

# Southern College of Optometry

## *Profile of the 2017 Entering Class*

Total Entrants	136
Number of Applicants	821
Mean Overall GPA	3.56
Mean Prerequisite GPA	3.50
Mean OAT	331

Regional Students	36	Male	45
Non-Regional Students	100	Female	91
Minority Students	29	Single	119
International Students	1	Married	17
Age Range	20-28	Mean Age	22.9
Bachelor's or Higher Degree	134	States Represented	36

### OAT Mean Scores by Category

Academic Average	331	Biology	333
Quantitative Reasoning	332	General Chemistry	333
Reading Comprehension	351	Organic Chemistry	328
Physics	305	Total Science	327

### Academic Profiles for Students from Regional States

	<i>Mean OAT</i> <i>Academic Average</i>	<i>Mean Overall</i> <i>GPA</i>		<i>Mean OAT</i> <i>Academic Average</i>	<i>Mean Overall</i> <i>GPA</i>
Arkansas	326	3.66		South Carolina	338 3.54
Georgia	334	3.48		Tennessee	323 3.63
Kansas	340	3.48		West Virginia	340 3.63
Kentucky	317	3.73		<b><i>Regional</i></b>	<b><i>331</i></b> <b><i>3.62</i></b>
Louisiana	328	3.56		<b><i>Non-Regional</i></b>	<b><i>331</i></b> <b><i>3.54</i></b>
Mississippi	330	3.68			

## Profile of Entering Classes Since 2008

Year	Applicants	Entrants	Mean GPA	Mean OAT	B.S. Degree or Higher	Mean Age	Females	Married	Minorities
2008	741	124	3.45	340	124 (100%)	23.4	64 (52%)	26 (21%)	23 (19%)
2009	735	124	3.47	339	122 (98%)	23.3	73 (59%)	22 (18%)	23 (19%)
2010	845	119	3.45	330	117 (98%)	23.1	73 (61%)	22 (18%)	31 (26%)
2011	865	130	3.53	326	129 (99%)	23.0	70 (54%)	23 (18%)	18 (14%)
2012	841	130	3.54	324	130 (100%)	23.1	74 (57%)	11 (8%)	25 (19%)
2013	866	131	3.52	327	130 (99%)	23.1	69 (53%)	18 (14%)	19 (15%)
2014	787	135	3.56	328	134 (99%)	23.2	84 (62%)	24 (18%)	23 (17%)
2015	873	135	3.53	328	134 (99%)	23.2	96 (71%)	13 (10%)	19 (14%)
2016	877	136	3.53	328	135 (99%)	23.2	85 (63%)	15 (11%)	29 (21%)
2017	821	136	3.56	331	134 (99%)	22.9	91 (67%)	17 (13%)	29 (21%)

## *SCO Board Passage Rates*

	Part I: Applied Basic Science		Part II: Patient Assessment & Management	
	<u>SCO</u>	<u>National</u>	<u>SCO</u>	<u>National</u>
Class of 2018	83%	73%	TBD	TBD
Class of 2017	90%	78%	97%	88%
Class of 2016	89%	77%	97%	88%
Class of 2015	86%	78%	97%	92%
Class of 2014	91%	86%	100%	98%
Class of 2013	92%	85%	98%	92%
Class of 2012	77%	78%	98%	95%
Class of 2011	99%	92%	98%	95%
Class of 2010	86%	92%	95%	95%
Class of 2009	91%	84%	100%	95%

*Passage rates refer to first-time test takers at SCO and do not represent the total number who eventually passed on future exam dates. The national passage rate refers to the first time test takers, as well.*