Welcome, international students, to the College of Charleston. Ranked among the best public universities in the Southeast, the College of Charleston is the oldest university south of Virginia and the 13th oldest in the United States. The university’s history serves as a strong foundation for its mission of furthering exploration, discovery and creativity.

The College of Charleston is part of the South Carolina state university system, and is among the nation’s top universities for quality education, student life and affordability. Students study cutting-edge programs in modern facilities that are located on a beautiful and historic campus. The university is located in the heart of Charleston, S.C., one of the most historic cities in the United States. Because Charleston is a major East Coast seaport, the city has a decidedly European and cosmopolitan feel. This fact might explain why nearly 70 countries are represented in our student body.

We welcome international students because they bring a lively mix of cultures, ethnicities and languages to the campus. Our international students thoroughly enjoy living in an exciting and hospitable American city and studying with more than 10,000 American students who come from nearly 50 states.

Take time to get to know us by browsing our publications (http://www.cofc.edu/about/publications). And, you can always request more information from us at any time (admissions.cofc.edu).

DEADLINES

**Fall Semester**

- **Early Notification:**
  - **November 1:** Application and all documents due
  - **Late December:** Decisions mailed.

- **Regular Notification Priority:**
  - **February 1:** Application and all documents due
  - **Early April:** Decisions mailed.

  Applications received after the deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.

**Spring Semester**

- **Regular Notification:**
  - **November 1:** Application and all documents due. Decisions are rolling.