

CONSUMER INFORMATION AT A GLANCE

This guide contains a summary of consumer information that must be made available to all students at the University of South Carolina in accordance with federal regulations set forth by The Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. This information is also available at:

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/student_consumer_information/. This guide is produced by the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Each topic listed gives a brief description of the information that must be disclosed and explains how it can be obtained. If you need assistance obtaining this information, contact the Office of Student Financial Aid (see address below). All addresses end with:

University of South Carolina Columbia, SC 29208

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC PROGRAM ACCREDITATION LIST

For accreditation information for UofSC schools/colleges, contact the Office of the Provost.

Tel: 803-777-2808

Web:

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/provost/planning/assessment.php

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Students may review copies of documents regarding entities that accredit, license, or approve the institution and its programs. The University of South Carolina is accredited by:

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges:

1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033-4097
Tel: 404-679-4500

Contact the Office of the Provost to review the accreditation document:

Tel: 803-777-2808

Web:

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/provost/planning/assessment.php

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

In carrying out their assigned responsibilities, many offices at UofSC collect and maintain student information. Although these records belong to the university, both university policy and federal law accord students a number of rights concerning these records. The Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, or FERPA, establishes the regulations regarding access to and disclosure of student records. To fulfill FERPA requirements, the university has established Policies on Student Records. These policies outline a student's rights regarding their records, where records about the student may be kept and maintained, what kinds of information are in those records, the conditions under which the student or anyone else may have access to information in those records, and what action a student can take if the information in their record is inaccurate or that the student's rights have been compromised. Student record policies are on the web at

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/transcripts_and_records/privacy/ferpa/index.php.

For more information or to receive a copy, contact the Office the University Registrar, 1244 Blossom St.,

Suite 106 Columbia, SC 29201 or by phone at 803-777-5555.

CONSTITUTION DAY AND CITIZENSHIP DAY

For more information on the university's participation for Constitution Day and Citizenship Day, visit https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/leadership_and_service_center/civic_engagement/index.php.

COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

Information about the university's policies related to the use of copyright material, including peer-to-peer file sharing, can be found on the Copyrights and Trademarks website https://sc.edu/about/notices/copyrights_and_trademarks/.

COST OF ATTENDANCE

For actual University of South Carolina fees, contact:

Bursar's Office
1244 Blossom St., Suite 128
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-4233
Fax: 803-777-7953
Web: https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/bursar/tuition_and_required_fees/index.php

For estimated tuition and fees, housing costs, and personal/miscellaneous expenses contact:

Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships
1244 Blossom St., Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-8134
Fax: 803-777-0941
Email: uscfaid@sc.edu
Web: https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/cost_and_aid/cost_to_attend/index.php

School of Medicine Columbia
6311 Garners Ferry Road
Building #3
Columbia, SC 29209
Phone: 803-216-3629
Fax: 803-216-3627
Email: jerel.arceneaux@uscmed.sc.edu
Web: <https://sc.edu/medicinecolumbia>

School of Medicine Greenville
607 Grove Road

Greenville, SC 29605
Phone: 864-455-8204
Fax: 864-455-5267
Email: wileyc@greenvillemed.sc.edu
Web: https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/medicine_greenville/financialaid/index.php

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND COURSE LISTINGS

For course listing and academic program information, please see https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/registrar/academic_bulletin/index.php.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Contact the Student Disability Resource Center:

705 College Street
Close-Hipp, Suite 102
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-6142
Fax: 803-777-6741
Email: sadrc@mailbox.sc.edu

FACULTY

For a list of faculty, please see <http://bulletin.sc.edu/index.php>.

INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES

For instructional facilities, please see https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/index.php.

NET PRICE CALCULATOR

The calculator is designed to give you an early indication of how much and what types of financial aid you might qualify for if you were a **college freshman** attending the University of South Carolina full-time in the academic year indicated. Use the net price calculator here at <https://npc.collegeboard.org/app/sc>.

SC COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION COMPLAINT RESOLUTION

The SC Commission on Higher Education responds to formal complaints from students against public, independent non-profit and proprietary institutions of higher education in South Carolina. The Commission has limited authority over public and independent non-profit. To view the procedure, see https://www.che.sc.gov/Portals/0/CHE_Docs/academicaffairs/license/Complaint_Procedures_and_Form.pdf

STUDENT DIVERSITY

For information about the diversity of the university student body, contact:

Office of Institutional Research, Assessment, and Analytics

1710 College Street, Columbia, SC 29208

Phone: 803-777-2814

Fax: 803-777-5415

View

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/index.php for more information.

TRANSFER OF CREDIT POLICIES

Undergraduates:

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/undergraduate_admissions/requirements_for_transfers/index.php

Graduates:

http://bulletin.sc.edu/content.php?catoid=97&navoid=2837#Transfer_of_Course_Credit

UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE

The University of South Carolina Official Bookstore is where you can find course materials.

<https://sc.bnccollege.com/shop/sc/page/find-textbooks>

VOTER REGISTRATION

Find out how to vote here at

<https://uofsc.turbovote.org/>.

INFORMATION ABOUT STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

UofSC Students should contact the Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships for questions about their aid. All other students not attending the

Columbia campus should contact their respective campus or school for information about financial aid. This also applies to the School of Medicine Columbia and School of Medicine Greenville Students.

OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS, HOW TO APPLY FOR AID AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Need based aid and non-need based federal financial aid available to students, including where to find scholarship sources not provided by the University of South Carolina: <https://sc.edu/financialaid>.

HOW ELIGIBILITY FOR NEED-BASED AID IS DETERMINED AND HOW NEED-BASED AID IS AWARDED:

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/terms_and_conditions/the_awarding_process/index.php

AID RECIPIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

As a recipient of financial aid, you have certain rights and responsibilities.

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/terms_and_conditions/your_responsibilities/index.php

FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY RESTRICTIONS

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/terms_and_conditions/financial_aid_eligibility_restrictions/index.php

AID FOR STUDY ABROAD

Students may be eligible for financial aid for study abroad but additional information is necessary.

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/exchange_programs/aid_for_study_abroad/index.php

FINANCIAL AID PRACTICES AT UofSC

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/index.php

NON-SC STATE GRANT ASSISTANCE

<https://www2.ed.gov/about/contacts/state/index.html>

REFUND POLICY AND RETURN OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID

Federal financial aid funds are awarded with the expectation that students will complete the entire period of enrollment.

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/bursar/refunds/index.php

REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES FOR WITHDRAWAL FROM UofSC

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/advising/withdrawal/index.php

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

See

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/terms_and_conditions/satisfactory_academic_progress/index.php.

EDUCATION LOAN DISCLOSURES

CODE OF CONDUCT

The university adheres to a code of conduct regarding relationships with providers of private educational loans.

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/forms_and_resources/code_of_conduct.php.

ENTRANCE COUNSELING AND EXIT COUNSELING

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/financial_aid/loans/index.php

NATIONAL STUDENT LOAN DATA SYSTEM

The National Student Loan Data System is where you can find information on all of your federal loans.

<https://studentaid.gov/>

SELF-CERTIFICATION FOR PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL LOAN

Students who wish to borrow a private educational loan must turn in the self-certification form to their loan servicer.

<http://ifap.ed.gov/sites/default/files/attachments/2020-01/011020PrivateEducationLoanAttachment.doc>

STUDENT OUTCOMES

AVERAGE FRESHMAN TO SOPHOMORE RETENTION RATE

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/retention_and_graduation/columbia_ret_grad.php

GRADUATION RATES

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/retention_and_graduation/index.php

GRADUATION RATES BY RACE/ETHNICITY

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/documents/retention/graduation_rate_trends_demographics_cohort_2008_to_2017.pdf

POST-GRADUATION STATISTICS

https://www.sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/index.php

RETENTION RATE

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/institutional_research_assessment_and_analytics/retention_and_graduation/index.php

HEALTH AND SAFETY

CAMPUS SECURITY POLICIES, CRIME STATISTICS, AND CRIME LOG

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/law_enforcement_and_safety/crime-log-bulletins/index.php

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/substance_abuse_prevention_and_education/index.php

FIRE SAFETY POLICIES, FIRE STATISTICS, AND FIRE LOG

To keep students informed about campus safety and university initiatives, the university publishes its Annual Security and Fire Safety Report.

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/law_enforcement_and_safety/crime-log-bulletins/annual-clery-report/index.php

VACCINATIONS

The University of South Carolina adheres to the guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the American College Health Association's recommendations regarding immunizations for college students.

https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/student_health_services/medical-services/immunizations/index.php

ATHLETICS

As part of The Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act, information on annual participation rates and financing of men's and women's sports in intercollegiate athletic programs is available by request to students and the general public.

GRADUATION SUCCESS RATE

<https://web3.ncaa.org/aprsearch/gsrsearch>

STATISTICAL DATA FOR EQUITY IN ATHLETICS

<https://ope.ed.gov/athletics/#/>

Contact Information for Admitting Offices

Office of Undergraduate Admissions

Lieber College
902 Sumter St. Access
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-7700
Web:
https://sc.edu/apply/apply_for_undergraduate_admission/index.php

The Graduate School

901 Sumter Street
Suite 301
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-4243
Fax: 803-777-2972
Web:
https://sc.edu/apply/apply_to_graduate_school/index.php

USC School of Law

701 Main Street
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-6605

Web:

https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/law/admissions/index.php

South Carolina College of Pharmacy

715 Sumter Street
Suite 301
Columbia, SC 29208
Phone: 803-777-4151
Fax: 803-777-2775
Web: <https://sccp.sc.edu/apply>

USC School of Medicine Columbia

6311 Garners Ferry Road
Building #3
Columbia, SC 29209
Phone: 803-216-3629
Web:
https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/medicine/education/md_program/admission/index.php

USC School of Medicine Greenville

607 Grove Road
Greenville, SC 29605
Phone: 803-864-455-8204
Fax: 864-455-5267
Web:
https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/medicine/greenville/admissions/index.php

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