## **The College Visit Minute**

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School Campus for those that can't attend by The CHS College Center

## School: Florida State University

Admissions Rep. Name: Olivia Chason Email: ochason@fsu.edu Telephone: 850.644.0047 Is the Rep a school Alum? Yes

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes

Date: 09/12/16

Last year's Freshman Profile:	GPA - 3.8-4.3	SAT - 1740-1960 (old)	ACT - 24-28 composite
Honor's College:	4.3-4.6	1260-1440 (new)	30-33 composite

GPA -How is it calculated? Core, weighted – AP/IB/Dual Enrollment bumped up 1.0, H/Pre AP bumped up 0.5.

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Optional Super score? Yes

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? 5

Extra-Curricular Activities – What does the school look for? Sports, Student Government, Jobs.

Most popular majors at this school: 16 colleges and 160+ undergraduate majors – College of Medicine is a Top 10 producer of Family Practice Physicians. College of Music ranked #5 for public universities. Psychology program ranked #3. College of Fine Arts (Art History, Dance, and Interior Design) are also top ranked.

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market? No

Does chosen major affect decision process? Yes, must audition for Music, Dance, and Art; portfolio required for Film.

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? 20+ study centers around the world. Year-round campuses in London, Florence, Panama City, and Valencia.

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Depends on major; some require it.

Research Opportunities? Yes, even available to Freshmen, not limited to "hard" sciences.

Special successes the school is known for: 93% retention rate and 79% graduation rate places FSU among the Top 30 Public Institutions in the U.S.

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? Limited number of merit-based scholarships including 100% out-of-state tuition reduction and 50% tuition reduction.

When are scholarship deadlines? Admitted students are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships. It is best to apply before the Oct 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Approximately 91% of incoming freshmen receive some type of merit-based or need-based scholarship. Merit-based scholarship is \$9,600 split over 4 years.

What is the Total cost of Attendance?	In-State	Out of State
Tuition& Fees	\$6,516	\$21,683
Housing & Meal Plan	\$10,548	<b>\$10,548</b>
Books & Supplies	\$1,000	\$1,000
Total per Year (Two Semesters)	\$18,06 <b>4</b>	\$33,231

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? Tours offered, special Spring Preview for accepted students.

Is there a "Scholar Day" for Honors bound students? No

## **Applications**

When are application deadlines? Different decisions: Early Action, Binding, Early Decision, Regular Decision, Rolling? Early decision: Oct 19, 2016 (decision by Dec 9, 2016). Regular decision: Jan 18, 2017 (decision by Mar 16, 2017).

Is an essay required for all decision options? No, but highly recommended

Are letters of Recommendation required or suggested? No.

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? No

What does the school look for in each "round" of decisions? Same information.

Does the school use the Common App? No	How many applicants are received per year? On average, 35,000 apply; 10,000-11,000 are accepted; and 6,000- 7,000 enroll.
How much is the application fee?	Are there quotas for applicant acceptance?
\$30, non-refundable	FSU reserves the right to close admission early if warranted by enrollment limitations and the number and quality of applications.

## **Campus Life**

NCAA Criteria (Division I, II, etc.)? Div I

Are sporting events free? Yes	Is there a ticket lottery?	Yes, for football and basketball
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Do freshmen live on campus? Not required, but encouraged Are cars allowed? Yes

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, or apartment-style? Living & Learning Dorms? 13 halls, majority are suite style. Additional halls opening next year. Accommodations are first come first served.

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc.)

- 700 student organizations
- 108 acres of intramural fields
- 25 campus dining locations
- 75% of classes have 40 or fewer students
- Free academic tutoring & financial advising

What is the undergraduate enrollment? 32,621	Total enrollment? 41,733
Percentage of male: female – 45% Male, 55% Female	Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – Students from all 50 states and 140+ countries

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – Approximately 20%

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Where is the school located? Tallahassee, Florida How far is it from Milton? 4.5 hours by car
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Other: The REZ is a 73 acre lakefront property where students can swim, canoe, paddleboard, kayak, etc.