

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: 41,710 total students (31,851 undergraduates) from every county in Florida, all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and over 130 countries

Student Composition: 55% female, 29% minority, 4% international

2012 Accepted FTIC Profile

Acceptance Rate

Summer: 42% | Fall: 44%

Middle 50th Percent

Summer: 3.5-4.0 GPA, 23-27 ACT, 1670-1870 SAT
Fall: 3.7-4.3 GPA, 26-30 ACT, 1760-1980 SAT
Combined: 3.7-4.2 GPA, 26-30 ACT, 1740-1960 SAT

Averages

Summer: 3.8 GPA, 26 ACT, 1771 SAT
Fall: 4.0 GPA, 28 ACT, 1881 SAT
Combined: 4.0 GPA, 28 ACT, 1857 SAT

Average Number of Academic Units

English – 4.5; Math – 5; Natural Science – 4.5; Social Science – 5; Foreign Language – 3.5

Freshman Retention Rate: 92%

Six-Year Graduation Rate: 74%

Leading Florida Counties of Origin

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

Leading States of Origin (after Florida)

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

Leading High Schools of Origin

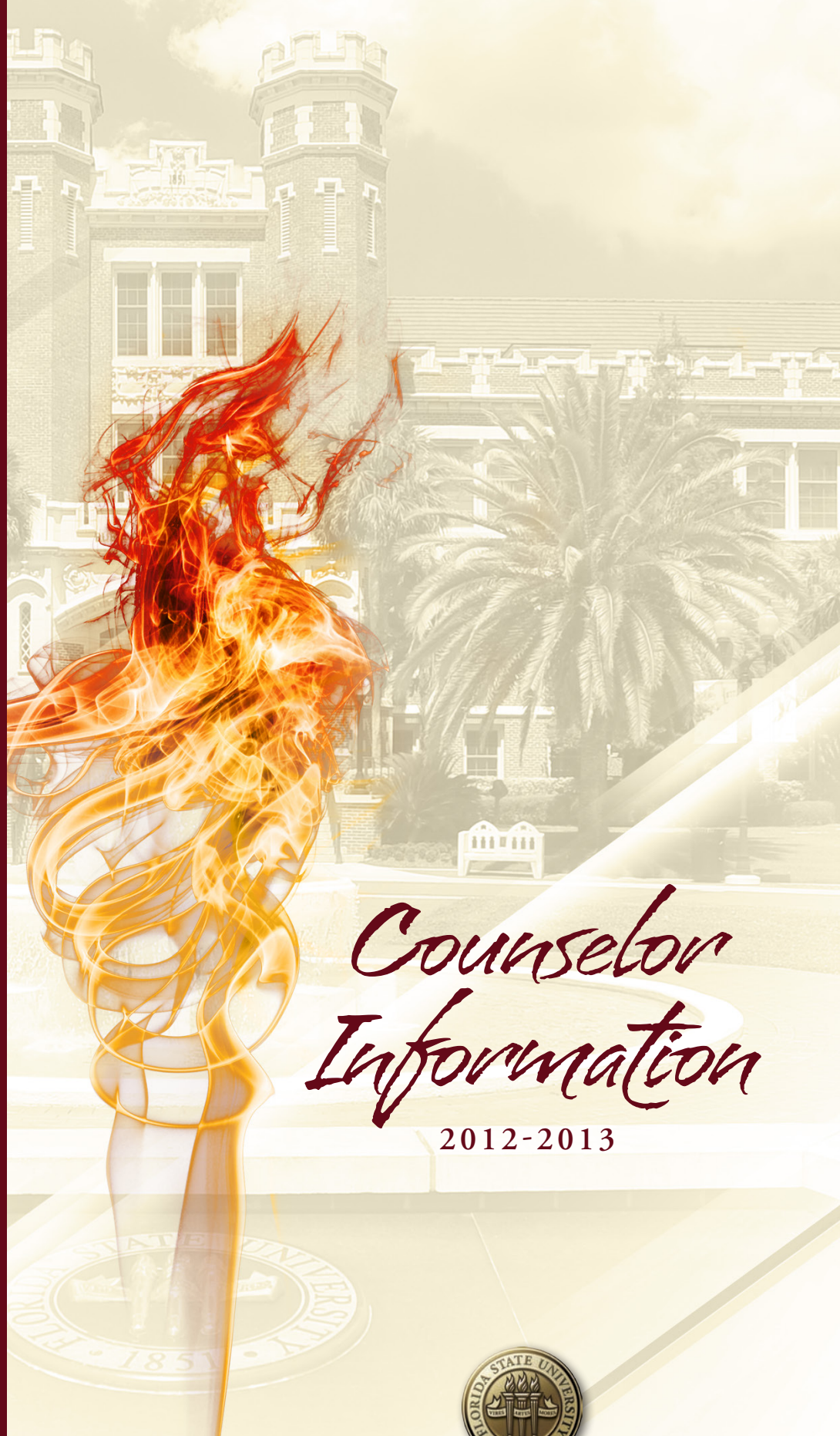
St. Thomas Aquinas, Cypress Bay, Coral Reef, H.B. Plant, Marjory Stoneman Douglas, Palm Harbor University, Miami Palmetto, Boca Raton, Jupiter, Spanish River, Lawton Chiles, Fort Myers, Winter Park, Cooper City, Alexander W. Dreyfoos, West Boca Raton, Suncoast, Spruce Creek, East Lake, Newsome, Leon, Ponte Vedra, Pine View, West Broward, Barron Collier

Top Majors

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

Most Popular Female Name: Emily

Most Popular Male Name: Michael



Counselor Information

2012-2013



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Dear Friends,

I can't believe another year has come and gone so quickly. Are the students really looking younger, or is it just me? Of course, all of us never change.

It's been a busy year for Florida State University. The Board of Trustees approved a proposal allowing the Panama City campus to admit freshmen and lower-division transfer students beginning Fall Semester, 2013. Academic programs that will be offered on the PC campus include Accounting; Business Administration; Civil Engineering; Communication (Professional Communication); Computer Engineering; Computer Science; Computer Science BA; Electrical Engineering; Elementary Education; Law Enforcement Intelligence; Law Enforcement Operations; Police Science; Psychology; Recreation, Tourism, and Events; Social Science;

Social Science Education; and Social Work. Information on our Panama City campus and their program offerings can be found at pc.fsu.edu.

Our first notification deadline is October 15 for a December 19 decision. Last year we provided decisions to over 18,000 freshmen in December, and I expect the numbers to stay fairly consistent this year. For students who wait until the week before the deadline to apply and/or to submit their academic credentials, they will have to be patient with us as we post the thousands of documents that we receive to their online accounts through the Online Status Check. Just because it's not showing up on their online account as being received does not mean it's not here, and sending duplicates (especially through Docufide, eScrip, FASTER, etc.) will just delay the

process. Your students must allow us a good 15 working days from our October 15 deadline to post all credentials to their accounts. If at that time their credentials are not reflected on their online account, it just takes a call or email from you.

Once again, we'd like to offer chat and/or Skype sessions to your school. If this is something you'd like to pursue, please contact Donna Bostwick at dbostwick@admin.fsu.edu.

Looking forward to working with all of you again 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, or email me at jfinney@admin.fsu.edu.

Janice

Counselor Listserv

admissions.fsu.edu/counselors

We encourage you to get on our email listserv. You'll receive all the latest news from us...and we promise not to spam! Please make sure we always have your most up-to-date email address, and to ensure receipt of our emails, include admissions@admin.fsu.edu in your address book. If you are on our listserv, you will receive a status report after each notification date.

Counselor Website

admissions.fsu.edu/freshman

On our freshman website, we have included a section for our counselors. Topics covered include admissions, finances, academics, and accepted students. We have also displayed the counselor brochure as a PDF in case you want to share with other folks at your school.

P.S. You'll also note there is a section devoted to your parents. You might have them read it, especially the Parent's Role found at admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/parents/role.cfm.

How We Communicate with Your Students

Most of our communications, including admission decisions, are sent electronically, so when speaking with your students, 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.

Online Status Check (OSC)

admissions.fsu.edu/StatusCheck

The OSC tool is designed for your students to monitor the progress of their admission applications 24/7 – from time of application to enrollment. They simply log in using their email address and the password they created 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. **Because the University receives thousands of applications and supporting documents each year, please remind your students that it will take time for files to be updated, especially around deadlines.**

Notification Dates for 2013

<i>Application and All Supporting Documents Received By:</i>	<i>Decision Available Online:</i>
October 15, 2012	December 19, 2012
January 14, 2013	March 20, 2013

The deadline for submitting all information for the summer/fall freshman class is January 14. 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 fbog.org/about/regulations, Chapter 6.002.

Note: High school math credits for admission to the SUS have reverted 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.

2013 FSU Admission Standards

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.

All applicants will be evaluated using a GPA/ACT plus writing/SAT matrix, ranging from 3.3/26/1730 to 3.8+/23/1560 that incorporates the strength of academic curriculum and other factors. **If an applicant is deferred on our December 19 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 and 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 2013 admission cycle.

Calculation of Academic GPA

admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/admissions/gpa.cfm

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 not be granted. In the case where a final transcript is received after the offer of admission has been extended, the offer of admission will be rescinded regardless of the number of college courses taken.**

Academic Program Guide

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. Students in accelerated mechanisms should be encouraged to review this website for information on required coursework for their intended major. **Students earning the AA degree while still in high school should also be in contact with their academic programs for additional requirements. Entering the University with the credit hours of a college junior can have negative consequences for students who are not prepared to enter the major directly from high school.**

University Honors Program

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 honors.fsu.edu/medical.html and Legal Scholars honors.fsu.edu/legal.html programs, two professional-track programs that give undergraduates a head start in these careers

2012 Accepted Honors Profile: 4.2-4.5 GPA; 30-32 ACT; 1980-2140 SAT

CARE Summer Bridge Program (SBP)

care.fsu.edu

Students disadvantaged by economic and/or educational circumstances are encouraged to seek admission through SBP. Students accepted to SBP must be Florida residents, first-generation college students (neither parent has a bachelor's degree), and eligible for a Pell Grant. SBP applicants are required to apply for financial aid, and those with financial need will have 100% of their need met from non-loan sources for the initial summer term.

The minimum GPA requirement for SBP is 2.8 (as we recalculate). The ACT and SAT minimums are 19 and 1330. All students submitting the ACT must also submit the Combined English/Writing Test.

In addition to completing the general application process for the Office of Admissions, interested students must submit a CARE SBP application, a residency affidavit found at admissions.fsu.edu, a copy of the 2011 and 2012 signed tax returns, the 2012-13 FAFSA, and an essay indicating how

CARE can assist them in meeting their educational goals at FSU. All applicants should also complete the 2013-14 FAFSA as soon as it becomes available. For full consideration, all documents should be submitted as early as possible, but no later than January 14, 2013.

CARE decisions will be made available on the first notification date, December 19, and on a rolling basis thereafter. **2012 Accepted SBP Profile:** 3.2-3.7 GPA; 21-24 ACT; 1450-1630 SAT

Admission Consideration Based on Disability

www.disabilitycenter.fsu.edu

In accordance with a recommendation by the Office of Civil Rights, our application does not ask disability-related questions. If prospective students provide disability information, it will not be used in the review process. However, students with a documented disability who believe that they were unable to meet the University admission requirements because of the disability may appeal that decision in writing and provide relevant documentation that appropriately describes the effect of the disability on the decision to deny. Documentation must be recent, provided by a qualified professional, and must address specific functional limitations imposed by the condition for which special consideration is being sought.

Financial Aid

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 2012-13 FAFSA for summer financial aid awards, and the 2013-14 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 a **college affordability estimator** that allows 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. Ours is called the **FSU Net Price Calculator** and can be found on the financial aid website.

FSU Scholarships

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 full consideration.

2012-2013 Undergraduate Costs

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

	FLORIDA RESIDENTS	NON-FLORIDA RESIDENTS
Tuition / Fees	\$ 6,403	\$21,569
On-Campus Housing	5,820	5,820
Food (Meal Plan)	3,998	3,998
Books / Supplies	1,000	1,000
SUBTOTAL	\$17,221	\$32,387
Health Insurance*	1,541	1,541
TOTAL	\$18,762	\$33,928

**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 \$1,695.) 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 healthcenter.fsu.edu/insurance 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 22, March 1, March 22, March 29, and April 5.

Visitor Center

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 on 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.

New to Campus

- Our sixth parking garage is now open and offers approximately 900 additional spaces for student parking.
- The design phase for a new \$65M building for the Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences Department is underway.
- The first design phase for a new Student Union has just started, and plans are underway to demolish and rebuild portions of the existing Union.
- Construction of an upper-classman residence hall is now complete and provides an additional 276 beds for campus students. Adjacent to Wildwood Halls, on the southwest side of campus, Traditions Hall offers 2-bedroom, 1-bath apartment-style living.
- The historic William Johnston Building recently underwent a major renovation that marries a traditional Gothic exterior with an ultramodern interior that includes a five-story atrium. It now houses portions of Undergraduate Studies and the colleges of Communication and Information; Human Sciences; and Visual Arts, Theatre, and Dance.
- This fall our University Health Services moved into the new 178,000 square foot Health and Wellness Center. This five-story facility shares resources with numerous departments to include fitness services in partnership with physical therapy and athletic training, as well as classroom and auditorium space for the College of Nursing. The new facility will provide more space for examination rooms, an urgent care setting, a specialty care setting, a dental clinic, and designated space for the Advanced First Responders Program and the Health Promotion Program.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Area code is (850) unless otherwise indicated.

Colleges

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

University Offices

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