

SUS Admissions Essays & Important Links



Florida A & M University

Admissions Essay: Your personal statement should be no longer than 250 words each or a total of 500 words for both personal statements.

1. Describe an activity, interest, experience, or achievement in your life (this could be a book, movie or an activity or experience at work, home or school) that has been particularly meaningful to you.
2. How has your family history, culture, or environment influenced who you are?

Rolling Admissions – Apply Early August at: <http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?admissions&ApplyOnline>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.famu.edu/index.cfm?Scholarships&SchoolsandColleges>



Florida Atlantic University

Admissions Essay: You will have an opportunity to provide any additional information regarding your application by uploading your documents when completing your online application.

1. If you were a sea shell, would you want to be picked up or left in the sand and why?
2. If you were a message in a bottle, what would your message say or where would you want to wash up?
3. What would be in your perfect beach bag?
4. If you built a sand structure, what would it be and why?

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early July at: http://www.fau.edu/admissions/Apply_Online.php

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.fau.edu/admissions/scholarships-fr.php>



Florida Gulf Coast University

Admissions Essay – Not Required

Letters of Recommendation, Personal Statements, and Essays are not required for admission and will only be used when an applicant does not meet minimum requirements or if admissibility by regular admission requirements is questionable.

Rolling Admissions – Apply online beginning June 1st for Summer, September 1st for Fall at: <http://www.fgcu.edu/admissions.asp>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.fgcu.edu/foundation/scholarships.asp>



Florida International University

Admissions Essay – Not Required

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early July at: <http://admissions.fiu.edu/>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://admissions.fiu.edu/financial/scholarships.php>



Florida Polytechnic University

Admissions Essay – Not Required

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early July at: <https://floridapolytechnic.org/bethenext-2/undergraduate/apply/>

Scholarship Opportunities: <https://floridapolytechnic.org/admissions/tuitionfinancial-aid/florida-poly-scholarships/>



Florida State University

Apply Early August at: <https://admissions.fsu.edu/undergradapp/>

Deadline #1 October 19 w-Decision December 8th / Deadline #2 January 18th w-Decision March 16

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://admissions.fsu.edu/freshman/finances/scholarships.cfm>

Admissions Essay – 500 Word Maximum Length

Florida State University is more than just a world-class academic institution preparing you for a future career. We are a caring community of well-rounded individuals who embrace leadership, learning, service, and global awareness. With this in mind, which of these characteristics appeal most to you, and why?



University of West Florida

Admissions Essay – Not Required

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early September at: <https://www.gowestflorida.org/go/>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://uwf.edu/finaid/scholarships.cfm>



New College of Florida

<http://www.ncf.edu/admissions>

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early September at: <https://www.commonapp.org/CommonApp/default.aspx>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.ncf.edu/scholarships>

Admissions Essay: The essay demonstrates your ability to write clearly and concisely on a selected topic and helps you distinguish yourself in your own voice. What do you want the readers of your application to know about you apart from courses, grades, and test scores? Choose the option that best helps you answer that question and write an essay of no more than 650 words, using the prompt to inspire and structure your response. Remember: 650 words is your limit, not your goal. Use the full range if you need it, but don't feel obligated to do so. (The application won't accept a response shorter than 250 words.)

1. *Some students have a background or story that is so central to their identity that they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.*
2. *Recount an incident or time when you experienced failure. How did it affect you, and what lessons did you learn?*
3. *Reflect on a time when you challenged a belief or idea. What prompted you to act? Would you make the same decision again?*
4. *Describe a place or environment where you are perfectly content. What do you do or experience there, and why is it meaningful to you?*
5. *Discuss an accomplishment or event, formal or informal, that marked your transition from childhood to adulthood within your culture, community, or family.*



University of Central Florida

Rolling Admissions – Apply Early August at: <https://apply.ucf.edu/application/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fapplication>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://admissions.ucf.edu/cost/>

Admissions Essay – 500 Word Maximum Length

1. *If there has been some obstacle or bump in the road in your academic or personal life, please explain the circumstances.*
2. *How has your family history, culture, or environment influenced who you are?*
3. *Why did you choose to apply to UCF?*
4. *What qualities or unique characteristics do you possess that will allow you to contribute to the UCF community?*



University of Florida

Undergraduate Admissions Application (July) NEW APPLICATION SYSTEM: <https://admissions.fsu.edu/undergradapp/>
Applications Due Nov 1st / SSAR (Student Self Reported Academic Record) Due Dec 1st / Decision on 2nd Friday in February

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.sfa.ufl.edu/programs/scholarships/>

Admissions Essay – 500 Word Maximum Length

1. *You have been elected President of the United States. Write your inauguration speech for us.*
2. *Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "Our loyalties must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation; and this means we must develop a world perspective." Describe a time when your perspective changed. How did your perspective change and why did it change?*
3. *If you were offered the role of the villain or the hero in a movie, which role would you accept and why?*
4. *If admitted to the University of Florida, tell us 3 SPECIFIC things you plan to do during your time here?*



University of North Florida

Admissions Essay – Not Required

Rolling Admissions - Apply Early July at: <http://www.unf.edu/admissions/>

Scholarship Opportunities: <http://www.fau.edu/admissions/scholarships-fr.php>



University of South Florida

Admissions Essay – Not Required

USF does not require this information with your initial application. However, in the event that you are deferred for any reason (including semester grades or new test scores), we encourage you to submit this additional documentation. You should send no more than two letters of recommendation, and the recommendations that mean the most are written by teachers who can best vouch for your potential for academic success in college.

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Scholarship Opportunities: <http://usfweb2.usf.edu/admissions/scholarships.html>

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