

At a Glance

Location: Tallahassee, Florida (pop. 266,000)

Founded: 1851, the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida

Character: Comprehensive, Research, Traditional, Residential, Public, Coeducational

Calendar: Two semesters and summer sessions

Enrollment: 40,416 total students from every county in Florida, all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and over 125 countries

Students: 31,418 undergraduates, 55% female, 29% minority, 4% international

2011 Accepted FTIC Profile

Acceptance Rate

Summer: 45%

Fall: 48%

Middle 50th Percent

Summer: 3.4-4.0 GPA, 24-28 ACT, 1670-1870 SAT

Fall: 3.7-4.2 GPA, 26-30 ACT, 1760-1980 SAT

Averages

Summer: 3.7 GPA, 26 ACT, 1776 SAT

Fall: 4.0 GPA, 28 ACT, 1871 SAT

Average Number of Academic Units

English – 4.5; Math – 5

Natural Science – 4.5; Social Science – 4.5;

Foreign Language – 3.5

Leading Florida Counties of Origin

Broward, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach, Hillsborough, Orange, Pinellas, Duval, Seminole, Leon, Brevard

Leading States of Origin (after Florida)

Georgia, New Jersey, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, Illinois, Maryland, Texas, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts

Leading High Schools of Origin

Cypress Bay, St. Thomas Aquinas, Coral Reef, Miami Palmetto, H.B. Plant, Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Lawton Chiles, Palm Harbor University, Jupiter, Spanish River, Winter Park, Boca Raton, Alexander W. Dreyfoos, Lake Brantley, Western, Stanton College Prep, West Boca Raton, Dr. Phillips, Dr. Michael M. Krop, Cooper City, Fort Myers, Spruce Creek, East Lake, Newsome, Olympia

Top Majors

Biological Science, Business, Political Science, Engineering, Psychology, Communication, International Affairs, Exercise Science, Criminology, Music

Most Popular Female Name: Sarah

Most Popular Male Name: Michael



Counselor Information



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Dear Friends,

As budgets shrink and interest in Florida State continues to grow, we are unable to visit every school requesting our presence, so I'd like to share some other ways that allow us to reach out to you and your students.

- Florida State participates in a number of events sponsored by CollegeWeekLive, which are free to students, parents, and guidance counselors. Check out the various events and colleges that participate at <http://collegeweeklive.com/>.
- The Office of Admissions hosts its own regular chats where currently enrolled students are available to answer questions about student life. Learn more by visiting our website at <http://admissions.fsu.edu/connect/> and linking to

"FSUchat Sign Up." In addition, feel free to contact Donna Bostwick at dbostwick@admin.fsu.edu if your school would like to individually chat with us.

- We'd love to 'meet' you and your students on Skype. Contact Donna Bostwick at the above address for details.
- We have created a website just for you, covering such topics as admissions, financial aid, academics, and accepted students. You'll even find this Counselor Brochure that you can share with other colleagues. Check it out at <http://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/>.

- Be sure to join our counselor mailing list by registering at <http://admissions.fsu.edu/counselors/>, and we'll send you updates periodically throughout the admission cycle.

Looking forward to working with all of you this coming year. If you have any questions along the way, please feel free to call me on my direct line at 850.644.1328.

Janice

How We Communicate With Your Students

Most of our communications, including your students' admission decisions, are sent electronically, so please remind them to make sure that we always have their most up-to-date email address. As they begin the application process, it might be a good idea for them to create an email address exclusively for the college admission process. To ensure receipt of our emails, they should include admissions@admin.fsu.edu in their address book.

On-Line Status Check (OSC)

<https://admissions.fsu.edu/StatusCheck/>

The OSC tool is designed for your students to monitor the progress of their admission application 24/7 – from time of application to enrollment. They simply log in using their email address and the password they create at the time of application. Once accepted, students can return to the OSC to pay the admission deposit, register for orientation, confirm health compliance (student health history form, immunization record, patient disclosure authorization, and insurance requirements), and view when final high school and college transcripts are received.

Notification Dates for 2012

Application and All Supporting Documents Received By:	Decision Available Online:
October 17	December 14
January 18	March 14

The deadline for submitting all information for the summer/fall freshman class is January 18. The University does not typically accept freshman applications for the spring semester.

Spring Offer of Admission

We will continue to offer spring admission to a number of qualified students who applied for either the summer or fall term. They will be admitted subject to successful completion of the senior year and any college coursework (courses completed through dual enrollment and/or after high school graduation).

Minimum State Admission Requirements

In order to meet minimum state GPA and test score requirements, students must either have a minimum high school GPA of 3.0 (as we recalculate) and submit ACT (plus writing) and/or SAT scores, or have a minimum 2.5-2.99 GPA (as we recalculate) with the following minimum test scores:

- Reading: 19+ on the ACT reading or 460+ on the SAT critical reading, and
- Math: 19+ on the ACT math or 460+ on the SAT math, and
- Writing: 18+ on the ACT Combined English/Writing or 440+ on the SAT writing.

For more information on this Florida Board of Governors regulation, go to <http://flog.org/about/regulations/>, Chapter 6.002.

This year's seniors are permitted to count the sequences of Algebra 1A and 1B or Applied Math 1 and 2 as two credits for high school graduation as well as for meeting SUS admission

requirements. They are also permitted to count Liberal Arts Math as one of the four required math credits for admission to the SUS as long as Liberal Arts Math was taken in either 2008-09 or 2009-10. If Liberal Arts Math was taken in their junior or senior years, it will not count as one of the four credits for SUS admissions. **While these math courses will satisfy the minimum requirements for admission to the SUS, seniors who have taken them will not be competitive applicants to FSU.**

Note: After this year, high school math credits for admission to the SUS will revert back to the traditional policy that states the sequences for Algebra 1A and 1B and Applied Math 1 and 2 will satisfy a total of one credit of math for admission purposes. In addition, Liberal Arts Math will not be accepted as one of the four math courses.

2012 FSU Admission Standards

<https://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/admissions/requirements.cfm>

The most important factor in the decision-making process remains the applicant's academic profile (academic GPA and quality of curriculum) in combination with test performance on the ACT (plus writing) and/or SAT. In addition to GPA and test information, the admission process will continue to assess applicants on the strength of the academic curriculum with greater consideration given to those taking advanced coursework. Other factors that we consider include: class rank and first generation and socioeconomic status.

All applicants will be evaluated using a GPA/ACT (plus writing) /SAT matrix, ranging from 3.0/27/1790 to 3.8+/23/1560 that incorporates the strength of academic curriculum and other factors. **If an applicant is deferred on our December 14 notification, we will expect to see mid-year grades and additional test scores prior to making our final decision.**

We encourage all students to take both the ACT (plus writing) and SAT. Students with acceptable GPAs, but with ACT/SAT subscores below our minimums (listed below) will automatically be deferred or denied until new test scores have been received.

Note: Letters of recommendation are not required and will not be used in the regular decision-making process.

ACT/SAT Information

- Applicants should take both exams, since FSU uses the best composite/total score for admission and scholarship purposes. (Applicants taking the ACT must also submit the ACT Combined English/Writing Test.)
- Applicants should take each exam more than once, since FSU 'superscores' (takes the highest subscores to create the ACT composite and SAT total).
- In addition to the applicants overall composite on the ACT or total score on the SAT, the following minimum subscores are required for admission:
Writing: 21 on the ACT English or 21 on the ACT Combined English/Writing or 500 on the SAT writing, and
Math: 21 on the ACT math or 500 on the SAT math, and

Reading: 22 on the ACT reading or 500 on the SAT critical reading.

These scores do not guarantee admission; in fact, most students admitted to FSU have higher subscores. Students being considered for special programs (CARE, Dance, Music, Theatre, and Athletics) may have these minimum subscores waived.

- The January SAT and February ACT are the latest tests that we will use in the 2012 admission cycle.

Calculation of Academic GPA

Only academic subjects will be used when recalculating a GPA for admission purposes. Grades of C- or better in dual enrollment, AICE, AP, and IB coursework will receive 1 full bonus point in the recalculation; grades of C- or better in honors, pre-AICE, pre-AP, and pre-IB will receive ½ point. For repeated courses, we will forgive a low grade only if the exact course has been repeated, i.e. Algebra II will not replace an Algebra II honors grade...in this example, both will be used in the recalculation.

Dual Enrollment

If your students have earned dual enrollment credit while in high school, they must have their official college transcripts sent to FSU immediately upon completion of the coursework. **If your student's cumulative college GPA is below 2.0, admission to the University will be rescinded regardless of the number of courses taken.**

University Honors Program

<http://honors.fsu.edu/>

Admission into the University Honors Program is by invitation and is based on an evaluation of the entire record (including strength of academic curriculum) that a student has submitted to the University during the general admission process. Letters of invitation are sent by mail approximately two weeks after notification of general admission.

Admitted honors students also have the opportunity to apply for the Honors Medical and Legal Scholars programs, two professional-track programs that give undergraduates a head start in these careers.

2011 Accepted Honors Profile: 4.2-4.5 GPA; 29-32 ACT; 1970-2120 SAT

CARE Summer Bridge Program (SBP)

<http://care.fsu.edu/summer.html>

Students who may be disadvantaged due to economic, educational, or cultural circumstances are encouraged to seek admission through the SBP. Students accepted to the SBP must be Florida residents, and are required to apply for financial aid. Those with financial need will have 100% of their need met from non-loan sources for the initial summer term.

The GPA requirement for the SBP has increased from 2.5 to 2.8 (as we recalculate). The ACT and SAT minimums (19 and 1330) remain the same. All students submitting the ACT must also submit the Combined English/Writing Test.

In addition to completing the general admission process for the Office of Admissions, interested students must submit a CARE application, a residency affidavit found at <http://www.admissions.fsu.edu/>, a copy of the 2010 signed tax return, the 2011-12 FAFSA, two letters of support (one from the high school guidance counselor), and an essay indicating how the SBP can assist them in meeting their educational goals at FSU. All students should also complete the 2012-13 FAFSA as soon as it becomes available. For consideration, all documents should be submitted as early as possible, but no later than January 18, 2012. CARE decisions will be made available on the first notification date, December 14, and on a rolling basis thereafter.

2011 Accepted SBP Profile: 3.2-3.8 GPA; 20-24 ACT; 1470-1630 SAT

Admission Consideration Based on Disability

<http://www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/>

In accordance with a recommendation by the Office of Civil Rights, our application does not address disabilities. If prospective students provide disability information, it will not be used in the initial review process. Students denied admission to the University may appeal that decision in writing and provide a recent psychoeducational evaluation or other medical documentation relating to the disability.

Academic Program Guide

<http://www.academic-guide.fsu.edu/>

To learn more about our degree programs, refer to the Undergraduate Academic Program Guide website. Your students will be provided a detailed program description, an eight-semester plan for graduation (the student's academic map), and a link to the degree program website.

Financial Aid

<http://financialaid.fsu.edu/>

All students are encouraged to apply for financial aid since FSU participates in all federal and state financial aid programs. Students should submit the FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. Summer applicants will complete the 2011-12 FAFSA for summer financial aid awards, and the 2012-13 FAFSA for fall/spring financial aid awards. In addition, summer applicants must complete the FSU summer financial aid application found online.

All schools now provide some type of college affordability estimator that will allow users to estimate the individual out-of-pocket costs for a particular institution. Based on the information the student and/or parent enter, the college cost estimator will provide an estimate of typical expenses for the student to attend that particular college and an estimate of financial aid that the student may be eligible to receive from that institution. The estimate will help to determine the student's "net cost" – likely out-of-pocket expenses – to attend the school.

Bright Future Changes

http://financialaid.fsu.edu/aid/schol_state.html

Effective for the 2011-12 academic year, all students must submit a complete, error-free FAFSA for Florida Bright Futures, Florida Resident Access Grant, and Access to Better Learning and Education Grant. No funds can be disbursed until the valid FAFSA information is received.

There has been an increase in the community service hour requirement for all three Bright Futures award levels. In order to qualify, students must now complete:

- Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) – 100 hours
- Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) – 75 hours
- Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV) – 30 hours

The Florida Department of Education is required to approve home education community service hours for Bright Futures initial eligibility.

New rates for Bright Futures for 2011-12 are:

- FAS – \$101 per credit hour
- FMS – \$76 per credit hour
- GSV – \$76 per credit hour

FSU Scholarships

<http://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/finances/scholarships.cfm>

All accepted students will automatically be considered for merit scholarships. A separate application is not required. Since scholarships are limited, students should be admitted by our first notification for consideration.

2011-2012 Undergraduate Costs

Estimated costs cover two semesters (15 hours per semester).

	FLORIDA RESIDENTS	NON-FLORIDA RESIDENTS
Tuition / Fees	\$5,825	\$20,992
On-Campus Housing	5,424	5,424
Food (Meal Plan)	3,900	3,900
Books / Supplies	1,000	1,000
SUBTOTAL	\$16,149	\$31,316
Health Insurance*	1,455	1,455
TOTAL	\$17,604	\$32,771

*FSU has a mandatory health insurance policy for new students admitted to the University. The cost represents the annual individual premium for domestic students. (The premium for international students is \$1,601.) Costs of meeting this requirement will be included in financial aid considerations. Students who currently have health insurance may show proof of comparable coverage and may not be required to purchase the University policy. Refer to <http://studentinsurance.fsu.edu/> for additional information.

Preview

Accepted students and their families will be invited to Preview, a series of special visitation days, designed to answer all of their questions and make them feel comfortable with our entire campus community. Preview dates for the upcoming year are February 17, February 24, March 23, March 30, and April 6.

Visitor Center

<http://www.visit.fsu.edu/>

We encourage you and your students to visit campus, especially when FSU is in session. To arrange a tour and to sign up for an admission session, students should visit the above website. If they plan to be here after hours, on the weekend, or a holiday, they can download a self-guided walking tour. And, if they can't make the trip to Tallahassee, our virtual tour is available 24/7.

It is our mission to assure that each undergraduate receives a strong educational foundation on which to build a successful academic program of study. FSU has done this by creating a caring learning environment and a network of services and opportunities to support your student's development academically, socially, and professionally. Some of the programs that are offered to help your students reach their greatest potential are:

- Living-Learning Communities – First-year students who share an academic interest may live on the same residence hall floor and form their own close-knit and academically successful circle of friends.
- Freshman Interest Groups (FIGs) – Students have the opportunity to register for a pre-packaged cluster of freshman courses which are linked by an academic program or theme.
- Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) – Faculty provide learning support through study-skill workshops, academic success courses, individual consultations, and free peer tutoring in a variety of disciplines.
- University Honors Program – Our high-achieving students, who are entering college for the first time, can pursue an enriched curriculum.
- Honors in the Major – Encourages students to explore their major discipline in greater depth by completing a research or creative project with faculty members who are experts in their field.
- Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement – A comprehensive program designed to provide academic support for students who are among the first in their families to attend college or who face other unique challenges.
- Strozier Library – Our students have 24-hour access to seven floors of state-of-the-art technology and educational resources. Offering group-study rooms equipped with smart boards and floor-to-ceiling white boards, free laptop checkout, free textbook rentals, free tutoring, and a 24-hour Starbucks café, students affectionately refer to Strozier as 'Club Stroz.'
- Center for Leadership and Civic Education – Students are involved with service-learning initiatives such as community outreach, training, seminars, certificate programs, and 'serviceships.'
- Center for Global Engagement – We've created a dynamic, globally inclusive campus by offering numerous programs and activities, such as Beyond Borders and the Global Pathways Certificate Program.
- Coaching – Our Success Coaching Program works with students in their transition to college. In addition to out-of-state students, our program also targets freshmen coming in with 52 or more credit hours, living off campus, and who are receiving a large amount of Pell Grant funding.
- Tutoring Services – Reading/Writing Center, Math Help Center, Research Consultation
- Office of National Fellowships – A supportive staff and faculty mentor students so that they may compete for the nation's highest academic awards and scholarships.
- Office of Undergraduate Research – Our students are creating noteworthy, collaborative research projects with the direction and support of our faculty.
- Degree in Three – A program designed to assist students who wish to graduate in less than four years. It is most appropriate for students who enter the University with college credits earned through dual enrollment or through credit by exam, especially if those credits relate to their majors of choice.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Area code is (850) unless otherwise indicated.

Colleges

Arts and Sciences.....	644.1081
www.artsandsciences.fsu.edu/	
Business.....	644.3892
www.cob.fsu.edu/	
Communication and Information.....	644.9698
www.cci.fsu.edu/	
Criminology and Criminal Justice.....	644.4050
www.criminology.fsu.edu/	
Education.....	644.3760
www.coe.fsu.edu/	
Engineering.....	410.6485
www.eng.fsu.edu/	
Human Sciences.....	644.5054
www.chs.fsu.edu/	
Law.....	644.3787
www.law.fsu.edu/	
Medicine.....	644.1855
www.med.fsu.edu/	
Motion Picture Arts.....	644.7728
www.film.fsu.edu/	
Music.....	644.3424
www.music.fsu.edu/	
Nursing.....	644.3296
www.nursing.fsu.edu/	
Social Sciences and Public Policy.....	644.5470
www.coss.fsu.edu/	
Social Work.....	644.5713
www.csw.fsu.edu/	
Visual Arts, Theatre, and Dance.....	644.5244
www.cvatd.fsu.edu/	

University Offices

Florida State University.....	644.2525
www.fsu.edu/	
Admissions.....	644.6200
www.admissions.fsu.edu/	
Advising Center.....	644.3430
www.academic-guide.fsu.edu/	
Athletics.....	644.1079
www.fsu.edu/athletics/	
Band (Marching Chiefs).....	644.3507
www.marchingchiefs.fsu.edu/	
Career Center.....	644.6431
www.career.fsu.edu/	
Financial Aid.....	644.0539
www.financialaid.fsu.edu/	
Housing.....	644.2860
www.housing.fsu.edu/	
International Programs.....	800.374.8581
www.international.fsu.edu/	
New Students and Family Programs (Orientation).....	644.2785
www.nsfp.fsu.edu/	
Seminole Dining.....	644.3663
www.campusdish.com/en-us/CSS/FloridaState/	
Student Activities.....	644.6673
www.union.fsu.edu/sac/	
Student Disability Resource Center.....	644.9566
TDD.....	644.8504
www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu/	
Thagard Student Health Center.....	644.6230
www.healthcenter.fsu.edu/	
Undergraduate Studies.....	644.2451
www.undergrad.fsu.edu/	
University Honors Program.....	644.1841
www.honors.fsu.edu/	
Visitor Services (Campus Tours).....	644.6200
www.visit.fsu.edu/	