University of Southern California
Transfer Student Profile and Admission Information
2010 - 2011

Fall 2010 Entering Transfer Class
New transfer students 1,487
From California Community Colleges 59%
From UC and CSU Institutions 9%
From California Independent Institutions 19%
From U.S. Colleges Outside California 20%
From Colleges Outside U.S. 2%
Scions (legacy students) 23%
First generation college goers 28%
Average age 21

Gender
Male 51%
Female 49%

Race/Ethnicity
African American 5%
Latino / Hispanic 14%
Native American / Pacific Islander 1%
Asian / Asian American 20%
Caucasian 40%
International (student visa holders) 20%

Most Represented Sending Institutions
Santa Monica College 195
Pasadena City College 87
El Camino College 47
Orange Coast College 43
Mount San Antonio College 41
Saddleback Community College 33
Diablo Valley College 31
Los Angeles Pierce College 30
De Anza College 27
Moorpark College 27

Academic Unit Distribution
College of Letters, Arts and Sciences 37%
Marshall School of Business 24%
Viterbi School of Engineering 9%
USC’s Arts Schools (Architecture, Roski School of Fine Arts, Thornton School of Music, Theatre) 8%
Undecided / Undeclared 7%
Annenberg School for Communication 6%
School of Cinematic Arts 3%
School of Policy, Planning & Development 3%
School of Dentistry (Dental Hygiene) 2%
Keg School of Medicine (Health Studies) 1%
Davis School of Gerontology <1%

Pre-Professional Emphases
Pre-Law 6%
Pre-Medicine 5%
Pre-Health (Dentistry, Pharmacy, OT, etc.) 4%
Pre-Teaching 2%

Fall Enrolls Fall Admits Fall Applicants
1,487 2,559 9,611
55% yield 27% admitted

Mean college GPA 3.65 3.69 3.35
Mean college semester units 49 50 50
From 2-year institution 69% 71% 71%
From 4-year institution 31% 29% 29%
From colleges in California 78% 76% 69%
From colleges outside CA, but in U.S. 20% 22% 28%
From colleges outside of the U.S. 2% 2% 3%
Different colleges represented 327 472 1,298

Cost and Financial Aid
USC practices need-blind admission. A student's ability to pay has no bearing on his or her admission.

USC is committed to meeting every student's USC-determined financial need through a combination of merit scholarships, university grants, state and federal aid, student loans and work.
Over 65% of the incoming transfer class received financial assistance.

Although need-based financial aid is only available to U.S. citizens and permanent residents, international students are eligible for USC's merit-based scholarships.

2011 Transfer Application Process
Required Application Materials
• Completed part 2 application
• Official college transcripts from all colleges attended
• Official high school transcripts
• Essay and responses to short answer topics
• Activities list

Optional Application Materials
• Completed part 1 application
• Supplemental materials and/or auditions, depending upon major
• SAT or ACT results, if fewer than 30 transferable semester units have been completed

Information Used to Determine USC Aid
• FAFSA
• CSS PROFILE
• 2010 parents’ and student tax returns
• Other specific information may be required, depending upon family’s situation

2010-2011 Annual Cost of Attendance
Tuition and fees $41,022
Room and board $11,580
Miscellaneous expenses and transportation $3,476
Books and supplies $1,500
Annual Total $56,578