Welcome to Florida State University!

Designated as a preeminent university and one of the best public universities in the country, Florida State University is home to many nationally ranked programs in the arts, sciences, business, and law.

Many of our students are winning top national scholarships, conducting high-level research, studying overseas, working amazing internships, and volunteering in the community. Not only are we preparing career-ready college graduates, we are producing good citizens who can improve the world.

At Florida State, we recognize that college is also an opportunity to meet new people, discover new interests, and grow as a person. With more than 650 registered student organizations, there are countless ways for you to get involved, become a campus leader, or volunteer in the community.

As you explore our campus and meet members of our diverse community, you will see how we live our traditional values as we look toward the future. We hope you enjoy your visit and will consider making Florida State University your choice to pursue your academic dreams.

Sincerely,

John Thrasher
PRESIDENT
For Sophie Rottenberg, a member of the inaugural class of Presidential Scholars, it was love at first sight. “The moment I stepped onto campus, I was struck by the beauty, the friendliness of the students, and the constant encouragement I received,” Sophie said.

With the support from The Presidential Scholarship, the premier undergraduate merit scholarship at Florida State, Sophie is pursuing a double-major in biological science and international affairs with the lofty goal of becoming a trauma surgeon. During her freshman year, she presented at the Undergraduate Research Symposium (“Are You Infected with the Social Contagion?”) under the supervision of Dr. Ashby Plant, professor of psychology. She is currently conducting research with Dr. Elizabeth Hammock, assistant professor of psychology, on “Oxytocin Receptors in Brain and Behavior Development.”

A native of Maryland and high school graduate from Tampa, Sophie has lived around the globe. Her passion for travel was recently fueled by a summer trip to Peru where she worked with physically and mentally challenged youth. She plans to return to Peru this next year. Sophie has her sights set on serving with the Peace Corps for several years upon receiving her bachelor degree.

In addition to her demanding honors classes and research projects, Sophie leads a very active student life. She mentors and tutors local students and assists with vision screenings for underserved youth. She serves in leadership roles on numerous student organizations and helped develop a recruitment initiative for the Presidential Scholars Program. An avid unicyclist, Sophie plans to try out for The FSU Flying High Circus.
FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, designated a preeminent university in the state of Florida, is one of the most respected research institutions in the country. Named by the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education as a leader in very high research activity – a designation given to only 73 public colleges and universities – Florida State is home to many nationally ranked programs, from the sciences and fine arts to business, communication, and law.

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AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, you will find a rigorous academic environment within a community of internationally recognized faculty who are award-winning artists, scientists, authors, teachers, designers, researchers, entrepreneurs, and performers from around the globe. From libraries to laboratories and classrooms, we offer a student-centered education that inspires the academically motivated, intellectually curious, and socially conscious student.

We are more than just a place where classes are taught and innovation is born. We are a place where you will be challenged to turn research into discovery, inspiration into opportunity, and ideas into action. Located in Florida's capital city, we provide unmatched access to policy makers, and leaders, who are enacting change and shaping the future. We invite you to be a part of it.

Grace Chrzanowski, a Chemical & Biomedical Engineering Major, is working with her peers to devise methods to look at the neural pathways of the brain in a more direct and less invasive manner. She performs this research using ultra-high magnetic fields to analyze the conduction and connectivity in neuronal systems, which may help expedite diagnoses with minimal patient risk. As a result of her research, she received the Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Award.
COMMITMENT TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- **Learn more and do more** in the Honors Program, where exceptional first-time students benefit from an enriched curriculum and experiential learning projects.

- **Be part of an interactive community** that supports the success of our highest achievers at the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Honors, Scholars, & Fellows House (The House). The House, located in the heart of campus, is evidence of our commitment to recognize, foster, and reward academic excellence by bringing the Honors Program, the Office of Undergraduate Research, the Office of National Fellowships, and the Graduate Fellows Society all under one roof.

- **Learn from internationally recognized faculty**, including Nobel laureates, Pulitzer Prize winners, Guggenheim Fellows, members of the National Academy of Sciences and American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and more.

- **Create noteworthy, collaborative research projects** with help from the Office of Undergraduate Research. The Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program (UROP) is even open to first- and second-year undergraduates.

- **Achieve more** with support from the Office of National Fellowships as they mentor you through the selection process for prestigious scholarships and fellowships.

- **See the world** when you study in one or more of our 20 study centers around the globe including our year-round campuses in London, England; Florence, Italy; Panama City, Republic of Panama; and Valencia, Spain.

- **Flex your mental muscles** by joining a Freshman Interest Group, where, with other like-minded freshmen, you’ll take core classes and explore the learning culture at FSU.

- **Find your passion** and declare your major by working with our award-winning academic advisers.

- **Study all night long** at “Club Stroz.” Strozier Library puts seven floors of technology and educational resources at your fingertips 24 hours a day. You have access to group study rooms equipped with SMART boards and floor-to-ceiling white boards; individual study rooms; free laptop checkout, textbook rentals, and tutoring; and a 24-hour Starbucks (eat and drink anywhere you please!).

- **Excel** in the areas of leadership, internship, service, globalism, and research, and you too can be honored by the Garnet and Gold Scholar Society at graduation.

- **Create positive change** through the Center for Leadership and Social Change’s service-learning initiatives that will make you a better citizen, leader, and person.
Our 16 colleges offering more than 160 undergraduate majors and supportive student-centered community provide you with an abundance of comprehensive, diverse, and intellectual opportunities.

Over the past decade, our students have won more than 225 nationally competitive awards, including three prestigious Rhodes, four Truman, eight Goldwater, and 18 Hollings scholarships; four Pickering fellowships; and more than 70 Fulbright grants.

**Conner Dacey,**
**A METEOROLOGY MAJOR,**
is a Truman Scholarship finalist, a Hollings Scholar, and recipient of the American Meteorological Society’s Freshman Scholarship. In addition, he is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies, Chi Epsilon Pi, and the National Meteorology Honor Society.
DID YOU KNOW?

The top STEM University in the state. FSU ranks first in four of eight areas of external funding for the STEM disciplines (environmental science, mathematical sciences, physical sciences, and psychology).

Department of Retail, Merchandising, and Product Development is ranked No. 7 nationally and No. 2 among programs in the South.

A national leader in the graduation rate of African-American undergraduates and in the number of doctorates awarded to African-American students.

No. 43 in Top Public Universities according to U.S. News & World Report.

The College of Music is ranked No. 5 in the nation among public universities and is one of the oldest and largest in the world.

The College of Fine Arts boasts some of the highest ranking art programs in the nation (art history, dance, and interior design).

No. 43 in 'Top Public Universities' and climbing according to U.S. News & World Report, and 15th as a Best Value University by Kiplinger.

Since 2006, FSU is the only public university in Florida to have a Rhodes Scholar, and we’ve had three!

College of Medicine is a Top Ten Producer of Family Practice Physicians.
Cristina Batista, a Creative Writing and Social Work double-major, was nominated for the “Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges” Award and is a two-time recipient of the Social Work Undergraduate Research Award. She is actively engaged in community service both internationally and locally through ‘Noles for Haiti and the FSU Wesley Foundation.

More than 25% of our undergraduates gain hands-on research experience.

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FSU has the highest percentage in the state of alumni giving back to the University.

The College of Law is ranked the state’s No. 1 law school by Business Insider and No. 2 nationally for Hispanic students by Hispanic Magazine.

The College of Business undergraduate program is ranked No. 39 among public institutions in the nation.

Receives more in National Science Foundation funding than any other university in the state.
OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Whether you find yourself catching some rays at The Rez, sweating it out at Leach, clowning around in The FSU Flying High Circus, taking a walk through 'Nole history in the Heritage Museum, or finding your role in our more than 650 recognized student organizations, you’ll quickly feel at home at Florida State University.

- Be in the heart of the action by living in one of the 13 on-campus residence halls.
- Cheer on our 20 NCAA Division 1 teams as they compete in the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC).
- Pick from multiple meal plans in 25 dining locations throughout campus.
- Experience the sounds of the Marching Chiefs, one of the largest collegiate bands in the world.
- Take advantage of our all-inclusive recreational facility, including an indoor track overlooking an Olympic-size pool; extensive cardio, strength, and weight-lifting equipment; basketball and racquetball courts; whirlpools; and more.
- Room with other freshmen who share similar academic interests in our living-learning communities.
- Marvel at The FSU Flying High Circus, one of only two collegiate circuses in the country.
- Relax at our 73-acre lakefront property.
- Be entertained by independent, foreign, and blockbuster films in the Student Life Cinema.
- Get your game on at the single-largest collegiate outdoor recreational facility (108 acres of intramural fields).
- Participate in numerous internship, employment, and cultural opportunities in the thriving capital city of the nation’s third most populous state.
Rachel Crooks, a national finalist for the Truman Scholarship and a member of Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society. She has instructed first- and second-year students on research through the Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program at FSU, and has completed more than 500 volunteer hours and numerous internships both on American and international soil.
READY TO APPLY AS A FRESHMAN?

- Create your Self-reported Student Academic Record (SSAR) at admissions.fsu.edu using your official high school transcript. To learn about the SSAR, go to admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/ssar.

- Apply online at admissions.fsu.edu/undergradapp. Essay topic for 2016: We firmly believe that every person is unique and of value. Our University is enriched by embracing individual differences and creating a community that is much more than the sum of its parts. In 650 words or less, share your story with us. Tell us how you came to be the person you are today, and about your passions and future expectations. Describe how you will benefit from our community and how our community will benefit from you.

- Submit official ACT (#0734) and/or SAT (#5219) results for every test taken. (Applicants taking the ACT must also submit the ACT writing test.)

- Contact the academic department directly if majoring in dance, film, music, or theatre.

*Please note that letters of recommendation are not required and will not be used in the decision-making process.*
## TOP 10 FLORIDA COUNTIES
- Broward
- Miami-Dade
- Palm Beach
- Hillsborough
- Orange
- Pinellas
- Duval
- Seminole
- Leon
- Brevard

## TOP 10 STATES (EXCLUDING FLORIDA)
- Georgia
- New York
- New Jersey
- Virginia
- Maryland
- North Carolina
- Pennsylvania
- Illinois
- Texas
- California

## TOP 10 MAJORS
- Biological Science
- Business
- Engineering
- Psychology
- Nursing
- Communication
- Political Science
- Education
- Criminology
- Exercise Science

## Applications & All Supporting Documents Received By:
- October 15, 2015
- January 13, 2016

## Decisions Available Online:
- December 9, 2015
- March 16, 2016

All information used to make an admission decision must be received by the published deadlines. For detailed information about admission requirements, go to [admissions.fsu.edu/freshman](http://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman).

### ACCEPTED FRESHMAN PROFILE
- 3.8-4.3 academic GPA
- 26-30 ACT composite;
- 1750-1960 SAT total

### ACCEPTED HONORS PROFILE
- 4.3-4.6 academic GPA;
- 30-33 ACT composite;
- 1980-2140 SAT total

**READY TO APPLY AS A TRANSFER?** Visit [admissions.fsu.edu/transfer](http://admissions.fsu.edu/transfer) to learn about requirements and to apply online.
# 2015-2016 Academic Year Basic Costs

Estimated costs cover two semesters (15 hours per semester)

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$^1$ Refer to [housing.fsu.edu/future-residents/finances/rental-rates](http://housing.fsu.edu/future-residents/finances/rental-rates) for rental rates by residence hall.

$^2$ Refer to [seminoledining.com/](http://seminoledining.com/) for meal plan options and the associated costs.

$^3$ FSU has a mandatory health insurance policy. The costs represent the annual individual premium for domestic students. (The premium for international students is $2,150.) 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](http://healthcenter.fsu.edu/insurance) for additional information.
Named a **BEST VALUE COLLEGE** by *Princeton Review* and *USA Today* and a **BEST VALUE UNIVERSITY** by *Kiplinger’s “Best Values in Public Colleges”*. 

Ranked one of the **MOST EFFICIENT OF THE HIGH QUALITY UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED STATES** by *U.S. News & World Report* for three years in a row.

**Financial Assistance**

Florida State offers admission to students on a ‘need-blind’ basis. Your ability to pay has no bearing on our admission decision. To apply for need-based aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), located at [financialaid.fsu.edu](http://financialaid.fsu.edu). Although no award can be made until a student is offered admission, students and families are strongly encouraged to complete the FAFSA in early January.

**Scholarships**

Admitted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships, regardless of financial circumstances. A separate application is not required. Because scholarships are limited, students with strong academic records should apply to the University by our October 15 deadline. For information on University scholarships, go to [admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/finances/scholarships.cfm](http://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/finances/scholarships.cfm).
Extensive Choices and Unique Opportunities

### COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

- **Actuarial Science**
- **Anthropology**
- **Biochemistry**
- **Biological Sciences**
  - Biological Science
  - Cell and Molecular Biology
  - Ecology, Evolution, and Environmental Science
  - Marine Biology
- **Chemistry**
- **Classical Civilizations**
- **Classical Archaeology**
- **Environmental Chemistry**
- **Chemical Sciences/FSU–Teach**
- **Chemical Science**
- **Chemical Science**
- **Chemistry**
- **Chinese Language and Culture**
- **Chinese Language and Cultures**
- **Chinese and Japanese**
- **Classics**
  - Classical Archaeology
  - Classical Civilizations
  - Classics and Religion
  - Greek and Latin
- **Computational Biology**
- **Computer Science**
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- **Computer Science**
- **Computer Science**
- **Computer Criminology**
- **Computer Criminology**
- **Computational Science**
- **Computer Science**
  - Computer Science (BA)
- **East Asian Languages and Cultures**
  - Chinese/Business
  - Chinese and Japanese
  - Chinese Language and Culture
  - Japanese/Business
- **Environmental Chemistry**
- **Environmental Science**
  - Environmental Science and Policy
  - Environmental Science/FSU–Teach
- **French**
  - French/Business
  - French and German
  - French and Italian
  - French and Spanish
  - French and Russian
- **Geology**
  - German
  - German
  - German/Business
  - German and Italian
  - German and Russian
  - German and Spanish
  - Greek
  - History
- **Interdisciplinary Humanities**
  - Humanities
  - Women's Studies
- **Italian**
  - Italian
  - Italian/Business
  - Italian and Russian
  - Italian and Spanish
- **Latin**
- **Mathematics**
  - Applied and Computational Mathematics
  - Mathematics
  - Mathematics/FSU–Teach
- **Meteorology**
  - Applied Geosciences/FSU–Teach
  - Meteorology
- **Middle Eastern Studies**
- **Philosophy**
- **Physical Science**
  - Physical Science
  - Physical Science/FSU–Teach
- **Physics**
  - Physics
  - Physics and Astrophysics
- **Psychology**
- **Religion**
- **Religion and Classics**
- **Russian**
  - Russian
  - Russian/Business
  - Russian and Spanish
- **Spanish**
  - Spanish
  - Spanish/Business
- **Statistics**

### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

- **Accounting**
- **Business Administration**
- **Entrepreneurship**
- **Finance**
- **Hospitality Management**
- **Global Club Management**
- **Hospitability Management**
- **Management**
- **Management Information Systems**
- **Marketing**
- **Professional Sales**
- **Retail Management**
- **Real Estate**
- **Risk Management – Insurance**

### COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

- **Communication and Digital Media Studies**
- **Digital Media Production**
- **Media/Communication Studies**
- **Communication Science and Disorders**
- **Information Technology**
  - Information Communication and Technology
  - Information Technology
- **Professional Communication Advertising Public Relations**

### COLLEGE OF CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

- **Computer Criminology**
  - Computer Criminology
  - Criminology

### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

- **Chemical – Biomedical Engineering**
- **Chemical Engineering**
- **Chemical – Materials Engineering**
- **Civil Engineering**
- **Civil Engineering**
- **Environmental Engineering – Civil**
- **Computer Engineering**
- **Electrical Engineering**
- **Industrial Engineering**
- **Mechanical Engineering**

### COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

- **Athletic Training**
- **Dietetics**
- **Exercise Science**
- **Family and Child Sciences**
- **Food and Nutrition**
- **Food and Nutrition Science**
- **Retail, Merchandising, and Product Development**

### COLLEGE OF MOTION PICTURE ARTS

- **Motion Picture Arts**
  - Animation and Digital Arts
  - Motion Picture Arts – Production

### COLLEGE OF MUSIC

- **Music Education**
  - Choral Music Education
  - Instrumental Music Education
  - Music Education
- **Music – Liberal Arts**
  - Commercial Music
  - Jazz
  - Sacred Music
  - Music Performance
  - Brass Performance
  - Guitar Performance
  - Harp Performance
  - Music Theatre – Music
  - Organ Performance
  - Percussion Performance
  - Piano Pedagogy
  - Piano Performance
  - String Performance
  - Voice Performance
  - Woodwind Performance
  - Music Theory and Composition
  - Music Theory
  - Music Therapy

### COLLEGE OF NURSING

- **Nursing**
- **Nursing**
- **Nursing Accelerated BSN**

### COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PUBLIC POLICY

- **African-American Studies**
- **Asian Studies**
- **Asian Studies/Business**
- **Economics**
- **Geography**
  - Environmental Studies
  - Geography
- **International Affairs**
  - Latin American and Caribbean Studies
  - Latin American and Caribbean Studies
  - Latin American and Caribbean Studies/Business
  - Political Science
  - Russian and East European Studies
  - Social Science
  - Sociology

### COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

- **Social Work**

### COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

- **Dance**
- **History and Criticism of Art**
  - Art History
  - Interior Design
  - Studio Art
- **Theatre**
  - Acting
  - Music Theatre – Theatre
  - Theatre

### GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

- Florida State offers over 200 graduate degree programs, as well as professional degrees in Law and Medicine.
  - Includes Medicine, Veterinary Medicine, Optometry, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, and Physician’s Assistant