



Soka University of America Freshman Profile and Admission Information 2010-2011

Fall 2010 Entering Freshman Class

New Freshman	111
Global Merit recipients (full-ride)	4
Soka Opportunity Scholarships (Free tuition)	50

Gender

Male	32%
Female	68%

Citizenship

Domestic	58%
International	42%

Race/Ethnicity (Domestic)

African American	5%
American Indian	2%
Asian/Asian American	36%
Caucasian	42%
Latino/Hispanic	9%
Not indicated	6%

Public Schools Represented in Class (Domestic)

Centennial HS; Corona, CA
Newport Harbor HS; Newport Beach, CA
Richardson HS; Richardson, TX
Roswell HS; Roswell, GA
Saguaro HS; Scottsdale, AZ

Independent/Private Schools Represented in Class (Domestic)

Bishop Montgomery HS; Torrance, CA
CAMS; Carson, CA
Flintridge Preparatory; Flintridge, CA
OC High School of the Arts; Santa Ana, CA
Phoenix Cntry Day School; Paradise Vly, AZ

Top non-California States and Countries

<u>U.S. States</u>	<u>Outside U.S.</u>
Arizona	Canada
Hawaii	China
New York	India
South Carolina	Japan
Texas	United Kingdom

Success after Soka: Where our graduates are going for graduate school:

Boston U, Carnegie Mellon, Chicago, Columbia, Cornell, Duke, George Mason, Harvard, London School of Economics, NYU, Oxford, Penn, Stanford, UC Berkley, UCLA, UCSD, USC, University of Hawaii Law School, Yale

...just to name a few.

Fall Freshman Statistics

Applicants	504
Admits	163 (32% admit rate)
Matriculated	111 (68% yield rate)

Average GPA (weighted) 3.85

Average SAT Critical Reading	564
Average SAT Math	621
Average SAT Writing	578
Average SAT Essay	8
Average ACT Composite	26
Average ACT Essay	8

Cost and Financial Aid

Meeting the costs of an education represents a significant investment for most families. At Soka University of America, however, we are committed to providing comprehensive merit and need-based financial aid programs that make it possible for admitted students who meet specific requirements and deadlines to attend Soka University.

In 2009 over 90% of Soka's students, both domestic and international, received financial aid totaling nearly 11 million dollars; which included nearly 5 million dollars in need-based grants and 4 million dollars in merit-based scholarships. So, as you can see, Soka is committed to investing its resources to ensure the success of our students.

Also, in an effort to promote greater diversity and access to higher education for both domestic and international students, Soka University has implemented a new tuition policy. Beginning in the 2008-2009 academic year, all admitted students to the BA in Liberal Arts program whose annual earned family income is \$60,000, or less, and who have neither graduated from college nor completed more than 3/4 of their required coursework towards their first undergraduate degree (e.g., BA/BS) at the time of application to SUA, will receive free tuition (room and board fees will still apply).

Although federal and state aid may only be available to U.S. citizens and permanent residents, international students are eligible to apply for Soka merit and need-based scholarships and loans.

Information Used to Determine Soka Aid Eligibility

- FAFSA or International Application
- 2010 parents' and student's tax returns
- Parents' and student's bank statements
- Other specific information may be required, depending upon a family's situation.

2011-2012 Student Cost of Attendance

Tuition	\$26,294
Room and board	\$10,122
Books and supplies	\$ 1,000
Transportation	\$ 500
Health Insurance Fee	\$ 858
Personal Expenses	\$ 642
Annual Total	\$39,416

2011 Freshman Application Process

Soka offers both an Early Action and Regular Admission application period.

Required Application Materials

- Application fee (\$30 electronic/\$45 paper)
- Completed application (electronic or paper)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Two personal essays
- SAT and/or ACT examination scores
- Transcripts
- List of extracurricular activities

Important Dates and Deadlines

October 15th

- Early Action application deadline

October 31st

- Early Action document deadline

December 1st

- Early Action decisions announced

January 15th

- Regular Admission application deadline

January 28th

- Regular Admission document deadline

March 2nd

- Financial Aid application deadline

March 15th

- Regular Admission decisions announced

May 1st

- Financial Aid document deadline
- Admission deposit deadline