



Welcome to

GRADUATE STUDIES AT SOUTHERN

MATRICULATED AND NON-MATRICULATED STUDENTS

Matriculated students have met all of the requirements of the School of Graduate and Professional Studies and the academic program and have received an official letter of acceptance from the Associate Dean or Assistant Director.

Non-matriculated students may take only nine credits of graduate study on a part-time basis, in a specific program, must provide proof of bachelor's degree, and must meet any program and course requirements to register. Graduate programs have the right to exclude non-matriculated students from courses offered for matriculated students in their program.

This overview is meant as a guide and is no way an exhaustive list of requirements for admission. Please consult the graduate catalog at catalog.SouthernCT.edu for all admission policies, procedures, and requirements.

MINIMUM ACCEPTANCE STANDARDS *

Admission to a graduate program is a two-step process. Students must (1) meet the minimum admission requirements set forth by the School of Graduate and Professional Studies and (2) those requirements set by the faculty of the specific program to which they are applying, and be recommended for admission.

Master's Degree Programs

Students must possess a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution in the United States.

Sixth-year and Doctoral Programs

Students must possess a master's degree from a regionally accredited institution in the United States.

Minimum GPA

Students must possess a 3.0 or higher (scale A=4.0) and the recommendation of the graduate program coordinator.

International Students

Students must have their transcripts and credentials evaluated (course by course with grades). See transcripts section on page 2 for information.

* Some programs have higher minimum GPA requirements. Students may not pursue two degrees concurrently.

CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE

Students who do not meet the minimum admission standards listed above may be considered for conditional admission. Students who receive a conditional acceptance will receive a letter outlining the conditions of admission and the time frame for meeting those conditions. Students who do not meet any or all terms of the acceptance will be dismissed from the program.

EARLY ACCEPTANCE

A limited number of graduating seniors may be granted early acceptance. Early acceptance requires an overall quality point ratio of 3.0 (B) or higher, the written recommendation of the faculty adviser in the department to which the student is applying, and a completed application file. Early admission is conditional. The School of Graduate and Professional Studies must receive a final transcript noting the bachelor's degree and date awarded two weeks prior to the beginning of the first semester of graduate enrollment.



For complete information, visit Grad.SouthernCT.edu

Graduate Programs with Purpose.



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

■ Choose an SCSU Graduate Program

SCSU offers more than 100 graduate programs and the current graduate catalog at catalog.SouthernCT.edu provides information about each one. Each program has a graduate coordinator who will be happy to speak with you either in person, on the phone, or via e-mail. Contact information for each department is located in this brochure.



■ Complete an Application

Scan the QR code to visit Grad.SouthernCT.edu.

■ Transcripts

Official copies of transcripts from all institutions attended must be submitted. Please request official copies as early as possible to ensure that they are sent in a timely manner. International students must have their transcripts/credentials evaluated (course-by-course basis) by World Education Service (wes.org) or Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc. (ece.org).

■ Letters of Recommendation/Additional Documents

Certain programs require letters of recommendation and/or additional documents. Please click on the application requirements page on Grad.SouthernCT.edu under Academics.

ADMISSIONS DEADLINES

Although the Graduate School has rolling admissions, many programs have specific deadlines. Application deadlines for these programs may be found at Grad.SouthernCT.edu. Materials should be compiled as early as possible to ensure the application will be reviewed and a decision rendered in time to register. Obtaining transcripts from prior institutions, having foreign transcripts/credentials evaluated, and the writing of recommendations can take weeks or months, so please plan ahead!

HOW TO SUBMIT MATERIALS

Official transcripts in hard copy should be sent to Southern Connecticut State University, 501 Crescent Street, BU 444, New Haven, CT 06515.

All official eTranscripts should be sent to GradDocs@SouthernCT.edu.

Other application materials should be uploaded through the Graduate Admissions Portal at <https://apply.SouthernCT.edu/apply>:



Application Management

The **First Year application** is for applicants who will be attending a college or university may use the **Common Application** or this Southern application to apply for admission to

The **Transfer application** is for applicants with college level credit earned after graduate complete a bachelor's degree.

The **Graduate application** is for applicants holding a bachelor's degree and seeking a master's degree.

Returning users:
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First-time users:
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VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans often have a unique outlook on the college experience. Many veterans have been away from the educational experience for an extended period of time, are balancing multiple work and family obligations, and aren't sure how to pursue different career paths. Additionally, it may be challenging to understand how to access the education benefits veterans have earned as part of their service. Southern has a rich history of serving student veterans and the military connected community. Whether a student veteran is pursuing a specific career or seeking intellectual stimulation and involvement, the Veterans Affairs Office provides support to incoming students. Established in 1975, the Veterans Affairs Office provides guidance to accessing benefits, resources, and connecting with other students. The Veteran's Drop-In Center, located in Engleman Hall A-014, serves as a lively meeting place with a quiet study space, social lounge, computer and printing access, and academic support.

Veterans and military connected should contact the office to learn more about how to pursue their college careers as student veterans at Southern. For more information, email Veterans@SouthernCT.edu or stop by the Office of Veterans Affairs in Engleman Hall A-014.

SENIOR CITIZEN WAIVERS

Southern Connecticut State University has a diverse student body, and senior citizens add to that diversity. Southern welcomes learners of all ages. Specific waivers that allow senior citizens to attend Southern at a more affordable rate are:

Full-Time Students: Tuition and the university fee are waived. Student Accounts approves the senior citizen waivers; they can be reached at (203) 392-6140.

Part-Time Students: A waiver of tuition and general university fee or extension course fees for winter and summer sessions are authorized for any Connecticut resident 62 years or older, provided that at the regular registration period there is space available in the course(s) in which he or she intends to enroll.

To take advantage of these waivers, proof of age and residency must be provided at the time of registration.