Undergraduate Admissions Policy

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New, Direct from High School Admissions Criteria and Categories

The following admission requirements apply to students who have completed their secondary education within two years of first enrollment at Wright State and have completed fewer than 12 credit hours of college-level course work after graduating from high school or earning the GED. College Credit Plus credit, dual enrollment credit, and advanced placement credit earned while the student is in high school are not included in the 12 college credit hours. To be eligible for admission an applicant must:

- Be a graduate of a senior high school approved or accredited by the department of education of the state in which it is located; or
- Have earned high school equivalency through the General Educational Development (GED) testing program; or
- Have earned an International Baccalaureate diploma or certificate.

New, direct from high school students and home-schooled students will be admitted based on an evaluation of their academic preparation.

Admission

Students will be admitted to Wright State University if they have graduated from high school as described above and satisfy the two following requirements:

- Complete the Ohio Core curriculum or state-wide core curriculum for the state in which the applicant resides.
- Have either (a) an ACT composite score of at least 15* or a combined critical reading and math SAT score of at least 740 and a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.0, or (b) a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.5

Students who have graduated from a state-accredited high school but have not completed the Ohio Core may be admitted to Wright State University if they (a) have the ACT/SAT score described above or a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 and (b) have completed one of the following courses of action:
1. Earn at least ten semester hours at another post-secondary institution in college-credit-bearing courses that may be applied toward the requirements for a degree.
2. Complete the missing Ohio Core topics or courses at a post-secondary institution or at a summer program at Wright State. (Such applicants may be admitted contingent upon completion of the course work.)
3. Create and complete the individualized education program as described in Ohio Revised Code.

* Applicants with ACT English scores of 12 or below and/or ACT Math scores of 13 or below (or the English and Math SAT equivalents) must successfully demonstrate proficiency or complete appropriate foundational programs or coursework before their first term of study.

**Appeals**

Applicants who do not satisfy the preceding requirements may petition for admission. The University may request additional information from applicants as part of the petition process and may require successful completion of academic foundational coursework or programs as a condition of admittance.

**Pathway Program**

Students who are not admitted to Wright State through the preceding process may be recommended for a joint enrollment program with a partner community college.

**Students applying two years or more after high school graduation**

Students applying two or more years after graduation from an accredited high school or with an earned GED and minimum high school GPA of 2.0 or its equivalent will be granted admission. Students with a lower GPA or deficiencies from the college preparatory curriculum may be granted conditional admission.

**Transfer Students**

Transfer students are admitted based on their college-level work reviewed by the appropriate college.
**International Students**

International applicants whose native language is not English and who do not have a diploma from a senior high school approved or accredited by the department of education of the state in which it is located must demonstrate proficiency in English. English proficiency is demonstrated by achieving a score of 61 or above on the TOEFL-IBT exam, a band score of 5.5 with no sub-score lower than 5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS), or a minimum score of 51 on the Pearson Test of English (PTE). Students who enter the LEAP program and earn the LEAP Substitution are exempt from the requirement to take the TOEFL or IELTS. The above three instruments and the LEAP Substitution are the only proofs of proficiency accepted. Individual Departments may set higher requirements with the approval of the Faculty Senate, but may not accept any non-approved proficiency exam without the express permission of the Faculty Senate.

All international students for whom English is a second language and who have not completed a first year writing course accepted as the equivalent of ENG 1100 must take a university administered English writing placement test upon admission or during the first semester of enrollment. The results of this test will be used to place students in the appropriate basic ESL writing course and/or ESL section or ENG 1100.

**Non-Degree Students**

Non-degree students are admitted on a per-course basis. Non-degree students must affirm that they have a high school diploma or GED and are in good academic standing (i.e., they have a 2.0 in college courses taken and have not been denied admittance to Wright State University).