 18 |
| Whitney HS; Cerritos, CA | 17 |
| Torrey Pines HS; Encinitas, CA | 17 |

Most Represented Independent Schools

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| Harvard-Westlake; North Hollywood, CA | 37 |
| The Harker School; San Jose, CA | 25 |
| Loyola HS; Los Angeles, CA | 23 |
| Punahou School; Honolulu, HI | 21 |
| Iolani School; Honolulu, HI | 17 |

Top non-California States and Countries

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| <u>U.S. States</u> | <u>Outside U.S.</u> |
| Texas | China (incl. HK) |
| Washington | South Korea |
| New York | Canada |
| Illinois | India |
| Hawai'i | United Kingdom |
| Massachusetts | Singapore |
| New Jersey | Taiwan |

Academic Unit Distribution

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| College of Letters, Arts and Sciences | 25% |
| Marshall School of Business | 19% |
| Undecided / Undeclared | 16% |
| Viterbi School of Engineering | 16% |
| USC's Arts Schools | 13% |
| (Architecture, Roski School of Fine Arts, Thornton School of Music, Theatre) | |
| Annenberg School for Communication | 6% |
| 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 |
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| | 2,869 | 8,724 | 35,753 |
| | 33% yield | 24% admitted | |
| Mean GPA (un-weighted, 4.0 scale) | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.5 |
| Middle 50% SAT Critical Reading | 620 – 710 | 630 – 730 | 550 – 680 |
| Middle 50% SAT Math | 650 – 740 | 670 – 770 | 580 – 720 |
| Middle 50% SAT Writing | 640 – 730 | 650 – 740 | 560 – 690 |
| Middle 50% SAT composite | 1930 – 2150 | 1990 – 2210 | 1710 – 2070 |
| Middle 50% ACT composite | 29 – 32 | 30 – 33 | 25 – 31 |
| From public HS | 57% | 60% | 64% |
| From independent or parochial HS | 43% | 40% | 36% |
| From schools in California | 52% | 52% | 53% |
| From schools outside CA, but in U.S. | 37% | 38% | 38% |
| From schools outside of the U.S. | 11% | 10% | 9% |
| Different high schools represented | 1,382 | 2,702 | 7,063 |

Pre-Professional Emphases

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| Pre-Medicine | 10% |
| Pre-Law | 5% |
| Pre-Health (Dentistry, Pharmacy, etc.) | 3% |
| 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.

21% 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
- 2009 parents' and student tax returns
- Other specific information may be required, depending upon family's situation

2009-2010 Annual Cost of Attendance

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| Tuition and fees | \$39,184 |
| Room and board | \$11,458 |
| Miscellaneous expenses and transportation | \$1,476 |
| Books and supplies | \$1,500 |
| Annual Total | \$53,618 |

2010 Freshman Application Process

USC does not offer early action or early decision admission programs.

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

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| October 15, 2009 | Part 1 application deadline |
| December 1, 2009 | Part 2 deadline for scholarship applicants |
| January 11, 2010 | Final part 2 application deadline |
| February 2, 2010 | FAFSA and PROFILE should be filed by this date for priority financial aid consideration |
| March 1, 2010 | Financial aid applicants should submit student and parent tax returns by this date |
| April 1, 2010 | Admission notification date |
| May 1, 2010 | National candidates' reply date |
| August 18, 2010 | New student move-in day |
| August 23, 2010 | First day of fall 2010 classes |