WELCOME TO
SCAD
We are so pleased you and your student have chosen to join the SCAD family. For nearly 40 years, our university has been dedicated to educating, inspiring and preparing the next generation of art and design leaders.

Within these pages, you’ll find a quick reference guide to all the resources, tools and people who will help you and your student make the most of this time at SCAD.

The parent relations department can help you stay connected with what’s happening on campus and keep an eye on upcoming academic and financial deadlines. Visit scad.edu/parentemail to complete your parent profile and sign up for the monthly parents e-newsletter. This newsletter covers student accounts, housing and financial aid deadlines; move-in timelines and volunteer opportunities; and career prep activities, upcoming event details and much more. Additionally, you can join the conversation with other SCAD parents and stay up to date by following us on Facebook, at facebook.com/groups/scadparents.

We understand that this is a new adventure for both you and your student, and we are here to provide support along the way. Contact us by phone at 912.525.5895 or email parents@scad.edu if you have questions.
ACADEMICS AND ADVISING


The path to a creative career starts now, in the classroom, with challenging coursework and inspiring faculty. Keep reading to discover the outlets, information and opportunities designed to help your student choose the direction that best suits his or her unique interests and goals.
STUDENT SUCCESS AND ADVISING

Student success advisers are the primary contacts for all undergraduate students for assistance in successfully completing an educational program at SCAD. Advisers help students assess and match their interests, skills, and abilities to programs available at SCAD; assist students with major declaration, course selection, course sequencing, and registration; and provide students with information about SCAD academic and financial policies, procedures, resources, and programs.

Success advisers provide students with guidance in understanding, planning for and funding the cost of their education. Advisers assist with finance-related questions and work individually with each student to help him or her plan a strategy for meeting educational expenses.

Success advisers work closely with incoming freshmen during the First Year Experience course to teach them about their responsibilities and roles in the educational process. Advisers also meet individually with incoming transfer students during the first quarter of enrollment. All students are given the tools to be proactive in seeking advisement and in following through on actions that help them succeed academically.

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Once your student declares a major, he or she will also be assigned a faculty adviser. The faculty adviser serves as a subject-matter expert who guides students throughout their course selection and professional development.
ADVISER RESPONSIBILITIES

» Serves as the primary resource and guide for student success
» Assists students in developing educational goals and selecting a major
» Recommends course selections for registration
» Serves as a referral for university resources
» Provides information on financial policies and resources

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

» Schedules and attends advising appointments
» Regularly checks and responds to SCAD email
» Becomes familiar with the policies in the SCAD catalog and student handbook
» Follows through on actions identified in success advising or faculty advising meetings
» Knows at all times his or her academic standing and academic needs in order to fulfill degree requirements
» Learns and meets course requirements, appropriate course sequencing and any other requirements
» Web registers on the assigned dates and makes all schedule changes before the end of drop/add week
» Accepts final responsibility for all decisions
» Knows and adheres to payment deadlines in order to secure future course registration
» Seeks counsel on available financial resources and policies
Newly admitted students may request and submit documentation for portfolio-based course exemption through the admission office. Currently enrolled students should request and submit documentation for portfolio-based course exemption to the appropriate department chair.

Documentation should demonstrate a mastery of skills and sufficient knowledge of the content taught in a specific college-level course. A student who is exempted from a required course does not earn academic credit for that course, but may substitute a course from the same subject area as approved by the department chair to fulfill the number of hours required to complete degree requirements.

At orientation, students attend a student success and advising presentation and receive a packet containing their schedule, a letter explaining the drop/add and registration process, contact information for their student success adviser, and information regarding the office of student success and advising. Transfer students also receive a statement of their transfer credit and an explanation of SCAD transfer credit policies.

The student success and advising presentation addresses academic issues and questions that students encounter during the first few weeks of the quarter, including the function of the office of student success and advising, class schedules, the process of making changes to a schedule and the attendance policy. Other academic issues are addressed during the First Year Experience course and in advising appointments.

Official transcripts and scores must be submitted to the admission office for all previous credit a student wishes to transfer during the first term of enrollment. These credits are evaluated based on whether course content, level of instruction and contact hours are at least equivalent to SCAD requirements.

For required studio classes, a portfolio, course description and syllabus must be submitted during the first quarter of enrollment. Transfer credit is granted when a panel of faculty members determines that the quality of work in the portfolio is consistent with the quality of work required of students in comparable courses at SCAD.

Credit for A-level, Advanced Placement, Caribbean Advanced Proficiency, CLEP, DANTES/DSST and International Baccalaureate exams may be awarded based upon score; for specific criteria, visit scad.edu/transfer. Transfer credit from all sources may not exceed 90 quarter hours.
The First Year Experience course, or FYE, is a unique opportunity for incoming freshmen designed to ease the transition to college life and prepare students for academic excellence and their professional careers.

Taught by student success advisers, FYE covers a variety of success strategies, university policies and information regarding major and career options. These are addressed through group and individual exercises, projects and lectures.

Students attend their FYE course for one hour, once per week. Successful completion of FYE is a requirement for graduation.

Transfer students are not required to complete the course, but may opt to participate to take advantage of the learning opportunities. There is no tuition charge for FYE.

All first-quarter, first-year students are registered for their classes by a student success adviser. All first-quarter transfer students are registered for classes by a transfer adviser. Both the student success advisers and transfer advisers take into account all transfer credit when registering students. Students are generally registered for two studio classes and one lecture class. First-year students are registered for classes based on their major of interest as indicated on their application. Transfer students are registered for classes required by their declared major.

All incoming transfer students have an advising hold placed on their account that prevents them from registering for the next quarter’s classes until they meet with their student success adviser. First-quarter freshmen who remain undeclared following First Year Experience have an advising hold placed on their account each quarter until they declare their major.
Students use SCAD PRO Adviser for conveniently mapping out their classes. This online degree progress resource is designed to make navigating the curriculum simple and help students decide what classes to take next. SCAD PRO Adviser is available in MySCAD.

### Registration Rules

Each quarter, students are given a registration time ticket that assigns them to a registration period. This time ticket is located on the Registration Tools channel in MySCAD. Registration times are determined by credit hours earned, and students may register for classes from their initial registration time through the fifth day of classes at the beginning of each quarter.

After the first quarter, your student will register for classes in MySCAD using instructions from his or her student success adviser.

### Advising Appointments

First-year students must meet with their student success advisers once per quarter until they declare a major. Once students have declared a major, we recommend they meet with their student success adviser once per year and once they complete 120 credit hours, to create a graduation plan. However, students are encouraged to meet with their advisers as often as they find helpful.

### Full-Time Course Load

A full-time student is defined as one who is registered for at least 15 credit hours per quarter. Students may register for a maximum of 20 credit hours, provided they have maintained a minimum 3.0 GPA during the previous quarter.

Students are in classes for 15 hours per week. For each hour a student is in class, approximately two hours of outside work will be required.
Many students have skills and interests across a wide range of art and design disciplines and are uncertain of what major they should declare. It is essential students take the initiative and explore majors and minors offered at SCAD.

Each fall, SCAD hosts this majors and minors fair where upperclass students and advisers introduce students to all majors. Students also have the opportunity to interact with faculty members in each area of study and learn about career options from the office for career and alumni success.

Undecided students are encouraged to use their elective courses to try out introductory courses in majors of interest. In doing so, they may even decide to pursue a minor.

A first-year student may declare a major after successfully completing the First Year Experience course. Once a major is declared, a student is assigned a faculty adviser and a success adviser who specialize in that area. Transfer students declare their major by selecting an intended area of study on their application for admission.

At any point before graduation, a student may change his or her major or add a minor.

Undergraduate degree programs are four-year courses of study that require 180 quarter credit hours and incorporate a fine arts foundation studies curriculum, comprehensive general education curriculum, major program or area of concentration curriculum and electives.

Undergraduate programs embrace a wide range of major areas and are designed to challenge students to perform at a high level to prepare them for professional careers. A well-rounded curriculum provides students with technical and analytical skills, aesthetic sensibilities, an academic background, and the ability to express ideas visually and verbally.

Many SCAD undergraduate majors complement one another and students may choose to earn degrees in two majors. With careful course selection, students may earn a double major in only a few extra quarters. Students should consult their student success adviser to determine what additional coursework may be required.

Each SCAD minor consists of five to six courses, depending on the program of study. The time required to complete a minor area of study varies depending on which combination of major and minor programs is being completed. Based upon this combination, a student may be required to complete more than the minimum number of credit hours required for graduation.
SCAD ensures all undergraduate students are able to demonstrate fundamental mathematics competency. Students who show this competency prior to enrollment may elect to take any math or natural science course to satisfy the mathematics/natural sciences general education requirement. Students who do not demonstrate math competency are required to complete one math course at SCAD.

Students should consult with a student success adviser before registering for any math or science courses to be sure they meet the requirements for their specific program of study.

The undergrad core curriculum consists of foundation studies and general education courses. Foundation studies are designed as studio classes where students can build visual, conceptual and creative abilities. The general education courses in liberal arts are designed to help develop students’ critical-thinking skills by providing an intellectual foundation and breadth of knowledge for endless learning.

Students are required to complete SCAD Core coursework within their first 90 hours of study. The organization of these courses into a two-year sequence allows students to complete necessary prerequisites for future study and also prepares them for work in their chosen major. Students should consult their programs of study for specific course requirements.

Scores may qualify for transfer credit in addition to satisfying the math requirement. Students who have successfully completed a course similar in content and level of instruction to a mathematics course at SCAD at another college or university may be permitted to transfer that course in satisfaction of the mathematics requirement.

HOW TO DEMONSTRATE MATH COMPETENCY

Students can present:
Proof of a qualifying SAT score (560 or above) or ACT score (24 or above)
Proof of qualifying math scores on Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, College-level Examination Program, or other equivalent international examinations as published on the SCAD admission website.
Students can take internships on a credit or non-credit basis and these may be paid or unpaid. Typical internships place students with artists, designers or organizations such as museums, advertising agencies, media production companies, theaters and architecture firms in the U.S. and abroad. An undergraduate student seeking an internship for credit must have completed at least 90 credit hours with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

**INTERNSHIP RULES**

Prior to the quarter in which a for-credit internship is to be conducted, students must submit an electronic internship application and liability waiver signed by the student, the faculty member and the department chair. The application must show that the student will have adequate faculty and supervisor contact hours during the 10-week quarter when the internship is to take place.

Students are required to work a minimum of 150 hours of internship activity, and must request and obtain approval for an internship prior to the start of the quarter.

The necessary tuition must be paid upon submission of the internship application in order to complete registration of the internship for credit.
The registrar’s office provides students with information regarding attendance, withdrawals and incompletes, transcripts, registration, graduation requirements, enrollment verification and other enforced policies regarding courses.

Registrar staff members interact most frequently with students by providing transcripts and enrollment verifications and assisting with registration and graduation.

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An enrollment verification is an official document showing proof of a student’s status at the university. It provides information regarding full- or part-time registration status, dates of attendance, expected graduation date and current course enrollment. Insurance companies, both health and auto, loan agencies (Sallie Mae, Direct Loans, AES, for example) and other organizations may require a verification in order for the student to be eligible for certain benefits (health insurance coverage or good student discounts, for example) or loan deferments.

Enrollment verifications for the current quarter can only be generated after drop/add week. Students can generate emailed enrollment verifications online through MySCAD, or they may visit the registrar’s office for a hard copy that can be mailed, faxed, or scanned and emailed. There is no fee for an enrollment verification.

Some organizations have specific forms that must be completed verifying student enrollment. The registrar’s office can also complete these and mail, fax or email them on behalf of the student.

International students may need an enrollment verification for banks, government scholarships, visas and U.S. customs.
Have a student who’s ready to take on the world? SCAD Study Abroad develops and offers programs that broaden and enhance the total educational experience. Through short- and full-term international and domestic study programs, students have the opportunity to earn degree credit while gaining a more global perspective on art, architecture and design.

Students in all majors can find programs relevant to their career preparation that develop cross-cultural competencies and expand their understanding of other cultures and societies. SCAD Study Abroad hosts several informational meetings each quarter, and students can further explore these options with their student success adviser.

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SCAD offers programs in a variety of locations in the U.S. and abroad. Some programs focus on specific academic and studio disciplines, while others feature a variety of study options.

Students expand their knowledge of other cultures and societies, which puts them ahead of the game as they step into careers in the global marketplace. They can study in Asia’s top business and cultural center at SCAD Hong Kong; immerse themselves in the rich culture and pastoral setting of Provence at SCAD Lacoste; explore the SCAD location in historic downtown Savannah; or take advantage of short-term programs in the design, arts and entertainment industries around the globe.

A transfer from a student’s permanent location to SCAD Savannah or SCAD Hong Kong for just one or two quarters presents the opportunity to learn from additional professors and interact with students in different settings.

A student visa must be obtained one quarter in advance before attending SCAD Hong Kong.

Students should meet with their student success adviser to find out if they are eligible for study abroad programs and to consider how these courses may fit into their overall program of study.
Bachelor's degrees are awarded to students who have earned a minimum of 180 quarter hours (equivalent to 120 semester credit hours) of appropriate credit in an approved program of study with an overall cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, as well as a 3.0 or higher GPA in their major or concentration.

Students pursuing a minor must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher in their minor program. To graduate with a double major, students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 in each major and a minimum overall GPA of 2.0.

The final 45 hours of any degree program must be completed at SCAD, including eLearning and off-campus study courses.

Academic policies are available in the catalog, online at scad.edu and in the student handbook available through MySCAD. Within these documents, you’ll find full definitions and descriptions of policies that cover academic standing, attendance, course loads, dropping and adding courses, the grading system, GPA requirements and withdrawals.

Students are expected to make satisfactory progress toward their degree and are responsible at all times for knowing their academic standing and for fulfilling all requirements of the university. These requirements are found in published academic policies, regulations and standards, and students can consult with the appropriate dean, department chair or adviser if they have questions.

Students are responsible for understanding and meeting course requirements, prerequisite requirements, graduation requirements, appropriate course sequencing and any other university requirements.

At the sole discretion of the university, a student may be placed on academic warning or probation, or may be suspended or dismissed for any reason deemed by SCAD officials to be in the best interest of the student or of the university as a whole or if they determine that the student is not making satisfactory progress toward degree completion.
ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend and participate in all scheduled classes and examination periods. SCAD operates on a 10-week quarter system, and all regular classes meet 20 times each quarter. Classes meet twice each week for 2 1/2 hours per class session, for a total of 50 contact hours (five credit hours).

Absences in excess of four class periods per quarter, or 20 percent of the course, result in the student receiving a failing grade for the course. Tardiness, early departure or other time away from class in excess of 15 minutes per class session is considered an absence for that class session. There are no excused absences.

Classes missed due to late registration are included in the overall absences permitted for the class.

FIRST WEEK OF CLASS

Only students who are properly registered for a class may attend and participate in that class. Students are not permitted to participate in classes in which they are not registered.

Not attending class during the first week of any quarter will result in a delay in financial aid disbursement and may also result in the student being dropped from classes. Students should contact their success adviser in advance if they anticipate missing class during the first week.

DROP/ADD WEEK

The first five business days of every quarter are designated the drop/add period when students may change their class schedules. Students must attend the classes for which they are registered by the end of the drop/add period.

All students should check their schedule prior to the start of each quarter to see if any changes have occurred.

QUARTER SYSTEM

SCAD is on the quarter system and classes meet for 10 weeks. The normal academic year includes three quarters. Students can attend summer quarter to complete additional coursework based on availability.

A complete listing and description of all academic policies is available at scad.edu/policies.
Grades are assigned according to the following system of letter and quality points evaluation:

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The following codes may appear on transcripts and do not affect a student's GPA:

- **W** WITHDRAWAL
- **G** GRANTED/FULFILLED CREDIT
- **T** TRANSFER CREDIT
- **U** UNSATISFACTORY
- **I** INCOMPLETE
- **N** AUDIT

Students receive an email copy of their grades via their SCAD email account approximately one week after classes end for the quarter. Grades are also accessible in MySCAD. Grades are not released over the phone.

Undergraduate students must earn a quarterly GPA of 2.0 to remain in satisfactory academic standing. Undergraduate students who fail to maintain a quarterly GPA of 2.0 for three consecutive quarters will be academically suspended for one year.

A student who has experienced serious personal illness or other emergency circumstances during the academic term should notify the dean of students as soon as possible for assistance or accommodations.

If your student falls into this category and is therefore unable to complete all assignments by the end of the quarter, he or she may request a temporary grade of incomplete through the appropriate school dean before the end of the quarter, explaining the reason and including documentation of the illness or emergency circumstance.

The dean’s decision is final. Students assigned a temporary grade of incomplete are required to complete the remainder of the unfinished work in a satisfactory manner by midterm of the following quarter. A temporary grade of incomplete automatically changes to an F if the required work is not completed satisfactorily by midterm of the following quarter.

A student may not withdraw from a course after receiving a grade of incomplete. A student who has missed more than four class sessions, 20 percent, in a quarter is not eligible for a grade of incomplete, but may withdraw at any time after the end of the drop/add period and through the last day of the quarter.
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, or FERPA, affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. This means students can request to read their education record and propose amendments if they believe it has misleading or inaccurate information.

It also means they must consent to disclosure of their education record under FERPA. For example, if you as the parent make most of the payments on your student’s account and will need to know the current account balance, your student must sign a FERPA waiver so university staff members are allowed to discuss the account balance with you.

Withdrawal from one or more classes may alter financial aid status or eligibility. Students should consult with their student success adviser for details.

Students who stop attending a class without officially withdrawing may be considered in violation of the attendance policy and could receive a grade of F.

After the end of the drop/add period and through the last day of the quarter, students may officially withdraw from a class. Students receive no credit for the class and are given a grade of W for the course. Students demonstrate their intent to withdraw from a class by completing the electronic withdrawal form available in MySCAD.

The withdrawal form is processed automatically and is effective immediately upon receipt of the request by the registrar’s office.

A student will be unofficially withdrawn from a course if they miss 20 percent of the term (usually five absences) in a class. The student will be sent an email after each absence and will be instructed to contact his or her success adviser for assistance.

Students manage their FERPA preferences in MySCAD by navigating to the Forms channel under the Resources tab, typing “FERPA” in the search field, and clicking the “FERPA Management” link.
SCAD offers a comprehensive support network to provide students the academic resources they need to excel in the classroom and beyond. These programs complement academic offerings and are designed with the student in mind.

**ACADEMIC RESOURCES**

The Academic Resource Network is your student’s source for free, ongoing tutoring in courses most often requested by students, including math, art history, writing and software programs. Students can register through the tutoring center in MySCAD to reach a peer tutor, and links to every academic support resource are available in MySCAD, under the Student Workspace tab, Academic Resource Network channel.

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**WRITING HELP**

At the Writers’ Studio, students can get individual and small-group help with all aspects of the writing process, whether they’re working on a course project or something related to their personal passions. Staff members will help with prewriting, developing thesis statements, structuring ideas, revising drafts and formatting bibliographies.

They will not, however, proofread or edit, or act as a substitute for the ongoing relationships and dialogue the student should be having with his or her faculty members and adviser.

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**LIBRARIES**

SCAD Libraries, which includes full-service locations in Savannah, Atlanta and Hong Kong, is a global art resource network that serves the entire university community. Librarians and staff offer research assistance in-person and online to connect all SCAD students to the most cutting-edge information in their fields.

The ACA Library of SCAD offers the latest art and design publications, industry-specific journals, feature films and documentaries on DVD, and an inspiring artist’s book collection. Students can also find most of their required readings for class and get personalized research help from the friendly librarians in the ACA Library. Remind your student to keep an eye out for workshops offered throughout the quarter to sharpen his or her research skills. Students can learn more, search for materials and browse the collection at library.scad.edu.

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**FOUNDATION STUDIES HELP**

The Drawing and Design Center is available to assist foundation studies students with drawing, 2-D and 3-D design and color theory. Individual tutoring and group workshops are available outside of class hours. Students can reach drawing and design peer tutors using MySCAD.

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SCAD students get to where they want to be in their career by taking advantage of what SCAD has to offer beyond the classroom.

The office for career and alumni success provides indispensable tools for researching the ever-changing job market; exclusive information on career fairs, workshops and upcoming jobs; and ongoing, individualized advising, professional development resources and career opportunities.

Learn more at scad.edu/careers.
Known as CAS, the office for career and alumni success prepares SCAD students and alumni to become industry leaders through carefully tailored programs that help students hit their career goals as they simultaneously explore their talents in class.

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Career workshops and seminars are offered on an ongoing basis and topics include résumé building, cover-letter writing, interviewing and networking skills, dressing for success, finding internships and more.

Check out the full slate of upcoming workshops at scad.edu/calendar.

Career advisers are available to offer individual career counseling for professional development and job search assistance. Students can make an appointment with their career adviser through the SCAD Job Portal.

Top companies, brands and organizations from around the world recruit at SCAD. Potential employers routinely visit to give presentations and interview students, providing students and alumni with the tools, access and exposure needed to gain an edge in seeking employment.

Based in seven markets around the U.S. and Southeast Asia, SCAD industry and alumni outreach managers continually develop and foster relationships with employers and alumni in an effort to expand career opportunities for SCAD students and alumni.

Recent employer visits:
- Apple, Blue Sky Studios, Crispin Porter + Bogusky
- Disney, DDB, Dreamworks Animation, GE
- Gensler, Google, IBM Design, Kohl’s, Leo Burnett
- Lilly Pulitzer, Microsoft, Ralph Lauren, Razorfish
- Steelcase, Target, The Mill, Tiffany & Co.
An annual event held in Savannah, SCAD Career Fair provides students and alumni one-on-one interaction with an unprecedented number of employers from around the globe interested in hiring SCAD students and alumni for jobs and internships.

Out to Launch, an annual event held in Atlanta, is a reverse career fair that provides students and alumni the opportunity to showcase their work to prospective employers.

Recent attendees to SCAD career events include Amazon, Callison, Carter’s, Coach, Condé Nast, Discovery Communications, David Yurman, BBDO, Groupon, Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, Hasbro, JibJab Media, Hallmark, HOK, Macy’s Merchandising Group, Microsoft, MTV, Nickelodeon Animation Studio, R/GA, Target, The Creative Group, Turner Broadcasting System Inc. and Universal Creative.

The SCAD Job Portal is your student’s exclusive online gateway to thousands of jobs and internships at top companies. Students can upload their résumé and portfolio to avail themselves for recruitment. Students can also schedule an appointment with their career adviser, sign up for workshops and employer presentations and apply for on-campus interviews.

All students receive Career News, a weekly e-newsletter that features jobs and internships, employer visits, workshops and career tips. Interested parents may also subscribe to Career News by visiting scad.edu/careers, selecting “Jobs and internships” and clicking on “Subscribe now” in the lower right-hand side of the page.
PARENTS’ GUIDE TO CAREER AND ALUMNI SUCCESS

Check out these top tips for supporting your student throughout the career prep and job search processes.

1. Listen to your student’s career concerns and ideas.

You can provide support, feedback and information as new interests and goals develop. Talk about your own work, your industry and your employer.

Don’t be afraid to share your own values, interests and goals, but take care to respect your student’s interests, especially if they differ from your own.

Career advisers are available to assist students with any challenges they might encounter. Encourage your student to schedule an appointment on the SCAD Job Portal.

2. Help your student maintain a strong, positive self-image.

Self-confidence is a critical personal attribute in the job search process. What positive skills, values, personality traits and enduring interests do you observe in your student? In what areas do they still need to develop?

3. Provide personal contacts for your student.

Neighbors, friends and relatives are great resources for informational interviews, which differ from job interviews and are used to collect information about a job, career field, industry or company.

These face-to-face connections with employers can be vital and can lead to an actual job interview, as up to 80 percent of jobs are never advertised.

4. Participate in career and alumni success.

If you are an employer, consider contacting the office for career and alumni success with job and internship openings, or volunteer to take part in workshops or panels about your career field.

5. Encourage your student to:

» Obtain marketable skills. As part of or in addition to your student’s education in an art and design major at SCAD, your student should be encouraged to develop computer/technical skills, business/entrepreneurial skills, communication skills (written and oral), marketing/selling skills (sales, publicity and fundraising), foreign language skills and leadership skills (supervisory, extracurricular leadership roles and teamwork/collaboration).

» Take advantage of internships and real-world professional opportunities. The office for career and alumni success offers individual advising and workshops focused on finding relevant professional experiences.

» Make the most of the office for career and alumni success. Encourage your student to become familiar with the wide range of services available, including portfolio critiques, entrepreneur resources, alumni panels, mock interviews and much more.

» Participate in extracurricular activities. Community service, athletics, clubs and other school leadership activities can help broaden and define career and leisure interests, while providing valuable career skills and experiences such as team-building and leadership skills.

» Try direct employer contact. Encourage your student to find 15–20 companies or organizations that fit with his or her interests, research them through company websites, and then contact them directly about opportunities to work or intern for them.

» Find time for career planning and job search activities. With many demands on time, students too often put off career planning until later. Encourage your student to use resources provided by the office for career and alumni success early and often.
The core of what we do at SCAD is provide students with a safe environment where they are free to pursue a singular passion for art and design. We do this by using best practices, connecting with our partners, and creating a culture of safety and security where innovation can flourish.

You can find all of the university's campus safety and security information along with tips and tools at scad.edu/security.
Student safety is a top priority at SCAD, and we have designed a dynamic safety program that pairs skilled staff with cutting-edge technology so students are comfortable in all university buildings, getting to and from class and traveling around Midtown.

Campus safety and security officers are available 24/7, 365. They also work in and around academic buildings. These officers partner with SCAD community members to identify safety- and security-related issues and engage students, staff and faculty to solve problems.

Campus safety and security officers also educate everyone in the SCAD community about personal safety and offer a variety of safety and crime-prevention programs ranging from bicycle registration to self-defense courses and late-night escorts.

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SCAD is committed to using the latest technology to increase campus safety and uses electronic security measures, including access control systems, security cameras and timely notification of security incidents and emergency alerts.

The university also participates in Midtown Atlanta’s Red Alert System, which provides information and details regarding emergency situations in Midtown Atlanta, where SCAD is located.

When a crisis or emergency situation occurs, students receive updates via phone, text and email from the SCAD Alert system. Students should make sure their contact information is up to date in MySCAD by visiting the My Info tab, My Personal Info channel to verify information and to make any necessary changes.

The SCAD LiveSafe mobile app, available for iPhone and Android, turns every smartphone on campus into a personal safety device by integrating with its GPS, allowing users to report crime in real time.

Students should download this app for an instant, direct connection with SCAD campus safety and security and local law enforcement. They can snap photos, anonymously report safety concerns or engage in a live chat with a public safety officer. It’s available in iTunes and the Google Play store.

SCAD offers SafeRide, a service for students who live off campus and need a late-night ride from an open SCAD building to their off-campus residence within a two-mile radius of the SCAD Atlanta campus.

SafeRides are available 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. nightly, with SCAD campus safety and security providing drop-off service. Students can call 404.253.3333 to arrange a SafeRide.
SCAD has a long-standing relationship with local law enforcement officials including the Atlanta Police Department and Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency. APD patrols the Midtown area 24 hours a day and works closely with SCAD campus safety and security and residence life officials to educate students on personal safety.

When something happens in the city at large, say severe weather or a major traffic accident, SCAD staff links immediately with these local leaders to determine any impact there may be for students and issue timely news and guidance, if necessary.

In accordance with Article II of the Student’s Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, SCAD provides a report of occurrences of crime for the past year known as the Clery Report.

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, part of the Higher Education Act, is a federal law that requires colleges and universities to disclose certain timely and annual information about campus crime and security policies.

Accordingly, SCAD must annually disclose crime statistics for the university, unobstructed public areas immediately adjacent to or running through the university and certain non-university facilities. Statistics for SCAD are available by visiting scad.edu/security or by contacting SCAD campus safety and security.

BICYCLE SAFETY

Atlanta is a bike-friendly city, but we have bicycling laws that may be different from laws in your hometown. All student cyclists are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with these laws before hitting the roads.

A few highlights:

» Always wear a helmet.
» Bikes are considered vehicles; always ride with traffic, even on one-way streets.
» Cyclists must use headlights and taillights after dark.

In accordance with the Clery Act, SCAD campus safety and security maintains a daily log that records the university incident number; the local police department incident number (if reported to local police); and the date, time, general location, type of incident and disposition, if known, of any on- or off-campus incident reported to SCAD.

The physical log is maintained at SCAD campus safety and security office at 350 Bull St. in Savannah. It also is posted online for easy access. This log is updated once each business day and is available at scad.edu/security.

SCAD security measures are online at scad.edu/security.
From time to time, Atlanta experiences severe weather. Planning for a quick response to weather emergencies helps ensure the safety of the university community.

SCAD follows all procedures regarding severe weather as instructed by the Fulton Emergency Management Agency. You should be aware that in the event of an evacuation ordered by SCAD or FEMA, communications with people at SCAD might be temporarily disrupted.

In the event of a weather-related or other emergency, the safety of students is the university’s number one concern. If the situation warrants, SCAD facilities will be closed and classes will be canceled.

Students in on-campus housing will be notified of any closings by residence life through staff and resident assistants.

All students should expect an informational phone call and text message, and should monitor local television and radio newscasts, their SCAD email and scad.edu. An announcement will be made through SCAD Alert, posted on scad.edu and distributed to local media outlets immediately if the decision is made to close the campus.

Students are encouraged to contact their parents and families and keep them apprised of the situation.

Every student should work with his or her family to develop a personal plan in the event that the university must close for a weather-related or other emergency — where would the student go? How would he or she get there? With whom would the student travel?

More information on developing a personal evacuation plan is available at scad.edu/evacuationprocedure.
Emergency actions that might impact and affect local residents are coordinated by the appropriate government agency, such as FEMA.

In the event the nation moves to the highest level of the Homeland Security Advisory System, crisis management agencies, including local, state and federal law enforcement officials, will begin reviewing and, if necessary, implementing emergency plans. Students should be alert and prepared in the event of an emergency.

**LEARN MORE**

dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/ntas/ntas-public-guide.pdf
redcross.org
SCAD has a wide variety of dynamic student activities that serve as the perfect daily complement to your student’s academic pursuits. Dazzling signature events, engaging student clubs and activities, stimulating fitness and recreation opportunities and more are designed with students in mind. All activities are administered by an expansive student services department and supervised by experienced professionals.
The office of student involvement offers a variety of ways for students to become active members of the university community. Students can explore their interests, meet others of similar or different backgrounds, and expand their breadth of experience through on- and off-campus engagement opportunities.

studentlife@scad.edu | 404.253.3334
Student Success Center

Also known as SAC, the Student Activities Council creates student-led educational and recreational on-campus events to enhance your student’s experience. SAC is the organizer behind musical performances, movies, lectures and more.

SCAD student clubs provide social, recreational and professional activities for every member of the student body. Students can explore an interest, meet new people or take on a leadership role. A full list of student clubs is available on the Inter-Club Council blog at blog.scad.edu/atlinvolvement.

With students from about 100 countries and all 50 states, SCAD is home to a diverse community of artists and designers. The UNI-Intercultural Club of SCAD Atlanta organizes activities that support the university’s international population, while promoting cross-cultural opportunities between domestic and international students.

All students are considered members of the United Student Forum, the SCAD student representative body. USF acts as a communication channel within the student body as well as between students and the university administration.

Representatives are selected to serve in USF leadership capacities throughout the year. Members of the executive committee, selected from existing USF representatives, act on behalf of all students and meet regularly with SCAD administrators to discuss ideas for improving the overall university community.

Students learn to serve the community while gaining valuable life skills. Working with local agencies in a spirit of cooperation, SCAD students learn the importance of networking, recruiting, project planning, decisionmaking and more. SERVE is the student-led community service initiative that connects students with their ideal opportunities.

Students of all faiths have many opportunities for involvement in religious life. Student religious organizations include Christian Student Fellowship, Hillel and Reformed University Fellowship. Area congregations also organize college ministries along with opportunities for worship and fellowship, retreats, volunteer service and more.
SCAD student media sponsors a student-run online newspaper, magazine and internet radio station. SCAD student media have received awards from the Associated Collegiate Press, the College Media Association, the Columbia Scholastic Press Association and the Georgia College Press Association.

editor@scadconnector.com
gm@scadatlantaradio.org | 404.253.3285
Spring House residence hall

**THE CONNECTOR**

The Connector is an independent online news source published for and by SCAD Atlanta students. Your student can flex his or her skills as a writer, reporter, editor, photographer, videographer, animator or illustrator. Visit scadconnector.com or follow The Connector on social media for news.

**SCAN**

SCAN is the award-winning student magazine of SCAD Atlanta, featuring articles and essays, photography, illustrations and design. Produced quarterly, each issue focuses on select areas of art and design and showcases outstanding student and alumni work. Access current and back issues of SCAN at scadconnector.com/scan.

**SCAD ATLANTA RADIO**

Here’s your student’s chance to become a DJ, newscaster, reporter, producer, sound designer or on-air voice talent. SCAD Atlanta Radio provides student-produced radio programming to listeners all over the globe. Visit scadatlantaradio.org to listen in.
SCAD events are all about putting students in touch with the people and experiences that will give them an edge as they get started in their careers. Each year, we host events across all SCAD locations so students can showcase their best work to their creative heroes, ask questions and learn what it’s like to work in their chosen fields.

**FALL**

Students are the VIPs at the Savannah Film Festival, which brings about 40,000 people to Savannah for eight days of screenings, workshops and lectures. They can take in the latest films by fellow students, get a sneak peek at Hollywood premieres, talk to A-list actors and directors during master classes or go behind the scenes as volunteers.

SCAD Atlanta’s annual Open Studio Night showcases the best in SCAD painting, photography, illustration, printmaking and sculpture. Featuring more than 200 original works of art by SCAD students, professors and alumni, the event offers live entertainment and hands-on demonstrations. Most work exhibited is available for purchase.

**WINTER**

In February, students get amazing access to small-screen stars during aTVfest, the SCAD celebration of epic TV. This is their chance to be heard during panel discussions with the actors, producers, directors and writers from their favorite shows. Nearly all events stream live on the SCAD Virtual Lecture Hall for students who cannot attend.

A few weeks later, students discover the best in contemporary art at SCAD deFINE ART. Exciting exhibitions and gallery talks and tours, screenings, lectures and performances connect students with leading artists.

**SPRING**

At SCADstyle, students have front-row seats for casual chats among style icons and can have their say at Q-and-A sessions and workshops with magazine editors, fashion designers and more.

The next big names in fashion debut their cutting-edge couture at the SCAD Fashion Show. Tickets for this event, held in Savannah, go early and fast. Students can get involved in the show’s production or make plans to have their own designs rock the runway.

A twist on the traditional career fair, Out to Launch connects employers with more than 100 exceptional senior and graduate students from SCAD. In previous years, the quality of work on display led to job offers to many students just 24 hours after they met recruiters.

April culminates in the Sidewalk Arts Festival, a longtime tradition where students and alumni turn the walkways of Savannah’s Forsyth Park into works of art. Students may take a bus from Atlanta to Savannah for the spring event.

**SAVE THE DATE**

The master calendar on scad.edu contains listings for upcoming events, lectures and workshops. You can also view the full academic calendar using the search function on this page.
Students are inspired and challenged to push the limits of their creative practice by new exhibitions each quarter.

scadfash.org | 404.253.3132
SCAD is delighted to offer its students an open urban campus, with academic, residential and administrative buildings located in a bustling metropolis, surrounded by Fortune 500 companies and a thriving arts scene.

Atlanta is easily navigated on foot, by bike or behind the wheel of a car.

In addition, the SCAD Bee Line bus service provides transportation to and from class and continues to run after class hours to provide late-night transportation. Bee Line services are free of charge to students.

HERE’S A MAP OF MIDTOWN ATLANTA
The SCAD athletic department provides students with opportunities to enrich their college experience through intercollegiate and intramural sports, fitness, wellness and recreational opportunities in a positive environment.

atlfitness@scad.edu | 404.253.3311

**INTRAMURALS**

From basketball, dodgeball and flag football to softball and volleyball, students can create their own teams or sign up as free agents. These social and athletic opportunities help students develop character and maturity and learn teamwork. Paid officiating positions are available as well for interested students.

**SCAD ATLANTA FITNESS CENTER**

Students can exercise in fitness classes or use cardio and strength-building machines. Personalized fitness assessments are available.

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Your student can take part in such activities as canoeing, indoor rock climbing, paintball and other excursions in the local area. Most events are free of charge, but some require a nominal fee for transportation.

SCAD Atlanta competes in cross country, bowling, cycling, track and field, golf and tennis at the intercollegiate level as a member of the Appalachian Athletic Conference. Visit scadathletics.com to see competition schedules, stats and stories about excellent SCAD student-athletes.
RESIDENCE LIFE AND HOUSING

Having a comfortable, safe and inspiring place to live sets students up for success in the classroom. Dedicated residence life and housing staff members promote a sense of community among resident students and are present in each hall to help with routine concerns and to answer student questions.

atireslife@scad.edu | 404.253.3200
Spring House, 1470 Spring St., first floor
ACA Residence Hall of SCAD, 1280 Peachtree St., first floor

BOOKING FLIGHTS?
Always review the residence hall opening and closing dates before making travel plans.

RESIDENCE HALL STAFF

The residence director, or RD, is a full-time professional responsible for managing the daily operations of the hall. Students usually have regular contact with their resident assistants, student staff members who are their first call in the event of an emergency, room lockout, disagreement among roommates or family emergency.

Resident assistants, or RAs, are also a great resource for other kinds of questions, as they are typically upperclass students with a few years of SCAD experience.

Residence life staff are trained to help students connect with others, ease students’ anxiety when problems arise, support their academic success through residence hall programs and are an all-around great resource.

TECHNOLOGY

Cable television hookup and internet are provided in all residence hall rooms.

MAILROOM SERVICES

Students living on campus are assigned an individual, keyed postal box for their general mail at orientation. They will be notified via their student email account when packages arrive for them.

SENDING A LETTER OR PACKAGE?

Use this format to address mail to resident students:

Student name (first and last)
SCAD Atlanta
Residence hall, Box number 1600 Peachtree St. NW
Atlanta, GA 30309
A student’s SCAD Card can last for his or her entire time at SCAD, but a current validation sticker is required. These can be picked up in The Hub or the Student Success Center during the first week of each quarter.

Validation

A student’s SCAD Card is his or her official student ID and is used to access meal plans, academic buildings, residence halls, SCAD FASH, special events, library resources, SCAD transportation and more. Students must present a government-issued photo ID to receive a SCAD Card.

atlexpress@scad.edu | 404.253.5441
Student Success Center

Students should keep their SCAD Card with them at all times. Lost or stolen cards can be suspended 24 hours a day at scadcard.com to prevent fraudulent activity. Report stolen SCAD Cards to campus safety and security immediately. Replacements can be obtained at SCAD Card services in the Student Success Center.

Adding Funds

When loaded with SCAD Cash, your student’s SCAD Card can be used as a debit card to make purchases around campus and at participating eateries, art supply stores and more. Students can also use it to pay for printing, laundry and vending machines on campus.

Opening an account is free, but your student must complete the application in MySCAD or in person at SCAD Card services in the Student Success Center.

Visit scadcash.com for details on opening an account and to see a list of vendors who accept SCAD Cash. Once your student is set up to make purchases, he or she simply swipes the SCAD Card like a credit card. The updated SCAD Cash balance will be displayed on the receipt each time a purchase is made.

Add as much to your student’s SCAD Cash account as you want, but keep in mind that SCAD Cash can’t be used to pay for tuition, housing or meal plans, and your student cannot make a cash withdrawal.

Adding Funds

Cash, check, money order, traveler’s check or transfer of credit from student financial accounts may be used to add money to a SCAD Cash account. Deposits may be submitted electronically, by mail or in person at any SCAD Card services location. Deposits may also be made online anytime using a U.S.-issued Visa or MasterCard. You may deposit funds in your student’s account by using the Guest Deposit feature. Funds deposited in accounts online are available upon transaction approval.
SCAD Card services maintains an online office at scadcash.com where students can monitor their meal plan usage and transaction history. After opening their SCAD Cash account, students can also view account statements, make and accept deposits and budget for the supplies they need. Students can also check their SCAD Cash account on the MySCAD mobile app.

This account is separate from a student’s financial services account and is maintained by the student. A smartphone app is also available to make secure deposits after payment method has been entered at scadcash.com.

We encourage students to use their SCAD Cash account to pay for laundry services in the residence halls. SCAD Card services offers reduced-price Wash Weekends every quarter, but students must pay with SCAD Cash to receive the 75 percent discount.

SCAD also offers LaundryView, a timesaving app, for desktop and mobile, where students can see available washers and dryers in campus laundry rooms in real time. LaundryView is also available in the MySCAD mobile app.

laundryview.com/scad
Each meal plan comes with a certain number of meal swipes — either a set number of meals per week or a block of meals to be used over the entire quarter. Students apply one swipe per meal.

Every meal plan also comes with a specific amount of Dining Dollars, funds that can be used to purchase a drink or snack in one of the SCAD retail dining locations. Dining Dollars can also be used to purchase full meals if your student is out of meal swipes. Any unused meal plan counts expire at the end of the quarter. Unused Dining Dollars will roll forward to the successive term and will remain available until the end of the spring quarter of that academic year.

Meal swipes and Dining Dollars can only be used in SCAD eateries operated by Bon Appétit.
Students who reside in Spring House are required to sign up for meal plan A, B, C or D. Students may change meal plans through the second Thursday of each quarter. Students may cancel eligible meal plans by the fourth Thursday of each quarter.

### Full residential meal plans

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### Meal Periods

There are six meal periods each day. Meal plans A, B and D permit only one meal swipe during each dining period and up to six swipes per day. Meal plans C, E, H and I allow multiple swipes during a single meal period.

- Early morning: Midnight to 5:29 a.m.
- Breakfast: 5:30–10:29 a.m.
- Lunch: 10:30 a.m. to 2:29 p.m.
- Late lunch: 2:30–4:29 p.m.
- Dinner: 4:30–8:59 p.m.
- Late night: 9–11:59 p.m.

Full details on meal plan options and pricing is available at [scad.edu/dining](http://scad.edu/dining).
Support for students isn’t limited to academic endeavors; SCAD is also here to support students’ overall health and well-being. The professionals in student support services can help students with many things, such as dealing with the challenges of college life or getting treatment for a sore throat.

SCAD counseling and student support services keeps counselors on hand to assist students with a wide range of concerns, from boosting their coping skills to managing stress and anxiety. Counselors can help on an individual and short-term basis, organize support groups, make community referrals, plan educational workshops and provide self-help resources.

Students can reach a counselor during business hours by calling 404.253.3210. Twenty-four-hour emergency support is available by contacting the on-call counselor through SCAD campus safety and security at 404.253.3333.

Services are free and confidentiality is guaranteed within legal and ethical guidelines. Counselors can also reach out to students when a professor, staff member or parent is concerned for their well-being.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, SCAD offers educational services that provide equal opportunities for people with disabilities. To receive services and accommodations, students must self-identify by calling 404.253.3210 to make an appointment with a disability specialist.

Once a student has provided documentation of a disability, he or she will meet with staff to develop an accommodation plan specific to his or her individual needs. A staff member will write an accommodation memo for the student to provide to professors in order for his or her special need to be considered for that specific course.

Counseling and student support services also provides testing space and test administration for students whose needs make them eligible for separate testing space, and will work with each student’s professors to coordinate testing when accommodations are necessary. Access to assistive technology — hardware and software — also is available for students whose needs make them eligible.

atldisability@scad.edu | 404.253.3210
Student Success Center

The deaf services staff assists students, faculty and staff in effectively communicating with students who are deaf or hard of hearing. Staff members meet with hearing-impaired students to evaluate communication needs and assist students who use sign language interpreters with their class registration selections. The office also provides interpreting services for classes, extracurricular activities and events as requested.

atldisability@scad.edu | 404.253.3210
Student Success Center
If students need medical care, they can visit one of the providers listed here. These facilities are very close to campus and have a history of providing quality care for SCAD students.

In a true emergency, visit the Piedmont Hospital emergency room or dial 911.

**HEALTH CARE TIPS**
Students should:

- Bring a copy of their insurance card and know the primary policyholder’s Social Security number and date of birth.
- Check with their insurance company for a list of local doctors if they have chronic health problems.
- Remember that all medical information is confidential, and they will have to sign a release if they want their physician to discuss medical details with you.

**CONCENTRA URGENT CARE**
688 Spring St. NW
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
404.881.1155

**PIEDMONT HOSPITAL**
1968 Peachtree Rd. NW
ATLANTA, GEORGIA
404.605.5000
One of the things that makes SCAD so dynamic is the diversity in backgrounds and culture among our students. We are excited to host students from many countries and we have a full-service team to support them throughout their SCAD experience.

The International Student Services Office adviser helps students get settled in Atlanta and at SCAD and acclimated to life in the U.S. They help with setup of U.S. bank and cellphone service, driver’s licenses and health care, and can advise on cultural issues, college life, safety, immigration, scholarships, travel, taxes and more.

issoatl@scad.edu | 404.253.3104
Student Success Center

SCAD offers an individualized, intensive English as a Second Language program for non-native speakers of English. Classroom instruction and supplemental assistance help students become accustomed to American higher education, develop greater proficiency in the English language, and familiarize themselves with the language of art and design before progressing into academic programs.

esl@scad.edu | 912.525.7141
When conflict does arise, students are encouraged to resolve a concern by contacting the office that oversees the area relevant to the complaint. For example, the student should contact residence life if he or she has a residence hall concern or make an appointment with the professor or department chair if the concern is academic. Students who are still unable to resolve a conflict can contact the ombudsman, a neutral third party who can help identify options and strategies for resolution. The ombudsman may put the student in contact with the right university resource to reach a solution or serve as a mediator, among other roles.

ombudsman@scad.edu | 912.525.5213

SCAD maintains an environment for students, faculty and staff that is free of sex-based discrimination and harassment, including sexual misconduct. The university does not tolerate sex-based discrimination and harassment, including sexual misconduct, and is prepared to take prompt remedial action to prevent and address such behavior and remedy its effects.

Any violation of the sex-based discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual misconduct policy should be reported to the university’s Title IX coordinator. Students can also make confidential reports to the office of counseling and student support services.

titleixcoordinator@scad.edu | 912.525.6244
To participate in the U.S. Department of Education’s Federal Work-study Program, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. If eligible, they may qualify to work at specific SCAD facilities, art galleries and exhibitions, as a reading or math tutor in area elementary schools or in a number of different SCAD offices and departments. Encourage your student to apply for available positions at the beginning of the quarter or break period for which he or she would like to work.

New students who are eligible for student employment can apply via MySCAD after the first day of class. Each student can work a maximum of 20 hours per week in a variety of positions around the university, and is typically paid federal minimum wage. Details on available positions and requirements are in MySCAD.
To help students communicate, learn and share information, the SCAD network is accessible in every residence hall room. We also have technology support available if students need help setting things up or have questions about SCAD technology.

techsupport@scad.edu | 912.525.4567

Students can also get discounts on software packages and computer components as well as training from Lynda.com on programs they need to know to succeed in class. More information is available on the IT channel in MySCAD.

**NETWORK ACCESS AND TECH SUPPORT**

**MY SCAD**

MySCAD is the university’s digital portal for students. MySCAD provides student access to course registration, SCAD webmail, financial services accounts, posted grades, course assignment submissions, online test administration, FERPA management, important announcements and more. For this reason, students are prohibited from sharing their MySCAD passwords with others.

Parents may appropriately access their student’s financial services account via TouchNet (see page 54 of this book), but are asked not to log in to their student’s MySCAD account.

**Access more than 42,000 FREE TUTORIALS on Lynda.com via MySCAD.**
College is an investment in the future, and helping your student manage his or her student account with a businesslike focus will offer the chance to start a professional life on strong financial footing.
ABOUT STUDENT ACCOUNTS

Student accounts include billing and the receipt and recording of payments for tuition, housing, meals and any fees.

ACCOUNT CHANGES

New students are responsible for notifying the admission department of any changes in name, address or other matters that may affect the timely receipt of bills and payment of fees. Current students should notify their adviser of any changes, or make changes through MySCAD. All students must include their SCAD ID number on all transactions and correspondence to ensure proper credit.

studentaccounts@scad.edu | 404.253.5400

PAYMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Send payments and correspondence to
SCAD Student Accounts
P.O. Box 2701
Savannah, GA 31402-2701

BILLING STATEMENTS

Monthly billing statements are issued July through October for the fall quarter and immediately after the registration periods for winter, spring and summer quarters. Prompt registration ensures that students receive their billing statements in time to meet the payment due dates.

Registered students receive monthly billing statements at their SCAD email address, but your student can access updated info anytime in MySCAD in the My Student Account channel by clicking “My Student Account Online.”

Students can add authorized users to their account quickly and easily online. Authorized users can then see the student’s account in detail in real time.

BILLING INFO

Parents are not sent a physical copy of the billing statement unless the student requests one. If you do want a copy, have your student forward you the emailed statement as soon as it arrives. Current billing information is available at any time in MySCAD, under the “My Student Account Online” link.

With an appropriate FERPA waiver, the student success adviser can answer billing statement questions, especially if your student is thinking of making enrollment or housing changes, to see how these may affect the account.

UPDATED BALANCES

Changes to course registration, housing or meal plan, or financial aid eligibility following a monthly billing statement may result in a new balance. Because a new billing statement may not be issued before the published due date, students may view an updated balance including any new aid or charges through “My Student Account Online” on the My Info tab in MySCAD.
All SCAD fees are payable in accordance with the applicable due dates indicated on the SCAD student billing statement. These due dates apply to students, parents, guardians or any third party taking responsibility for a SCAD student account.

Students are encouraged to make any necessary financial arrangements, including federal or state financial aid, vocational rehabilitation, benefits provided by an employer outside SCAD or scholarship programs well in advance of payment due dates.

Fees not remitted by a parent, guardian or responsible third party remain the responsibility of the applicable student and must be paid by applicable due dates.

Students will be charged a late fee of 5 percent of the balance due if there is an outstanding balance after the published due date.

SCAD financial policies are updated each academic year. The most current policies are available for review at scad.edu/financialpolicies.
Students and authorized users may self-enroll in a payment plan that automatically drafts in U.S. dollars from a credit card, debit card or bank account. The total quarterly balance due for tuition, housing and meal plan is drafted automatically in three installments (two installments for summer quarter). To participate, students must enroll quarterly and pay an enrollment fee of 3 percent of the account balance due. A convenience fee of 2.75 percent or US$3, whichever is greater, is applied to debit and credit card transactions.

To enroll in the payment plan, visit the “My Student Account” channel on the My Info tab of MySCAD. Click on the “My Student Account Online” link to launch the TouchNet payment portal. Click on “Payment plans” in the menu bar and follow the instructions to enroll.

THE PAYMENT PLAN

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PAYMENT OPTIONS

SCAD accepts cash, checks, money orders and traveler’s checks in U.S. dollars. Checks and money orders should be made payable to SCAD and include the student’s name and ID number.

Please be aware that the college is unable to accept payments made over the phone via credit or debit card for privacy and security reasons.

IN-PERSON PAYMENTS

Cash, checks, money orders and traveler’s checks in U.S. dollars are accepted in person at SCAD student accounts in the Student Success Center.

MAILED PAYMENTS

Checks, money orders and traveler’s checks in U.S. dollars may be mailed to:

SCAD Student Accounts
P.O. Box 2701
Savannah, GA 31402-2701

ONLINE PAYMENTS

You may submit secure online payments using U.S. funds via electronic check, credit card or debit card through MySCAD. See scad.edu/payment for accepted card types. A convenience fee of 2.75 percent or US$3, whichever is greater, is applied to credit and debit card transactions.

STUDENTS MAKING PAYMENTS

» Log in to MySCAD.
» Select the My Info tab.
» Locate the Student Account channel.
» Select “Make a Payment – US$.”

PARENTS MAKING PAYMENTS

Students can allow a parent or family member access to their student account online by enrolling them as an authorized user in TouchNet. Authorized users are able to view billing information and make payments and enroll in a payment plan on the student’s behalf. To set up a parent as an authorized user, a student must:

» Log in to MySCAD.
» Select the My Info tab.
» Locate the Student Account channel.
» Click “My Student Account Online.”
» Under “Authorized Users” click on “Add Authorized User” and enter required information.

The parent will be emailed a link and login information.

Once the parent username has been established, the parent can log in and make payments at scad.edu/paymentportal.
Should a credit be generated by Title IV funds and other financial aid, students or parents may complete the Authorization for Disposition of Financial Aid Funds form to authorize how the credit should be processed. Students may request the credit issued as a refund check or to retain as a credit on their account. Parents with a Direct PLUS loan may request a credit resulting from that loan to be issued as a refund check to the student or to the parent directly. This authorization remains in place and is valid for subsequent award years until a new authorization form is filed. The form is available through MySCAD and conditions may be modified by submitting an updated form to the student accounts office at studentaccounts@scad.edu.

Funds in U.S. dollars may be transferred to the university's bank by wire. The originating bank must indicate the student’s name and SCAD ID number on the transfer, and the originating party is responsible for all transfer fees. Allow five to seven business days for SCAD to receive notice of the transfer.

Wire transfers may be sent to:
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
136 Bull St.
Savannah, GA 31401 USA
Routing number: 121000248
For further credit to:
Savannah College of Art and Design
Account number:
2000027630095

Students wishing to make payments via international wire transfers can pay from any country and any bank using the Flywire international transaction service. This service also provides the ability to track the status of the transfer via a student dashboard.

An email confirmation will be sent when the payment is received by the university. This service is available via MySCAD or at flywire.com/school/scad.

Details needed for international wire transfers include:
For final credit to:
Student’s name and SCAD ID number
Swift number: WFBUS6S
(for international wires)

Federal Title IV funds include Pell and Supplemental Educational Opportunity grants and student and parent federal loans.

After all SCAD charges have been paid, any credit in excess of charges may be refunded. Credit balance refunds created by Federal Title IV aid programs are available to students the second week of each quarter. To claim their refunds, students must have been awarded aid and must meet the enrollment criteria for their aid programs.

SCAD does not provide cash advances. Students must plan ahead and have their own funds available to purchase books and supplies, pay rent, etc. Students may elect to have refunds deposited directly into their bank accounts in order to expedite receipt.

Students can sign up for direct deposit via MySCAD by clicking on the link “Direct Deposit for Student Refunds” located in the My Student Account channel on the My Info tab.

Details needed for international wire transfers include:
For final credit to:
Student’s name and SCAD ID number
Swift number: WFBUS6S
(for international wires)
CANCELED ENROLLMENT

It is the responsibility of students who have decided not to attend to drop their classes via MySCAD or notify the office of the registrar in writing prior to the beginning of the quarter in order to avoid being held liable for all fees.

Failure to pay fees, not attending classes or informing a faculty member that a student has decided to withdraw do not constitute official forms of notification.

COURSE WITHDRAWAL

A student who withdraws from SCAD during the first 40 percent of the quarter receives a pro rata credit of tuition according to the following schedule. The complete policy for canceled enrollment and account credits is available at scad.edu/studentaccounts.

RECALCULATION OF AID

Students who withdraw from all classes during the quarter are subject to a recalculation to determine eligibility for financial aid. This calculation is used to determine the percentage of financial aid (if applicable) earned by the student. Unearned financial aid is returned to the funding program or programs according to federal and state regulations.

This process takes place as soon as possible and not later than 45 days after withdrawal date. Students who withdraw after completing 60 percent of the quarter are not subject to recalculation and are considered to have earned all financial aid (as applicable).

The complete financial policy for withdrawal is available at scad.edu/financialpolicies.

1098-T TAX FORM

The Internal Revenue Service Form 1098-T provides information that may be necessary for the preparation of your annual tax return. IRS regulation allows students the option to receive their IRS Form 1098-T in an electronic format instead of through the mail.

Students may grant consent to receive future IRS Forms 1098-T electronically through the My Student Account channel in MySCAD. All information presented on the IRS Form 1098-T may be viewed by students through the My Student Account channel by selecting “Tax Notification.”

Students who do not consent to electronic delivery of the IRS Form 1098-T will also have a form mailed by the end of each January. Forms will be mailed to the mailing address listed in MySCAD.
**Financial Aid**

Financial aid is made available to qualified students to assist them in paying for their education at SCAD. Financial aid information is updated annually regarding the types and amounts of financial aid available, the process to apply for aid, policies and procedures related to the awarding of financial aid and disbursement information for each aid program.

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Students can access their SCAD financial records through MySCAD to review financial aid application requirements, download required forms, receive award notification and view all aid applied to their student accounts. Keep reading for an explanation of aid types.

**Housing Status Impact**

SCAD scholarship offers for undergraduate students vary according to whether students reside in SCAD housing. The scholarship amount awarded from admission assumes the student is living on campus.

A scholarship student who accepts an on-campus award as an entering student, but moves out of the SCAD residence hall at any time, is considered to be declining the on-campus award amount. Making the choice to move off campus reduces his or her award to only the off-campus award amount, which is 70 percent of the total scholarship award.

**Accepting Financial Aid and Scholarships**

In order to receive financial aid for the current aid year, students must review their aid package and accept the terms and conditions online via MySCAD. This proactive step should be completed before the beginning of the first quarter of enrollment in each academic year.

Terms and conditions must be accepted annually even if students are only receiving SCAD scholarships.

**Institutional Scholarships and Grants**

Entering students may be offered a scholarship or grant through the office of admission based on demonstrated academic and other achievements. Financial need, as indicated by completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid or other documentation, is taken into consideration for need-based aid.

Most scholarships are awarded to degree-seeking students and are renewed quarterly through completion of a bachelor’s degree (or up to 225 attempted hours) as long as the recipient remains enrolled and maintains a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

**Financial Aid**

Cumulative GPAs are calculated and reviewed on a quarterly basis. Students who plan to pursue a double major or multiple minors should meet with a staff adviser to determine if aid is sufficient.

An annual award is intended to be disbursed over 45 hours of credit earned in three quarters at SCAD. Students may qualify for more than one scholarship and may receive a combined total up to the cost of tuition.

**Scholarships**

Continuing students can apply for additional SCAD scholarships each spring. The scholarship application is available online during the month of April. Scholarship recipients are notified by mid-June, and all scholarship funds are applied to the following academic year.

**Financial Aid**

In order to receive financial aid for the current aid year, students must review their aid package and accept the terms and conditions online via MySCAD. This proactive step should be completed before the beginning of the first quarter of enrollment in each academic year.

Terms and conditions must be accepted annually even if students are only receiving SCAD scholarships.
Disbursement of financial aid funds begins after the drop/add period each quarter. The following information is important to the disbursement of financial aid, is in compliance with federal and state regulations and is subject to change.

**PAYOUT OF FINANCIAL AID FUNDS**

All students receiving Federal Title IV financial aid, Georgia state financial aid or SCAD grant aid must adhere to the university’s policy on satisfactory academic progress. The Higher Education Act as amended by U.S. Congress mandates that higher education institutions establish minimum standards of “satisfactory academic progress” for students receiving financial aid. Satisfactory academic progress standards are evaluated annually at the end of spring quarter for degree-seeking students in a program longer than one year. The complete policy can be viewed at scad.edu/financialpolicies.

**SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS**

Requirements to meet satisfactory academic progress include:

» Students must pass 67 percent of all coursework attempted.

» Undergraduate students must earn a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0-point scale.

**MAINTAINING FINANCIAL AID**

Adjustments made when funds are disbursed, or anytime thereafter, can create a balance due on the student’s account that is immediately payable. Funds are credited to the student account to pay for educational charges incurred. Parent PLUS loans are the last funds to be credited to the student’s account and credit balances resulting from Parent PLUS loan proceeds are refunded to the parent borrower or student if authorization is received.

**ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for financial aid funds, students must be enrolled in a degree program and must be enrolled at least half time (some exceptions may apply). Before disbursement of financial aid funds, eligibility is reviewed and necessary adjustments are made based on enrollment, class level and program-specific eligibility requirements.

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance must be verified for all classes before financial aid funds are disbursed. Students who do not attend class during the first week of the term will receive a financial aid hold preventing disbursement until attendance is verified.

**ADJUSTMENTS**

Adjustments made when funds are disbursed, or anytime thereafter, can create a balance due on the student’s account that is immediately payable. Funds are credited to the student account to pay for educational charges incurred. Parent PLUS loans are the last funds to be credited to the student’s account and credit balances resulting from Parent PLUS loan proceeds are refunded to the parent borrower or student if authorization is received.

**GRADREADY**

For help with finances, financial aid and creating a budget, SCAD offers GradReady, a free financial wellness site accessible to SCAD students and parents 24/7. Visit scad.gradready.com to create a free account and access information on topics like paying for college, developing a budget, managing your money and preparing for student loan repayment and life beyond graduation.
2016–17 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The full academic calendar is available at scad.edu/calendar/academic.

**FALL 2016**
- Monday, Sept. 12, 2016  Fall quarter begins
- Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016  Fall quarter ends
- Friday, Nov. 18, 2016  Residence halls close at 5 p.m.

**WINTER 2017**
- Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2017  Winter quarter begins
- Tuesday, March 14, 2017  Winter quarter ends

**SPRING 2017**
- Monday, March 27, 2017  Spring quarter begins
- Thursday, June 1, 2017  Spring quarter ends
- Friday, June 2, 2017  Residence halls close at 5 p.m.

**SUMMER 2017**
- Monday, June 19, 2017  Summer quarter begins
- Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017  Summer quarter ends
QUICK REFERENCE CONTACTS

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