Florida State University Info Guide

School Type and Size

• Public School

• Undergrad enrollment: 33,270

• Average Student-to-Teacher ratio: 20:1

Statistics

• Ranked #58 in National Universities (by US News)

• Acceptance Rate: 36%

• Average GPA: 3.8 (unweighted) or 4.1 (weighted)

• Average SAT score: 1200-1340

• Average ACT score: 26-30

Academics

- <u>International Programs</u>
 - o England
 - o Italy
 - o Panama
 - o Spain
 - o Brazil
 - o China
 - o Costa Rica
 - o Croatia
 - o Czech Republic
 - o France
 - o Germany
 - o Grenada

- o Indonesia
- o Russia
- o South Korea
- o Switzerland

• <u>73 majors</u>

o Click here for the full list of all available programs

• 18 colleges

- College of Arts and Sciences
- o College of Education
- **o** College of Music
- **o** College of Social Work
- College of Fine Arts
- **o** College of Medicine
- o College of Social Sciences and Public Policy
- **o** College of Law
- **o** College of Business
- College of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- **o** College of Nursing
- College of Applied Studies
- o College of Communication and Information
- College of Engineering (FAMU-FSU)
- College of Human Sciences
- College of Motion Picture Arts
- **o** Dedman College of Hospitality
- Jim Moran College of Entrepreneurship

College of Arts and Sciences

- **o** 22:1, Faculty to student ratio (2018-2019 school year)
- Largest College of FSU

• College of Education

- Student Focused
- Project ElevatED

- More about Project ElevatED
- College of Music
 - o Composed of 5 buildings (3 main buildings)
 - The Housewright Building
 - Kuersteiner Building
 - Longmire Building
 - o Many students live in Cawthon Hall
 - Only 2-minute commute to College of Music
 - o 5 Performance Halls
 - Ruby Diamond Concert Hall
 - Opperman Music Hall
 - Dohnányi Recital Hall
 - Lindsay Recital Hall
 - Longmire Recital Hall
- College of Social Work
 - o Strong Field Education Program
- College of Fine Arts
 - o Offers 6 programs
 - Art
 - Art Education
 - Art History
 - Dance
 - Theater
 - Interior Architecture and Design
- College of Medicine
 - o Multiple campuses throughout Florida
 - o 3rd and 4th-year students relocate to one of their regional campuses
 - o 5 Departments
 - Behavioral Sciences and Social Medicines
 - Biomedical Sciences
 - Clinical Sciences

- Family Medicine and Rural Health
- Geriatrics
- College of Social Sciences and Public Policy
 - o 6 Departments
 - Economics
 - Geography
 - Political Science
 - Sociology
 - Urban and Regional Planning
 - Askew School of Public Administrations and Policy
 - o Offers 8 Interdisciplinary Programs
- College of Law
 - o Ranked #3 for Law school with best student quality of life
 - o International Exchange Programs
 - Australia
 - Netherlands
- College of Business
 - o Ranked #5 in Real Estate
 - o Anti-Racism, Diversity and Inclusion Task Force
 - Learn more about the task force here
 - o 6 Departments
 - Accounting
 - Business Analytics, Information Systems, and Supply Chains
 - Finance
 - Management
 - Marketing
 - Risk Management/Insurance, Real Estate, and Legal Studies
- College of Criminology and Criminal Justice
 - o Collaborative
 - o Online Criminal Justice Program ranked #5 by US News & World Report

o Internships are accepted in place of minor or credits (to meet graduation requirements)

• College of Nursing

- o Not really the best school for Nursing
- o Total enrollment in 2020 was under 350

• College of Applied Studies

- o Located in Panama City, FL
- o Unique departments and class options (ex: underwater crime scene investigation)

• College of Communication and Information

- o One of FSU's newest colleges
- o 3 main departments
 - Information
 - Communication
 - Communication Science and Disorders

• College of Engineering (FAMU-FSU)

- o Joint school
- o Offers 5 departments
 - Chemical and Biomedical
 - Civil and Environmental
 - Electrical and Computer
 - Industrial and Manufacturing
 - Mechanical
- o Classes held at Innovation Park (Tallahassee, FL)
 - Less than 3 miles from both FSU and FAMU campuses

• College of Human Sciences

- o 2 main programs
 - Family and Child Sciences
 - Nutrition, Food, and Exercise Sciences
- o In 2015 the Family and Child Services Program had a 100% graduation rate

• College of Motion Picture Arts

o 92% of grads work in industry within 1-year post-graduation

- o 5:1 student to faculty ratio
- Dedman College of Hospitality
 - o 7th ranked in the United States for Hospitality and Tourism Program by Global Ranking of Academic Subjects
 - o Many internship opportunities
- <u>Jim Moran College of Entrepreneurship</u>
 - o Emphasizes a hands-on experience and real-life situations
 - o Mentoring

Core Curriculum & Requirements

- Satisfy all major requirements
- GPA ≥ 2.0
- 120 unduplicated semester hours
- Greater than 45 semester hours of courses numbered 3000+
 - o 30 taken @ FSU
- 2 sequential (and same) foreign languages taken in high school or eight hours of foreign language in college
- Civic Literacy requirement
- State Mandated Academic Learning Compacts (SMALCs)
 - o Specific to degree
- At least 36 semester hours of courses in Liberal Studies of the 21ist Century Program
- More in-depth info here

Student Life

- 700+ student organizations
- Anyone can start an RSO (Recognized Student Organization)
- Greek life
 - Offers 40+ chapters

- 33 Fraternities
 - Overall average grade according to greekrank.com is 62.7%
 - Pi Kappa Alpha has the highest grade of 67.6%
 - Iota Phi Theta has the lowest grade of 53.6%
- 21 Sororities
 - Overall average grade according to greekrank.com is 73.2%
 - Phi Mu has the highest grade of 82.5%
 - Sigma Gamma Pho has the lowest grade of 62.2%
 - Many sororities do self-ranks on this site to boost their grade (therefore ratings may not be accurate).
- Some sororities are very interested in wealth.
- Before joining a sorority, it is recommended to do in-depth research regarding it.

Opportunities

- Internships
 - FSU offers internships searches at their Career Center
 - The Career Center website offers many quick links to popular/common internships of various categories
 - General
 - Environmental
 - Government
 - International
 - Non-profit
 - Special populations
 - Creative
 - Engineering
 - Health
 - o InternFSU
 - A program that offers 100 on-campus paid internship
 - Other various internships are located around Tallahassee, many of which close to the school

- Honors Program
 - o Community-engaged opportunities
 - o Comprised of 3 programs
 - University Honors
 - Honors in the Major
 - The Honors Experience Program
- Offers Double Majors
 - o A single degree with 2 fields

Application info

- The application opens on August 1
- Financial aid applications open October 1
- Priority admission ends December 1st
 - o As well as merit scholarship consideration
 - o Priority decisions are made on February 18
- The final application deadline is March 1
 Decisions are made in late March
- It costs \$30 for most applications
- A 200-dollar deposit must be placed for incoming freshman in fall and summer terms
- Choices must be made before May 1
- The average acceptance rate is around 37%

School Strengths

- Majors that FSU is known for:
 - o Psychology
 - o General Finance
 - o General Criminal Justice/ Safety Studies
 - o Marketing/Marketing Management
 - o English Lang. and Lit.
- Focuses on students learning independence

Location/ Surrounding Area

- Located in Tallahassee, Florida
- Things to do
 - o Many museums
 - o Historical locations
 - **o** Trails/ parks
 - Sports events
 - **o** Tours
 - Small businesses
 - More details and locations here
- Tallahassee crime rate is 50 per 1000 residents
- 644 incidents reported at FSU (includes neighboring areas off-campus) in 2019
 - o Almost half (44%) were arrests due to possession
 - o 37% was due to disciplinary actions
- Popular hangouts for students
 - o Pot Belly's
 - o AJ's Sports Bar
 - o Floyd's

Tuition

- In-state
 - o Tuition costs between \$4,600-\$5,800 typically
 - o Fees around \$1000-\$2000
- Out-of-State
 - o Tuition costs between \$18,600-\$19,800
 - o Fees around \$2,000-\$3000
- Offers 4 different aids
 - o Grants
 - o Federal Work-Study
 - o Loans
 - o Scholarships

Unique Features

- Building/ activities
 - o On-campus bowling alley
 - o On-campus movie theater
- Programs
 - o Consortium

Housing

- Amenities on campus (included in prices)
 - **o** Fully furnished
 - **o** Electric
 - o Water
 - **o** High-speed internet
 - **o** General maintenance and custodial services
- 2 varieties for housing on campus
 - **o** Suite Style
 - 2 bedrooms
 - 1 bathroom
 - 4-5 students
 - Costs range between \$3,115 to \$4,040 as of 2020-2021 fall and spring terms
 - Costs range between \$1,304 to \$1,540 as of 2021 summer terms
 - Apartment Style
 - A varying number of bedrooms
 - Rooms may be shared or private depending on the hall
 - The number of bathrooms vary as well
 - 2-4 students depending on hall
 - Cost ranges between \$2,740-\$4,050 as of 2020-2021 fall and spring terms
 - Cost ranges between \$1,214-\$2,758 as of 2021 summer terms
- Suite Style Halls
 - o Azalea Hall

- **o** Broward Hall
- o Bryan Hall
- Cawthon Hall
- DeGraff Hall
 - Pretty far from campus
- o Dorman Hall
 - Newer hall (favored)
- **o** Deviney Hall
 - Newer hall (favored)
- o Gilchrist Hall
- o Jennie Murphee Hall
 - All girl
- o Landis Hall
 - Honors
- o Magnolia Hall
- o Reynolds Hall
- o Salley Hall
 - Offers study room
 - One of the oldest hall
- Wildwood Hall



Sample floor plan (Dorman Hall)

- Apartment Style Halls
 - o McCollum Hall

- 2 bedrooms, with 2 students in each or 1 bedroom with 1 resident
- 1 bathroom
- Shared living room and kitchen
- Ragans Hall
 - 4 bedrooms, with 1 student each
 - 2 shared bathrooms
 - Shared living room and kitchen
- o Rogers Hall
 - 1 bedroom, shared by 2 students
 - 1 bathroom
 - Shared living room and kitchen
- Traditions Hall
 - 2 bedrooms, with 1 student each
 - 1 bathroom
 - Shared living room and kitchen
 - Returners only
- Click here for a YouTube video on how dorms are choosing, choosing roommates, and tips
- Even if you're not sure if you would like to live on campus or off, it is best to place the deposit for on-campus housing. It can be fully refunded till a certain date.
- Off-campus housing
 - Rooms off-campus may cost anywhere between \$200-\$1500
 - Popular options
 - Forum Tallahassee (apartment)
 - U Club on Woodward (townhouse)
 - The Social 2700 Student Spaces (apartment)
 - Villa Lucia (townhouse)
 - Villa Dylano (apartment)
 - 601 Copeland (apartment)
 - More info on all options stated above + FSU off-campus housing website here

Food

- On-Campus Dining
 - **o** 3 dining halls
 - o Ranked No.45 in The Daily Meal's 2018 "75 Best Colleges for Food"
 - Popular on-campus dining options
 - 4 Rivers Smokehouse
 - Chick-fil-a
 - Einstein Bros. Bagels
 - Seminole Café (dining hall)
 - Tuscan Eatery
 - Suwannee Room (dining hall)
 - Vato Tacos
 - o Click here for a YouTube video on how to use the meal plan
- Off-Campus Dining
 - Meal plans available for select off-campus dining options
 - Popular off-campus dining options (within 0.5 miles)
 - Vale Food Co.
 - Centrale Pizza Parm and Bar
 - Brooklyn Water Bagels
 - Whataburger
 - Madison Social
 - Bandido's Burritos