



CLASS OF 2024

University Admission and Selection



The University Scene

- 19.9 million Americans enrolled in fall of 2019. Since Covid there has been about a 6% decrease in enrollment.
- 56% graduate with a degree within a six year period
- 33% graduate with a degree within a four year period

IB Students and College Success

2014 Study of IB Students and University

- The 4 year graduation rate for DP diploma earners was 84% compared to 33% nationally
- IB students earned higher GPAs and graduated at higher rates than a matched comparison group (Across all family income levels)
- Performance in the DP was the strongest predictor of college GPA
- The average acceptance rate of IB students into university/college is 22% higher than the average acceptance rate of the population.

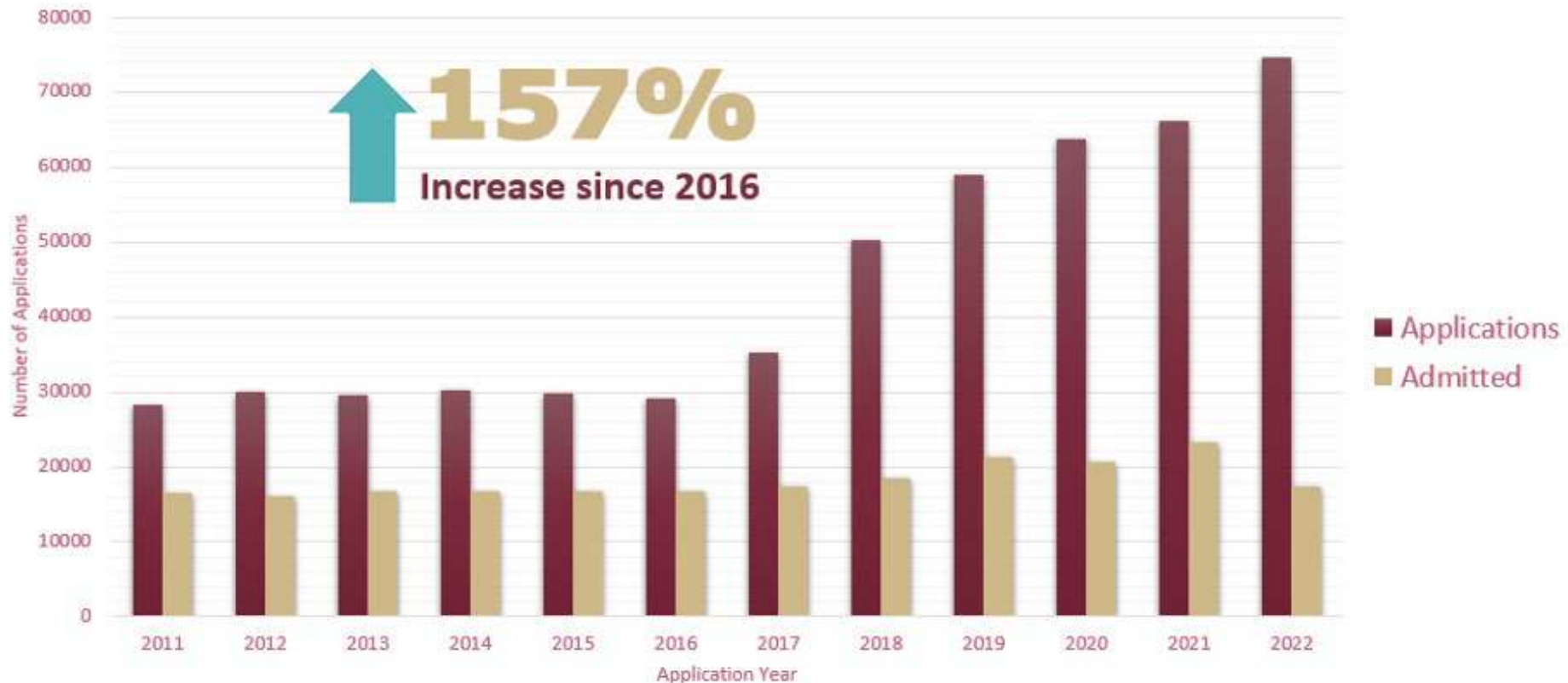
Trends in admissions

The total number of high school graduates increased from 2.7 million in 1988 to an estimated 3.77 million in 2021.

The result: More applications than ever are being submitted to colleges and universities

Florida Universities: Admission Impact FSU

First-Year Application Numbers



*Note: 2022 data as of 2/14/2022. Application deadline is March 1st.

Impact: University of Florida

■ Applicant Pool

- *To date, we have received more than 65,000 total applications, an increase of over 20% from this time last year, and more than double the total number of applications we received in 2016. We will be releasing nearly 53,000 decisions tonight.*

As in the past, the great majority of applicants showed the potential for success at UF, and many more were recommended for admission than we have space to admit. We made some very difficult decisions and realize there will be both excitement and disappointment when students view decisions.

- *Admissions offers are being made to just under 15,000 students to start on campus in the Summer B or Fall term. Admitted students had the following middle 50% ranges:*
 - GPA: 4.4 – 4.6 (weighted recalculation)
 - SAT: 1340 – 1490
 - ACT: 29 – 33

IB Enrollment Stats 2020-2022

University	3 year IB Admission Rate %	Current US News Admission Rate %
FSU	78%	37%
UCF	90%	36%
UF	59%	30%
U Miami	57%	28%
Boston College	35%	19%
Boston University	38%	19%
Carnegie Mellon	17%	14%
William & Mary	42%	37%
Cornell	23%	9%
Duke	12%	6%
Emory	36%	13%
GA Tech	30%	18%

IB Enrollment Stats 2020-2022

University	<u>3 year</u> IB Admission Rate %	Current US News Admission Rate %
Johns Hopkins	14%	8%
MIT	7%	4%
NYU	20%	13%
Northwestern	27%	7%
Rice	13%	9%
Stanford	8%	4%
UC Berkley	34%	15%
U Chicago	10%	6%
U Michigan	40%	20%
USC	37%	13%
UVA	33%	21%
Vanderbilt	11%	7%
Wake Forest	41%	25%
Yale	8%	5%

Impact of Covid-19 on College Admissions

- 1. Virtual campus tours are more popular than ever
- 2. Follow your schools on Social Media – Twitter – Instagram
- 3. Increase in Early Decision numbers – colleges want to fill their numbers
- 4. Gap year impact on application numbers

University Admissions Officers.... (What we look for)

- 1. Academic strength of curriculum
- 2. Trend of Performance (GPA – Meaningful senior year)
- 3. Programs with external validation (IB assessment process)
- 4. Research and writing skills
- 5. Accepts educational challenges
- 6. Critical thinking skills
- 7. Interview skills
- 8. Extracurricular involvement
- 9. Recommendations
- 10. Maturity and responsibility

College applications: What is actually being evaluated?



ACADEMIC
PREPAREDNESS/COURSE
RIGOR AND RELEVANT
GRADES. COLLEGES
RECALCULATE GPA.



STANDARDIZED TESTING



EXTRACURRICULAR
ENGAGEMENT
“LEADERSHIP”



PERSONAL QUALITIES:
SEEN IN
RECOMMENDATIONS,
ESSAYS



INSTITUTIONAL PRIORITIES

University Admissions Office Role



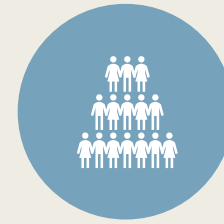
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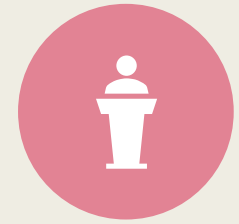
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ENROLLMENT SO AS TO
MEETING TARGET TUITION
REVENUE FOR THE
UNIVERSITY.



BALANCE INSTITUTIONAL
PRIORITIES FOR
ENROLLMENT: "THE
EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION
OF UNHAPPINESS."



RECRUIT, SELECT AND
YIELD A QUALIFIED,
TALENTED AND DIVERSE
GROUP OF STUDENTS FOR
THE ENTERING CLASS.



SERVES AS THE PUBLIC
FACE OF THE UNIVERSITY

Key elements of a successful college strategy



Apply early



Submit **QUALITY** over **QUANTITY**



Keep it manageable (6-8 applications)

2-3 Safety schools

2-3 Good fits

2 Reach schools (NOT DREAM SCHOOLS)

The College “fit”...

Key variables to consider

Type of school	Curriculum
Quality of education	Size of the school
Location of the school	Admissions Requirements
Facilities	Campus life and security
Housing and resources	Cost

College variables.....the details

Type: College, university, community college, technical, professional, trade schools, public or private

Curriculum: What do I want to major in? Does the school offer the necessary courses? Do you want a range of potential majors and study programs? Does it have professional certifications that my major requires? Does it have special programs such as study abroad, internships, co-op availability?

Quality of Education: How accessible are the professors? Will professors or graduate students teach my courses? How involved do you want to be in research and learning outside of the classroom?

Size: Do I want to be on a large campus with many majors and lots to do? Do I prefer a smaller schools where I know everyone? Do you prefer large lectures or small classes with lots of student participation?

Location: Which part of the country would you like to experience? Do you want an urban or a small town setting? Climate? Do you want to stay close to home....or as FAR AWAY AS POSSIBLE?

Admission requirements: What does the school require for admission? What does the school look for in prospective students? What are your chances of being accepted?

Facilities: What would I like to see on or near your college campus? Are restaurants, shops, health clubs, laundry, library, computer labs and research facilities important? Transportation on and around campus?

Campus life: How is life outside the classroom? What special interest groups, activities and fraternities/sororities do you want to be involved with? Athletics? How are the sports facilities?

Campus security: What's the local community like? How safe is the campus? How safe are the surrounding neighborhoods?

Housing and resources: What is the quality of dorm life? Is housing guaranteed for returning students? Are there off campus housing opportunities? Meal plans available? Retention and graduation rates? Percentage of students who stay for four years and graduate? What sort of career planning or job placement services are available?

Cost: What will it cost? What financial aid options are offered? How much can you afford?

Look for College/University IB Landing Pages

- <https://www.ncf.edu/admissions/first-year-students/ib/>
 - *IB Specific Programming*
 - *IB Credit Policy*
 - *IB Alumni Voices*



A Perfect Match: IB and New College of Florida

[IB Credit Transfer](#)



Additional Links



Reset Password

Click here if you have forgotten your password



Sarasota County Schools Website

Click here for the Sarasota County Schools Website

Login

Username

Password

Log In

app.schoollinks.com/dashboard/student/to-do-list

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HOME Dashboard Student Demo Mode Exit Demo X Switch user Gary Williams

HOME SCHOOL ACTIVITIES COLLEGES CAREERS FINANCES PROGRAMS

Here's what's happening on SchoolLinks

Check out this Scholarship! **\$2,000**
Robert Mack Scholarships
Deadline: February 15, 2023
Robert Mack Scholarship Foundation

Check out this Internship!
Closing Crew
Lakewood Ranch, FL | 10-25 mi.
Indeed Indeed

Check out this Internship!
Local IT Field Techs for Enterprise Clients /Education & Support
North Port, FL | 10-25 mi.
Indeed Indeed

To Do List My Team


1 Overdue To Do (30+ Days)

6 Overdue!

December 2022

23rd	"The College Application Process" Learning Unit	▼	Not Done ✓
23rd	Complete the "Top Skills" Assessment	▼	Not Done ✓
23rd	Complete the "Find Your Path" Assessment	▼	Not Done ✓
23rd	Complete the "Campus Lifestyle" Assessment	▼	Not Done ✓
23rd	Setup Phone Number for Text Message Alerts	▼	Not Done ✓
23rd	Subscribe to Events in your External Calendar	▼	Not Done ✓

Schoollinks








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Here's what's happening on SchoolLinks 


Check out this Scholarship! \$1,000

Bette Woodson Scholarship

Check out this Opportunity! 

Opportunities For All Summer Internship

Sarasota, FL | 5-10 mi.

 The Greater Sarasota Chaamber

School Search

Favorites and Lists

SAT/ACT Study Prep

Final List \$500

Admission Stats

College Applications

Enrollment Decision

To Do List

My Team



Surveys & forms

9 Overdue To Dos (30+ Days)

2 Completed To Dos


1 Due within the Next Four Weeks!

April 2023

7th | Submit College Applications  Not Done 

8 more To Dos Coming Up This Year

Show Remaining To Dos





COLLEGES
School Search

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Search for a location, school, or program...

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Sort by

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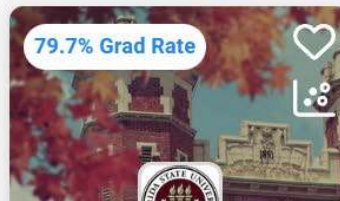
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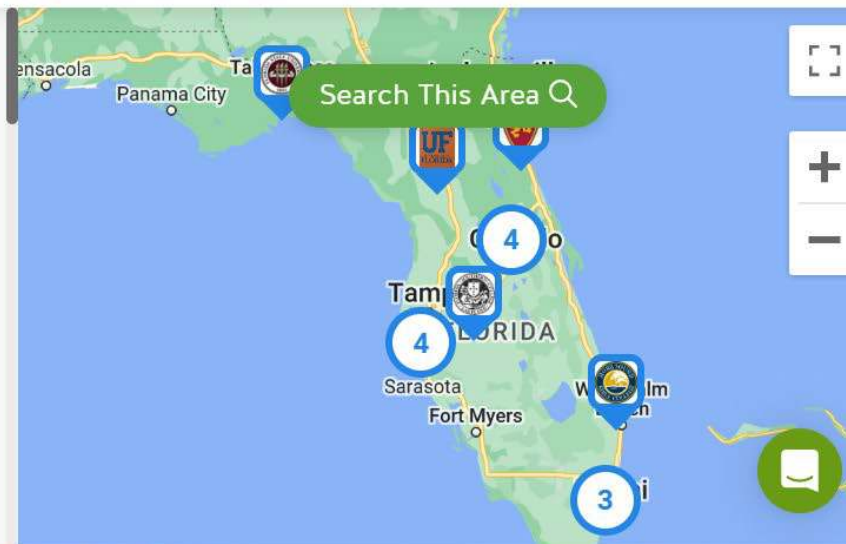
University of Florida
Gainesville, FL | Public




University of Miami
Coral Gables, FL | Private



Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL | Public










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College Application Manager

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Search for an application by name

0 Comments

+ Add application

Recommendation tracker

0 Fulfilled 0 Pending 0 Declined

View all requests

 NOT CONNECTED

Your school opted out of the Common App integration. You must request application materials in Common App.

Unlink account

Application setup

COMPLETE

Personal details

Fee waiver eligibility

FERPA waiver

0 Incomplete

→ 0 Completed & pending

→ 0 Accepted

0 Will not complete

0 Withdrawn

0 Denied



Getting Started

1.

Navigate to the College Application Manager by clicking on **Colleges** → **College Applications**

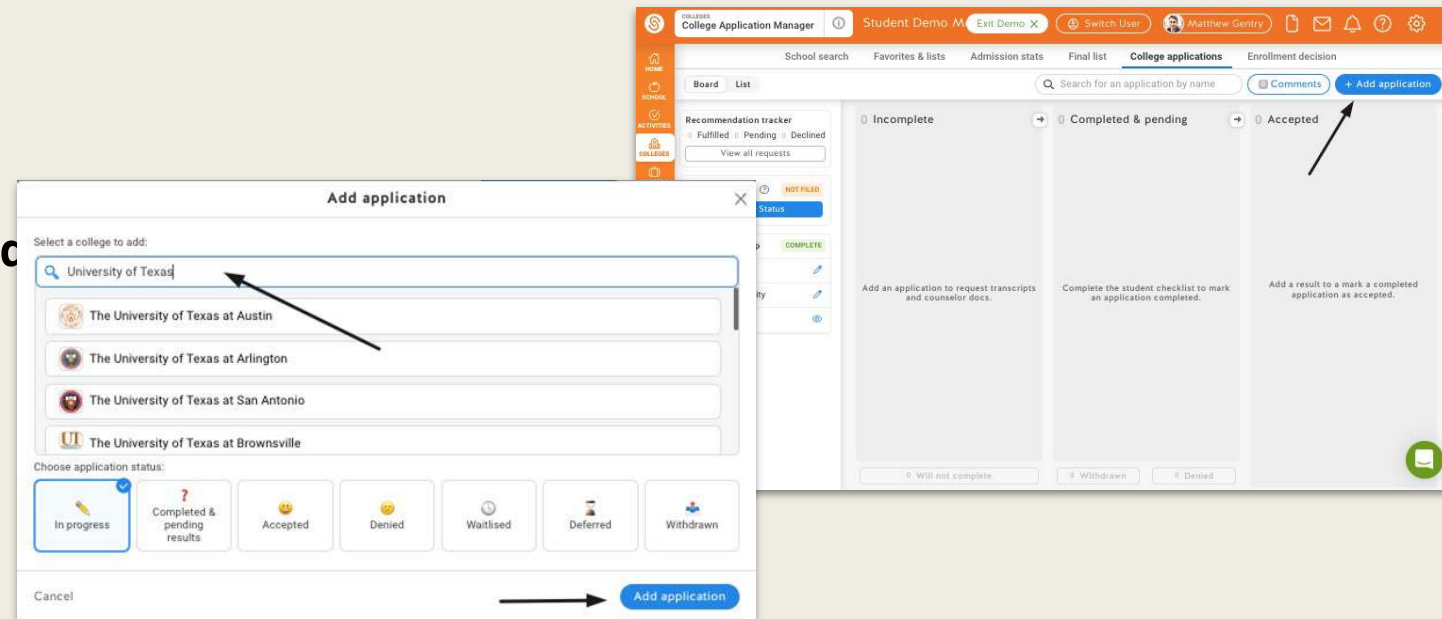
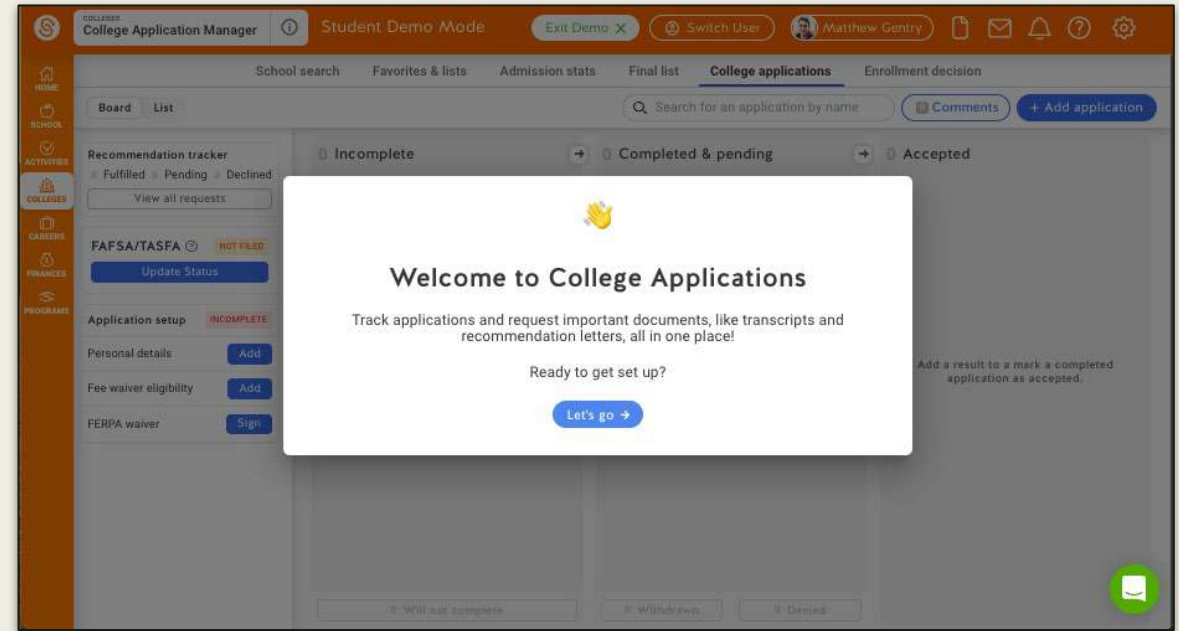
2.

Complete the **Application Set Up**: -
Personal Details
-Fee Waiver Eligibility
-FERPA Waiver

3.

Start tracking your first application by clicking **+Add Application**.
Search for the school and then click **Add Application**

Tip: If you have schools added to your Final List in SchoolLinks you can select from this list to start an application



Application Details

1.
2.
3.
4.

After adding an application, fill in your application details.

Select an Application Method and Application Type/Deadline.

Select any optional student requirements needed. Required materials will be automatically selected.

Save your application.

Note: Application details can be edited at any time. Once you click Save, this will automatically request required counselor documents for the application

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign >

Admissions | Application Info | Financial Aid

Application status: In Progress Comments

We've added the application method, application type and document destination available for this college. If you can't find the option you're looking for, let us know in the chat.

Application Method

Application Type

Priority Nov 1 | Regular Decision Jan 5

Application deadline
Select month and day

Doc Destination

This college is In-Network. We'll make sure your materials are sent electronically where they need to go.

Program Name (Optional)
Fill this in if you're applying to a program that requires a different application.
Program name

Student requirements
Select any of the following that apply to this application. You can always add or remove from the student checklist later if you change your mind.

Financial aid

☐ I will be submitting a school-specific Financial Aid Application to this institution.

☐ I will be completing the FAFSA form and will need to designate this institution to receive my information in the FAFSA portal.

Scores and performance

☐ I will be submitting test scores along with my application to this institution. Optional

☐ I will be submitting a Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR) along with my application to this institution. Optional

Application Requirements

Student Checklist:

- Check the box once tasks are complete.

Teacher Recommendations:

- Request recommendations for the total # listed.

Counselor Documents:

- Any required documents will be automatically requested. Reach out to your counselor if you need additional documents sent.

The screenshot displays the 'College Application Manager' interface for Rice University. The top navigation bar includes 'College Application Manager', 'Student Demo', 'Exit Demo', 'Switch User', and a user profile for 'Matthew Gentry'. The main header features the Rice University logo and navigation links for 'Admissions', 'Application Info', and 'Financial Aid'. The 'Application status' is shown as 'In Progress' with a 'Comments' button. Below this, a table lists application details: Method (School-Specific Paper Application), Type (Regular Decision), Deadline (Jan 04), and Destination (In Network). The main content area is divided into three sections: 'STUDENT CHECKLIST' with 'Submit Application' and 'Test Scores' (both unchecked), 'TEACHER RECOMMENDATIONS' with instructions and two 'Add Recommender' buttons, and 'COUNSELOR DOCUMENTS' with 'Transcript' and 'Counselor Recommendation' (both added as presets) and a 'Request Counselor Document' button. A 'New Student Requirement' button is also present at the bottom left.

Connecting with Common App

1. First, link your Common App account by clicking the button on the College Applications page. You can also [watch this video](#) to see the process.

2. Login or create a new Common App account.

3. Check the box to share data back to SchoolLinks.

4. Add your first college to "My Colleges" and complete the FERPA waiver.

5. Use these steps to keep track of what is completed on SchoolLinks and Common App.



Scholarships

- Florida bright futures: 100% with full IB Diploma and completion of 100 Service Hours: 75% completion of DP curriculum with minimum SAT/ACT score
- Maximum number of transfer credits
- Honors colleges....advanced study programs
- Merit/need based
- University based scholarships
- Community based scholarships
- Work-related scholarships

General Requirements

- Be a Florida resident and a U. S. citizen or eligible noncitizen, as determined by the student's postsecondary institution
- Complete the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) during senior year of high school beginning October 1, but no later than August 31 after high school graduation
- Earn a standard Florida high school diploma, or its equivalent, from a Florida public high school or a registered private high school

General Requirements (Continued)

- Not have been found guilty of, or pled *nolo contendere* to, a felony charge
- Be accepted by and enroll as a degree- or certificate-seeking student at an eligible Florida public or independent postsecondary institution within five years of high school graduation
- Enroll in at least six non-remedial semester hours (or the equivalent in quarter or clock hours) per term



Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) and Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) Award Requirements

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT®/SAT®)	Service Hours
FAS	4 - English <i>(three must include substantial writing)</i> 4 - Mathematics <i>(at or above the Algebra I level)</i> 3 - Natural Science <i>(two must have substantial laboratory)</i>	3.50	2021-22 Graduates: 29/1330 2022-23 Graduates: 29/1330	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2021-22 Graduates: 25/1210 2022-23 Graduates: 25/1210	75 hours

¹ The required coursework aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Florida Board of Governor's Regulation 6.002. Additional information regarding high school coursework can be found within the [Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook](#).

Class of 2024

• English	4
• Mathematics	4
<i>Algebra I and Geometry must be included</i>	
• Science	3
<i>Biology, plus two Equally Rigorous sciences</i>	
• Social Studies	3
World History (1)	
United States History (1)	
Economics (.5)	
American Government (.5)	
• Performing Fine Arts	1
• HOPE	1
• Electives	10

Total- 26 Credits

* One of the above classes must be done online

High School Graduation Requirements

- ▶ In addition to the required credits, you need:
 - ▶ A 2.0 or higher unweighted GPA
 - ▶ Passing scores on the *FSA* and the *Algebra I* End of Course Exam
 - ▶ Students must take the EOC's for Geometry, Biology and US History
 - ▶ Each of these EOC's is 30% of your course grade
 - ▶ One *Online high school course*.

All students have completed their course request for their senior year schedule. Students should have shared this with parent/guardian. If changes are required, please contact the counselor before end of year.

Counselor Assignments

- Mrs. Van Ness A-C
- Mrs. Hughes D-I
- Ms. McMahon J-M
- Ms. Borriello N-R and I.B. Career Program
- Mrs. Sperber S-Z
- Mrs. Harding I.B. A-Ma
- Mrs. Beach I.B. Mc-Z



General

Posts

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+ New

Upload



Edit in grid view



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All Documents



Documents > General



Name

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Class Materials

Ellis Trudi



2022-2023 SUS Matrix.pdf

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College Timeline 2023-2024.pdf

February 27

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Students CommonApp ALL Directions.pdf

Yesterday at 7:00 AM

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2022-2023 State University System (SUS) Admissions Matrix

Universities													
Location		Tallahassee	Boca Raton	Ft. Myers	Miami	Lakeland	Tallahassee	Sarasota	Orlando	Gainesville	Jacksonville	Tampa	Pensacola
Undergraduate Enrollment		8,504	24,861	13,935	46,079	1,479	33,486	632	60,062	41,180	14,167	38,804	9,291
Type of Applications Accepted		Institutional Online	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online, Common App, Coalition App	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online, Common App	Common App, Coalition App	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online, Common App	Institutional Online, Common App
Middle 50% of Admitted FTIC 2022 (S=Summer) (F=Fall)	GPA	S: 3.5 F: 3.7	S: 3.22-3.80 F: 3.70-4.30	S: 3.56-4.33 F: 3.75-4.52	S: 3.9-4.4 F: 4.2-4.7	S: 3.8-4.5 F: 4.0-4.7	S: 4.0-4.4 F: 4.3-4.6	F: 3.8-4.4	S: 3.8-4.3 F: 3.9-4.4	S: 4.4-4.6 F: 4.4-4.6	S: 3.37-4.30 F: 3.60-4.39	S: 3.62-4.12 F: 4.00-4.5	S: 3.4-4.05 F: 3.5-4.18
	SAT	S: 1020 F: 1110	S: 1000-1120 F: 1190-1260	S: 1010-1170 F: 1090-1240	S: 1070-1170 F: 1250-1380	S: 1140-1250 F: 1290-1410	S: 1180-1300 F: 1300-1430	F: 1110-1320	S: 1150-1270 F: 1250-1370	S: 1240-1420 F: 1370-1500	S: 1010 F: 1135	S: 1100-1190 F: 1240-1300	S: 1050-1170 F: 1050-1220
	ACT	S: 16 F: 18	S: 20-23 F: 22-28	S: 19-24 F: 21-27	S: 21-24 F: 26-30	S: 22-27 F: 27-32	S: 25-29 F: 29-32	F: 22-29	S: 23-27 F: 26-30	S: 28-32 F: 31-34	S: 22 F: 24	S: 22-25 F: 27-31	S: 21-25 F: 21-27
Application Waivers Accepted		SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Common App Fee Waiver	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Email from School Counselor, Written Request from Student, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Email from School Counselor, Written Request from Student, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Email from School Counselor, Written Request from Student, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	Application Fee waived for all students	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Email from School Counselor, Written Request from Student, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch	SAT/ACT Fee Waiver, NACAC Fee Waiver, Email from School Counselor, Written Request from Student, Documentation Demonstrating Participation in Free/Reduced Lunch
Self-Reported Platform		SSAR	SSAR	Official Transcripts	Official Transcripts	SSAR	SSAR	Official Transcripts	SPARK	SSAR	SSAR	SSAR	SSAR
Super Score SAT		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Super Score ACT		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

2022-2023 State University System (SUS) Admissions Matrix

Universities													
Fall 2023 Admission Deadlines	Deadlines	1 st : 11/1/22 2 nd : 5/1/23	11/1/22	11/1/22	11/1/22	11/1/22	1 st : 10/15/22 2 nd : 12/1/22	1 st : 11/1/22 2 nd : 2/12/23	3/1/23	1 st : 11/1/22 2 nd : 3/1/23		1 st : 11/1/22 2 nd : 3/1/23	12/1/22
	Rolling Admissions Final Deadline	5/1/23	4/1/23	3/1/23	4/1/23	3/1/23	3/1/23	4/1/23	5/1/23		5/1/23		6/1/23
	Notification Dates	1 st : 9/16/22 2 nd : Rolling	1 st : 10/1/2022 2 nd : Rolling	1 st : 12/1/22 2 nd : Rolling	Rolling	11/15/22	1st: 2/15/22 2nd: 2/15/23	Rolling	1 st : 9/15/22 2 nd : Rolling	1st: 2/24/23 2nd: 3/24/23	Rolling	1st: 12/15/22 2nd: Rolling	1st: 10/15/22 2nd: Rolling
	Priority Date for Aid & Scholarships	FAFSA: 3/1/23 Scholarships: 11/1/22	FAFSA: 3/1/23 Scholarships: 1/15/23	FAFSA: 1/1/23 Scholarships: 11/1/22	FAFSA: 3/1/23 Scholarships: 11/15/22	FAFSA: 12/1/22 Scholarships: 11/1/22	FAFSA: 12/1/22 Scholarships: 12/1/22	FAFSA: 11/1/22 Scholarships: 2/1/23	FAFSA: 12/1/22 Scholarships: 11/1/22	FAFSA: 11/1/22 Scholarships: 11/1/22	FAFSA: 11/1/22 Scholarships: 10/15/22	FAFSA: 1/1/23 Scholarships: 1/15/23	FAFSA: 2/15/23 Scholarships: 12/1/22
2022-2023 Tuition and Fees (30 Credit Hours)		\$5,645	\$5,642	\$6,118	\$6,565	\$4,940	\$6,666	\$6,916	\$5,954	\$6,380	\$6,590	\$6,410	\$6,360
2022-2023 On-Campus Room and Board		\$11,644	\$12,536	\$9,672	\$10,824	\$12,219	\$11,592	\$10,892	\$11,498	\$10,950	\$10,138	\$12,622	\$11,268
2022-2023 Books and Supplies		\$1,138	\$1,264	\$1,200	\$1,350	\$1,200	\$1,000	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$810	\$1,200	\$700	\$1,600

Current trends in college admissions

- Sticker price is just the sticker price!
- State universities are being underfunded
- 60%-70% Riverview IB stay in state
- Not having a manageable number of applications is counter-productive
- Riverview IB is “sought-after”
- Safety/solid universities will compete \$\$ against each other for IB
- Early action is popular
- Early decision is viable
- Showing interest is always a plus: College reps, tours, etc....

And now....tips for parents

Do:

- Listen with an open mind;
- Accept the role change from your child shifting from dependence to independence;
- Be involved and interested in the college selection process;
- Be realistic about your expectations;
- Be patient about your child's follow-through with the myriad tasks surrounding college admissions
- Be in tune to your child's emotions. There may be a message behind the procrastination
- Use the Riverview IB team as a resource! We are invested in your children.
- Have a sense of humor – brace yourself for some weird moments

Don't:

- **Live vicariously through your son or daughter. Let them follow their dreams, their path to their destiny;**
- **Indulge in “cocktail party college talk” – making college selection decisions for your child based on the basis of others’ positive or negative experiences;**
- **Assume responsibility for aspect of the college search and admissions process that are the responsibility of your child;**
- **Expect your child to follow the family alumni track. It may not be a realistic option based on the ever-changing college market.**

Please help us by not accepting or excusing school absences, tardies and acting out. There is a strong correlation between junior/senior year performance and college performance. The trend of performance matters!