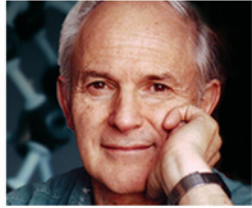


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The Florida State University

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# a major public research university expansive and individualized

The Florida State University offers a dynamic academic environment built upon cherished values and its unique heritage. It is not only a place where courses are taught, research is produced, and sports are played; it is also a vibrant community dedicated to shaping the complete person by cultivating critical and creative thought through discovery in all disciplines. Located in the heart of the state capital, the University is driven by an unrelenting quest for scientific and social progress, which will unite its people and its research with policy-makers who enact change.



For more than 158 years, the promise of The Florida State University has remained unwavering: to prepare our students for a life which balances knowledge, creativity, leadership, and contribution.



The essence of our University — Strength, Skill, and Character — is supported every day by our nurturing environment, our connection to the capital, our practical research which benefits the world, our culture of creativity, and our commitment to academic excellence.

**The *U.S. News and World Report* ranks Florida State among the top fifty national public universities.**





# leading for the greater good

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, you are a leader.  
— John Quincy Adams, sixth president of the United States



Designated a research-extensive University by the Carnegie Foundation, Florida State is home to nationally ranked programs, which span across the sciences, arts, business, and law. In the midst of this broad academic environment, which focuses on the individual student, we nurture the spirit of discovery and support your unique pursuits as a scholar, citizen, and leader. You'll be encouraged to work alongside a member of our faculty through independent study, or expand your wealth of knowledge in an accelerated, intimate classroom setting in our Honors Program.

Perhaps you will choose to live and study abroad in one of over twenty countries through our

International Programs, or donate your time and talents to local and global societies.



Our fifteen colleges; state-of-the-art research laboratories; extraordinary dance and performance facilities; supportive, student-centered community; and more than 300 programs of study provide you an abundance of comprehensive, diverse, and uncommon intellectual opportunities.

We foster the spirit of discovery and support your unique pursuits as a scholar, citizen, and leader.



# a nurturing environment

A professor can never better distinguish himself in his work than by encouraging a clever pupil, for the true discoverers are among them, as comets amongst the stars. — Carl Linnaeus, Swedish botanist

Florida State University has built a caring learning environment and a network of services to support your development on every level — academically, socially, and professionally. When you enroll at Florida State, you join a family dedicated to helping you reach your greatest potential.



Unleash your intellectual energy as you work alongside our engaging faculty.

The heart of the Florida State experience is the opportunity to work closely with accomplished faculty who are professional artists, scientists, authors, designers, innovators, and performers, as well as educators — people who *do* as well as teach — and who win awards pursuing their passions. Through independent study in every subject, our faculty members are eager to provide hands-on experiences in order to prepare you for an evolving global society.

## 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.

## 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.

## Office of Multicultural Affairs

An inclusive environment that fosters an appreciation for the collective histories, traditions, and cultures within our University.

## 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.

## 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.

## Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors

A supportive faculty and staff encourage students to participate in numerous research experiences.

## Honors in the Major

Our students have the opportunity to conduct original research in their major area of study under the supervision of a faculty committee.

## Dunlap Student Success Center

A central location which provides personalized counseling to help students reach and exceed their potential.

## Robert Manning Strozier Library

Our recently-renovated Strozier Library is the evolution of the modern library — a one-stop academic and community haven for our students, which provides scores of computers, study rooms, DVDs, a Media Lab, free tutoring, numerous “no-talking” floors for quiet study, as well as floors for academic and social discussion.



# a connection to the capital

Idealists, foolish enough to throw caution to the winds, have advanced mankind and have enriched the world. — Emma Goldman, political activist



Because the capital is seated just steps away from our front gate, Florida State University offers unmatched access to political leaders and policy-makers; internships with government agencies, judges, and attorneys; and possibilities for working with profit and nonprofit groups.



The Center for Leadership and Civic Education enables our students to connect to causes larger than themselves through community outreach, training, seminars, certificate programs, and “serviceships.”

Become involved in social causes and community activities that are meaningful — and that make a difference in the world.

The Global Pathways Certificate maximizes the rich cultural learning experiences available on campus, in the community, and abroad.



## shaping tomorrow's society

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# research for the real world

My hope still is to leave the world a bit better than when I got here. — Jim Henson, creator of *The Muppets*

## actualize, reinvent

### At Florida State University, we are...

- Tweaking proteins in order to develop new medications for heart disease.
- Developing and implementing alternative energy technologies.
- Helping autistic children become more responsive.
- Studying the effects of free will as it relates to science.
- Conducting research that may lead to significantly improved treatments for blindness.
- Promoting civil and human rights.
- Synergizing departmental research to create unmanned, invincible robots for wartime efforts.
- Manufacturing a material that may protect airplanes from lightning strikes.
- Fighting tuberculosis.
- Producing lightweight, bulletproof material to protect our soldiers in battle.
- Analyzing oil so that Americans save money at the pump.
- Prescribing real-world healthcare solutions.
- Attracting the global scientific community.
- Opening cultural dialogues to promote communication.



The National High Magnetic Field Laboratory is the largest and highest-powered magnet laboratory on earth. Each year, more than 1,000 scientists from around the world visit Tallahassee to conduct experiments — from developing new medicines to powering our planet.



Our scientists, faculty, and students are finding solutions to the challenges facing our neighborhoods, our society, and our world.



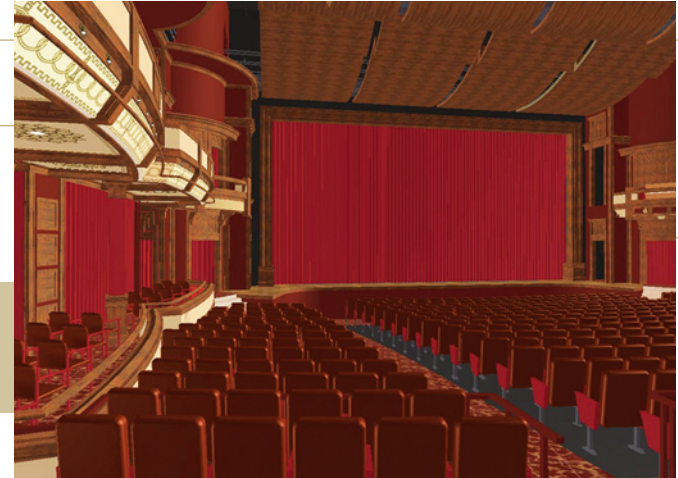
# a culture of creativity

Let nothing dim the light that shines from within. — Maya Angelou, American poet

## To advance and share knowledge gained through creative research



At Florida State University, creativity isn't just an artistic pursuit. It is an integral part of our experience. From our world-renowned programs to world-class cultural performances and events, **the University is an impetus for creative expression** — and a conduit for a lifelong enjoyment of the arts.



At Florida State, we are developing musical pacifiers to help premature infants gain weight and thrive.

- Two graduates of The Film School claimed the University's twenty-fifth Student Emmy, with the short film, *Picture Day*, at the 31st Annual College Television Awards.
- Florida State is ranked #3 in the nation for contributions to arts research according to *Science Watch*.
- Our Creative Writing Program was ranked one of the top ten graduate programs and one of the five top Ph.D. programs in the *The Atlantic Monthly's* "Best of the Best."



The extensive renovation of Ruby Diamond Auditorium illustrates our unwavering commitment to the arts. The \$37 million expansion will create a 900-seat premier performance space, featuring acoustical and theatrical attributes equivalent to those found in the finest halls.

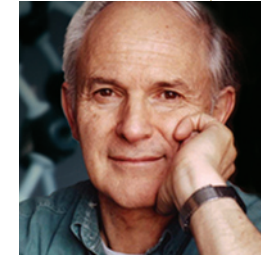
We celebrate the unique role that the arts play in the construction of culture.

Our programs rank among the finest in the world, offering an arts education comparable to leading conservatories.

# a commitment to academic excellence

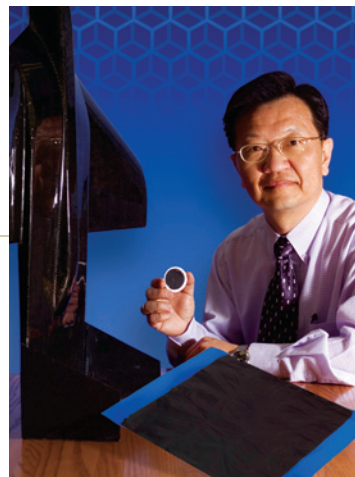
Learning how to learn is life's most important skill. — Tony Buzan, educational consultant

With an impressive breadth of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs, The Florida State University is an internationally recognized teaching and research institution committed to preparing our graduates for leadership in a global society. As a student, you have the opportunity to work alongside Nobel laureates, members of the National Academy of Sciences and American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Guggenheim Fellows, Pulitzer Prize recipients, and other globally-recognized teachers and researchers. At Florida State, you will engage in intellectually stimulating study within a warm and caring environment.

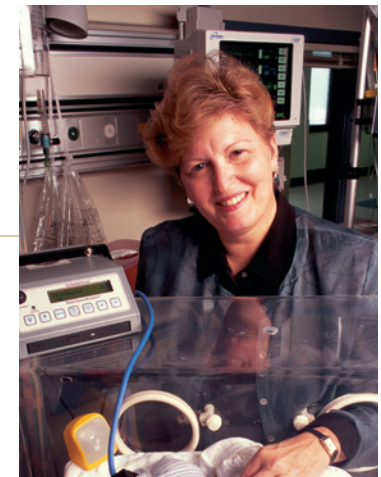


We are dedicated to making Florida State University an institution that enables students to realize their goals and ambitions. Allow us to help you discover the fire within you!

- Our Office of National Fellowships helps extraordinary students achieve even greater heights by helping them identify and pursue national and international scholarships and fellowships.
- The University Honors Program offers an enriched curriculum and special opportunities for exceptional, high-achieving students entering college for the first time.
- Florida State University is one of the top undergraduate degree producers for African Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans.
- International Programs has provided study-abroad opportunities for over fifty years; you can study in one of our four, year-round study centers, or take classes in more than twenty other countries.



Gain a deeper understanding of your academic discipline! The Office of Undergraduate Research and Creative Endeavors provides numerous opportunities, such as laboratory experiments, scholarly research that addresses societal concerns, and artistic projects performed in concert halls — all designed to enhance your education.





# proof in abundance

The difference between what we do and what we are capable of doing would suffice to solve most of the world's problems.  
— Mahatma Gandhi, political and spiritual leader



## Shaina Hyder

- Jacksonville, Florida
- Fulbright Scholar, 2010
- Sociology major
- Spent the summer of 2008 in Dhaka, Bangladesh
- As a Fulbright Scholar, she will return to Bangladesh to continue her study of garment workers
- Enjoys learning new languages, especially German and Arabic, and looks forward to learning the Hindi and Urdu languages



## Kristen Ramsey

- Tallahassee, Florida
- Goldwater Scholar, 2010
- Biochemistry major
- Hopes to earn a combined M.D./Ph.D. in cancer biology and biochemistry
- First inspired to work in cancer research as a child, when her best friend's seven-year-old brother was diagnosed with leukemia
- An avid runner, she plans to run her first full marathon in the upcoming months

In the last five years, our undergraduates have won more than seventy-five nationally competitive awards, including three prestigious Rhodes, three Truman, five Goldwater, and five Hollings scholarships; three Pickering fellowships; and thirty-five Fulbright fellowships and assistantships.



## Aleksey Sanchez

- Hiialeah Gardens, Florida
- Pickering Scholar, 2010
- Fulbright Scholar, 2010
- International Affairs and Russian double major
- Received a Department of State Critical Language Scholarship to study in Astrakhan, Russia, in 2008, and returned in 2009 to study at Moscow State University on the Winthrop-King Undergraduate Scholarship
- Wants to pursue a Master's degree in International Relations and become a Foreign Service Officer
- Enjoys playing basketball and is a Miami Heat fan



## Al Heartley

- Stone Mountain, Georgia
- Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) Fellow for Undergraduate Research, 2010
- Theatre major
- Strives to advance the public's knowledge and appreciation of African American playwright Tarell Alvin McCraney
- Produced and staged McCraney's *The Brother Size*
- Enjoys listening to and conducting musicals



## Jesse O'Shea

- Clearwater, Florida
- USA Today All-USA Academic All-Star, 2010
- Truman Scholar Finalist, 2010
- Biological Science and Social Science double major
- Founded the Global Haiti Initiative, an intercollegiate clearinghouse for developmental programs in Haiti
- Co-founder of the Student United Way
- Enjoys listening to classical music and going to the beach

# unlock your potential

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# academic opportunities

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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### ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

### BIOCHEMISTRY

### BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Biological Science

Cell and Molecular Biology

Ecology, Evolution, and

Environmental Science

Marine Biology

Mathematical and Computational Biology

Physiology and Neuroscience

Plant Sciences

Preprofessional Health Sciences

Zoology

Biology/FSU–Teach

### CHEMICAL SCIENCE

Chemical Science

Chemical Sciences/FSU–Teach

### CHEMISTRY

Chemistry

Environmental Chemistry

### CLASSICS

Classical Archaeology

Classical Civilizations

Classics and Religion

Greek and Latin

### COMPUTATIONAL BIOLOGY

Computational Biology – Biology

Computational Biology – Computer Science

### COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE

### COMPUTER CRIMINOLOGY

Computer Criminology – Computer Science

### COMPUTER SCIENCE

Computer Science

Computer Science (BA)

### EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES

#### AND CULTURES

Chinese/Business

Chinese and Japanese

Chinese Language and Culture

Japanese/Business

Japanese Language and Culture

### ENGLISH

Creative Writing

Creative Writing with an

Emphasis in Business

Editing, Writing, and Media

English/Business

Literature

### ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Environmental Science

Environmental Science and Policy

### FRENCH

French

French/Business

French and German

French and Italian

French and Russian

French and Spanish

### FRENCH AND

#### FRANCOPHONE STUDIES

### 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

Biostatistics

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

Religion and Classics

### RUSSIAN

Russian

Russian/Business

Russian and Spanish

### SPANISH

Spanish

Spanish/Business

### STATISTICS

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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### ACCOUNTING

### BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Entrepreneurship

### FINANCE

### MANAGEMENT

Human Resource Management

Management

### MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

#### SYSTEMS

### MARKETING

Marketing

Professional Sales

### REAL ESTATE

### RISK MANAGEMENT – INSURANCE

## COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

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### COMMUNICATION

Advertising

Media Production

Media/Communication Studies

Public Relations

### COMMUNICATION SCIENCES

#### AND DISORDERS

### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Information Communication and Technology

Information Technology

## COLLEGE OF CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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### COMPUTER CRIMINOLOGY

Computer Criminology – Criminology

### CRIMINOLOGY



# academic opportunities

## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**  
**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**  
**ENGLISH EDUCATION**  
**SOCIAL SCIENCES EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
Exceptional Student Education  
**VISUAL DISABILITIES**  
Visual Disabilities Education  
Visual Disabilities Studies  
**SPORT MANAGEMENT**

## COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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**CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**  
Chemical – Bioengineering  
Chemical – Biomedical Engineering  
Chemical Engineering  
Chemical – Environmental Engineering  
Chemical – Materials Engineering  
**CIVIL ENGINEERING**  
Civil Engineering  
Environmental Engineering – Civil  
**COMPUTER ENGINEERING**  
**ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING**  
**INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING**  
**MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

## DEDMAN SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY

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**HOSPITALITY ADMINISTRATION**  
Hospitality Management  
Professional Golf Management

## COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

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**ATHLETIC TRAINING**  
**CLOTHING, TEXTILES, AND  
MERCHANDISING**  
Retail Merchandising  
and Product Development  
**EXERCISE SCIENCE**  
**FAMILY AND CHILD SCIENCES**  
**FOOD AND NUTRITION**  
Dietetics  
Food and Nutrition Science

## COLLEGE OF MOTION PICTURE ARTS

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**MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION,  
AND RECORDING ARTS**

## COLLEGE OF MUSIC

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**MUSIC EDUCATION**  
Choral Music Education  
Instrumental Music Education  
Music Education  
**MUSIC – LIBERAL ARTS**  
Commercial Music  
Jazz  
Music – Liberal Arts  
Sacred Music  
**MUSIC PERFORMANCE**  
Brass  
Guitar  
Harp  
Music Theatre – Music  
Organ  
Percussion

Piano  
Piano Pedagogy  
Strings  
Voice  
Woodwinds  
**MUSIC THEORY AND COMPOSITION**  
Music Composition  
Music Theory  
**MUSIC THERAPY**

## COLLEGE OF NURSING

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**NURSING**  
Nursing  
Nursing (Accelerated BSN)

## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PUBLIC POLICY

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**AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDIES**  
**ASIAN STUDIES**  
Asian Studies  
Asian Studies/Business  
**ECONOMICS**  
Applied Economics  
Economics  
**GEOGRAPHY**  
Environmental Studies  
Geography  
**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**  
**POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
**RUSSIAN AND EAST EUROPEAN  
STUDIES**  
**SOCIAL SCIENCE**  
**SOCIOLOGY**

## COLLEGE OF SOCIAL WORK

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**SOCIAL WORK**  
Social Work  
Social Work (BSW)

## COLLEGE OF VISUAL ARTS, THEATRE, AND DANCE

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**DANCE**  
**GRAPHIC DESIGN**  
**HISTORY AND CRITICISM  
OF ART**  
Art History  
**INTERIOR DESIGN**  
**STUDIO ART**  
Studio Art  
Studio Art (BA)  
**THEATRE**  
Acting  
Musical Theatre – Theatre  
Theatre

## GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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Florida State offers over 200 graduate degree programs, as well as professional degrees in Law and Medicine.

### KEY

All degrees are in GARNET type.  
Majors or tracks within degree programs are in black type.

For the most up-to-date listing of undergraduate programs and majors, refer to <http://admissions.fsu.edu/>.

# admission information

## FRESHMAN

### Applying to Florida State

- Apply online at <https://admissions.fsu.edu/undergradapp/>.
- Submit official high school and all college/university (dual enrollment) transcripts.
- Submit official ACT (#0734) and/or SAT (#5219) results for every test taken.
- Submit the residency statement.
- Contact the academic department directly if majoring in dance; motion picture, television, and recording arts; music; or theatre.

### Notification of Admission Decision

Many of our communications, including your admission decision, are sent electronically. Please make sure that we always have your most up-to-date email address. You will

also need to check your email account and the online status check at <https://admissions.fsu.edu/StatusCheck/> on a regular basis.

### Admission Criteria

Admission to Florida State University is competitive. It requires graduation from a regionally accredited high school with certain high school academic units, a cumulative grade point average (GPA) in those academic units, and test scores. **Satisfying these minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.**

The academic profile of the middle 50th percent of the freshmen that were accepted in 2010 was:

**3.5-4.2 academic GPA; 25-29 ACT composite; 1730-1950 SAT total**

A variety of other factors are also considered in the review process; these include the written essay, the pattern and quality of courses and curriculum, grade trends, class rank, and educational

objectives. Applicants who bring other important attributes to the University community may also receive additional consideration. These applicants include students applying to the CARE Summer Bridge Program, visual and performing artists, and skilled athletes.

### Required High School Course Units

The units listed below represent the minimum required for admission consideration:

- 4 units of English, at least three with substantial writing requirements
- 4 units of mathematics at the Algebra I level and higher
- 3 units of natural science, at least two with laboratory
- 3 units of social science
- 2 sequential units of the same foreign language or American Sign Language
- 2 elective units, preferably from the above academic areas

The typical student accepted to Florida State has 4.5 units of English, 5 units of math, 4.5 units of natural science, 4.5 units of social science, and 3.5 units of foreign language.

### Calculation of High School Academic GPA

The Office of Admissions recalculates all grade point averages – we do not use the GPAs listed on your high school transcript or report card. Only academic subjects will be used in the recalculation. 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 bonus point. For repeated courses, we will only forgive a low grade if the exact course has been repeated (i.e. Algebra I will not replace an Algebra I honors grade – both courses will be used in the recalculation).

### ACT/SAT Information

- Applicants should take both exams since we use the best composite/total score for admission and scholarship purposes.
- Applicants should take each exam more than once since we use the highest subscores to create the ACT composite and SAT total.
- In addition to the applicant's overall composite on the ACT or total score on the SAT, the following minimum subscores are required:

**Writing** – 21 on the ACT English or 21 on the ACT E/W or 500 on the SAT writing

**Math** – 21 on the ACT math or 500 on the SAT math

**Reading** – 22 on the ACT reading or 500 on the SAT critical reading

**Having these minimum subscores does not guarantee admission.**

The typical student admitted to the University has higher subscores.

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

### Homeschooled and GED Information

Florida State will consider applications from students who are educated through a homeschooled program who meet the requirements for admission. The homeschooled transcript should include a list of all coursework (both completed and in progress), showing final grades and units earned for each course completed. A brief description of each course taken or planned to take (with information regarding the teaching materials – including the title and author of all textbooks, DVDs, and other teaching materials utilized) and the methods used for evaluation should accompany the homeschooled transcript. If homeschooled applicants previously attended another school, or have completed courses through the Florida Virtual School or dual enrollment at a local college or university, official transcripts are required, and those courses should also be reflected on the homeschooled transcript.

Applicants who present a GED will also be considered for admission. Official GED results, a partial high school transcript, and ACT and/or SAT results must be submitted.

### University Honors Program

The University Honors Program allows our most promising students to take advantage of the many resources available at a major research university. It connects talented students with faculty in world-class research and creative endeavors. The program is

## FRESHMAN NOTIFICATION DATES

There are two notification dates for freshmen applying for either the summer or fall term.

Applications and all supporting documents received by:	October 15	Decision by:	December 8
	January 19		March 16

All information used to make an admission decision must be received by the published deadline. In addition, the University reserves the right to close freshman admission earlier, if warranted by enrollment limitations and the number and quality of applications. The University does not ordinarily accept freshman applications for the spring semester.

# admission information

designed to help participants develop into excellent scholars, effective community leaders, and professional innovators. Students who are admitted into the Honors Program 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.

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. The academic profile of the middle 50th percent of the students that were offered honors invitations in 2010 was:

**4.1-4.4 academic GPA; 29-32 ACT composite, 1950-2090 SAT total**

## Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement (CARE)

Through the CARE Summer Bridge Program, Florida State University offers a special admission program dedicated to assisting those who have been disadvantaged due to economic, educational, or cultural circumstances. Starting in the summer, CARE provides a comprehensive program of orientation and academic support designed to ease the transition from high school to college, and to build a strong academic foundation.

Most of the participants selected will be first-generation college students from financially disadvantaged backgrounds. Those who qualify for need-based state or federal financial aid will have their

room, board, tuition, books, and health insurance (if needed) fully covered without loans during the initial summer term.

Interested students should submit the application for admission to the University, a supplemental CARE application available at <http://care.fsu.edu/summer.html>, a short essay describing why they want to participate in CARE, two letters of recommendation (one from a school guidance counselor), the 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and 2009 tax information. The 2011-2012 FAFSA should be completed as soon as it becomes available.

## TRANSFER

### Applying to Florida State

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- Submit official high school and all college/university transcripts (sent directly from **each** institution).
- Submit official ACT (# 0734) and/or SAT (#5219) results for **every** test taken, if entering as a freshman or sophomore transfer student. It is recommended that junior and senior transfer applicants also submit test scores.
- Submit the residency statement.
- Determine if the major/program of interest has a different application deadline and/or additional admission criteria, i.e. prerequisites, audition, portfolio, etc.

## Notification of Admission Decision

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## Admission Criteria

### Major Requirements

All transfer applicants must meet requirements for admission to the University and to the major/program of interest. Minimum University admission requirements are listed on this page. For information about the major/program of interest, refer to the Undergraduate Academic Program Guide found at <http://www.academic-guide.fsu.edu/> for a detailed program description, to view the academic map, and to link to the department's website.

### Foreign Language Admission Requirement

All transfer applicants must have satisfied the state of Florida's foreign language admission requirement by having earned two units in one foreign language or American Sign Language in high school or eight semester hours of one foreign language or American Sign Language in college (or documented equivalent proficiency).

## Florida College-Level Academic Skills (CLAS) Requirement

All transfer applicants must have demonstrated college-level proficiency in English language, reading, essay, and computation skills prior to being considered for admission. Before July 2009 this was done by taking and passing all sections of the Florida College-Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) or having an approved alternative. Today the test is no longer given; however, there are a number of ways a student may demonstrate these proficiencies, including college coursework and test scores. Go to <http://admissions.fsu.edu/clas/> for details.

### Associate in Arts (AA) Applicants

Applicants transferring directly after earning the AA degree from a Florida public institution will receive priority consideration for admission but are not guaranteed admission to the University.

### Junior/Senior-Level Applicants

Junior and senior applicants (60 or more semester hours of transferable credit as determined by the Office of Admissions) must:

- Have at least a 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) cumulative grade point average.
- Have at least a 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) on all college work attempted at the last institution.

### Freshman/Sophomore-Level Applicants

Freshman and sophomore applicants (12-59 semester hours of transferable credit as determined by the Office of Admissions) must:

- Meet freshman admission criteria.

- Have at least a 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) cumulative GPA on all college work attempted.
- Have at least a 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) GPA on all college work attempted at the last institution.

## Excess Hours [Florida Board of Governors Regulation 7.003(25)]

All undergraduate students who entered college in Fall 2009 or thereafter shall be required to pay an excess hour surcharge equal to 50 percent of the tuition for each credit hour in excess of 120 percent of the number of credit hours required to complete the baccalaureate degree program in which the student is enrolled. (For example, since most degree programs are 120 semester hours, the excess hour surcharge would begin after 144 hours.) Accelerated coursework (AICE, AP, IB, CLEP, dual enrollment, etc.) taken while in high school will not be considered in this hour count. For more information on this Florida Board of Governors regulation, go to <http://www.flbog.org/about/regulations/>.

## Transfer Application Deadlines

Spring .....	November 1
Summer .....	March 1
Fall .....	July 1

All information used to make an admission decision must be received by the published deadline. In addition, the University reserves the right to close transfer admission earlier, if warranted by enrollment limitations and the number and quality of applications.



# financial assistance

Florida State offers admission to students on a “need-blind” basis. In other words, your ability to pay has no bearing on our admission decision.

Financial aid is provided on the basis of demonstrated need. To apply for need-based aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You may apply online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. Although no award can be made until a student is offered admission, students and families are strongly encouraged to complete the FAFSA in January.

## Scholarships

All admitted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarship programs, regardless of financial circumstances. A separate application is not required. Because scholarships are limited, students with strong academic records should apply to the University as early as possible.

## The Bottom Line

The amounts listed on the right are estimated basic costs for the 2010-2011 academic year. Most students will, of course, have additional miscellaneous expenses associated with all the “extras” — like pizza, Florida State gear, pizza, cell phones, pizza, laundry, more pizza, etc. These costs may add up to an additional \$1,500 or more per year, depending on lifestyle, budget, and appetite.

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across the country.



## ANNUAL BASIC COSTS

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

	Florida Residents	Non-Florida Residents
Tuition/Fees	\$5,238	\$19,682
Housing	5,280	5,280
Food	3,900	3,900
Books/Supplies	1,000	1,000
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$15,418</b>	<b>\$29,862</b>
Health Insurance*	1,415	1,415
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,833</b>	<b>\$31,277</b>

\*Florida State has a mandatory health insurance policy for new students admitted to the University. 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.



## Life as a Seminole: Your Home Away From Home

Florida State students take pleasure in campus life and enjoy a sense of community when they live in University housing. Our fourteen freshman residence halls provide study areas, recreation rooms, TV lounges, community kitchens, laundry facilities, and high-speed internet access. Many halls are organized around a theme or academic interest, provide correlating educational and social activities, and offer small classes reserved just for the first-year student.

Should you choose to live near Florida State, you'll find scholarship houses, private residence halls, and many student-oriented apartment complexes within close proximity to campus.

visit soon!

There is no better way to determine whether a college or university is right for you than to set foot on its campus. We invite you to explore The Florida State University — and to speak with the professors and students who will become your academic family and friends.

Take a campus tour, attend an admission information session, or go exploring on your own with our self-guided walking tour. Check out the University libraries, interact with history in the Claude Pepper Museum, or browse the collection in the Florida State Museum of Fine Arts. Have lunch in the historic Suwannee Room, and, while you're there, take a peek at our residence hall showroom. Make time for pictures at the Westcott Fountain and the Unconquered Statue. Stop by the Hobbs Great Hall to view the Heisman trophies and other athletic awards. Enjoy Tallahassee's hospitality and take a moment to people-watch on Landis Green.

To schedule a campus visit, get directions to campus, and obtain parking information, go to <http://visit.fsu.edu/>.

The Florida State University encourages applications for admission from qualified students regardless of race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, veteran or marital status, or any other protected group status.

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You'll find a unique warmth and friendliness here — a “small school” atmosphere rarely found at a major research university. Come spend the day with us and see what we mean.

**Important dates to keep in mind when planning your visit to campus:**

	<b>2010-2011</b>	<b>2011-2012</b>
Fall Term Begins	August 23	August 29
Labor Day (offices closed)	September 6	September 5
Parents' Weekend	October 15-17	TBA
Homecoming Weekend	November 5-7	TBA
Veterans Day (offices closed)	November 11	November 11
Thanksgiving Holidays (offices closed)	November 25-26	November 24-25
Fall Term Ends	December 10	December 16
Spring Term Begins	January 4	January 4
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (offices closed)	January 17	January 16
Spring Break	March 7-11	March 5-9
Spring Term Ends	April 29	April 27
Memorial Day Observed (offices closed)	May 30	May 28
Independence Day Holiday (offices closed)	July 4	July 4



Since 1851, we have stood faithful and true, as our alma mater proclaims, to our traditional values of strength, skill, and character symbolized by the three torches denoted in Latin on the seal of The Florida State University. Individually, the torches represent the physical, moral, and intellectual strength of our University; the beauty in the academic pursuit of skill, craft, and art; and the character borne from our unique and honorable legacy. As a whole, these torches signify our philosophy: to produce well-educated, poised, and compassionate citizens of the world who will lead for the greater good.



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