

Welcome

As someone who is about to change campuses to USC Columbia, you are probably experiencing some conflicting emotions. You are excited about entering a new phase in your life, but you are also a little apprehensive. Be assured that this is very normal. Many people are resistant to change—even good change.

The purpose of this guide is to make changing campuses a little easier. The more information you have, the less difficult the transition from campus to campus will be. We will introduce you to resources and contacts that can help you understand the change-of-campus process and make you comfortable on your new campus. Remember, however, you are a unique individual with unique needs and concerns. Use this guide to answer your questions and to find the best source for further information and any other help you may need.

Quick Tips: Getting Started with this Guide

This guide contains the best information available for University of South Carolina system students. However, there is quite a bit of information to absorb as well as more detailed information that could not be included. To address this situation, we suggest the following as a way to “jump start” your information search and interactions with USC Columbia:

Bookmark the “Current Students” link from the USC Web Site—www.sc.edu/currentstudents. The “Quick Links” part of this page should prove to be invaluable to you.

Get ready to use VIP even more than you have done at the campus you are leaving. You'll use VIP for almost every transaction you can think of: checking grades, registering, paying bills, checking financial aid, changing your address, applying for housing, etc.

Pay attention to the “Dates to Remember” section on page 9. While your needs and timetables will be unique, this page reflects the many different areas and due dates you'll need to keep in mind.

When contacting Columbia by phone or e-mail, state that you are a system transfer. Generally speaking, you enjoy a different status than a “regular” transfer, and this needs to be known. Also, when e-mailing or leaving a voice message, consider including the last four numbers of your Social Security number in your message. This really helps those you're trying to reach to research your situation prior to getting back with you.

Persist, politely—the culture here at Columbia is one that rewards those who are assertive in their pursuit for information. Don't wait too long to inquire about an action you've initiated or assume that things are taking care of themselves. Follow up in what you think is a reasonable amount of time, politely asking with whom you are talking and what represents a reasonable amount of time to hear back from someone. Keep good notes of your inquiries.

Finally, if you have determined that you have put in maximum effort on your own to get the information/action you need, and you have not met with the success you desired, please contact David Hunter. His contact information is found on page 9.

How You Fit In

Before going any further, it is important to understand how the University classifies you as a student. In order to understand your relationship to the University of South Carolina, you first must understand how the University works.

The University is made up of four regional campuses that emphasize the first two years of study, three four-year institutions, and USC Columbia, which offers extensive undergraduate and graduate studies. The Columbia campus offers a huge array of learning opportunities, many of which are very specialized. Due to this specialization, faculty and staff at the Columbia campus tend to be more focused in specific areas and therefore may be less aware of issues affecting other USC campuses and their students. However, once you have chosen a major and entered a college or school, you will find that personal attention is always readily available.

Eligibility

In order to change campuses to USC Columbia, you must be eligible. Eligibility is based upon the requirements of the college from which you desire to obtain a degree.

Columbia has 10 colleges and schools that offer undergraduate degrees, and many of these colleges and schools contain two or more departments. Each college and school sets its own requirements for acceptance. The requirements and contacts for each college and school are listed in the “USC Columbia Majors, Advisors, and Requirements” section. Your change-of-school request is generally reviewed on two major points: your grade point average and the number of credit hours you have earned at the time you submit your change-of-school form.

Datebook

The following is a general schedule of the change-of-campus process for the student switching schools in the fall, since that is the most popular time to change. For a spring change of campus, simply view the datebook as a series of sequential activities to be completed during the course of the semester. These dates and activities are also compiled in the “Dates to Remember” chart. The “Numbers to Know” and “Web Sites to Know” charts in the back of this guide list additional contacts.

Starting Out

In January, inquire in your campus admission/records office about filling out a “change-of-campus” form.

Financial Aid

Check with your campus financial aid office in January and let them know that you are changing campuses. While you are considered to be a current USC student for registration and advisement purposes, your financial aid works as it would for a transfer student. For more information, check the financial aid Web site at www.sc.edu/financialaid or call 803-777-8134.

Housing

Housing applications are available online through <https://vip.sc.edu> beginning mid-January. This office is the only place you may obtain the paper applications. Go to the “Personal” menu to apply. A tutorial for completing the application is available at www.housing/sc.edu/future.asp. Click on “Apply for Housing.” A print piece, the *Housing Preview Book*, is also available from your campus registrar’s office. You, as a system student, have priority status if you submit your application by May 1. After May 1, assignments will be made based on availability and the date received. *You must be accepted into a USC Columbia college/school in order to file an electronic application.* Campus

housing is limited, but students are encouraged to submit applications as soon as possible to increase chances of getting requested rooms. A nonrefundable application fee of \$45 is required, as is an additional \$100 deposit that will be applied toward the cost of the room. More information on housing is available in the section titled “On- or Off-Campus Living.” Also check the Web site at www.housing.sc.edu.

Advisement

March and early April are the times to make arrangements for advisement and to determine what courses you will need to take. See the section titled “USC Columbia Majors, Advisors, and Requirements” for a list of USC Columbia advisors.

Registration

April is the time to take care of scheduling and registration. Unlike advisement, when you determine what courses you need to take, scheduling means choosing the days and times of those courses. You may view the most current online course listings at <http://registrar.sc.edu> (click on the “Master Schedule” link). Registration happens after completing advisement and scheduling. Once you are accepted into a college or school, have been advised, and have figured out your schedule, you can register online at <https://vip.sc.edu> beginning April 15.

Billing

If you have completed your fall registration before the scheduled billing in July, you will receive a brochure with payment instructions and other pertinent information. It will be mailed to your permanent address. For complete information about applying for financial aid, accepted forms of payment, and deadlines, check the Web site at www.sc.edu/bursar.

Parking

USC Columbia is an urban campus, and parking can be problematic. Here are some tips that can help make parking just a little easier.

- Live within walking distance of your classes. This can be accomplished by living on campus or securing an apartment nearby.
- Obtain a parking permit and schedule your classes at other than prime time. This means early morning (as in 8 a.m.) and/or afternoon classes. You will be hard pressed to find a space for classes between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- Reserve a spot in one of the University’s garages or reserved lots. These spaces are issued through a lottery and must be applied for a semester in advance (by mid-July for the fall semester and by mid-November for the spring semester). You must apply in writing or by e-mail once you have been accepted by a USC Columbia college or school. If you are chosen, you will be notified by mail approximately one week after the application deadline. If you do not hear about your application within two weeks after the deadline, call the Office of Vehicle Management and Parking Services (803-777-5160) for verification of your status.
- Park on the periphery of campus (e.g., Coliseum, Bates House) and either walk or use the University shuttle. University shuttles arrive every 10 minutes at designated stops.

For additional information or to register for the lottery, please check the parking services Web site at www.sc.edu/vmps.

On- or Off-Campus Living

Living on campus is a great way to meet new friends and enjoy the fullest USC experience, without the hassles of commuting. USC offers apartments and suites, as well as traditional style residence halls with shared facilities. All residence halls have cable TV and high-speed Internet service. In addition, some buildings offer special features, such as laundry rooms, dining services, computer labs, and classrooms.

Students often ask which residence hall is the best. The answer is that there is no best hall, only a hall that best suits your needs. Visitation rules, cost, and proximity to your classes are all important issues to consider when choosing a campus residence hall.

Students often wish to request a specific roommate. Columbia housing does its best to honor requests, but it may not always be possible. If you have a roommate request and a specific hall you wish to live in, denote on the application which is more important to you—getting the hall you desire or living with the person you requested.

Our newest residence hall on campus is the Green Quad. This facility houses approximately 500 students in apartments with private bedrooms. All bedrooms have cable outlets and data lines. Green Quad is a national model for the design and implementation of environmentally friendly residential learning communities.

You may also wish to consider Preston Residential College. This is a living and learning experience in which a faculty member, the principal, resides full time with students. An additional 40 faculty associates use offices and common rooms and dine with the students in order to create academic relationships beyond the classroom.

The Columbia campus also has housing for married students and an office to provide special services. If you would like more information about this, please contact Family and Graduate Housing at 803-777-4571.

If you wish to live off campus, the Department of Student Life can provide you with all sorts of information. The office will not find you off-campus housing, but it does provide information about units available to students, including average costs, locations, and important information about contracts and leases. Visit www.sa.sc.edu/offcampus for information. Housing for summer sessions is plentiful. Call 803-777-4283 for information. For additional information, visit the housing Web page at www.housing.sc.edu.

Meals/Dining

On-campus dining offers many options. Visit www.sc.edu/dining for information concerning the various eating establishments and meal plans available at USC Columbia. Even if you don't plan to live on campus, you may still want to look into meal plan information.

Employment

Many change-of-campus students come to Columbia concerned about work opportunities. The campus and surrounding community provide many jobs if you know how to look. While there is no single office that can show you every job available, you can find help in several areas.

The Career Center on the Columbia campus provides programs and services to assist students in clarifying career goals and developing marketable skills for full-time employment after graduation. Students can test and develop transferable skills with cooperative education, internships, part-time (and non-work-study) and seasonal employment, and job shadowing. For more information, visit the Career Center on the 6th floor of the Moore School of Business

building, call 803-777-7280, or access their Web site at www.sc.edu/career. Then register with Job Mate to locate employment opportunities.

The Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships Web site, www.sc.edu/financialaid, describes the Federal Work-Study program and lists job opportunities for eligible students.

Also, check with faculty and staff members at your current campus, as well as those you meet when you start classes in Columbia; they may be aware of on-campus employment opportunities not listed elsewhere.

Student Health Services

Programs and Services

Student Health Services provides on-campus medical, mental health, ancillary, and health and wellness services for students. Services include (1) convenient and accessible ambulatory primary care at clinics and ancillary services (pharmacy, X-ray, physical therapy, and lab) located at the Thomson Student Health Center; (2) a comprehensive array of counseling, testing, and psychological and psychiatric services available at the Counseling and Human Development Center; and (3) a wide variety of wellness-oriented programs and educational services, including sexual assault and violence prevention services. All Student Health Services facilities are fully accredited by nationally recognized professional organizations.

The Student Health Center is located on the main campus, directly behind the Russell House. The Counseling Center is located on the 7th Floor of the Byrnes Building, across Sumter Street from the Horseshoe. The campus wellness program offices are at the Thurmond Wellness and Fitness Center. The Sexual Health and Violence Prevention office is located on the first floor of the Thomson Student Health Center.

Eligibility and Fees

All students enrolled in degree programs at the Columbia campus are eligible for care. Professional services by experienced, highly qualified, licensed physicians, psychologists, nurse practitioners, and social workers are available at no charge to full-time students who have paid the University Health Fee and to part-time students on a fee-for-service basis. All students are charged for ancillary services at student rates. Student Health Services does not file health insurance claims for students. Students will receive a receipt of payment to submit to the insurance company for reimbursement. The Thomson Student Health Center accepts Visa, MasterCard, CarolinaCard, check, or cash.

Immunization Requirement

All Columbia campus students must prove immunity to measles (rubeola) and German measles (rubella). Students must also show evidence of 2 measles, mumps, and rubella shots. You must submit a properly completed USC Immunization Requirement Form to the Thomson Student Health Center. In addition, all students age 24 and under must show proof of immunization for meningitis. Instructions and the mailing address are on the form. You can pick up a form at your campus admissions/records office or download one from the Student Health Services Web site. You cannot register for classes until you have submitted the form, proven immunity, and received an immunization clearance. It is recommended that you keep a copy of all immunization records with you. Visit the Student Health Services Web site, www.sa.sc.edu/shs, for more information, or call the Immunization Office at 803-777-9511.

Health Insurance

Payment of all health care charges, either on or off campus, is your responsibility. A costly health care episode can interfere with your ability to meet your educational goals. It is strongly recommended you be covered by health insurance. USC does not sell health insurance but does sponsor a plan that offers enrolled students the opportunity to purchase coverage under an affordable, sound student health insurance plan.

USC requires that all full-time graduate students (9 hours or more), all graduate assistants, and all international students carry health insurance. All affected students will be billed for the USC-sponsored plan. Graduate assistants who are covered under the University-sponsored plan receive premium stipends from the University. Students affected by the USC health insurance requirement must either have acceptable other coverage or receive a waiver to avoid paying insurance premiums. If you do not waive the health insurance premium, you will be billed for the USC-sponsored plan. Health insurance waivers can be processed at www.studentinsurance.com. If you wish to purchase the USC-sponsored plan, you may also set up your health insurance account at www.studentinsurance.com. For more information on health insurance, the USC-sponsored plan, and how to obtain a waiver, go to the Student Health Services Web site (www.sa.sc.edu/shs) or email uscdisability@gwm.sc.edu for more information.

Disability Services

The Office of Disability Services provides services and accommodations to meet the varying needs of students with disabilities at the University. Students need to register to determine services available to them. Visit www.sa.sc.edu/sds.

Placement Tests

The University of South Carolina requires all students to have a foreign language proficiency in order to graduate. If you have not taken a foreign language in college and it has been less than five years since you last took a foreign language in high school, you are required to take the USC foreign language placement test. Additionally, the USC mathematics placement test is required for students who have not already taken a mathematics course while enrolled in college. The only exception for both placement tests stated above would be if you took a foreign language and/or mathematics Advanced Placement exam while in high school and scored a three or above. For additional information concerning USC placement tests, please contact USC Columbia's Office of Student Orientation and Testing Services at 803-777-2782, or visit their Web site at <http://orientation.sc.edu/pt.htm>.

VIP, Visual Information Processing

Once you have been accepted by USC Columbia and received advisement, you should continue to use USC's online registration system, VIP, just as you currently do now. Using any Web browser on your computer, you may: view the USC Columbia Master Schedule of Classes (available in early March at <http://registrar.sc.edu>), check your registration appointment time, register, change your schedule, check your fees, check the status of your financial aid application, apply financial aid and scholarship awards to your bill, view and print out your class schedule, view your grades, and pay your fees via American Express, MasterCard, Discover Card, or electronic check. To access VIP, direct your browser to <https://vip.sc.edu>. You may also check your registration eligibility on VIP.

Orientation

To help with your academic transition to USC Columbia, plan to attend a Transfer Orientation program (offered in June, August, and January). Check the orientation Web site at <http://orientation.sc.edu> for dates and other details. Orientation does not include a campus

tour, but the Visitor Center (803-777-0169 or www.sc.edu/visitor) provides guided tours and maps for self-guided tours. You might also make plans to visit friends who are Columbia students. Finally, check out services for transfers. Go to www.sa.sc.edu/ssc/transfer.htm for information.

University 101

Another introduction to campus life is the University 101 course. A special session of this course is offered for transfer students. All change-of-campus students who have not already taken the course are eligible and encouraged to enroll. The only stipulation is that enrollment must occur during the first semester at Columbia. The course focuses on making the most of the University experience and offers guidance on everything from study skills to roommate troubles. This graded class is worth three credit hours. Plan on discussing University 101 with your USC Columbia advisor. To learn more about University 101, go to the Web site at www.sc.edu/univ101.

Student Life

Getting involved in student organizations can make the change of campus process smoother and more enjoyable. Being part of a student group offers chances to make friends and to get involved in the USC Columbia community. USC Columbia has more than 300 different student organizations. The Office of Student Government and Student Organizations serves as the clearinghouse for all registered groups, and they can help you find organizations that interest you. A list of these groups is provided on page 15, or check the student organizations Web site at web.sa.sc.edu. The Office of Student Government and Student Organizations can be found in Room 227 of the Russell House or on the Internet at www.sg.sc.edu. Feel free to call 803-777-2654 with any questions.

ID/CarolinaCard

Information about a USC Columbia ID card (CarolinaCard) is found at <http://CarolinaCard.sc.edu>.

Looking Forward

We understand that you are probably a little apprehensive about coming to Columbia. As a group, change-of-campus students do well, and your current GPA is a close indicator of what your performance may continue to be. You have wonderful experiences ahead of you. Enjoy the possibilities and opportunities presented to you. This guide can help make changing campuses easier, but you are the key to making it all work. Good luck!

USC Columbia Numbers to Know

Student Life.....	803-777-5782
	fax 803-777-4874
Career Center (Student Employment).....	803-777-7280
	fax 803-777-7556
Counseling and Human Development Center.....	803-777-5223
	fax 803-777-5433
Dining.....	803-777-6339
	fax 803-777-6601
Disability Services.....	803-777-6142
	fax 803-777-6741
Financial Aid.....	803-777-8134
	fax 803-777-0941

Financial Services (Bursar).....	803-777-4233 fax 803-777-7953
Housing.....	803-777-4283 fax 803-777-4349
Family and Graduate Housing	803-777-3157 fax 803-777-7861
Room Assignments	803-777-4283 fax 803-777-4349
Off-Campus Housing Services	803-777-7130 fax 803-777-1125
Student Health Services.....	803-777-3175 fax 803-777-0126
Immunization	803-777-9511 fax 803-777-3955
Orientation and Testing Services (Placement).....	803-777-2780 fax 803-777-9065
Parking.....	803-777-5160 fax 803-777-4325
Registration.....	803-777-5555 fax 803-777-6349
Student Government and Student Organizations.....	803-777-2654 fax 803-777-7132
System Affairs Office (general info and assistance)	803-777-7695 fax 803-777-8840
Thomson Student Health Center	803-777-3175 fax 803-777-0126

USC Columbia Web Sites to Know

University Homepage..... www.sc.edu

An extremely good site to access is www.sc.edu/currentstudents. The “Quick Links” section is an excellent place to begin navigating USC Columbia’s Web site.

Academic Units..... see individual college and school listings beginning on page 10

Billing..... www.sc.edu/bursar

Career Center..... www.sc.edu/career

Dining..... www.sc.edu/dining

Disability Services..... www.sc.edu/sds

Financial Aid..... www.sc.edu/financialaid

Housing..... www.housing.sc.edu

ID (CarolinaCard)..... <http://carolinacard.sc.edu>

Off-Campus Housing.....	www.sa.sc.edu/offcampus
Parking.....	www.sc.edu/vmps
Registrar's Office.....	http://registrar.sc.edu
Student Health Services.....	www.sa.sc.edu/shc
Student Government and Student Organizations.....	www.sg.sc.edu
Student Information Online (VIP, Visual Information Processing).....	https://vip.sc.edu
Student Affairs.....	www.sa.sc.edu
System Affairs Office.....	www.rc.sc.edu
Testing Services.....	http://orientation.sc.edu
Transfer Services.....	www.sa.sc.edu/ssc/transfer.htm
University 101.....	www.sc.edu/univ101

If you need further assistance, please contact:

David Hunter, System Affairs Office: 803-777-7695
 Desk/Voice Mail: 803-777-9450; Fax: 803-777-8840
 E-mail: davidh@gwm.sc.edu

Dates to Remember

January/February	Make known your intent to change campuses to Columbia to your campus admissions/records office, as well as, if appropriate, the USC Columbia financial aid office. File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) immediately.
Mid-January	Housing applications available online. See housing description, page 2, for details.
March	Arrange advisement with USC Columbia advisor.
April	Complete scheduling.
April 1	Priority application date for need-based financial aid.
Early April	Notification of financial aid awards begins.
April 15	Registration opens.
May 1	Priority application date for housing applications submitted by system students.
May 30	Orientation program (for those enrolling beginning Summer I)
Early June	Submit lottery application for a parking garage space (if desired).
June 11, 24; July 1	Orientation programs
Early June	Notification of housing assignments begins.
Mid-July	Payment brochures mailed; charges for fall semester due prior to beginning of classes in August. University academic fee information is available through the bursar's Web site at www.sc.edu/bursar .
August 18	Orientation program

USC Columbia Majors, Advisors, and Requirements

Note: All telephone numbers are area code 803. Please check Web site for more extensive content and contact information.

College of Arts and Sciences—www.cas.sc.edu

A student who wishes to enter the College of Arts and Sciences from another USC campus must fulfill one of the following sets of requirements:

1. Be in good standing, meet the admission requirements for a baccalaureate degree on the Columbia campus, and have a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher.
2. Be in good standing and have completed 30 semester hours with a GPA of 2.00 or higher on a USC campus.

Some programs in the College of Arts and Sciences have special admission requirements established by the department or committee that supervises the specific degree program, for example, cardiovascular technology, biology, chemistry, the Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies, and the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies. See the USC Columbia Undergraduate Studies Bulletin (www.sc.edu/bulletin/ugrad/index.html) or contact the appropriate department or program for more information.

Health professions majors intending to enter a medical institution in a health-related profession after attending USC should seek the guidance of Eileen Korpita (777-5581) after initial advisement in their major.

Curriculum Area I

777-2993, fax 777-1302

Undergraduate Academic Affairs Ms. Mary Ann Byrnes
Ms. Rebecca Cole (system student contact for Beaufort,
Lancaster, Union, and Upstate)
Ms. Joanne Thompson (system student contact for Aiken,
Salkehatchie, and Sumter)

Students must be approved for admission to the college and their transcripts evaluated prior to making contact with individual departments or programs.

- African American Studies
- Anthropology
- Art Education
- Art History
- Art Studio
- Classical Studies
- Comparative Literature
- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Dance
- Economics
- English
- European Studies
- Film Studies
- French
- Geography
- German
- History
- International Studies
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Italian
- Latin American Studies
- Media Arts
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Russian
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Women's Studies

Curriculum Area II

777-2505, fax 777-9385

- Undergraduate Office
Dr. Loren Knapp
Ms. Cammie Steele
Mrs. Jennifer Shiver (system student contact)
jshiver@cas.sc.edu

- Biological Sciences Dr. Robert Lawther 777-6792
- Chemistry and Biochemistry Dr. Mike Dukes 777-5264
- Geological Sciences Dr. Gene Yogodzinski 777-9524
- Marine Science Dr. Claudia Benitez-Nelson 777-0018
- Mathematics Dr. Douglas B. Meade 777-6183
- Cardiovascular Technology Ms. Cammie Steele 777-2505
- Interdisciplinary Studies Ms. Cammie Steele 777-2505
- Physics and Astronomy Dr. Gary Blanpied 777-2559
- Statistics Dr. Joshua Tebbs 777-5163

Moore School of Business—<http://mooreschool.sc.edu>

777-2191, fax 777-6876

- Undergraduate Academic Affairs
Dr. Carolyn Jones
Mrs. Pam Lane
(system student contact, pggraham@moore.sc.edu)
Ms. Meredith Bellamy
Ms. Libby Foreman
Ms. Lauren Kozlik
Ms. Melissa Lowe
Mr. Brian Shelton
Ms. Elizabeth White-Hurst
Ms. Leslie Wingard—international business contact

Students from system campuses (other than Columbia) who have no academic work from colleges outside the USC system must have a GPA of 3.00 on all work taken and must have taken at least 15 USC credit hours and have completed MATH 122 with at least a “C” before submission of a change-of-campus form. Additionally, system campus students who have fewer than 30 semester hours from colleges other than USC must also meet Columbia campus freshman admission requirements. Applications for the summer and fall semesters must be received by March 1. Applications for the spring semester must be received by October 1.

- Accounting
- Business Economics
- Finance
- Insurance and Economic Security
- International Business (must apply separately once enrolled at USC Columbia)
- Management
- Management Science
- Marketing
- Real Estate

College of Education—www.ed.sc.edu

Department e-mail: teach@gwm.sc.edu

• Physical Education	Dr. Panayiotis Doutis	777-5287	doutisp@gwm.sc.edu
• Early Childhood	Mr. Rob Dedmon	777-3500	rdedmon@gwm.sc.edu
• Elementary	Mr. Rob Dedmon	777-3500	
• Middle Level	Mr. Rob Dedmon	777-3500	
• Secondary	Ms. Emma May	777-3026	emmay@gwm.sc.edu

Physical education students who have earned up to 40 semester hours of credit must have a minimum GPA of 2.25 (on a 4.00 scale) to enter preprofessional programs in physical education. Students who have earned more than 40 semester hours of credit must have a minimum GPA of 2.50 to enter preprofessional programs in physical education. (Note: A minimum GPA of 2.50 is required to enter the professional program in education [approximately junior-year status].)

Early childhood, elementary, and middle-level education students must be in good standing and have a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher if they have completed 30 semester hours of credit or less or a GPA of 2.25 if they have more than 30 semester hours.

Secondary education programs are currently graduate-level programs.

College of Engineering and Information Technology—www.engr.sc.edu

• Undergraduate Advisement	Dr. Michael Perkins	777-4177	perkins@engr.sc.edu
	Ms. Susan Jarvie	777-2525	sjarvie@sc.edu
	Ms. Donna Ford	777-4177	ford@engr.sc.edu
	Ms. Becky Mayo	777-1461	mayo@engr.sc.edu

Students must have a GPA of at least 2.50 on at least 15 hours earned at USC. The earned hours must include math at a level of at least MATH 141 with a grade of “C” or better, and the majority of the earned USC hours must be creditable to an engineering degree.

Students with at least six hours in engineering courses must have a 2.20 GPA on all courses allowed toward an engineering degree and all engineering courses attempted. There must be at least 15 hours attempted including MATH 141 with a “C” or better.

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| • Chemical Engineering | • Electrical Engineering |
| • Civil and Environmental Engineering | • Mechanical Engineering |
| • Computer Science and Engineering | |

Health (see public health)

Health Profession Majors (see arts and sciences)

College of Hospitality, Retail, and Sport Management—www.hrsm.sc.edu

• Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management	Mr. Charlie Boswell	777-6665	boswell@sc.edu
• Interdisciplinary Studies	Ms. Harriett Hurst	777-8155	harrieth@sc.edu
• Technology Support & Training Management	Dr. Bob Brookshire	777-6570	brookshire@sc.edu
• Retail Management/ Fashion Merchandising	Ms. Reena Harrison	777-2569	reenaharrison@sc.edu
• Sport and Entertainment Management	Mr. Linda Norris	777-0488	lindan@sc.edu

In order to be admitted to the lower division, students must have a cumulative 2.00 GPA and be a regular admission. Students must have a 2.00 on 30 hours for branch specializations. In order to be admitted to the retail management or fashion merchandising programs or the Technology Support and Training Management Program, students must have completed the specified semester hours with a GPA of 2.25. In order to be admitted to the professional division of the Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management Program, in addition to the specified hours, a 2.20 GPA is required.

The Sport and Entertainment Management Program requires a minimum GPA of 2.50 for transfer into the major. Matriculation to the upper division and graduation also require this minimum GPA benchmark. This major serves a highly relationship- and competency-based customer industry. Accordingly, we require two internships that each last for at least 13 consecutive weeks, with a minimum of 40 hours each week. During these two internships, no other academic work may be taken as these will be “total immersion experiences” in the portion of the industry in which the student would most like to work after graduation.

To receive the most benefit from this degree, students considering this major would be well advised to initially contact the director of advisement or the department chair. All prospective transfers are required to be in contact with the department, preferably in person, prior to submitting change-of-campus paperwork.

College of Mass Communications and Information Studies—www.jour.sc.edu

777-8528 , fax 576-5656

Mr. Art Farlowe afarlowe@gwm.sc.edu
Ms. Theresa Masters tcmasters@gwm.sc.edu

Students interested in a degree in journalism and mass communications must select one of the following programs of study: advertising, electronic journalism, print journalism, public relations, or visual communications. Applications without a specified program of study will be returned.

Entrance Requirements—Admission is competitive, and students must have at least a cumulative GPA of 2.50 on USC course work and on all course work attempted elsewhere. Students should be prepared to take the Columbia campus version of the foreign language placement test. Students with fewer than 30 hours earned (i.e., completed, not in progress) must meet general University admission requirements as well.

Deadlines for Submission of Requests—Students changing campuses should submit change-of-campus requests, which must be received no later than the end of the fourth week of the spring term if the desired change is for the following summer or fall, or the fourth week of the fall term if the change is for the following spring semester. Change-of-school requests submitted after these times will not be acted upon until the end of the semester when grades are received and eligibility for acceptance can be verified.

Possibility of Preregistration—Students who have submitted their forms in time might be eligible to participate in advisement and registration during the advisement period for the Columbia campus. (Please see the Master Schedule of Classes or the registrar’s Web site.) Students who have been admitted at the end of a term, or those who were admitted early but did not make advance appointments for advisement (see paragraph above), must attend an official group orientation session in the college for assessment, evaluation, advisement, and registration. These are usually held just prior to each term, with additional dates in the summer.

School of Music—www.music.sc.edu

- BA, BM (Performance, Theory, Composition, Jazz Studies, Music Education)

Mr. Robert Pruzin 777-4337 fax 777-6508 rpruzin@mozart.sc.edu

A student who wishes to enter the School of Music from another USC campus must be in good standing and either have met freshman admission requirements for a baccalaureate program on the Columbia campus or have completed 30 or more semester hours with at least a 2.00 GPA on another USC campus. Admission to the School of Music is not complete until a qualifying audition in the primary performance area has been accomplished.

College of Nursing—www.sc.edu/nursing

- BSN Degree 777-7113, fax 777-0616

Ms. Gail Vereen 777-2526 gail.vereen@sc.edu

Ms. Sissie Stutts 777-5708 sissie.stutts@sc.edu

A minimum GPA of 2.75 on work at USC and/or collegiate summary is required. Students who have two grades below a “C” in any required science or nursing courses applicable to the College of Nursing curriculum will not be eligible for admission. Students must meet admission requirements if less than 30 semester hours have been completed. Change-of-campus students are admitted to the lower division in nursing and must apply to progress to the upper division. Progression to the upper division is competitive and is limited to the most qualified applicants each fall.

South Carolina College of Pharmacy—www.cop.sc.edu or www.sccp.sc.edu

- Pharm.D. (six-year) fax 777-2775

Dr. Wayne Buff 777-4826 buff@cop.sc.edu

Dr. Cliff Fuhrman 777-7902 fuhrman@cop.sc.edu

Students interested in enrolling in the USC Columbia campus pre-pharmacy program must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 and at least 12 hours of college credit. A change-of-campus form must be submitted to the dean’s office at the college for the student to be admitted to the pre-pharmacy program.

Admission to the professional program is a competitive process. Students must apply to the professional program by January 15 of each year for possible acceptance for that upcoming fall semester. Students accepted to the program at the Columbia campus will be admitted through the College of Pharmacy and the USC registrar’s office (no change-of-campus form will be required).

Arnold School of Public Health—www.sph.sc.edu

- Exercise Science Dr. J. Larry Durstine 777-5267 fax 777-8422

Dr. Teresa Moore 777-0396 fax 777-8422

(undergraduate coordinator)

Students from other USC campuses must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 and must have completed at least 12 USC credit hours. Additionally, students who have fewer than 30 semester hours must also meet Columbia campus freshman requirements.

South Carolina Honors College—<http://schc.sc.edu>

• *Baccalaureus Artium et Scientiae* fax 777-2214

Dr. Davis Baird

777-8102

db@sc.edu

To enroll in the South Carolina Honors College, students must first be accepted by a college on the Columbia campus, following normal change-of-campus procedures. Once the change-of-campus paperwork has been completed, a special Honors College admission application may be obtained from the USC Columbia Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Inquiries should be directed to Mr. Michael Jinnette, associate director of admissions, Lieber College, USC, Columbia, SC 29208, telephone 777-4062. The South Carolina Honors College requires a minimum 3.50 GPA; all majors are considered. Students who meet the 3.50 GPA requirement will have their applications reviewed and will be assessed for writing and analytical skills by the SCHC Admissions Committee. Change-of-campus students who may be unable to fulfill the requirements for graduation “with honors from the South Carolina Honors College” may nonetheless wish to participate in the college. The deadline for fall admission is April 1, and for spring the deadline is November 1.

Colleges and Schools Not Offering Undergraduate Degrees

School of the Environment—www.environ.sc.edu

School of Law—www.law.sc.edu

College of Mass Communications and Information Studies, School of Library and Information Sciences—www.libsci.sc.edu

School of Medicine—www.med.sc.edu

College of Pharmacy— www.pharm.sc.edu

College of Social Work—www.sc.edu/cosw

Student Organizations

Greek Fraternities

Alpha Phi Alpha
Alpha Tau Omega
Delta Tau Delta
Delta Upsilon
Fraternity Council
Kappa Alpha Order
Kappa Alpha Psi
Lambda chi Alpha
Phi sigma Kappa
Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity-Sigma Chapter
Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Sigma Chi
Sigma Nu
Sigma Phi Epsilon
Tau Kappa Epsilon

Greek Sororities

Alpha Chi Omega
Alpha Delta Pi
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.
Chi Omega
Chi Upsilon Sigma
Delta Delta Delta
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.
Delta Zeta
Gamma Phi Beta
Kappa Delta
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Sigma Gamma Rho
Sorority Council
Zeta Phi Beta
Zeta Tau Alpha

Honor

Alpha Epsilon Delta
Alpha Lambda Delta
Alpha Phi Sigma
Carolina Scholars Association
Carolina Student Judicial Council
Chi Sigma Alpha
Chi Sigma Iota
Eta Kappa Nu
Gamma Beta Phi
Garnet Circle Student Alumni Council
Golden Key
Kappa Delta Epsilon
McNair Scholars Association
Mortar Board
Mu Sigma Rho
National Society of Collegiate Scholars
Omicron Delta Kappa
Phi Alpha Delta
Phi Alpha Theta
Phi Lambda Sigma
Phi Sigma Pi
Phi Sigma Tau
Psi Chi
Sigma Alpha Lambda
Sigma Delta Pi-Chi Chapter
Sigma Iota Rho

Interest

Academic Team
Alumni Association Student Advisory Board
American Chemical Society
American Institute of Chemical Engineers
American Sign Language Club
Amnesty International
Anthropology Student Association
Association of African American Students
Baha' I Club
Bisexual, Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Alliance (BGLSA)
Brothers of Nubian Descent
Carolina Association of Pre-Pharmacy Students
Carolina Band
Carolina Motorsports
Carolina Productions
Clarinet Association
Clay Club
Cocktails
Combat Pistol and Rifle Team
Dance Company
DMSB Doctoral Student Association
Emerging Green Builders
EMPOWER
F-65: The Photography Club at USC
Fashion Board

Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance at USC
French Club
Gamecock Bass Team
Gamecock Leadership Society
Gamecock Math Club
Geology Club
Girls on the Run
Green Room Productions
Health Law Society
Honors Council
Ibn Battutu Society
IHSA Equestrian Team
IMBA Wine Society
Marine Science Graduate Society
MEDICUS
Mock Trial Team
Model United Nations
NAACP
NASHI Anime Club
National Student Exchange Association
Natural Path Meditation Group
Off-Off Broadway
Pastafarians at USC
Psychology Graduate Student Association
SAGE
SAVVY
School of Law Honor Council
SEAS-Student Engaged in Aquatic Science

Service Members and Veterans in Law
 Society for the Advancement of the Chemical Sciences
 Society of Women Engineers
 Sound Check
 South Carolina Student Legislature
 Sports and Entertainment Management Club
 Statistics Club
 Student Gamecock Club
 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee
 Students Defending Democracy
 Students for Life
 The Lettered Olive Literacy Review
 The ONE Campaign
 The Puppet Regime
 The Roosevelt Institution
 VOX: Voices for Planned Parenthood
 Women Students Association

International

Chinese Classics
 Cultural Exchange Association
 Filipino American Student Association
 Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars
 Indian Cultural Exchange
 Indian Student Organization
 International Law Society
 International Student Association
 Korean Students Association
 Muslim Students Association
 Nihon Club
 Students Associated for Latin America
 Taiwanese Student Association
 Vietnamese Student Association

Media

Gamecock Pictures
Garnet & Black magazine
 SGTV
The Daily Chitlin
The Daily Gamecock
 WUSC FM—Columbia

Military

Arnold Air Society William Glover Farrow Squadron

Political

College Democrats at USC
 College Republicans

Professional

Academy of Student Pharmacists
 Alpha Kappa Psi
 American Marketing Association
 American Nuclear Society
 American Society of Health-System Pharmacists

American Society of Mechanical Engineers
 American Strings Teachers Association
 Archival Students Guild
 Association of Minority Pre-Health Students
 Beta Beta Beta
 Black Graduate Student Association
 Black Law Student Association
 Carolina Finance Club
 Carolina Student Association for the Education of Young Children
 Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Organization
 Children's Advocacy Law Society
 Club Manager's Association of America
 College of Pharmacy Student Government
 Economics Society
 Engineers Without Borders
 Environment Law Society
 Gamecock Pre-Veterinary Association
 Geography Graduate Student Association
 Geophysical Society at USC
 Global Business Council
 Graduate Association of Biological Sciences
 Graduate English Association
 Graduate History Association
 Graduate Student Association
 Healthcare Executive Student Association
 IMBA Student Association
 Intellectual Property Law Society
 International Emergency Management Student Association
 Just Democracy at the University of South Carolina
 Kappa Epsilon
 Library and Information Science Student Association
 Master of Accountancy Student Association
 Master of Human Resources Association
 Medical Graduate Student Association
 Medical Student Association
 Moore Finance Club
 Moore School Association of Women MBAs
 Moore School Consulting Group
 National Art Education Association Student Chapter
 National Association of Black Accountants
 National Association of Black Journalists
 National Student Speech Language Hearing Association
 Net Impact

Palmetto State Teachers Association
 Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law
 Phi Beta Kappa
 Professional Learning Community
 Professional Society of International Studies
 Public Relations Student Society of America
 Social Work Student Association
 Society for Human Resource Management
 Society of Automotive Engineers
 Society of Professional Journalists
 Sociology Graduate Student Association
 South Carolina Athletic Training Student Association
 Sports and Entertainment Law Society
 Student Advertising Federation
 Student Bar Association
 Student National Pharmaceutical Association
 Student Nurses Association
 Student Personnel Association
 Students Advocating for –Latinos Seeking Advancement (SALSA)
 Teachers Using Children's Literature Book Club
 Teaching Fellows

Religious

Alpha & Omega College Campus Ministry
 Anglicans for Christ
 Baptist Collegiate Ministry
 Campus Advance
 Campus Crusade for Christ
 Canterbury of Columbia
 Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship
 Chinese Student's Christian Fellowship
 Chosen Gospel Ensemble
 Christ's Student Church at Carolina (Church of Christ)
 Coptic Orthodox Youth Association
 Cross Impact Campus Ministries
 Fellowship of Christian Athletes
 First College Ministry
 Hill of the Lord
 Hillel
 International Friendship Ministries
 Korean Christian Fellowship
 Latter-Day Saint Student Association
 Lutheran Campus Ministry
 Newman Club
 Orthodox Christian Fellowship
 Presbyterian Student Association
 Reformed University Fellowship
 Shandon College Ministry

Student Christian Fellowship
 The Fellowship
 The Impact Movement
 The Navigators
 The Shack
 Wesley Foundation
 Young Life at Columbia

Residence Hall Government

Service

Alpha Phi Omega
 American Red Cross Club
 Best Buddies
 Black Social Work Student Association
 Carolina Service Council
 Circle K
 Dance Marathon
 Epsilon Sigma Alpha
 GAMMA
 Habitat for Humanity
 J.L. Petigru Public Interest Law Society
 Kappa Kappa Psi
 Omega Phi Alpha
 Open-Door
 Orientation Leaders Association
 OXFAM Carolina
 Relay for Life at USC
 SEED-Student Educators for Emotional Development
 SHARE Sexual Health & Rape Education
 Students for Organ Donation
 Students in Free Enterprise
 Tau Beta Sigma
 University Ambassadors
 Waverly After School Program (GameCOPS)
 Xtreme World Vision

Sport

Bodybuilding and Fitness Club at USC
 Carolina Ballroom
 Carolina Board Club
 Carolina Crew
 Carolina Surf Club
 Carolina Women's Ultimate Frisbee
 Club Tennis at USC
 Fencing Club at USC
 Gamecock Badminton Club
 Gamecock Table Tennis Club
 Ice Hockey Club at USC
 Judo Club
 Lacrosse Club
 Men's Club Volleyball
 Men's Soccer
 Mountaineering and Whitewater Club
 Roller Hockey Club at USC
 Rugby Team
 Scuba Club
 Seidokan Aikido Club
 Water Polo Club
 Women's Club Volleyball
 Women's Lacrosse Club
 Women's Rugby
 Women's Soccer Club at USC