# Common Data Set 2001-02 SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

# C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

## **Applications**

C1 First-time, first-year, (freshmen) students: Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in fall 2001. Include early decision, early action, and students who began studies during summer in this cohort. Applicants should include only those students who fulfilled the requirements for consideration for admission (i.e., who completed actionable applications) and who have been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution). Admitted applicants should include wait-listed students who were subsequently offered

C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	2,303
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	3,019
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C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	1,688
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	2,296
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C1	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	639
C1	Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	1
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C1	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	713
C1	Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	-

C2 Freshman wait-listed students (students who met admission requirements but whose final admission was contingent on space availability)

		Yes	No	
C2	Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list?	X		
C2	If yes, please answer the questions below for fall 2001 admissions:			
C2	Number of qualified applicants placed on waiting list	555		
C2	Number accepting a place on the waiting list 313			
C2	Number of wait-listed students admitted	74	•	

## **Admission Requirements**

C3 High school completion requirements

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C3	High school diploma is required and GED is			
	accepted			
C3	High school diploma is required and GED is not	Υ		
	accepted	^		
C3	High school diploma or equivalent is not required			

C4 Does your institution require or recommend a general college-preparatory program for degreeseeking students?

C4	Require	
C4	Recommend	Х
C4	Neither require nor recommend	

**C5 Distribution of high school units required and/or recommended.** Specify the distribution of academic high school course units required and/or recommended of all or most degree-seeking students using Carnegie units (one unit equals one year of study or its equivalent). If you use a different system for calculating units, please convert.

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C5		Units	Units
		Required	Recommended
C5	Total academic units	15	
C5	English	4	4+
C5	Mathematics	3	4+
C5	Science	3	4+
C5	Of these, units that must be	2	3+
C5	Foreign language	2	3+
C5	Social studies	1	2+
C5	History	2	3+
C5	Academic electives		
C5	Other (specify)		

## **Basis for Selection**

C6	Do you have an open admission policy, under which virtually all secondary school graduates or
	students with GED equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to academic record, test scores,
	or other qualifications? If so, check which applies:

C6	Open admission policy as described above for all students	
C6	Open admission policy as described above for most students, but	
C6	selective admission to some programs	
C6	other (explain)	
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C7 Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in first-time, first-year, degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.

C7		Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
<b>C7</b>	Academic			1	Considered
<b>C7</b>	Secondary school record	Х			
<b>C7</b>	Class rank		Х		
7	Recommendation(s)	Х			
7	Standardized test scores	Х			
7	Essay	Х			
7	Nonacademic				
7	Interview			X	
7	Extracurricular activities		Х		
27	Talent/ability		Х		
27	Character/personal qualities		Х		
7	Alumni/ae relation			X	
7	Geographical residence				Χ
7	State residency				Χ
7	Religious				Х
	affiliation/commitment				^
7	Minority status				X
7	Volunteer work		Χ		
<b>C7</b>	Work experience		Х		

## **SAT and ACT Policies**

C8 Entrance exams

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	Yes	No		

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C8A	Does your institution make use of SAT I, SAT II, or ACT scores in		
	admission decisions for first-time, first-year, degree-seeking	Χ	
	applicants?		

C8A If yes, place check marks in the appropriate boxes below to reflect your institution's policies for use in admission.

	ADMISSION				
	Require	Recommend	Require for some	Consider if submitted	Not Used
SATI					
ACT					
SAT I or ACT (no preference)	Х				
SAT I or ACTSAT I preferred					
SAT I or ACTACT preferred					
SAT I and SAT II					
SAT I and SAT II or ACT					
SAT II			Х		

C8A In addition, does your institution use applicants' test scores for placement or counseling?

		Yes	No
C8A	Placement	X	
C8A	Counseling	X	

**C8B** Does your institution use the SAT I or II or the ACT for placement only? If so, please mark the appropriate boxes below:

C8B		PLACEMENT		
C8B		Require	Recommend	Require for some
C8B	SAT I			
C8B	SAT II			
C8B	ACT			
C8B	SAT I or ACT			

Latest date by which SAT I or ACT scores must be received for fall-term admission	January 15
Latest date by which SAT II scores must be received for fall-term admission	January 15

C8D If necessary, use this space to clarify your test policies (e.g., if tests are recommended for some students, or if tests are not required of some students):

C8D

## **Freshman Profile**

Provide percentages for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, full-time and part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in fall 2001, including students who began studies during summer, international students/nonresident aliens, and students admitted under special arrangements.

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C9 Percent and number of first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in fall 2001 who submitted national standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. Include information for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted test scores. Do not include partial test scores (e.g., mathematics scores but not verbal for a category of students) or combine other standardized test results (such as TOEFL) in this item. SAT scores should be recentered scores. The 25th percentile is the score that 25 percent scored at or below; the 75th percentile score is the one that 25 percent scored at or above.

C9	Percent submitting SAT scores	85% Number submitting SAT scores	1149
C9	Percent submitting ACT scores	41% Number submitting ACT scores	548

## First-time freshman test scores

C9		25th Percentile	75th Percentile
C9	SAT I Verbal	520	630
C9	SAT I Math	540	640
C9	ACT Composite	23	27
C9	ACT English	22	28
C9	ACT Math	22	27

**C9** Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

C9		SAT I Verbal	SAT I Math
C9	700-800	7	9
C9	600-699	32	38
C9	500-599	46	44
C9	400-499	14	9
C9	300-399	1	0
C9	200-299	0	0

C9		ACT Composite	ACT English	ACT Math
C9	30-36	10%	15%	12%
C9	24-29	59%	51%	51%
C9	18-23	30%	32%	33%
C9	12-17	1%	2%	4%
C9	6-11	0%	0%	0%
C9	Below 6	0%	0%	0%

**C10** Percent of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who had high school class rank within each of the following ranges (report information for those students from whom you collected high school rank information).

C10	Percent in top tenth of high school graduating class	32%	
C10	Percent in top quarter of high school graduating class	64%	
C10	Percent in top half of high school graduating class	89%	
C10	Percent in bottom half of high school graduating class	11%	
C10	Percent in bottom quarter of high school graduating class	1%	
C10	Percent of total first-time freshmen who submitted high school class ra	nk:	55%

**C11** Percentage of all enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who had high school grade-point averages within each of the following ranges (using 4.0 scale). Report information only for those students from whom you collected high school GPA.

C11	Percent who had GPA of 3.0 and higher	73%
C11	Percent who had GPA between 2.0 and 2.99	27%

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C11	Percent who had GPA between 1.0 and 1.99	
C11	Percent who had GPA below 1.0	
	Average high school GPA of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year	
	(freshman) students who submitted GPA:	3.33
C12	Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who	
	submitted high school GPA:	100%

#### **Admission Policies**

# C13 Application Fee

C13		Yes	No
C13	Does your institution have an application fee?	X	
C13	Amount of application fee:	\$50.00	
C13		Yes	No
C13	Can it be waived for applicants with financial need?	Х	

#### C14 Application closing date

C14		Yes	No
	Does your institution have an application closing date?	X	
C14	Application closing date (fall):		
C14	Priority date:	January 15th	

C15		Yes	No
C15	Are first-time freshmen accepted for terms other than fall?	Χ	

## C16 Notification to applicants of admission decision sent (fill in one only)

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C16	On a rolling basis beginning			
	(date):			
	By (date):	March 15th		
C16	Other:			
C16				

## C17 Reply policy for admitted applicants:

C17	Must reply by (date):	May 1st
C17	No set date:	
C17	Must reply by May 1 or within	
	weeks if notified	
	thereafter	
C17	Other:	
C17		

#### C18 Deferred admission

C18			Yes	No
C18	Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after		~	
	admission?		^	
C18	If ves. maximum period of postponement:	one vear		

## C19 Early admission of high school students

C19	Yes	No

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C19	Does your institution allow high school students to enroll as full-time,		
	first-time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before high	Х	
	school graduation?		
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C20	Common application		
C20		Yes	No
	Will you accept the Common Application distributed by the National		
020	Association of Secondary School Principals if submitted?	Х	
C20	If "yes," are supplemental forms required?		Х
	Is your college a member of the Common Application Group?	Х	
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	Early Decision and Early Action Plans		
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	Early Decision		NIa
C21	Description is attached and a substitution of the substitution of	Yes	No
C21	Does your institution offer an early decision plan (an admission plan		
	that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission		
	decision well in advance of the regular notification date and that asks		X
	students to commit to attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year		
	(freshman) applicants for fall enrollment?		
	If "yes," please complete the following:		
	First or only early decision plan closing date		
C21	First or only early decision plan notification date		
C21	Other early decision plan closing date		
C21	Other early decision plan notification date		
C21	For the Fall 2001 entering class:		
C21	Number of early decision applications received by your institution		
C21	Number of applicants admitted under early decision plan		
C21	Please provide significant details about your early decision plan:		
C22	Early action		
C22		Yes	No
C22	Do you have a nonbinding early action plan whereby students are		
	notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular	\ \ \	
	notification date but do not have to commit to attending your college?	X	
C22	If "yes," please complete the following:	<u>.                                    </u>	
	Early action closing date	November 1st	
	Early action notification date	December 31st	
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