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*Come to the student hub of Greece*

**UNDERGRADUATE  
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## About ACT

ACT - The American College of Thessaloniki is the post-secondary division of Anatolia College, one of the leading educational institutions in Greece, founded in 1886, that serves all levels of education. ACT carries on this long tradition of academic excellence, with full accreditation by both NECHE in US and the Open University, UK. The College is rightfully considered among the premier, internationally-oriented institutions in Southeast Europe, promoting both innovative learning and humanitarian values.



# What ACT Offers

## Challenging, high quality study programs

Advanced studies with the style and substance of a true American university.

## World-class facilities

A 45-acre campus encompassing the 4,500m<sup>2</sup> Bissell Library, one of the most sophisticated private facilities of its kind in Southeast Europe, and the Stavros S. Niarchos Technology Center, which gives students access to the latest tools in information technology.

## A diverse, multicultural environment

Where students are encouraged to grow, develop, and enhance their interpersonal skills.

## Learning in ACTION

An active approach to academic learning that engages students & faculty and immerses them in a rich hands-on community experience that offers real-world problem-solving skills.

## Experienced and highly qualified faculty

Our faculty is international, with professors with degrees from leading universities in the U.S., U.K., and Greece, and substantial work experience in their respective fields.

## Small classroom sizes

An average class consists of 16 students. This means that coursework can be tailored to class needs and each student's contribution is acknowledged, particularly in discussion settings, with plenty of opportunities for personalized attention.

## Mentoring services

All students have an assigned advisor to counsel them on their academic needs and guide them throughout their studies.

## Career services

ACT caters to students even after they graduate, offering assistance to help them pursue their careers.



# ACCREDITATION

*An added value to what you learn*

The American College of Thessaloniki is fully accredited by the **New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE)**. **NECHE** is among the oldest and most prestigious accrediting bodies in the US and is responsible for accrediting some of the most highly ranked US colleges and universities such as Harvard and Yale. NECHE accreditation ensures that ACT meets or exceeds relevant standards for institutional quality and that it has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs.

In addition to NECHE accreditation, ACT's undergraduate degree programs are currently validated by the **Open University**, UK. This validation ensures that ACT's degree programs meet the requirements of European Union directive 36/2005 governing the recognition of degrees and professional rights throughout Europe. Since Fall 2013, all entering students complete a single course of studies leading simultaneously to a dual degree: the US degree issued by ACT and accredited by NECHE and a European degree ("validated Honors Diploma") awarded directly by the Open University.

ACT holds an operating license by the **Greek Ministry of Education** under a governmental decree that recognizes the right of private post-secondary educational institutions to operate in Greece as "Colleges". This action affirms, once again, **ACT's premier status as one of the few institutions in Europe to be both US accredited and EU validated.**



## BS in BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

*It's our business to get you into business*

[www.act.edu/business](http://www.act.edu/business)

There are things you want to accomplish, like becoming a leader in business or an innovative entrepreneur. We give you the means and knowledge you'll need to do just that. Don't just stick to the theory. Study management, entrepreneurship, finance and international business through a hands-on approach and focus on real-life problems. Gain the competitive edge in the market through a well-rounded, comprehensive education.

Train in functional business principles and also acquire valuable insights on politics, science, ethics, computers, and history. The ACT business curriculum provides you with practical experience, critical thinking, and the necessary leadership skills to succeed in the industry.

Choose among a variety of concentrations in:

- **International Business & Finance**
- **Tourism**
- **Entrepreneurial Management**
- **Marketing**

*Students majoring in other disciplines can choose between minors in:*

- **Human Resource Management and**
- **International Business**

A degree in Business from ACT ensures not only access to a wide range of positions, but also gives you a significant head start to a career in business, such as the one you always dreamed of.



## BS in PSYCHOLOGY

*Experience a cutting-edge curriculum*

[www.act.edu/psychology](http://www.act.edu/psychology)

If you have always wanted to explore the human mind and behavior, then a BS in Psychology at ACT is the ideal way to start building your academic background for a career in the field of psychology. It features a series of inquiries into more fundamental questions: why people do the things they do and how they interact with others.

Focusing on themes, such as cognition, memory and learning, brain function, human development, social influence and interaction, mental health and therapeutic interventions, and more, the program emphasizes creative, critical, and analytical approaches to learning in the following major areas: knowledge and understanding, cognitive, practical, and professional skills.

The novel and contemporary Psychology program at ACT follows the latest US and UK standards. Further requirements will familiarize students with clinical, developmental, educational, counseling, experimental, social, forensic psychology, and neuroscience. They will also comprise practical experience of designing and carrying out psychological research, as well as evaluating and reporting its results. You will learn to work with data, synthesize hypotheses, and use information technology.

*Students majoring in other disciplines can follow a minor in Psychology.*



## BS in COMPUTER SCIENCE

*With the proper input, you will witness remarkable results*

[www.act.edu/computing](http://www.act.edu/computing)

With over 40 high-speed servers, wireless networks, 5 laboratories – including a CISCO networking laboratory, a Robotics-Microelectronics lab, and a Fabrication Lab – and 130 workstations equipped with the latest technology, ACT Computing students have access to all they might need.

Experience the digital world and find what is that makes it “tick”. Learn how to develop codes and software and what it takes to make an idea become a fully functional product.

You will have the **Stavros S. Niarchos Technology Center** at your reach and a trusted network of expert professors, seasoned professionals and eager fellow students to support you on your path. Through collaboration, teamwork, and understanding every idea can become a reality. You just need to be creative and be able to lead.

ACT’s rigorous and challenging Computing program branches out into 2 different majors: **Computer Science** and **Business Computing**.

**Computer Science** graduates receive a solid and thorough education in fields of computing that interconnect, as well as provide a deep and wide background in contemporary computer science.

**Business Computing** has a strong business component that allows you to familiarize with its concepts and provides an inspiring, project-based approach to computing, that is required by organizations and companies across the board.

Our Computing degree offers courses in the areas of **Programming and Software Development, Database Design and Programming, Web Development, Robotics and Networks**.

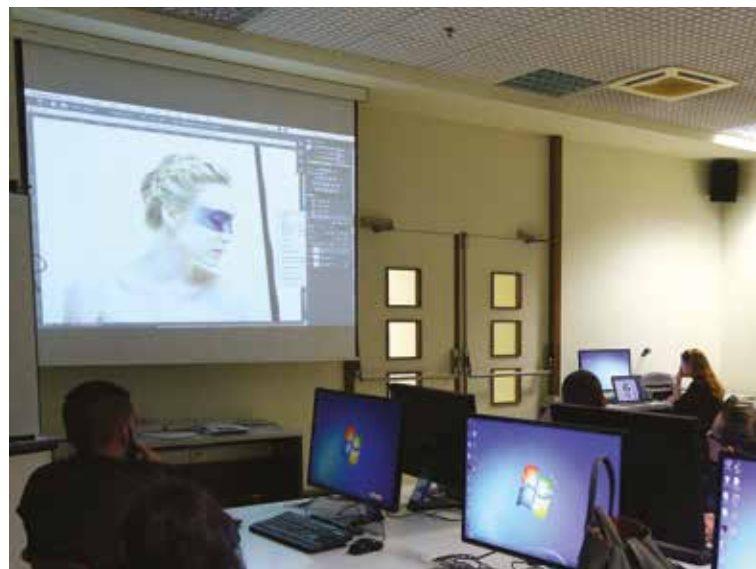
*Students majoring in other disciplines can minor in*

- *Computer Science and*
- *Multimedia & Web Development.*



**Graduates of the program will be able to pursue careers in the areas of:**

- **Programming**
- **Databases & Modelling**
- **Computing Systems and Networks**
- **Web & Mobile Applications**



## BA in ENGLISH

*Designed to be fresh, modern, and relevant to the academic and professional realities of today*

[www.act.edu/english](http://www.act.edu/english)

Are you interested in English language and literature but do not necessarily wish to become a teacher? Do you care about studying the “great authors” but also like the idea of learning through Facebook, blogs and other new media? Are you attracted to both texts and images and their communicative powers? Do you like to question and being creative? Then you will feel right at home studying English at ACT!

The program offers a synthesis of traditional and contemporary course content that is relevant to the 21st century and branches out into 2 different concentrations, **Language & Literature** and **Communication & New Media**. Take courses in literature, social media & communication, multimedia, teaching methodology, culture, linguistics and e-marketing, while training in research and analysis, interpreting words and images, both past and present.

As you progress with your studies, you will develop strong communication and writing skills, and acquire powerful and transferable tools that can be useful in most professional fields, such as media & public relations, writing, editing, publishing, online content creation, advertising copywriting, as well as teaching.

*Students majoring in other disciplines can choose a minor in:*

- **English and**
- **Communication Studies**



## BA in POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

*Providing a dynamic, contemporary, student-centered civic education*

[www.act.edu/ir](http://www.act.edu/ir)

So you would like to be a professional diplomat. Or you want to figure out for yourself what globalization is really all about. Maybe you wish merely to give something back to the community.

Come to an institution that has a long tradition of training regional and global leaders dating all the way back to 1886, with a track record in placing graduates that is second to none.

Our IR curriculum is taught by devoted international faculty, many of whom are actively involved in public affairs themselves, who can give you all the practical and theoretical training you need for a successful career in a government ministry, an international organization, an NGO, and in private industry.

You can take courses in IR theory, international law, European integration and foreign policy. You will also receive solid training in the social sciences with a particular emphasis on culture, gender, ethnography, and economic relations and such themes as globalization, democracy, equality, rights and justice, and citizenship.

The Dukakis Center at ACT, named after US Presidential Nominee Michael Dukakis, also offers you an unparalleled opportunity to interact with distinguished senior diplomats or hobnob with local public figures.

*Students majoring in other disciplines can follow a minor in **Diplomacy & International Relations**.*







## COMBINED DEGREES

[www.act.edu/combined-degrees](http://www.act.edu/combined-degrees)

ACT has secured partnerships with leading US & EU universities and colleges in their respective fields, offering students the opportunity to gain international experience, while completing their studies abroad. Students who follow these intercollegiate programs begin their studies at ACT and then transfer to the partner institution for the remainder of the program.

### **Dual Degrees in Engineering**

***3+2 Program with Washington University in St. Louis***

***3+3 Program with Washington University in St. Louis***

The program relates to the following WashU degrees:

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Systems Science & Engineering

At the end of the fifth year, students receive a BS in Computer Science from ACT and a Bachelor in Engineering degree from WashU. The 3+3 option is for those who would like to earn an engineering master's degree in their respective field of choice, in addition to the aforementioned bachelor's degrees.

### **BS in Business Administration**

***2+2 Program with American University in Washington, DC***

The program can lead to one of the following Bachelor's degrees:

- Business Administration
- Accounting
- Finance
- Business and Entertainment

### **BBA in Sports Management**

***2+2 Program with St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida***

### **BA in Political Science**

***2+2 Program with St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida***

### **LL.M in Intercultural Human Rights**

***4+1 Program with St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida***

### **Undergraduate Programs in Hospitality & Tourism**

Choose the program that best suits your needs. Learn more by visiting our website or ask for our Tourism Studies brochure.



## STUDENT LIFE

*Enjoy a variety of activities and don't let a moment go to waste!*

With more than three hundred American students from various states across the US attending each year, alongside students from Greece, neighboring Southeastern European countries and the far corners of the world, the student body at ACT is increasingly diverse and international.

During academic semesters, you can get involved in our extra-curricular activities, including a wide range of clubs, societies, organizations, the student government, cultural events, field trips, athletics, workshops, and special lectures.

If you like athletics, why don't you try some sailing, tennis, basketball, soccer, scuba diving, mountain trekking, and canyoning?

For those who are keen on traveling, our included field trips are an ideal way to get to know Greece better. Let us show you around Thessaloniki, take you to breathtaking view points where you can see the city meet the sea from atop the ancient walls, visit the Royal Tombs of the Macedonian dynasty in Vergina, stand on the Acropolis in Athens, and visit the site of the ancient oracle at Delphi. You can also join our optional trips to continue the fun! Throughout the year we offer trips such as hiking on Mt. Olympus, relaxing in Pozar hot springs, or jazzing it up in Sani during the summer music festival.



## Did you know?

ACT has one of the largest service learning programs in Greece, in collaboration with 40+ NGOs, we provide students with the unique opportunity of volunteering and giving back to the community.



**Whatever adventures you choose, you've come to the right place!**





**Seli**  
an hour's drive to the closest  
ski resort



**Mt. Olympus**  
an hour's drive from  
meeting the Greek gods



**Chalkidiki**  
a 40 min drive to some of  
the best beaches in Greece



## Come to Thessaloniki, where the heart of youth beats!

Thessaloniki is the second largest city in Greece; a true cross-roads between East and West, and a gateway to Southeastern Europe. Founded in 315 B.C., historic Thessaloniki is now a modern seaport city of over one million inhabitants renowned for its wide avenues, quaint squares, tree-lined streets, neoclassical buildings, Byzantine monuments, historical museums, modern theaters, ancient ruins, and warm hospitality. Discover tasteful restaurants, hip cafes, bustling clubs, and elegant shops.

From the beautiful sandy beaches and crystal clear blue waters of the Chalkidiki peninsula, to the snow covered ski resorts and challenging mountain treks, it's all within a short drive away. Thessaloniki is ideally located to offer the best of both worlds.

Most importantly, Thessaloniki is a lively university town with well over 100,000 university students. Literally, more than 1 out of every 10 residents is a student. With a large student population, this vibrant city invites and welcomes young people from all over the world.





## ADMISSIONS

Our admissions philosophy is focused on drawing students to ACT who will become active members of the campus community and help us move the campus toward its primary goals for innovative and interactive learning. Each application for admission is carefully reviewed to assess the student's academic ability and willingness to be part of a vibrant community atmosphere. We want to ensure that every student who enrolls at ACT will uphold the standards of integrity and personal responsibility we expect of each member of the broader Anatolia learning community.

There are two intake periods; one in the fall and one in the spring. We review all applicants on a rolling basis. Please go to (insert website here) for more details.

### How do I apply?

US applicants are required to submit the following when applying for admission to the College:

- An Application Form.
- Official transcripts of 9th, 10th, 11th grades, and a grade report of the 12th grade.
- Personal essay. Please choose one topic and see prompts below:
  - Why is international education important and how will it help you achieve a global perspective?
  - Share a personal anecdote that will help us understand what you will bring to the ACT community.
  - Choose one of the essay questions listed on the Common Application.
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher/advisor.
- SAT/ACT scores (optional, but encouraged.) Test scores can be sent directly to us by indicating our institutional code on the score request form.
- A recent passport-size color photograph.
- A photocopy of your valid passport or state ID.
- A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00. The application fee should be deposited at one of ACT's bank accounts or submitted to our Boston office via check. A copy of the bank receipt should accompany the application.

### Can I transfer to ACT?

ACT grants transfer credits to courses completed at accredited institutions, with a minimum grade of C or its equivalent, and that apply towards the ACT curriculum.

- Candidates should submit the following:
  - An Application Form.
  - An official transcript of grades.
  - Copies of course syllabi for all the courses you have completed and for those on which you are currently enrolled.
  - A copy of your institution's catalogue current to your period of attendance.
  - A recent passport-size color photograph.
  - A photocopy of your valid passport or state ID.
  - A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00. The application fee should be deposited at one of ACT's bank accounts or submitted to our Boston office via check. A copy of the bank receipt should accompany the application.

**All application documentation should be submitted using the online application portal <https://admissions.act.edu/>.**



## Where will I be living?

ACT supports incoming students during their first year of studies by offering on-campus housing and off-campus housing. ACT is unable to house all first-year students because on-campus housing is limited. We offer on-campus housing on a first come, first served basis, in which case on-campus housing is not guaranteed after the space is filled; however, we will assist in finding off-campus housing for every first-year student.

We require a completed housing application and housing deposit of \$360.00 to confirm space for on-campus housing. We understand that this sometimes can happen before the May 1st deadline. ACT will refund your enrollment and housing deposit, if you withdraw your application by May 1st based off of lack of on-campus housing.

The vast majority of students live in off-campus housing, by choice. ACT's Office of Student Services helps students secure off-campus housing on an individual basis.

- On-campus housing \$120.00 per month, double capacity (limited availability)
- Off-campus rental fees range from \$334.00-\$735.00 per month.
- The monthly living cost ranges \$166.00-\$334.00 per month, depending on lifestyle.



## Do I need a visa?

All non-EU students are required to enter Greece on a student visa obtained from the Greek Embassy of their home country. Only students holding a student visa will be eligible to apply for a long term residence permit in Greece. ACT offers assistance with both the student visa and the long term residence permit procedures.

### ***Notice of Nondiscriminatory Policy as to Students***

ACT admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.



# FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

## Financial Aid

We strive to keep our tuition affordable, and we understand that some students may need additional financial support. Freshman and Transfer US candidates can qualify for the following grant:

- Need-based Grant: \$1,000.00

We award financial aid assistance upon completion of our Financial Aid Application:

[www.act.edu/admissions/apply-online/financial-aid-application](http://www.act.edu/admissions/apply-online/financial-aid-application)

### **VA Benefits:**

Veteran's Administration Beneficiaries can apply their benefits to ACT.

### **FAFSA:**

ACT is not a member of FAFSA, as it does not receive federal funding.

## Scholarships

ACT awards scholarships to undergraduate applicants with exceptional academic and achievement records.

The below scholarships are awarded and renewable for the first four years at ACT, assuming the GPA requirement is maintained and the student remains in good academic standing.

Freshman and Transfer US candidates can qualify for one of the following scholarships:

- **Merit-based**: \$1,000.00 (Awarded to students with exceptional academic and achievement records)
- **Greek Heritage**: \$ 1,000.00 (Awarded to students of Greek heritage)
- **State of Massachusetts**: \$1,000.00 (Awarded to students that reside in the state of Massachusetts)
- **Anatolia Legacy**: \$1,000.00 (Awarded to students whose grandparent(s), parent(s), or sibling(s) graduated from Anatolia College or ACT)

*Please note that ACT scholarships and grants are not stackable and cannot be combined with any aid/scholarship awarded by ACT.*

*For resources regarding external scholarships, please visit*

[www.act.edu/admissions/student-aid/undergraduate](http://www.act.edu/admissions/student-aid/undergraduate).

## Continuous Guidance

The staff of the Enrollment Office wants to make sure that we are doing everything we can to move you closer to achieving your educational goals. Continuous support and guidance are offered to all interested students throughout the admissions procedure to make sure your transition to ACT goes as smoothly as possible!



## Embrace change

Seize the opportunity at

**www.act.edu** or call us at:

**+30 2310 398398** (Europe) **or**

**+1 (617) 742-7992** (US)

## TUITION AND FEES

### Tuition

Estimated full-time yearly for 2020 - 2021: **\$10,080.00** \*

\* *This indicates registering for ten 3-credit courses per year.*

The cost per credit hour is \$336.00. Tuition at ACT is charged per credit hour registered. Tuition is paid per semester. The cost of auditing a course is set to be equal to half of normal tuition. Tuition and fees may be revised annually and will be announced each year in late summer.

### Book Cost

For the majority of the courses, the college provides textbooks in the form of eBooks and/or handout material for each course, at no additional cost to the student.

### Fees

Pertinent fees are added to the above tuition amount as per the following schedule:

#### General fees

- Application fee (non-refundable): \$50.00
- International/US Degree- Seeking Student fee (Freshman one-time fee): \$240.00
- On-campus Housing Deposit fee (non-refundable): \$360.00
- Enrollment Deposit fee (non-refundable) to confirm attendance by May 1st: \$650.00

#### Academic fees

- Library fee (paid by all students regardless of no. of classes taken): \$47.00
- Science Lab fee (for Science classes only): \$120.00
- Computer Science Lab fee ( Only for CS courses taught exclusively in a computer lab): \$120.00

#### Others

- Official Transcript request fee: \$5.00
- Late Registration/Pay fee: \$67.00

The College reserves the right to assess additional fees when necessary. Penalties are assessed for failure to return library books and for misuse of or damage to school property or materials.



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