

Common Data Set 2001-02
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

C5	Units Required	Units 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,

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

SAT and ACT Policies

C8	Yes	No
Entrance exams		
	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 applicants?	X	
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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
SAT I					
ACT					
SAT I or ACT (no preference)	X				
SAT I or ACT--SAT I preferred					
SAT I or ACT--ACT preferred					
SAT I and SAT II					
SAT I and SAT II or ACT					
SAT II			X		

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:

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

C8C	Latest date by which SAT I or ACT scores must be received for fall-term admission	January 15
C8C	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%		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		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

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 rank:		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	

C12	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?	X	

C14 Application closing date

C14		Yes	No
C14	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?	X	

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

C16	On a rolling basis beginning (date):	
C16	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?	X	
C18	If yes, maximum period of postponement:	one year	

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 school graduation?	X	
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C20 Common application

C20		Yes	No
C20	Will you accept the Common Application distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals if submitted?	X	
C20	If "yes," are supplemental forms required?		X
C20	Is your college a member of the Common Application Group?	X	

Early Decision and Early Action Plans

C21 Early Decision

C21		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 students to commit to attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year (freshman) applicants for fall enrollment?		X

C21 If "yes," please complete the following:

C21	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:

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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:

C22	Early action closing date	November 1st
C22	Early action notification date	December 31st