



UNIVERSITY of
SOUTH FLORIDA

MARSHALL
STUDENT CENTER

COUNSELOR OVERVIEW

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS **2027-2028**

A PLACE OF ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES //

At the University of South Florida, students find academic excellence and year-round sunshine. They pursue their passions, make strong connections and feel empowered to shape the future. Our large research university crackles with activity and surges with opportunity — the perfect place for the brightest and boldest to thrive.



USF is a proud member of the **Association of American Universities (AAU)**, a group of the leading 3% of research universities in the country.



Our Gulf Coast location offers students access to leading employers and a beautiful region that's rich with opportunity and innovation.



Our status as a **Preeminent State Research University** is a testament to our rigorous academic programs and robust student support initiatives.

LIFE ON THE GULF COAST

TOP-RANKED BEACHES

Clearwater Beach (#2 in the U.S.),
Siesta Key (#6 in the U.S.), and
St. Pete Beach are all in our backyard.

— *TripAdvisor, 2026*

UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES

From any campus, USF students
can easily access world-class thrill
rides, performances, pro sports,
museums and more.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

Enjoy a subtropical climate with
an average of 243 annual days
of sunshine, plus dozens of
nature parks and watersports.

FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES

Tampa Bay is a booming business
community and technology hub. Find
remarkable internships and jobs!



VISIT USF

We offer guided, group and virtual tours of each campus, plus
informative events: admissions.usf.edu/campus-tour

USF BY THE NUMBERS //

50K
STUDENTS

700+
CLUBS AND
ORGANIZATIONS

130+
COUNTRIES
REPRESENTED

1,000+
ON-CAMPUS
EVENTS

BUILDING THE FUTURE

1ST
COLLEGE IN FLORIDA
dedicated to AI + Cybersecurity
*(Bellini College of Artificial Intelligence,
Cybersecurity and Computing)*

100+
FACULTY AWARDS
EARNED IN 2025

\$750M
IN RESEARCH
FUNDING IN 2025

PROGRAMS OF STUDY, HONORS AND PATHWAY PROGRAMS

Pursue Your Precise Passion Here

Whatever your students' goals are, USF can help them get there. Our abundant program options are built to nurture curiosity and prepare students for success after graduation.



200+
MAJORS



14
COLLEGES



21:1
STUDENT-TO-FACULTY RATIO

MOST POPULAR MAJORS

1. Health Sciences
2. Biomedical Sciences
3. Biological Sciences
4. Psychology
5. Finance

FIND YOUR DEGREE FIT

Our Exploratory Curriculum lets students try different pathways before committing to a major.

LEARN BY DOING

Get hands-on with experiential learning, service learning and research as early as freshman year.

GO FURTHER WITH HONORS

Exclusive opportunities through the Judy Genshaft Honors College:

- Honors scholarships
- Accelerated programs
- Residential communities
- Professional development
- Study abroad programs



QUALITY MATTERS // HOW WE RANK

TOP 50

**AMONG
U.S. PUBLIC
UNIVERSITIES**

— *U.S. News and World
Report National Universities
Rankings, 2025*

TOP 16

**MEDICAL SCHOOL
IN THE U.S.**

and named highest tier
of medical schools in
the nation

— *U.S. News and World
Report, 2026*

#1

**FLORIDA IS
RANKED BEST
STATE IN THE
NATION**

for higher education for
TENTH straight year

— *U.S. News and World
Report, 2026*

#1

**AMONG U.S.
UNIVERSITIES**

for commitment to
industry, innovation and
infrastructure

— *Times Higher Education's
(THE) University Impact
Rankings, 2025*

TOP 4

**IN FOUR-YEAR
GRADUATION
RATE**

among Florida universities

— *Florida Board of
Governors, 2025*

Freshman Admitted Student Profile*

	Average GPA	Average SAT Scores	Average ACT Scores	Average CLT Scores
FALL ADMITS	4.13-4.58	1290-1420	28-32	92-100
SUMMER ADMITS	3.71-4.29	1140-1230	23-26	72-84

**Middle 50% ranges are based on admitted students and are subject to change.
Visit the USF Admissions website for updates.*

2026 FIRST TIME IN COLLEGE

71,747

APPLICANTS

41%

ADMIT RATE

CHECK OUT OUR CURRENT
ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE:
admissions.usf.edu/profile



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AND COST OF ATTENDANCE

USF offers one of the lowest tuition rates in the country, supported by high-value scholarships, grants, loans and work-study opportunities. Even if your students are out-of-state, our costs are often competitive with local in-state rates.

Scholarships

ADMISSIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

Students should complete their application by January 15 to be automatically considered for merit-based scholarships from the USF Office of Admissions.

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

With a full-ride scholarship, exclusive coaching, automatic admission to our Honors College and an ambitious academic community, National Merit Finalists thrive at USF!



SEE ALL NMS BENEFITS

admissions.usf.edu/nms-benefits

VIEW MORE SCHOLARSHIPS

admissions.usf.edu/scholarship

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**BEST VALUE AMONG ALL
U.S. PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES**

— *U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

84%

OF RESPONDENTS

believe USF led to post-graduation success
6 months after graduating, 2024-2025

68%

**OF STUDENTS GRADUATE
WITH NO DEBT**

— *National Student Clearinghouse*



Calculate Cost of Attendance

Help your students plan for the future with our cost calculator, which helps them estimate their cost of attendance as a USF Bull based on student type, housing and dining plans, supply costs and lifestyle. Our cost calculator factors in scholarships and funding sources, so students can make realistic plans for their unique needs. Visit admissions.usf.edu/cc-calculator to access our calculator.

APPLYING TO USF //

How to Apply

- 1 Complete and submit an application.
- 2 Pay the nonrefundable \$30 application fee.
- 3 Submit grades through STARS* or official transcripts.
**Self-Reported Transcript and Academic Record System*
- 4 Submit official SAT, ACT or CLT scores.

APPLICATION OPENS AUGUST 1!

admissions.usf.edu/apply-now

Or find us on the Common App!

About Standardized Tests

HOW WE SUPERSCORE

We only take the highest scores across a student's test attempts into consideration.

TESTING DEADLINE

Students should take tests before December 2026 to have their scores considered.

USF CODES

- SAT: 5828
- ACT: 0761
- CLT: Select "University of South Florida" from the CLT website dropdown.

Use [Slate.org](https://slate.org) to help
your future Bulls manage
their applications





Important Admissions Deadlines

	EARLY ACTION	REGULAR DECISION	ROLLING
Application Deadline	November 2	December 16	March 1
Materials Deadline	November 16	January 15	March 15
Decision Release	December 9	February 10	Released on a rolling basis in early March

Students can select which campus they prefer to attend. Students are not guaranteed admission for their term or campus of interest. Apply Early Action for the best chance at receiving campus or term of interest.

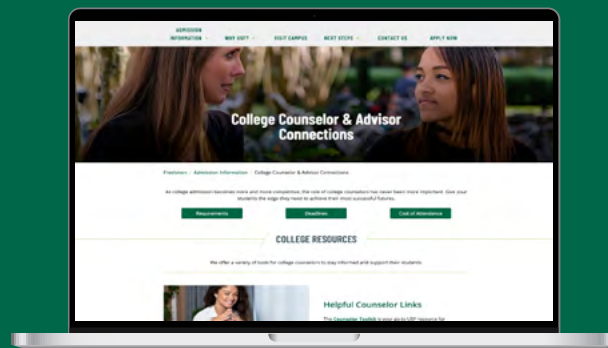
MORE RESOURCES FOR COLLEGE COUNSELORS

Every detail you need about USF is just a click away! We've gathered these additional resources, carefully cultivated to aid college counselors:

- Application management on [Slate.org](https://slate.usf.edu)
- Counselor Newsletter (quarterly email update)
- Admit-A-Bull: The Official USF Admissions Blog

View these resources and more:

admissions.usf.edu/counselor-resources



CONTACT A USF RECRUITER

If you or your students have more questions, reach out to a USF recruiter!

Find a recruiter: admissions.usf.edu/recruiter

