

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 Center*

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Is the Rep a school Alum? Yes

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes

Last year's Freshman Profile: GPA - 3.6-4.4 on 5.0 scale SAT - 1130-1280 midrange ACT – 25-30 midrange
Taken from the college website- "Please note: The College Board redesigned the SAT and first administered it in March 2016. We are referring to it as the rSAT. SAT averages listed on our website, and in our publications, refer only to scores that occurred before the rSAT was introduced."

http://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/undergraduate_admissions/requirements/for_freshmen/index.php

GPA -How is it calculated? GPA is calculated using core classes that USC requires for admission (4 units (u.) of English, 3 u. of Lab Science, 3 u. of Social Studies, 1 u. of Fine Arts, 4 u. of Math, 2 u. of Foreign Language, 1 u. Academic Elective). Since only 2 FL units are required, if the student has more than 2 units of FL, USC would use the best 2 grades in the calculation. All high school honors/AP/dual enrollment points are removed, and 10 points are added. 1 unit of PE is required for admission but not included in the GPA calculation. Can typically replace the unit of Fine Arts with an AP class – speak with them.

ACT/SAT –Although the written is required, they do not score it. Only super score the SAT. Take highest composite score for the ACT

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? Do not track # of AP courses, test score of 3-4 is usually sufficient to skip 1 course. Sometimes a test score of 5 will allow skipping 2 courses.

Most popular majors at this school: Offer 96 majors. #1 in International Business for over 17 years. Strong in Nursing

For out-of-state schools, are there any majors that would qualify for the Academic Common Market? They have 7 majors that qualify for Georgia in the Academic Common Market...: Some are Fashion Merchandising, International Studies, Visual Communications, Cardiovascular Technology, Public relations

Does chosen major affect decision process? No. Their application is "major" blind meaning that your declared major has no influence on acceptance.

Study Abroad Programs? Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs? Yes—many opportunities to study abroad. They have their own office dedicated to this as well as internships.

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Yes. They have a Career Center on Campus dedicated to helping students find jobs while in school

Research Opportunities? Top tier research institution. One of only 32 public universities to earn the Carnegie Foundation's top-tier designations in both research activity and community engagement.

Special successes the school is known for: The nation's #1 International Business Program (undergrad) – ranked by U.S. News & World Report.

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students? You are automatically considered for scholarships when you apply; however, to be considered for the Top Scholars programs and their Honors College, must apply by Nov 15.

When are scholarship deadlines? Nov. 15

