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Undergraduate Programs



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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 4,500m² 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

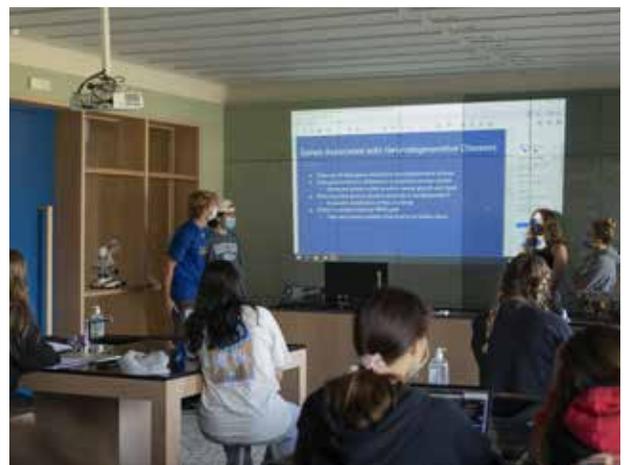
An average class consists of 16 students. This means that coursework can be tailored to class needs and each student's contribution is acknowledged, particularly in discussion settings, with plenty of opportunities for personalized attention.

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

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

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 psychology. You will be introduced to the major theoretical perspectives and primary empirical techniques of hypothesis testing in psychological science, as well as the application of psychological principles.

While the Psychology major does not offer specific "tracks" related to particular areas of study, this novel program follows the latest US and UK standards and it has been designed in such a way as to allow interested students to focus on areas such as cognition, emotion, human development, positive psychology and well-being and a range of other phenomena that affect who we are and how we interact with the world. In addition, it provides a broad, basic liberal arts background for a wide range of other pursuits.

From their 2nd semester onwards, students at ACT are also given the opportunity to participate in an optional, 100-hour internship program each academic year where they gain practical experience by implementing their classroom concepts in the real work settings and make themselves as desirable as possible to potential graduate programs or employers.

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



• **Successful graduates are eligible to apply for a license to practice in Greece.**

BS in COMPUTER SCIENCE BS in BUSINESS COMPUTING

With the proper input, you will witness remarkable results

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.

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 **Artificial Intelligence, Big Data, Database Design and Programming, Machine Learning, Programming and Software Development, Robotics and Networks, Web Development.**

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**



BS in BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Train with the latest tools in the field of science

www.act.edu/biology

Ready to help find creative and innovative solutions to modern day problems? Step to the forefront of the STEM specialties, future biologist!

In the face of global challenges such as climate change and environmental management, population growth and food security, and biotechnology and human health, the Biological Sciences have never been more important. Recent discoveries in the field have advanced at breathtaking speeds with beneficial outcomes for mankind.

Join ACT’s four-year BS program in Biological Sciences to gain a solid foundation of scientific knowledge from the molecular to the ecosystemic level and equip yourself with practical laboratory experience and research skills. This innovative program is the culmination of ACT’s 15-year past experience in developing and delivering STEM curriculum in collaboration with leading American educational institutions, such as Northeastern University and Washington University.

During your studies, you will have access to ACT’s state-of-the-art labs: the General & Organic Chemistry Lab, the Biology & Microbiology Lab, the Physics Lab, as well as the Computer Labs, fully equipped for all your needs.

You will expose yourself to the breadth of biological sciences, learn to conduct your own research, design and execute scientific investigations, analyses and interpret data, and effectively communicate your findings, skills which are essential and valuable in a wide range of advanced studies or employment options.

Students majoring in other disciplines can follow a minor in Biological Sciences.



BA in ENGLISH

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

www.act.edu/english

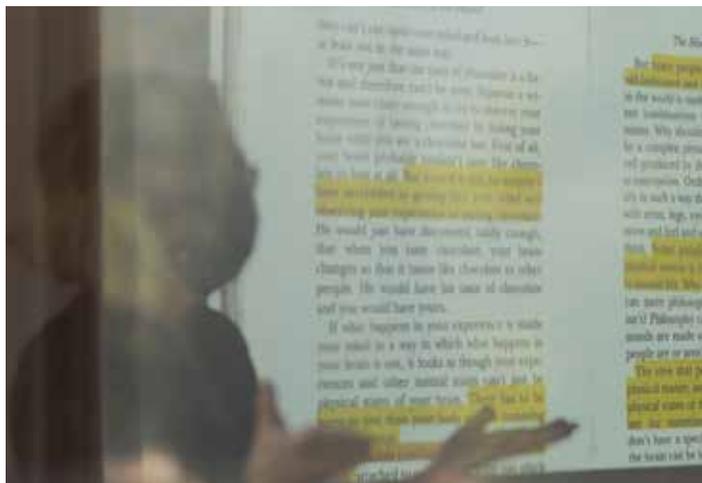
If you are interested in English language and literature but do not necessarily wish to become a teacher, if you care about studying the “great authors” but also like the idea of learning through Facebook, blogs and other new media, if you are attracted to both texts and images and their communicative powers, if you like to question and be 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 (Hons) in POLITICAL SCIENCE & INTERNATIONAL RELATION

Providing a dynamic, contemporary, student-centered civic education

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

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, MO

3+3 Program with Washington University in St. Louis, MO

The program relates to the following WashU degrees:

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical 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

Undergraduate Programs in Hospitality & Tourism

2+1 Program with Cesar Ritz Colleges Switzerland

- Bachelor of International Business in Hotel and Tourism Management
2 years at ACT + 1 year at Cesar Ritz Colleges Switzerland

2+1 Program with Hotel Institute Montreux Switzerland

- Swiss Higher Diploma in Hotel Institute Montreux Switzerland
2 years at ACT + 1 year at Hotel Institute Montreux Switzerland



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 the student hub of Greece 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

Admission to ACT is on a rolling basis, so early applications are encouraged. Students apply on-line through ACT's website (www.act.edu), where detailed requirements and qualifications can also be found. There are two intake periods: one in September and one in January.

How do I apply?

Candidates should submit the following:

- A completed ACT application form
- If you are still in high school: Official transcripts of the last 2 years and a grade report of the current year
- If you have graduated high school: Official transcripts of the last 3 years and your high school diploma
- An international recognized C1 level English certificate
- A CV
- A valid passport copy
- One small, passport sized photo
- 70 Euros application fee wired to an ACT bank account

How 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:

- A completed ACT application form
- Official transcripts of your undergraduate studies
- A course catalogue or course syllabi
- An international recognized C1 level English certificate
- A CV
- A valid passport copy
- One small, passport sized photo
- 70 Euros application fee wired to an ACT bank account



How good is your English?

The language of instruction at ACT is English. Therefore, candidates are required to have a good command of the English language. We accept English proficiency certificate holders, such as MSU-CELP, TOEFL, IELTS, Cambridge, Duolingo, among others

If you do not meet the English language requirements for admission, the ACT English department will conduct an interview in English to assess your level. The outcome of the interview may lead you to either follow the regular ACT program with no additional English language support or to additional English instruction through the ACT English Lab, in addition to the semester course load. The Lab is designed to assist incoming students to improve their English language skills.



Where can I stay?

ACT supports incoming students during their first year of studies by offering off-campus housing. On campus housing is limited and is granted in order which the housing applications and housing deposit are received. The ACT Student Services Office provides housing assistance to all students interested in off-campus housing.

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.





FINANCIAL AID

ACT strives to be an affordable first choice for young people in Greece, Southeast Europe, the US, and beyond seeking post-secondary opportunities.

To this end, the College awards financial aid to a substantial number of students in each entering class. Financial aid grants will be determined according to student or family financial need, as appropriate and academic merit within college budget limitations. Financial aid is a percentage reduction in the ACT tuition fees.

How can I apply for Financial Aid?

Candidates should submit the following:

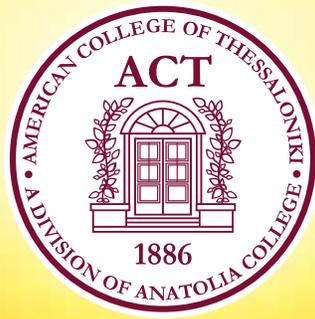
- A personal statement
- Income statements of the people financially responsible for the candidate for the last two years
- A personal CV
- A completed ACT Financial Aid Application Form
- All applicants are interviewed by members of the Financial Aid Committee

When should I apply?

Financial Aid is awarded on a first come first served basis. Therefore, it is best to apply as early as possible.

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 is offered to all interested students throughout the admissions procedure to make sure your transition to ACT goes as smoothly as possible!



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