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EDUCATION

For the High School Student: **Application Process to ISU**

General ISU Application Process - Undergraduate

Admission Requirements For Freshmen Entering Prior to Fall 2009

Students who wish to enter Iowa State University directly from high school, and prior to Fall 2009, should rank in the upper half of their graduating class. In addition, students should also complete the following high school course requirements:

Subject	Requirement	Description
English/Language Arts	4 years	Emphasizing writing, speaking, and reading, as well as an understanding and appreciation of literature
Mathematics	3 years	Including one year each of algebra, geometry, and advanced algebra.
Science	3 years	Including one year each of two of the following fields: biology, chemistry, and physics.
Social Studies	2 years	

Additional entrance requirements for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

In addition to the high school course requirements listed above, students applying for admission to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences must complete a third year of social studies and two years of a single foreign language.

Lower half ranking students

Students who rank in the lower half of their graduating class may be considered for admission if they achieve a combination of class rank and test score as shown in the chart below:

High School Rank	ACT	SAT
49 - 47%	20	930
46 - 45%	21	970
44 - 42%	22	1010
41 - 39%	23	1050
38% -	24	1090

Nontraditional students

Nontraditional students are held to the same high school course requirements as all entering freshmen. However, because research has shown that class rank is not a good predictor of academic success for nontraditional students, those who rank in the lower half of their class are encouraged to apply for individual review.

General Equivalency Diploma

Students who earn an overall average score of at least 50 on the General Equivalency Diploma (GED) examinations are considered to have met Iowa State's class rank requirement.

GED students who have not satisfied all of Iowa State University's high school course requirements before leaving high school may do so by earning a score placing them at the 75 percentile or better on the respective examination (i.e., English, mathematics, science, social studies).

Home schooled students

Each year, Iowa State welcomes students who have been educated at home. Because class rank is not available for these students, increased emphasis is given to standardized test scores in the admission review.

Home-schooled students are asked to provide thorough documentation regarding the subject matter (i.e. subject titles, text books, and syllabus) studied. Please contact the Office of Admissions (www.admissions.iastate.edu/contact_us.php) for additional details.

Students with disabilities

Students who have been diagnosed with a learning disability or Attention Deficit Disorder are held to Iowa State's regular direct from high school admission requirements. Those who feel their academic record does not accurately reflect their ability to succeed and, therefore, wish to be considered for admission on an individual basis are asked to submit additional documentation explaining their circumstances. This documentation should include:

- A letter from the applicant requesting special consideration. This letter should identify the disability and include a description of how the disability impacts academic performance.
- Information pertaining to accommodations and services used in high school or the most recent educational setting.
- A report containing specific diagnosis and supporting data that reflect a substantial limitation to learning.

For additional information about services for students with disabilities, visit Disability Resources. (www.dso.iastate.edu/dr/student/)

Summer trial admission

Selected freshmen who do not meet Iowa State University's class rank/test score requirements are offered the opportunity to enroll during the summer session on a trial basis.

These students must complete two three-credit classes (six credits total) and achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 with no grade below a C-.

Students who meet this requirement are allowed to continue their Iowa State enrollment for the fall semester. (This program must be completed at Iowa State University.)

www.admissions.iastate.edu/freshman/requirements.php?action=entry_prior_2009

Admissions Checklist - Undergraduate

Junior Year in High School

- Take the ACT or the SAT I and have your scores sent to Iowa State University. Iowa State's codes are 1320 for the ACT and 6306 for the SAT I.
- Schedule a visit to campus. (www.admissions.iastate.edu/visit/index.php)

Senior Year in High School

- Submit your Application for Undergraduate Admission and Scholarships. Apply online! (www.admissions.iastate.edu/apply/index.php)
- Review Iowa State University freshman scholarships. (www.financialaid.iastate.edu/)

- Receive notification regarding your admission approximately three weeks after all your application materials have been received.
- Before May 1, submit your admissions acceptance form and acceptance fee to confirm your enrollment in the fall class.
- Submit your university housing contract. The earlier you submit your contract, the more likely you are to get the housing you prefer.
- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). (www.fafsa.ed.gov/) Iowa State's code number is 001869. Submit the FAFSA even if you miss the March 1st priority deadline.
- Respond to your summer orientation invitation. Mailing of invitations begins in January for students who have accepted their offer of admission.
- By April 20, if interested, sign up for the Twelve Month Payment Plan. (www.iastate.edu/~u-bill/UbillMPP.htm)

Summer before Fall Entry

- Attend orientation in summer, meet with your academic adviser, and register for your fall classes. (www.admissions.iastate.edu/orientation/index.php)
- Receive both your registration confirmation and your billing statement in early August.
- Move into university housing beginning the Wednesday before classes begin and attend Destination Iowa State. (www.admissions.iastate.edu/destination/index.php)

www.admissions.iastate.edu/freshman/checklist.php