Application Instructions

2015-2016 Academic Year

www.ohio.edu/admissions/international

Who should use this form? Any student who will attend on a non-immigrant visa should use this form and follow the steps listed below. U.S. citizens and permanent residents should request appropriate application materials from Undergraduate Admissions.

Application Instructions

Step 1.
Complete the enclosed international application form and send with a U.S. $45.00 nonrefundable application fee. Checks or money orders should be drawn on a U.S. bank or a bank with U.S. affiliates. Postal coupons and “Eurocheques” are not accepted. If you prefer, you can submit the application form and pay the application fee online at www.ohio.edu/admissions/international.

Step 2.
Request official academic records be sent in envelopes sealed and stamped by the institution for each year of secondary school and any university-level work completed. Refer to the “Official Academic Records” section below for further information.

Completing the Form

Be sure to complete the application form completely and accurately, following the guidelines below:

• Name. Please list your name as it appears in your passport. Immigration-related papers will be completed using the name as you list it on your application.

• Address. Be sure to list your overseas home address as your permanent address for visa purposes.

• Social Security Number. If you do not have a U.S. Social Security number, leave this item blank.

• E-mail. Ohio University uses e-mail extensively to communicate with applicants. Please be sure to provide an accurate e-mail address for an account you regularly read.

Official Academic Records

Official copies of your academic records are required from every secondary and post-secondary institution you have attended. Transcripts or academic records should list each course title, the credit or contact hours for each course, and the grade received.

• Transcripts from U.S. and Canadian schools or universities must be sent directly to Undergraduate Admissions by the issuing institution.

• If you have studied in any other country, official copies of your academic records are required. If the original is not in English, also include a certified translation.

• If you have a high school degree and have secondary work outside of the U.S., please have your college counselor send copies of your international transcripts with your U.S. transcripts.

All materials must be submitted directly to Undergraduate Admissions, Chubb Hall 120, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 in envelopes that have been sealed and stamped by the institution.

Step 3.
Optional: send your SAT or ACT examination results. Note: SAT or ACT examination results are only required to be considered for first-year student scholarships.

Step 4.
Include your full name on all supporting documents.

Step 5.
Optional: send official TOEFL or IELTS results. Students without test results or with low English scores can still be admitted to Ohio University but will be required to attend classes in the Ohio Program of Intensive English (OPIE) until the required levels of English proficiency are attained. Students do not need to apply separately for OPIE. TOEFL and IELTS exams should have been taken within the last 12 months.

Application Deadlines

General priority deadlines for forms and credentials: (We strongly encourage you to apply early.)

Entering Semester

Fall February 1
Spring September 1
Summer December 15

Information for Applicants with Disabilities

Services are available for students with diagnosed documented disabilities. Students are encouraged to contact Student Accessibility Services at least five months prior to beginning classes to ensure specific accommodations are met. More information is available at www.ohio.edu/disabilities or by calling 740.593.2620 (V) or 740.593.0193 (TTY).
Freshman Applicants

To be competitive for admission, you must complete secondary school in a college-preparatory program and receive grades equivalent to “B” (very good) or better in most of your academic program. Applications are reviewed individually to provide a careful evaluation of your academic preparation.

Secondary School Completion Requirements

In the United States, graduation with college preparatory courses from an accredited high school is required. In British-style systems, completion of at least six GCSE exams graded C or higher, including English (or the language of instruction), mathematics, social, and laboratory science is required. Credit is considered for A-level examinations. If your coursework was completed in other types of systems, visit www.ohio.edu/admissions/international for requirements.

Admissions Tests

SAT or ACT examination results are required only if you want to be considered for first-year student scholarships. Ohio University requires that scores be sent directly from the testing agency. Ohio University’s ACT code is 3314 and the SAT code is 1593. SAT or ACT results are strongly encouraged for applicants to the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism.

Optional Essay

Unless you meet one of the criteria below, an essay is not required. If you would like to submit an optional essay, the topics that you may wish to address could include a description of any academic challenges you have faced, your academic and career objectives, or your involvement in community activities.

An essay is required if one of these criteria applies to you:

• You are applying to the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism. Your essay should detail why you want to study journalism at Ohio University.
• Honors Tutorial College applicants should follow instructions detailed in the following section.
• You have been out of school for more than 3 months at any time. You must list all activities undertaken during this period on the application or in the optional essay. The list must account for all activities completed or planned up through your intended enrollment date.

Honors Tutorial College Priority Date Dec. 1

In addition to your application completion priority date of December 1, you also are required to submit the Honors Tutorial College Application Supplement, available at www.ohio.edu/admissions/forms or as part of the online application. Students applying to the Honors Tutorial College are strongly encouraged to submit an ACT or SAT score. An interview, typically in January preceding the fall term you wish to enroll, is required for admission. Students who apply to the Honors Tutorial College but are not selected for admission to that program will be automatically reconsidered for a similar major in another academic college.

E.W. Scripps School of Journalism

Applicants to the E.W. Scripps School of Journalism are required to submit an essay detailing why you want to study journalism at Scripps and are encouraged to submit SAT or ACT scores. If SAT or ACT exams are not offered in your home country, we encourage you to submit a portfolio of your writing or journalistic work. If you are not offered direct admission to the School of Journalism but are admitted to the University, you may enter University College as an undecided student. For more information about the school, visit www.scrippsjschool.org.

School of Visual Communication

Prospective students must provide a portfolio of previous work and coordinate an advising interview before a decision regarding direct admission to the major can be made. Additional questions regarding this process should be directed to the School of Visual Communication via e-mail at viscom@ohio.edu or by postal mail at Seigfred Hall 301 F, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701. Telephone 740.593.4898.

School of Dance, Film, and Theater

Dance applicants must send audition materials for full consideration. Students who meet university entrance requirements but are not eligible for direct admission to the dance programs or who do not provide audition materials will be considered for admission to University College as an undecided major. More information is available at www.ohio.edu/finearts/dance. Telephone 740.593.1828.

School of Music

Applicants must send audition materials for full consideration. Students who meet university entrance requirements but are not eligible for direct admission to the School of Music or who do not provide audition materials will be considered for admission to University College as an undecided major. More information is available at www.ohio.edu/finearts/music. Telephone 740.593.4244.
Transfer Applicants

Transcripts
To be eligible for consideration, you must have obtained a minimum combined grade-point average (GPA) of 2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale at all previously attended institutions. Most admitted students exceed this GPA requirement, and some academic programs have more selective criteria. To transfer credit, the credit must have been earned at an institution recognized by the Ministry of Education or equivalent body in that country. Credit is awarded for most college-level courses completed with a grade of C- (or its recognized equivalent) or higher. If you have completed less than one year of university study, you must also meet freshman admission requirements. Details on special transfer requirements are available below and online at: www.ohio.edu/admissions/transfer.

Athletic Training
Grover Center E331, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.9497
Applicants must have completed at least 20 semester or 30 quarter hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Applicants who were previously enrolled in a professional AT program at another institution should submit AT course syllabi to the program director. Visit www.ohio.edu/chsp/ahsw/academics/atu.cfm for more information.

Business Administration
Copeland Hall 214, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.2000
Applicants must have completed a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. Additionally, applicants must have completed courses equivalent to the following for direct admission: MATH 1350 Survey of Calculus, ENG 1510 Writing and Rhetoric I, and ECON 1030 Principles of Microeconomics or ECON 1040 Principles of Macroeconomics. International students must also demonstrate a strong level of English proficiency for direct admission. Please visit www.ohio.edu/admissions/international for more information on English proficiency requirements.

Criminal Justice
Chubb Hall 140, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.1935
Applicants must have completed an associate degree in a related field and have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. Any applicant whose associate degree is in progress but who is academically eligible for admission to the University can be admitted to University College as an undecided student and can transition into the BCJ program after the associate degree is conferred.

Engineering and Computer Science
Stocker Center 152, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.1474
Applicants must have completed 20 semester or 30 quarter hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale. Additionally, applicants must have completed the following equivalent pre-requisites with a “C” or better: MATH 1200 College Algebra, and science equivalent or higher than CHEM 1210 Principles of Chemistry or PHYS 2051 General Physics.

E.W. Scripps School of Journalism
Deadlines: February 15 for fall semester; September 28 for spring semester
Schoolover Center 223, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.2590
Applicants must have completed 30 semester or 45 quarter hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. All applicants admissible to the University are initially admitted to University College as Undecided-Intending Journalism and then must submit the supplemental application and additional materials available online at www.scrippsschool.org/about/admission.php.

Honors Tutorial College
35 Park Place, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.2723
A limited number of transfer places may be available. Information can be found at www.ohio.edu/honors.

J.W. McClure School of Information and Telecommunication Systems
31 S. Court Street, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.4890
Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for direct admission.

School of Dance, Film, and Theater
Putnam Hall 137, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.1826
Dance applicants must send audition materials for full consideration. Students who meet university entrance requirements but are not eligible for direct admission to the dance program or who do not provide audition materials will be considered for admission to University College as an undecided major. For further information, visit www.ohio.edu/finearts/dance.

School of Media Arts and Studies
RTVC Building 202D, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.4870
Applicants must have completed at least 30 semester or 45 quarter hours of college coursework with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for direct admission. Additional information is available online at www.mediarschool.ohio.edu or by contacting the school.

School of Music
Glidden Hall 440, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.4244
Applicants must send audition materials for full consideration. Students who meet university entrance requirements but are not eligible for direct admission to the School of Music or who do not provide audition materials will be considered for admission to University College as an undecided major. For further information, visit www.ohio.edu/finearts/music.

School of Nursing
Grover Center E365, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.4494
Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale. All applicants meeting admission criteria are initially admitted as Pre-Nursing. For more information regarding the major application process, please contact the School of Nursing.

School of Visual Communication
Seigfried Hall 301E, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.597.1756
Applicants must have completed at least 32 semester or 48 quarter hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. All applicants admissible to the University are initially admitted to University College as Undecided-Intending Visual Communication and must submit additional materials available online at www.viscomou.com.

Specialized Studies
Deadlines: November 1 for fall semester, April 1 for spring semester, August 1 for summer semester
Chubb Hall 140, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.1935
Applicants may apply to the Bachelor of Specialized Studies major as early as the fall or spring semester in which they reach sophomore rank (at least 30 semester hours earned) and have attained a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA. Students are required to attend a B.S.S. application workshop and work with a University College advisor to complete the application process. Applicants must submit additional materials that will be reviewed by a faculty committee. Application materials and additional information are available at www.ohio.edu/univcollege.

Teacher Education
McCracken Hall, 1 Ohio University, Athens OH 45701 T: 740.593.4400
Applicants to any teacher education majors must have completed at least 20 semester or 30 quarter hours with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for direct admission.
Estimated Expenses for 2014-2015

U.S. immigration regulations require you to demonstrate that you have sufficient funds to cover 9 months of expenses before a visa certificate (I-20) can be issued on your behalf.

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2015-2016 amount required to demonstrate availability of funds for an I-20 Certificate of Eligibility: $37,527

*Living expenses include lodging, meals, funds for books and supplies, lodging and meals during academic breaks, and personal spending money.

Additional funds are required for summer tuition. If you are from a warm climate, $1,500 may be needed for winter clothing.

To demonstrate availability of sufficient funds please provide:

- **A statement of financial sponsorship:**
  Please provide a letter or form signed by your financial sponsor stating his/her relationship to you, that he/she agrees to act as financial sponsor, and that he/she will make funds available to you for living and personal expenses. Visit [www.ohio.edu/admissions/forms](http://www.ohio.edu/admissions/forms) for a sample form.

- **One of the following financial documents:**
  a. A bank statement in the name of the sponsor showing the equivalent of $37,527 in an accessible account.
  b. An official letter from a bank stating that the sponsor has a specific amount, no less than the estimate above.
  c. If receiving a scholarship, an official letter from the scholarship agency stating you are a recipient and the expenses the scholarship will cover.

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Scholarships

Awards are only available to students who begin their studies in the fall term. Your application for admission serves as your application for scholarships; no additional form is required. Note that the University cannot offer any need-based financial assistance for international students. To be eligible for merit scholarship consideration, please note the following requirements:

- **Freshmen.** SAT or ACT results are required for consideration. You must apply for fall semester and be admitted by February 1. Therefore, we recommend that you apply with complete credentials by December 15. More information is available at: [www.ohio.edu/admissions/scholfinaid](http://www.ohio.edu/admissions/scholfinaid)

- **Transfer Students.** A limited number of transfer scholarships are available for students entering fall semester only. You must apply and be admitted by May 15. Therefore, we recommend that you apply with complete credentials by April 1. You must have completed a full year of academic study and present excellent grades to be eligible for consideration. Please note that these awards are very competitive and would only provide a small amount toward tuition expenses. More information is available at: [www.ohio.edu/admissions/scholfinaid](http://www.ohio.edu/admissions/scholfinaid)

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Visa Information

You should allow three to six months to obtain a visa after you have been admitted to the University. You may wish to contact the local U.S. embassy or consulate for specific information regarding the visa application process within your home country. To facilitate the processing of your visa, be sure to list your name on your application exactly as it appears on your passport and provide your foreign home (not post office box) address as your permanent address.

All international students who apply for an F-1 visa using an I-20 issued for “initial attendance” are required to pay a SEVIS fee. Proof of fee payment must be submitted at the visa interview. More information is available at: [www.ice.gov/sevis/i901](http://www.ice.gov/sevis/i901)

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1 Estimated expenses only. Subject to change by action of the Ohio University Board of Trustees.
2 Students who enroll summer term (optional) should expect an additional $11,599.00 in expenses. Students staying in Athens over school breaks should expect to spend approximately $300 per week for meals and lodging.
3 An accessible account is a liquid or cash account, such as a checking or savings account. Life insurance, investment, lines of credit, or similar accounts cannot be used.