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Applications and Admissions Office of Admissions, SVC 1036 http://usfweb2.usf.edu/admissions/	974-3350
Athletics (Intercollegiate) Director of Athletics, ATH 100 http://www.gousfbulls.com/	974-2125
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College Level Examination Program (CLEP tests) USF Testing Services, SVC 2060 http://www.conted.usf.edu/testing/	974-2741
Continuing Education Courses and Conferences Continuing Education, NEC 116 http://www.conted.usf.edu	974-2403

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Financial Assistance (scholarships, loans, employment) Office of Financial Aid, SVC 1102 http://usfweb2.usf.edu/finaid/	974-4700
Graduate School Office of the Dean, BEH 304 http://www.grad.usf.edu/	974-2846
Health Services (Student) Student Health Services, SHS 100 http://www.shs.usf.edu/	974-2331
Honors College Office of the Dean, SVC 1088 http://honors.usf.edu/	974-3087
Housing: Campus Residence Halls Housing and Residential Education RAR 229 http://www.housing.usf.edu/	974-0001
Housing: Off-Campus Student Resource Agency Student Government, MSC 1503	974-7613
International Student and Scholar Services Office of the Advisor, CGS 101 http://global.usf.edu/iss	974-5102
Library Resources Tampa Campus: Circulation Reference http://www.lib.usf.edu/	974-1611 974-2729
Orientation Office of the Director, SVC 2049 http://usfweb2.usf.edu/orientation/	974-3060
Parking and Transportation Services Parking Services, PSB 101 http://usfweb2.usf.edu/parking_services/default.asp	974-3990
Pre-Admission Advising for Prospective Freshman, International, Mature, Minority, and Transfer Students Office of Admissions, SVC 1036 http://usfweb2.usf.edu/Admissions/Counselors/	974-3350
Reading Study Skills Student Learning Commons, LIB 206 http://guides.lib.usf.edu/tutoring	974-2713
Records, Registration Office of the Registrar, SVC 1034 http://www.registrar.usf.edu/	974-2000
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Transcripts USF Office of the Registrar, SVC 1034 http://www.registrar.usf.edu/regurl/os/transcripts	974-2000
Tuition Waiver for Senior Citizens Registrar's Office, SVC 1034 http://www.registrar.usf.edu/regurl/os/senior	974-2000
University College Administration, SVC 1072 http://ecampus.usf.edu/default.asp	974-4926
Undergraduate Studies Office of the Dean, SVC 2002 http://www.ugs.usf.edu/ WebCat@ugs.usf.edu	974-4051
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Veterans Services Office of Veterans Services, SVC 2127 http://www.veterans.usf.edu	974-2291
Victim Advocacy Center for Victim Advocacy & Violence Prevention, SVC 1138 http://www.sa.usf.edu/advocacy	974-5757

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

FALL SEMESTER, 2011

January 2	Sunday	Priority scholarship application deadline for First Time in College Students for Fall semester (new freshmen) and international applicants
March 1	Tuesday	Application deadline date for international applicants to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
March 1	Tuesday	Application deadline for First Time in College Students for Fall semester (new freshmen)
June 1	Wednesday	Application deadline date for undergraduate transfers to apply for admission (except international applicants)
July 15	Friday	Deadline for undergraduate transfers to submit all documentation to complete applicant file
August 22	Monday	Classes begin
August 25	Thursday	Deadline for Former Degree Seeking Students to reapply for Fall semester (20 business days before classes begin)
August 26	Friday	Last day to withdraw/drop and receive full refund of registration fees - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
August 26	Friday	Last day to add courses - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
August 26	Friday	Last day for late registration - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
August 26	Friday	Last day to pay fees
September 5	Monday	Labor Day holiday
September 16	Friday	Graduation Application deadline
September 28	Wednesday	Rosh Hashanah begins
October 29	Saturday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
November 11	Friday	Veteran's Day holiday celebrated
November 24-25	Thursday-Friday	Thanksgiving holidays
December 2	Friday	Fall Classes end
December 3-9	Saturday-Friday	Final examinations
December 9	Friday	Commencement (Tampa)

SPRING SEMESTER, 2012

October 1	Saturday	Application deadline date for international transfer applicants to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents.
October 1	Saturday	Application deadline date for undergraduate transfers to apply for admission
November 15	Tuesday	Deadline for undergraduate transfers to submit all documentation to complete applicant file
December 12	Monday	Application deadline for Former Degree Seeking Students to reapply for Spring semester (20 business days before classes begin)
January 9	Monday	Classes begin
January 13	Friday	Last day to withdraw/drop and receive full refund of registration fees - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
January 13	Friday	Last day to add courses - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
January 13	Friday	Last day for late registration - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
January 13	Friday	Last day to pay fees
January 16	Monday	Martin Luther King holiday
February 3	Friday	Graduation application deadline
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline for First Time in College Students for Fall semester 2012 (New Freshmen)
March 12-17	Monday-Saturday	Spring Semester Break
March 24	Saturday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
April 27	Friday	Classes end
April 28 – May 4	Saturday - Friday	Final examinations
May 4-5	Friday & Saturday	Commencement (Tampa)

ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

SUMMER TERM, 2012 SESSION A (First Six-week Session)

January 2	Monday	Priority scholarship application deadline for First Time in College (new freshmen) and international students
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for international freshman or transfer applicants outside of the United States to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline for First Time in College Students for Summer semester (new freshmen)
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for undergraduate transfers to apply for admission
April 15	Sunday	Deadline for undergraduate transfers to submit all documentation to complete applicant file
April 16	Monday	Application deadline for Former Degree Seeking Students applying for the summer term (20 business days prior to the first day of classes)
May 14	Monday	Classes begin
May 18	Friday	Last day to withdraw/drop and receive full refund of registration fees - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
May 18	Friday	Last day to add courses
May 18	Friday	Last day for late registration
May 18	Friday	Last day to pay fees
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day holiday
June 8	Friday	Graduation application deadline
June 9	Saturday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
June 22	Friday	Last day of classes
August 3-4	Friday & Saturday	Summer Commencement (Tampa) - Tentative Date

SESSION B (Second Six-week Session)

March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for international freshman or transfer applicants outside of the United States to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline for First Time in College Students for Summer semester (new freshmen)
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for undergraduate transfers to apply for admission
April 1	Sunday	Application deadline date for international transfer applicants currently in the United States to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
April 15	Sunday	Deadline for undergraduate transfers to submit all documentation to complete applicant file
April 16	Monday	Application deadline for Former Degree Seeking Students applying for the summer term (20 business days prior to the first day of classes)
June 8	Friday	Graduation application deadline
June 25	Monday	Classes begin
June 29	Friday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
June 29	Friday	Last day to withdraw/drop and receive full refund of registration fees - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
June 29	Friday	Last day to add courses
June 29	Friday	Last day for late registration
June 29	Friday	Last day to pay fees
July 4	Wednesday	Independence Day holiday
July 21	Saturday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
August 3	Friday	Last day of classes
August 3-4	Friday & Saturday	Summer Commencement (Tampa) - Tentative Date

ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

SESSION C (Ten-week Session)

March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for international freshman or transfer applicants outside of the United States to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline for First Time in College Students for Summer semester (new freshmen)
March 1	Thursday	Application deadline date for undergraduate transfers to apply for admission
April 1	Sunday	Application deadline date for international transfer applicants currently in the United States to apply for admission and submit all required credentials and supporting documents
April 15	Sunday	Deadline for undergraduate transfers to submit all documentation to complete applicant file
April 16	Monday	Application deadline for Former Degree Seeking Students applying for the Summer term (20 business days prior to the first day of classes)
May 14	Monday	Classes begin
May 18	Friday	Last day to withdraw/drop and receive full refund of registration fees - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
May 18	Friday	Last day to add courses
May 18	Friday	Last day for late registration
May 18	Friday	Last day to pay fees
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day holiday
June 8	Friday	Graduation application deadline
June 30	Saturday	Last day to drop or withdraw from courses without academic penalty - Deadline: 5:00 p.m.
July 4	Wednesday	Independence Day holiday
July 20	Friday	Last day of classes
August 3-4	Friday & Saturday	Summer Commencement (Tampa) - Tentative Date

ACCREDITATION

The University of South Florida is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award degrees at the baccalaureate, masters, and doctoral level. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of the University of South Florida.

DEGREES* OFFERED BY THE UNIVERSITY

Undergraduate Degrees

Bachelor of Arts	B.A.
Bachelor of Fine Arts	B.F.A.
Bachelor of Music	B.M.
Bachelor of Science	B.S.
Bachelor of Science in Applied Science	B.S.A.S.
Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training	B.S.A.T.
Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering	B.S.C.H.
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering	B.S.C.E.
Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering	B.S.C.P.
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	B.S.C.S.
Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering	B.S.E.E.
Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering	B.S.I.E.
Bachelor of Science in Information Technology	B.S.I.T.
Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	B.S.M.E.
Bachelor of Social Work	B.S.W.

Graduate Degrees

Master of Accountancy	M.Acc.
Master of Architecture	M.Arc.
Master of Arts	M.A.
Master of Arts in Bioethics and Medical Humanities	M.A.B.M.H.
Master of Arts in Teaching	M.A.T.
Master of Business Administration	M.B.A.
Master of Chemical Engineering	M.C.H.E.
Master of Civil Engineering	M.C.E.
Master of Education	M.Ed.
Master of Environmental Engineering	M.E.V.E.
Master of Fine Arts	M.F.A.
Master of Health Administration	M.H.A.
Master of Industrial Engineering	M.I.E.
Master of Liberal Arts	M.L.A.
Master of Mechanical Engineering	M.M.E.
Master of Music	M.M.
Master of Public Administration	M.P.A.
Master of Public Health	M.P.H.
Master of Science	M.S.
Master of Science in Bioinformatics and Computational Biology	M.S.B.C.B.
Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering	M.S.B.E.
Master of Science in Biotechnology	M.S.B.
Master of Science in Chemical Engineering	M.S.C.H.
Master of Science in Civil Engineering	M.S.C.E.
Master of Science in Computer Engineering	M.S.C.P.
Master of Science in Computer Science	M.S.C.S.
Master of Science in Electrical Engineering	M.S.E.E.
Master of Science in Engineering	M.S.E.
Master of Science in Engineering Management	M.S.E.M.
Master of Science in Engineering Science	M.S.E.S.
Master of Science in Environmental Engineering	M.S.E.V.
Master of Science in Industrial Engineering	M.S.I.E.
Master of Science in Marketing	M.S.M.
Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering	M.S.M.E.

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Master of Science in Medical Sciences	M.S.M.S.
Master of Science in Public Health	M.S.P.H.
Master of Science in Real Estate	M.S.R.E.
Master of Social Work	M.S.W.
Master of Urban and Community Design	M.U.C.D.
Master of Urban and Regional Planning	M.U.R.P.

Advanced Graduate Degrees

Education Specialist	Ed.S.
Doctor of Audiology	Au.D.
Doctor of Education	Ed.D.
Doctor of Philosophy	Ph.D.
Doctor of Public Health	Dr.P.H.
Doctor of Nursing Practice	D.N.P.

Professional Degree

Doctor of Medicine	M.D.
Doctor of Physical Therapy	D.P.T.

The University of South Florida and all colleges, departments and programs therein establish certain academic requirements that must be met before a degree is granted. These requirements concern such things as curricula and courses, majors and minors, and academic residence. Advisors, directors, department chairs, and deans are available to help the student understand and arrange to meet these requirements, but the student is responsible for fulfilling them. At the end of a student's course of study, if requirements for graduation have not been satisfied, the degree will not be granted. For this reason, it is important for all students to acquaint themselves with all regulations and to remain currently informed throughout their college careers and to be responsible for completing requirements. Courses, programs, and requirements described in the catalog may be suspended, deleted, restricted, supplemented, or changed in any other manner at any time at the sole discretion of the University and the USF Board of Trustees.