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Florida Gulf Coast University



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# GPA & Test Score Minimums

## **GPA**

3.7 weighted  
and  
3.0 unweighted

**&**

## **SAT**

1100 Total Score  
and  
Reading/Writing:  
500  
Math: 500

**OR**

## **ACT**

22 Composite Score  
and  
English: 19  
Reading: 19  
Math: 19

**OR**

## **CLT**

72 Total Score  
and  
Quantitative: 17  
Verbal + Grammar: 39

**Be sure to list FGCU as a recipient of your official score report when you register for the SAT/ACT.**

# Application Process

- Complete Online Application
- Submit well-crafted Essay Response
- Complete & Upload Required Supplemental Forms (available via ACE website)
  - Program Authorization Form from high school counselor
  - Memo of Understanding
  - Third Party Release
  - Résumé including leadership & co-curricular activities
- Send Official HS Transcript and Test Scores
- Interview with Admission Committee Members

**Applications are reviewed by the  
ACE Admission Committee**

# Application Timeline

**Application Opens & Supplemental  
Materials Available:**  
January 6, 2025

**Application Deadline:**  
March 31, 2025

**Interviews:**  
Late March - April

**Decision Notifications:**  
May 7, 2025 – after 2:00pm



# Why ACE?



- Earn college credits at the university level!
- Scholarly focus – opportunity to get a true head start
- Support to accomplish your goals
- Fully admitted to FGCU if you choose to remain after high school
- Scholarships if you remain at FGCU after high school:
  - \$3,000 and \$5,000

# For Additional Information...

**Visit our Website:**

<https://www.fgcu.edu/admissionsandaid/ace/>



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