

REQUESTS for ALL ONLINE COURSES FROM RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS

As stated in the March 7th Presidential [return to campus announcement](#), the Fall 2021 semester will resume normal operations. As we proceed into the 2021 summer and fall terms and vaccines become widely available, most courses will return to face-to-face instruction.

Students with registered disabilities or those seeking accommodations are encouraged to communicate with our student disability resource center, but, it should not be noted that risk factors associated with COVID-19 are not conditions covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

INFORMATION ABOUT HOUSING

The University of South Carolina has announced a full return to face-to-face classes and the resumption of normal campus operations this fall. Students and parents may be asking if the requirement to live on campus for the first year of a student's career at UofSC is still in place. We know from national research, as well as UofSC data, that students who live on campus for their first year are retained into their second year at a higher rate than those students who live elsewhere. To that end, University Housing will enforce its requirement for first-year students to live on campus. Penalties for cancellation can be found at https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/housing/rates-fees/cancellations-refunds/index.php under the "Incoming Students Cancellation Dates (First Year Students)." Exceptions will not be made for 100% online enrollment. Students who wish to request an exemption from this requirement should make that request to Eddie Thomson at sahouse@mailbox.sc.edu. Documentation will be required to verify the circumstances the student presents as a reason for exemption from the policy. Please note that the first-year residency requirement does not apply to students in Palmetto Pathways or Carolina Online programs. It does apply to Gamecock Gateway students, as living on campus is a requirement of the program.

DEADLINE FOR FULL TUITION REFUND IN THE FALL (full Semester classes): August 25 2021

[ACADEMIC CALENDAR INCLUDING DROP/ADD DATES](#)

READMISSION

Students must reapply for readmission after missing one or more major semesters (Fall or Spring) when they are ready. Details and forms are found [here](#) and deadlines are found [here](#). If a student has taken courses at another higher education institute while away from UofSC, he or she will apply as a transfer student with an application fee of \$65. If the student does not take courses elsewhere, he or she will apply as a re-admission and the application fee is \$25.

For re-admission without transfer work, a student must have a minimum UofSC 2.0 GPA to be eligible. However, some majors have higher GPA re-admission standards so the student must choose a major that accepts his or her UofSC GPA. For re-admission as a transfer student, a student must earn a minimum cumulative 2.25 GPA on the transfer courses and 2.0 GPA on UofSC work. Courses taken elsewhere may or may not transfer as credit; students are encouraged to consult with their advisor before taking courses at another university. Similar to simple re-admission, some majors have higher GPA transfer standards so the student must choose a major that accepts his or her GPA.