

Southern College of Optometry

Profile of the 2019 Entering Class

Total Entrants	135
Number of Applicants	762
Mean Overall GPA	3.61
Mean Prerequisite GPA	3.55
Mean OAT	336

Regional Students	43	Male	39
Non-Regional Students	92	Female	96
Minority Students	36	Single	117
International Students	3	Married	18
Age Range	21-34	Mean Age	23.1
Bachelor's or Higher Degree	135	States Represented	31

OAT Mean Scores by Category

Academic Average	336	Biology	334
Quantitative Reasoning	342	General Chemistry	340
Reading Comprehension	347	Organic Chemistry	337
Physics	311	Total Science	332

Academic Profiles for Students from Regional States

	<i>Mean OAT Academic Average</i>	<i>Mean Overall GPA</i>		<i>Mean OAT Academic Average</i>	<i>Mean Overall GPA</i>	
Arkansas	340	3.69		Tennessee	331	3.66
Georgia	338	3.52		West Virginia	317	3.86
Kansas	333	3.64				
Kentucky	333	3.59		Regional	336	3.66
Louisiana	339	3.62		Non-Regional	336	3.59
Mississippi	326	3.66				

Profile of Entering Classes Since 2010

Year	Applicants	Entrants	Mean GPA	Mean OAT	B.S. Degree or Higher	Mean Age	Females	Married	Minorities
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%)
2018	714	133	3.53	329	131 (98%)	23.1	80 (60%)	22 (17%)	22 (17%)
2019	762	135	3.61	336	135 (100%)	23.1	96 (71%)	18 (13%)	36 (27%)

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 2020	91%	79%	TBD	TBD
Class of 2019	89%	77%	98%	90%
Class of 2018	83%	73%	97%	90%
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%

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.