

# 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/](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](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](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](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](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/](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](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](mailto:uscfaid@sc.edu)  
Web: [https://sc.edu/about/offices\\_and\\_divisions/financial\\_aid/cost\\_and\\_aid/cost\\_to\\_attend/index.php](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](mailto: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](mailto:wileyc@greenvillemed.sc.edu)  
Web: [https://sc.edu/study/colleges\\_schools/medicine\\_greenville/financialaid/index.php](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](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](mailto:sadrc@mailbox.sc.edu)

## FACULTY

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

## GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM DISCLOSURES

The U.S. Department of Education requires universities to disclose a variety of information for any financial aid eligible program that prepares students for gainful employment in a recognized occupation. Please review [https://sc.edu/study/colleges\\_schools/graduate\\_school/apply/gainful\\_employment/index.php](https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/graduate_school/apply/gainful_employment/index.php) for more info.

## INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES

For instructional facilities, please see [https://sc.edu/study/colleges\\_schools/index.php](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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/2020-01/011020PrivateEducationLoanAttach.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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](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](https://sc.edu/study/colleges_schools/medicine/greenville/admissions/index.php)

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