USC Class of 2024

New first-year students	3,460
USC Trustee Scholars (full tuition)	100
USC Presidential Scholars (half tuition)	461
USC Dean's Scholars (quarter tuition)	89
Recipients of other USC merit scholarships	70
National Merit Scholars	310
First-generation college-goers	22%
Scions (legacy students)	15%
Female	53%
Male	47%

Race / Ethnicity

White	31%
Asian / Asian American	27%
Latinx / Hispanic	17%
International (student visa holders)	12%
Black / African American	6%
Multiple Ethnicities	6%
Not reported	1%
Native American or Pacific Islander	<1%

Most Represented Public High Schools

Foshay Learning Center; Los Angeles, CA	25
Arcadia HS; Arcadia, CA	15
Palos Verdes HS; Palos Verdes Estates, CA	15
Diamond Bar HS; Diamond Bar, CA	14
Orange County HS of the Arts; Santa Ana, CA	14
Saratoga HS; Saratoga, CA	14

Most Represented Independent/Parochial Schools

Mater Dei HS; Santa Ana, CA	12
Saint Francis HS; Mountain View, CA	10
Harvard-Westlake; Studio City, CA	9
Loyola HS; Los Angeles, CA	9
Punahou School; Honolulu, HI	9
Sacred Heart Prep; Atherton, CA	9

Most Represented Geographic Areas

U.S. States	Outside U.S.
California	China
New York	India
Texas	South Korea
Illinois	Canada
Washington	Taiwan
New Jersey	Singapore
Florida	United Kingdom

Academic Distribution

Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences	42%
Marshall School of Business	18%
USC's Schools of Visual and Performing Arts (Architecture, Cinematic Arts, Dramatic Arts, Kaufman School of Dance, Roski School of Art & Design, Thornton School of Music)	17%
Viterbi School of Engineering	13%
Annenberg School for Comm. & Journalism	5%
Undeclared Major	2%
Price School of Public Policy	2%
Keck School of Medicine (Health Studies)	1%
Iovine-Young Academy	1%
School of Pharmacy	<1%
Davis School of Gerontology	<1%
Occupational Therapy Program	<1%

	Fall Enrolls	Fall Admits	Fall Applicants
	3,460 _36.0% yield_	9,618 _16.1% admitted_	59,712
Middle 50% GPA (un-weighted, 4.00 scale)	3.74 – 4.00	3.83 – 4.00	3.53 – 3.95
Middle 50% SAT Reading & Writing	660 – 740	690 – 760	620 – 730
Middle 50% SAT Math	680 – 790	710 – 800	630 – 780
Middle 50% ACT English	32 – 35	33 – 36	29 – 35
Middle 50% ACT Math	28 – 34	29 – 35	26 – 34
Middle 50% SAT composite	1360 – 1510	1410 – 1540	1270 – 1500
Middle 50% ACT composite	30 – 34	32 – 35	28 – 34
From schools in California	43%	40%	40%
From schools outside California, but in U.S.	45%	45%	45%
From schools outside of the U.S.	12%	15%	15%
Different high schools represented	1,944	3,703	11,019

Students' Declared Pre-Professional Interests

Pre-Medicine	15%
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 his or her 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), students from U.S. families with an annual income of $80,000 or less, with typical assets, will attend USC tuition free.

About 21% of the 2020 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

2020-21 Undergraduate Annual Cost of Attendance

Tuition and fees	$60,275
Housing	$9,327
Dining/Meal Plan	$6,110
Miscellaneous expenses and transportation	$2,151
Books and supplies	$1,200
Annual Total	**$79,063**

2021 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 for 2021-22

- Applicants decide whether to submit scores
- Applicants without scores will not be disadvantaged or penalized in USC's holistic admission or scholarship selection processes.

Important Dates and Deadlines

December 1, 2020
App. deadline for scholarship consideration

January 15, 2021
Final application deadline

February 13, 2021
PROFILE and FAFSA should be filed by this date for priority financial aid consideration

March 2, 2021
Deadline for Cal Grant application (California residents only)

April 1, 2021
Admission notification date

May 1, 2021
National Candidates Reply Date