Transferring to USC Upstate
“Up” is more than a word to us. It’s an attitude. It’s where we live—in our hearts and minds, as well as here in South Carolina’s vibrant Upstate region. Each year we welcome transfer students from across the country who, like you, want a college experience that will unlock the kind of academic, internship, and professional opportunities that will truly distinguish them in the eyes of top employers and graduate schools around the world.

**Academic Programs**

**Undergraduate Majors**
- Accounting
- Advanced Manufacturing Management
- Art Education
- Art Studio — Graphic Design
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Child Development & Family Studies
- Commercial Music
- Communication — Communication Studies; Mass Media, Public Relations
- Community Health
- Computer Information Systems
- Computer Science
- Criminal Justice
- Cybersecurity
- Early Childhood Education
- Economics/Finance
- Elementary Education
- Engineering Technology Management
- English
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation
- Exercise & Sport Science
- Health Informatics
- History
- Information Management & Systems
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Logistics & Supply Chain Management
- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Middle Level Education
- Nursing
- Physical Education
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Secondary Education — Biology, Chemistry, English, Mathematics, Social Studies/History, Spanish
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Special Education: Learning Disabilities
- Theatre — Production, Performance

**Pre-Professional Programs**
- Pre-Chiropractic
- Pre-Dental
- Pre-Engineering
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medical
- Pre-Occupational Therapy
- Pre-Optometry
- Pre-Pharmacy

**Master’s Programs**
- Applied Learning & Instruction
- Business Analytics
- Information Management
- Information Resource Management
- Nursing — Clinical Nurse Leader, Nursing Educator, Nursing Leadership
- Special Education: Visual Impairment

**Certifications**
- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Middle Level Education
- Physical Education
- Special Education: Learning Disabilities
- Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Child Advocacy Studies
- Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

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**Pre-Physical Therapy**
- Pre-Physician Assistant
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine

**uscupstate.edu/academics**
TRANSFER TUESDAY:
Transfer Tuesdays are designed for transfer students to meet individually with admissions, financial aid, and advisement staff so that they can help with all of the details to make your transition to USC Upstate a smooth and seamless process. Students are encouraged to bring a copy of their academic transcripts for review of transfer credit.

OPEN HOUSE:
Open House offers an in-depth look at USC Upstate and an opportunity to meet current and future Spartans. Take a Saturday to tour campus facilities and learn about our degree programs and student life options.

WEEKDAY CAMPUS TOUR:
You can schedule an individualized campus tour and info session, Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

There are a number of ways you can experience your campus visit. All of them provide ideal opportunities to tour our modern facilities, meet faculty and fellow students, and stroll through our beautiful campus greenspaces.

www.uscupstate.edu/visitcampus
STEP 2 | Transfer Requirements

GENERAL TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS:
• Must have 30 transferable semester hours from a regionally accredited institution
• Minimum 2.0 cumulative college GPA for all courses
• Must be eligible to return to last school attended

APPLICANTS WITH LESS THAN 30 CREDIT HOURS:
• Will be reviewed based on high school GPA (2.5), SAT (900) or ACT (19) scores, and all attempted college coursework
• Test scores not required over 22 years old

Contact our Transfer Admissions counselors for more information
Office of Admissions | Health Education Complex
300 North Campus Boulevard | Spartanburg, SC 29303
864-503-5246 | 800-277-8727 | admissions@uscupstate.edu

“Time I decided to transfer, I was looking for a school with quality academics and a prestigious learning environment. When I got to USC Upstate I could feel the sense of community and a feeling of home. I believe I’ll achieve amazing things here.”

Benjamin Bernstein
Communications

TRANSFERRING CREDIT FROM AN ACCREDITED INSTITUTION
For the purposes of admission, a transfer grade-point average is calculated using all credits attempted and all grades earned in college-level courses at other institutions. In addition, transfer credits to USC Upstate must be for academic courses completed with grades of “C” or better from regionally accredited institutions. The number of credits acceptable to the University and the number that may apply toward a particular degree may differ.

TRANSFERRING CREDITS FROM A JUNIOR COLLEGE OR TWO-YEAR COLLEGE
A maximum of 76 semester hours from a regionally accredited junior or two-year college may be transferred the University for degree credit.

COMPETITIVE MAJORS:
Some majors are more competitive for admission and require a higher GPA, additional coursework, and/or certain grades prior to transferring.

Visit us online for details on majors with additional requirements
uscupstate.edu/transfer/

Note: The most up-to-date transfer admission requirements are listed on our website.
STEP 3 | Apply Online

GETTING STARTED
- Visit campus: open house, Transfer Tuesday or private individual or group (15 or more people) appointment.
- Submit application for admission at uscupstate.edu/apply, along with your $45 non-refundable application fee.
- Request that official transcripts be mailed from each college previously attended directly to the USC Upstate admissions office.
- If less than 30 transferable credit hours were completed at another college or university, also submit high school transcripts.
- If less than 22 years of age, submit SAT/ACT scores.

If you have attended high school, attended another regionally accredited post-secondary institution and attempted one or more courses, you are a transfer student, regardless of credit earned. We welcome you to our campus community!

PAYMENT OPTIONS
- Online through Self Service Carolina (SSC) by e-check. There is no charge for using an e-check. It is the fastest and safest way to pay tuition.
- Online at my.sc.edu by credit card. There is a 2.5% convenience fee for this service.
- In the Student Account Services Office at the cashier’s windows, by check, cash or money order only
- Set up a Tuition Payment Plan

Please be sure to apply for financial aid to determine if you qualify for assistance.

Term | Application & Fee Payment Deadline* | Transcripts & Documents Deadline | Term Begins
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Fall | August 1 | August 15 | August
Spring | January 1 | January 1 | January
Summer (rolling) | May 1 | May 1 | May

* Application and application fee must be received by the date shown for each term.

**Certified Teacher Rate**

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The cost of attending college starts with tuition and fees and includes housing, meals, books and other supplies.

Check out our cost below to see what students are paying to attend the University of South Carolina Upstate during the 2020-21 school year. Individual costs will vary based on your choice of housing or type of course work.

- Room & Board estimate: $4,000-$5,000 per semester
- Additional fees required
APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID
Students applying for financial aid must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA becomes available on Oct. 1 each year and you must complete it in order to receive aid for the fall, spring and summer terms. Our priority deadline is March 1 of each year, however FAFSAs received after this date will still be processed. It can take 2-3 weeks for USC Upstate to receive your FAFSA results, so apply as early as you can after Jan. 1 of each year.

SCHOLARSHIPS
USC Upstate strongly supports the recognition of students who possess the potential to return the benefits of a quality university education to our society. Scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated academic ability, career plans, educational goals and community service.

STEP 5 | FAFSA

Palmetto College & Upstate Online

PALMETTO COLLEGE
Palmetto College consists of online USC programs plus two-year USC campuses across the state. You can earn your first two years of college credit at USC Upstate, then transfer to a four-year campus or complete your bachelor’s degree online! Our Palmetto College program offers the following degree majors:

- Criminal Justice
- Engineering Technology Management
- Informatics
- RN to BSN

UPSTATE ONLINE
USC Upstate offers a total of 15 online and hybrid degree programs, including more than 300 courses that allow our students to complete a USC Upstate degree in the way that best meets their needs. Our online degree programs are in the following academic areas:

- Business
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- English
- Informatics & Engineering Systems
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Nursing

USC Upstate is committed to providing quality instruction and course content to students regardless of geographical location or course content delivery format.
On campus, you will benefit from:

- No commute
- Free laundry, plus LaundryAlert notifications
- Faculty and staff involvement
- Numerous opportunities to meet new people
- Community activities and programs
- Rent billed to your student account
- Free water and electricity
- Free cable and wireless internet access
- No extra rent to pay if your roommate leaves
- Ability to reassign to any available housing
- Easy access to campus facilities

Off campus, apartment-style housing is available and located adjacent to campus.

AFTER YOU ARE ADMITTED

1. Claim Your VIP ID in order to log into the Self Service Carolina. Detailed instructions can be found at uscupstate.edu/myuscupstate
2. Submit citizenship verification information
3. SC Residents Only: Complete Residency Certification for In-State Tuition on Self-Service Carolina | my.sc.edu
4. Apply online for campus housing | uscupstate.edu/hrl
5. Make Orientation reservation online | uscupstate.edu/orientation
6. Complete online math placement testing prior to orientation if a transferable math course with a grade C or better has not been completed | blackboard.uscupstate.edu
7. Submit immunization records to Health Services | uscupstate.edu/healthservices
8. Submit final college transcripts for any courses completed since application by electronic or mail delivery
9. Attend orientation | uscupstate.edu/orientation
10. Pay tuition and fees | my.sc.edu

Your college journey is unlike any other, and it's one of the most important experiences of your life. You owe it to yourself to make sure it's the best path for you and your goals.
USC Upstate Fast Facts

- **6,000** students from 29 states and 14 nations
- **1,400** Applicants
- **1,090** enrolled transfer students
- **Top destination for transfer students in South Carolina**
- Offering more than **45** majors and programs from within five academic colleges.

- **30,000** Alumni
- **30** International university partnerships

Substance and beauty is a powerful combination and it perfectly describes the USC Upstate main campus in Spartanburg, SC, situated near the intersections of I-85 and I-26. One million square feet of space includes the most modern and cutting-edge learning facilities, the 12-acre Susan Jacobs Arboretum, more than 80 student organizations, an active Greek community, and incredible athletic complexes for Division I teams.
USC Upstate At A Glance

**History:** A coeducational, public, comprehensive regional institution founded in 1967.

**Area:** With a population exceeding 1.4 million, South Carolina’s Upstate is the fastest-growing region in the state and is ranked 7th in the nation for economic development.

**Enrollment:** 6,300 students with a 15:1 student/faculty ratio and an average class size of 25.

**Faculty:** The faculty totals 484; 240 full-time faculty, 13 librarians who also hold faculty rank, and 244 part-time faculty members.

**Location:** Spartanburg Campus, 800 University Way, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Greenville Campus, University Center, 225 South Pleasantburg Drive, Greenville, South Carolina; George Dean Johnson, Jr. College of Business and Economics, 160 East St. John Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina.

**Spartanburg Campus:** Approximately 330 acres with 12 major buildings, plus the Louis P. Howell Athletic Complex and the Susan Jacobs Arboretum.

**Greenville Campus:** State-of-the-art facilities for commuting junior- and senior-level students located in the University Center Greenville, which is centrally located five minutes from downtown Greenville.

**Library:** The library has a 24-hour computer lab accessible with student ID/swipe card; holdings of more than 233,000 books, journals, microforms, and media; offers over 26,600 e-books and more than 30,000 electronic full-text journals via 200-plus databases.