

# MILLSAPS COLLEGE

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## CAMPUS LIFE

Quality of Life Rating	84
Fire Safety Rating	82
Green Rating	60*
Type of school	private
Affiliation	Methodist
Environment	metropolis

## STUDENTS

Total undergrad enrollment	1,013
% male/female	49/51
% from out of state	56
% from public high school	60
% live on campus	83
% in (# of) fraternities	40 (6)
% in (# of) sororities	56 (6)
% African American	11
% Asian	4
% Caucasian	80
% Hispanic	2
% international	1
# of countries represented	19

## SURVEY SAYS . . .

*No one cheats*  
*Low cost of living*  
*Frats and sororities dominate social scene*  
*Student publications are popular (Almost) no one smokes*

## ACADEMICS

Academic Rating	94
Calendar	semester
Student/faculty ratio	10:1
Profs interesting rating	96
Profs accessible rating	93
Most common reg class size	fewer than 10 students
Most common lab size	10–19 students

## MOST POPULAR MAJORS

biology/biological sciences  
 business administration and management  
 psychology

## STUDENTS SAY “. . .”

### Academics

You'll get a rigorous undergraduate education at Millsaps College, complimented by a patently student-oriented atmosphere and a satisfying dose of southern charm. Offering 32 major programs, Millsaps' curriculum distinguishes itself through its "emphasis on writing and discussion-based classrooms." Get ready to burn the midnight oil: Preparing for class is indispensable, and life "revolves around doing papers." Fortunately, students say their academic experience is well worth the extra effort. A sophomore tells us that Millsaps is "all about creating an atmosphere in which students are excited to not only learn, but [to also] think." In addition, Millsaps is a highly student-oriented atmosphere. "Professors are extremely impressive with their knowledge and abilities" and their dedication to their students. Small class sizes ensure individual attention, and "the professors really care about the students personally and academically." For those who need an extra hand, Millsaps offers "great academic resources such as the writing center; subject tutors; and numerous opportunities to broaden our horizons through forums, concerts, enrichment programs, and speakers." Academics extend well beyond the classroom, and real-world opportunities abound. A senior shares, "I've worked at a school for the blind in India, studied Mayan ruins in Mexico, written federal grants at a transitional housing facility for people with HIV/AIDS, written a thesis on journalism during the Civil Rights Movement, and worked with a local independent newspaper. I wouldn't have had the chance or the initiative to do any of those things before I came here." Down-to-earth and friendly, administrators, faculty, and staff are "frequently spotted in the cafeteria, the bleachers of a ball game, or the front row of the latest Players (theater) production." Even if there is a problem, students feel involved in the campus community. A student explains, "Some of the decisions made by the administration at Millsaps have been questioned, but several of the Deans are very accessible and constantly seek student input."

### Life

Life at Millsaps is busy, fulfilling, fun, and well-rounded. Firing on all pistons, the typical Millsaps undergraduate is "over-committed to various clubs and organizations, hyper-productive in school work, ready to serve the community, and ready to have a good time when the weekend rolls around." On campus, there are more than 80 student clubs and organizations, including "a fencing club, an anime club, a ballroom dancing club, and even a bee-keeping club!" In addition, "the majority of the students at Millsaps participate in intercollegiate or intramural sports." During the weekends, it is easy to find a bit of diversion from your schoolwork; "Whether it is concerts at local pizza joints or bars, fraternity parties, or simply scary movie nights with popcorn in the residence halls, the students find ways to relax and enjoy this unique period of life known as college." Socially, "the Greek system is huge at Millsaps;" however, students insist that the Millsaps Greeks are very different from what you'd find at most schools. With their firm commitment to community service, "everyone can find a place in the Millsaps Greek system, even if you would never have pictured yourself in a fraternity or sorority."

### Student Body

Millsaps attracts "intelligent, open-minded, and proactive" students, who might be best described as "over-involved, over-achievers who wouldn't have it any other way." One quality that really distinguishes Millsaps students is their "strong desire to serve the community and be good neighbors to the Jackson area." In fact, "most students work hard at their school work and put academics first, but nearly everyone is involved in service in spite of the heavy workload." While most students hail from the southern states, the student body represents students from 32 states and 19 countries with a majority coming from Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas. Students "vary in race, socio-economic background, religious traditions and beliefs, and political perspective." Even on such a small campus, "there is enough variety that everyone can find their niche." A freshman agrees, "No matter what you want to do or what you're interested in, you can find someone to appreciate and share your passions with." Friendliness is also a common denominator, as "Millsaps students are very accepting of everyone—real Southern hospitality is evident on campus!"

## THE PRINCETON REVIEW SAYS

### Admissions

*Very important factors considered include:* Academic GPA, rigor of secondary school record, standardized test scores, character/personal qualities. *Important factors considered include:* Class rank, application essay, recommendation(s), extracurricular activities, interview, talent/ability, volunteer work. *Other factors considered include:* Work experience. SAT or ACT required; TOEFL required of all international applicants. High school diploma is required and GED is accepted. *Academic units required:* 4 English, 3 mathematics, 3 science, (1 science lab), 2 social studies, 2 history. *Academic units recommended:* 4 English, 4 mathematics, 4 science, (1 science lab), 2 foreign language, 2 social studies, 2 history, 2 academic electives.

### Financial Aid

*Students should submit:* FAFSA. The Princeton Review suggests that all financial aid forms be submitted as soon as possible after 1/1. *Need-based scholarships/grants offered:* Federal Pell, SEOG, state scholarships/grants, private scholarships, the school's own gift aid. *Loan aid offered:* FFEL Subsidized Stafford, FFEL Unsubsidized Stafford, FFEL PLUS, Federal Perkins, college/university loans from institutional funds. Applicants will be notified of awards on a rolling basis beginning 3/15. Federal Work-Study Program available. Institutional employment available. Off-campus job opportunities are good.

### The Inside Word

Millsaps' trademark friendliness begins during the admissions process. The school encourages prospective students to get in touch with an admissions counselor to ask questions, arrange a visit, or connect you with a current student. The admissions staff also maintains a blog to keep prospective students up to date on Millsaps news. For early action admission or scholarships, students need to apply in January. After that, the school admits students on a rolling basis.

## THE SCHOOL SAYS "..."

### From The Admissions Office

"Millsaps offers outstanding value in nationally ranked liberal arts education. Your academic journey begins with Introduction to Thinking and Writing, a comprehensive freshman experience that develops reasoning, communication, quantitative thinking, historical consciousness, aesthetic judgment, global, and multicultural awareness, and valuing and decision-making. Throughout your Millsaps years you'll be encouraged to think differently; learn critical, analytical skills; embrace independence of thought; and prepare for study in your chosen major. We offer unique opportunities such as study abroad and in the field at our Yucatán Program; an exploration of your personal and professional future in relation to issues of ethics, values, faith, and the common good through our Faith and Work Initiative; highly respected pre-professional programs in law, medicine, and social work; and a 5-year business track leading to an MBA or master's in accountancy with a liberal arts perspective that is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. Our student body included Mississippi's 2003–2004 Rhodes scholar, a 2008–2009 Fulbright Scholar, and the faculty included the Carnegie Foundation's 2006, 2007 and 2008 Mississippi Professor of the Year. Our courses are taught without graduate assistants and our intimate student-faculty-community relationship is a hallmark of a Millsaps education. The emerging cultural climate in Jackson, Mississippi's capital city, provides unique artistic, athletic, and social opportunities in the modern south. We encourage you to look at Millsaps College. You'll appreciate the quality of our educational experience in comparison to the costs you'll discover at other national liberal arts institutions. Millsaps College: 'Are you one?'"

### SELECTIVITY

<b>Admissions Rating</b>	<b>87</b>
# of applicants	1,266
% of applicants accepted	77
% of acceptees attending	28

### FRESHMAN PROFILE

Range SAT Critical Reading	538–673
Range SAT Math	538–650
Range ACT Composite	23–29
Minimum paper TOEFL	550
Minimum computer TOEFL	220
Minimum web-based TOEFL	80
Average HS GPA	3.46

### DEADLINES

Early action	
Deadline	1/8
Notification	rolling
Nonfall registration?	yes

### APPLICANTS ALSO LOOK AT

#### AND OFTEN PREFER

Rhodes College

#### AND SOMETIMES PREFER

Birmingham-Southern College

### FINANCIAL FACTS

<b>Financial Aid Rating</b>	<b>83</b>
Annual tuition	\$24,608
Room and board	\$9,252
Required fees	\$1,632
Books and supplies	\$1,050
% frosh rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid	64
% UG rec. need-based scholarship or grant aid	56
% frosh rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	24
% UG rec. non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	14
% frosh rec. need-based self-help aid	39
% UG rec. need-based self-help aid	40
% frosh rec. any financial aid	100
% UG rec. any financial aid	97
% UG borrow to pay for school	62
Average cumulative indebtedness	\$26,576