

Applying For Colleges

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How Can I Apply To Colleges?

- You may use the common application for multiple colleges, a university application, or a community application.
- Offers different methods depending on what college you are considering.

What Is The Common Application?

- An application that can be used to send to 14 colleges

How Do I Use The Common Application?

- Create an account on their website (www.commonapp.org). You'll be required to enter in basic information such as your birth date, full name, and email address.
- There will be a general application where you'll be required to give your high school transcript, exam scores, activities, parental info, etc.
- Depending on the colleges you will be applying to, there may be other requirements needed to reach such as deadlines.
- Essay is required- seven topics available to choose from.
- Application Fees go from about \$25-90 depending where you apply.

What Is a University Application?

- It is an application that is specific to each and every university.

- Most universities have application fees, but some will allow you to get a fee waiver.
- The university application can be found on the university's website under the 'Admissions' tab.

How to Use the University Application:

- You first have to create an account with the university. Some use your made-up username, while others use your application number for login.
- There will be general application requirements such as your full name, birthdate, your address, etc.
- Most universities require your social security number.
- Depending on what university you're applying to, they will have two sections left blank: one for any additional things about yourself and the second for an essay.
- At the end of the application it will ask for your digital signature.

Additional Requirements For the University Application:

- Some universities require Letters of Recommendation.
- All universities require your high school transcripts and SAT/ACT scores. They usually recommend that the transcripts are sent electronically through Parchment (www.parchment.com).
- Depending on the university, there will be application fees that can be paid online with online checks, credit card, etc.

Community College Application

- You have to create an account first.

- You apply by choosing whether you're a new student or returning student.
- Fill out generic information about you (name, address, etc.)
- Your GPA and SAT/ACT score will be considered but you're usually accepted with no problems.
- There are higher requirements if you're choosing a specific field of education such as nursing.
- Free of charge to apply.