

Pennsylvania

Albright College
Reading, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App
Application Fee: \$25
Writing Supplement: No
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations: 1

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 46% (4-yr)
Retention Rate: 74%
Number of Undergraduates: 2,199

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: -
Both SAT/ACT: -
Either SAT/ACT: Optional
SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: -
Early Decision: -
Application: Rolling (Begins Oct. 1st)
Priority Application: March 1st
Financial Aid: March 1st
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Arcadia University*
Glenside, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App
Application Fee: \$30
Writing Supplement: No
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 59% (4-yr)
Retention Rate: 78%
Number of Undergraduates: 2,359

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: -
Both SAT/ACT: -
Either SAT/ACT: Required
SAT II: Recommended

Deadlines

Early Action: -
Early Decision: -
Application: Rolling (Begins Sept. 1st)
Priority Application: January 15th
Financial Aid: March 1st
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Bryn Mawr College*
Bryn Mawr, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App
Application Fee: \$50
Writing Supplement: None
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 78% (4-yr)
Retention Rate: 92%
Number of Undergraduates: 1,322

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: -
Both SAT/ACT: -
Either SAT/ACT: Required
SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: -
Early Decision: November 15th
Application: January 15th
Priority Application: -
Financial Aid: March 1st
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

Other Early Decision Date: January 1st

Chestnut Hill College

Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Online School Website

Application Fee: \$35

Writing Supplement: No

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: -

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 37% (4-yr)

Retention Rate: 71%

Number of Undergraduates: 1,581

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: -

Early Decision:-

Application: Rolling (Begins Oct. 1)

Priority Application: May 1st

Financial Aid: May 1st

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

Can submit Common App but it must be printed and mailed to the college

Drexel University*

Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App

Application Fee: \$75

Writing Supplement: No

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 27% (4-yr)

Retention Rate: 84%

Number of Undergraduates: 11,901

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: November 1st

Early Decision: -

Application: January 15th

Priority Application: -

Financial Aid: February 15th

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

One recommendation has to be from your counselor

Gettysburg College

Gettysburg, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App

Application Fee: \$60

Writing Supplement: No

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 80% (4-yr)

Retention Rate: 91%

Number of Undergraduates: 2,597

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: Considered if submitted

Deadlines

Early Action: -

Early Decision: November 15th

Application: February 1st

Priority Application: -

Financial Aid: February 15th

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

- One recommendation from teacher
- Other recommendation from your counselor
- Requires Senior mid-year report

Haverford College

Haverford, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App

Application Fee: \$60

Writing Supplement: Yes

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 89% (4-yr)

Retention Rate: 96%

Number of Undergraduates: 1,205

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: Required if submitting SAT scores

Deadlines

Early Action: -

Early Decision: November 15th

Application: January 15th

Priority Application: -

Financial Aid: February 1st

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

Recommendations must be from teachers

Immaculata University*

Immaculata, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App

Application Fee: \$35

Writing Supplement: No

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: Yes (# n/a)

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 40%

Retention Rate: 80%

Number of Undergraduates: 2,883

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: -

Early Decision:-

Application: Rolling (Begins Sep. 15th)

Priority Application: -

Financial Aid: April 15th

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

La Salle University*

Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common Application

Application Fee: \$35

Writing Supplement: No

Transcript: Yes

Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 58% (4-yr)

Retention Rate: 81%

Number of Undergraduates: 4,516

Testing Requirements

SAT: -

ACT: -

Both SAT/ACT: -

Either SAT/ACT: Required

SAT II: Considered if submitted

Deadlines

Early Action: November 15th

Early Decision: -

Application: Rolling (Begins Dec. 15th)

Priority Application: November 15th

Financial Aid: February 15th

Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Marywood University*

Scranton, PA

Basic Information

Application: Online School Website**Application Fee:** \$35**Writing Supplement:** No**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** 1***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 51% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 83%**Number of Undergraduates:** 2,244***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Required**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: -**Early Decision:** -**Application:** Rolling (Begins Sep. 1st)**Priority Application:** -**Financial Aid:** February 15th**Website:** [Apply Here!](#)**Notes:**

Recommendation must be from counselor

Pennsylvania State University

State College, PA

Basic Information

Application: Online School Website**Application Fee:** \$50**Writing Supplement:** No**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** N/A***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 65% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 92%**Number of Undergraduates:** 39,192***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Required**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: -**Early Decision:** -**Application:** Rolling (Begins Oct. 15th)**Priority Application:** November 30th**Financial Aid:** February 15th**Website:** [Apply Here!](#)**St. Joseph's University**

Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App**Application Fee:** \$60**Writing Supplement:** No**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** 1***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 74% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 88%**Number of Undergraduates:** 5,342***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Considered if submitted**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: November 15th**Early Decision:-****Application:** Rolling**Priority Application:** February 1st**Financial Aid:** February 15th**Website:** [Apply Here!](#)

Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App
Application Fee: \$60
Writing Supplement: Yes
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations: 3

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 86%
Retention Rate: 97%
Number of Undergraduates: 1,552

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: -
Both SAT/ACT: Can with/without writing
Either SAT/ACT: Can
SAT II: Required if submitting just SAT

Deadlines

Early Action: -
Early Decision: November 15th
Application: January 1st
Priority Application: -
Financial Aid: February 15th
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

- Other Early Decision Date: January 1st
- Recommendations: 2 teacher, 1 counselor
- If submitting just ACT, must submit writing

Temple University
Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common Application
Application Fee: \$55
Writing Supplement: No
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations:

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 36%
Retention Rate: 88%
Number of Undergraduates: 27,567

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: -
Both SAT/ACT: -
Either SAT/ACT: Required
SAT II: -

Deadlines

Early Action: November 1st
Early Decision:-
Application: Rolling (Begins Oct. 1st)
Priority Application: -
Financial Aid: March 1st
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

University Of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App
Application Fee: \$75
Writing Supplement: Yes
Transcript: Yes
Recommendations: 2

Statistics

Graduation Rate: 87% (4-yr)
Retention Rate: 98%
Number of Undergraduates: 9,682

Testing Requirements

SAT: -
ACT: Writing required if submitting alone
Both SAT/ACT: -
Either SAT/ACT: Required
SAT II: Required if submitting just SAT

Deadlines

Early Action: -
Early Decision: November 1st
Application: January 1st
Priority Application: -
Financial Aid: February 15th
Website: [Apply Here!](#)

Notes:

- Both recommendations have to be from teachers
- School report/Counselor letter is required
- Mid-year report is required

Villanova University

Villanova, PA

Basic Information

Application: Common App**Application Fee:** \$80**Writing Supplement:** Yes**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** 1***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 85% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 94%**Number of Undergraduates:** 7,100***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Required**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: November 1st**Early Decision:-****Application:** January 15th**Priority Application:** -**Financial Aid:** February 7th**Website:** [Apply Here!](#)**Notes:**

- Mid-year report required
- Recommendation has to be from a teacher

West Chester University

West Chester, PA

Basic Information

Application: Online School Website**Application Fee:** \$45**Writing Supplement:** No**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** None***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 43% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 85%**Number of Undergraduates:** 13,927***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Required**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: -**Early Decision:-****Application:** Rolling (Begins October 1st)**Priority Application:** February 1st**Financial Aid:** March 1st**Website:** [Apply Here!](#)**Widener University**

Chester, PA

Basic Information

Application: Online School Website**Application Fee:** None**Writing Supplement:** Optional**Transcript:** Yes**Recommendations:** Optional***Statistics***

Graduation Rate: 43% (4-yr)**Retention Rate:** 72%**Number of Undergraduates:** 3,298***Testing Requirements***

SAT: -**ACT:** -**Both SAT/ACT:** -**Either SAT/ACT:** Required**SAT II:** -***Deadlines***

Early Action: -**Early Decision:-****Application:** Rolling (Begins Oct. 1st)**Priority Application:** February 15th**Financial Aid:** February 15th**Website:** [Apply Here](#)

Helpful Tips

Applications

- Applications typically request very similar information. Print or save your applications in Microsoft Word for future reference.
- The best thing about The Common App is that once you complete your information, it is saved for other schools to which you are applying.

Important Documents

- To have your transcript sent to the school, you must request it from your school counselor as soon as possible. Make sure you give your counselor enough time to complete this task!
- Some schools also require a “School Report” that should be completed and sent by your school counselor. If the school requires it, print the form from the application website and give it to your counselor to submit.
- Ask for recommendations in September to allow individuals enough time to prepare their letters.

Terms Defined

- Open Door Admissions: Unselective admissions where the only requirement is a high school diploma or a GED Certificate.
- Placement Exams: Tests taken prior to attending college that help to

determine the level of coursework that is appropriate for you.

Terms Defined (Continued)

- Priority Deadline: All applications will be considered, but the ones submitted before the priority deadline will have a higher consideration.
- Rolling Admissions: Applications may be submitted at any time or over the course of a long timeframe (depending on the school).
- Retention Rate: Number of first-year students who return to the same school in the following year to continue to seek their degrees.
- **Early Decision:** An application deadline earlier than the regular deadline where if you are admitted, you must attend that school
- **Early Action:** An application deadline earlier than the regular deadline in which if you are admitted, you do not have to commit

Financial Aid

- There are three types of financial aid: federal, state, and school-based.
- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form is available starting January 1 and closes June 30. Click Here: [FAFSA](#)
- The state deadline for applying for financial aid is April 15 by midnight. Click Here: [State Aid](#)

- School-based deadlines for financial aid are specific to each college or university. Colleges will reply to financial aid requests submitted by their deadlines with financial aid packages regarding tuition and possible scholarships.

Notes

- On this document, “Writing Supplement” refers to a piece of writing **in addition to** your college essay
- The * symbol indicates Free Applications