WashU at a Glance
Our Community

At WashU, we believe in knowing students by name and story and helping them direct their talents, drive, and energy toward becoming successful, contributing global citizens who work to improve their communities and find solutions to big problems. Our commitment to providing a challenging, supportive and inclusive environment means we believe in removing barriers to ensure that the full WashU experience is available to all. We understand the diversity of our community is built on a vast array of beliefs, experiences, and goals that not only shape a student’s current perspective but form our rich intellectual environment.
Location
• Suburban St. Louis, Missouri, seven miles west of downtown and about 10 miles from Lambert St. Louis International Airport
• Forest Park, No. 2 on the list for “Best City Park” in America according to the USA TODAY 10Best Reader’s Choice travel awards, is our front lawn and provides access to biking, boating, golf, tennis, and running paths in addition to the free zoo, art museum, history museum, and science center

Students
• Of the approximately 13,200 full-time students and 2,200 part-time students, 7,700 are undergraduates.
• Students come from more than 100 countries and all 50 states + the District of Columbia, the Northern Mariana Islands, and Puerto Rico
• Approximately 89% are from out of state and about 65% come from more than 500 miles away

Faculty
• More than 3,900 professors
• 7:1 student to faculty ratio
• Honors:
  • Pulitzer Prize: 4
  • Poet Laureate of the United States: 3
  • American Academy of Arts & Sciences: 62
  • National Academy of Sciences: 55
  • American Law Institute: 30
  • National Medal of Science: 10
  • Nobel Laureates (faculty and alumni) affiliated with WashU: 25

Academics
• Five undergraduate Divisions: College of Architecture and College of Art, both part of the Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts; College of Arts & Sciences; Olin Business School; McKelvey School of Engineering; plus the Beyond Boundaries program that crosses disciplines. See the full list of Majors and Programs at admissions.wustl.edu/academics/majors-and-programs.
• Graduate programs in all undergraduate divisions plus Law, Medicine (including Occupational and Physical Therapy), and Social Work and Public Health
• More than 100 degree programs and nearly 2,000 courses.
The WashU Pledge

This financial assistance program, designed specifically for first-year students who reside in or attend high school in Missouri or specific counties in Southern Illinois, can cover the full cost of an undergraduate education. These students must also qualify for a Pell Grant and/or come from a family earning $75,000 or less annually.
Financial Assistance & Academic Scholarships

We meet 100% of demonstrated need for all admitted students, and through the Gateway to Success Initiative we are need blind for first-year domestic applicants. This means students are admitted based on their abilities—not their ability to pay.
Washington University is committed to supporting talented students who show exceptional academic performance and outstanding promise. The following information outlines our academic scholarships available through each undergraduate division and through our Signature Scholars Programs. For full details about these programs visit admissions.wustl.edu.
The following scholarships, offered by each academic division, do not require a separate application process. Once you complete your Common Application or Coalition Application you will be considered for the appropriate scholarship for the division to which you are applying. As you write the answer to our question about your academic interest, you should keep in mind that it will be used by the scholarship committees to select awardees.

**Arts & Sciences**
**Ampersand Scholarships (formerly known as CMML)**
- Sixteen renewable, up-to-full tuition scholarships

**Art**
**Conway/Proetz Scholarships**
- One full-tuition scholarship and up to five $10,000 scholarships

**Business**
**Distinguished Scholars Program**
- One or more full-tuition scholarships and up to five partial-tuition scholarships

**Engineering**
**Alexander S. Langsdorf Fellowships**
- Up to 10 full-tuition fellowships
**James M. McKelvey Undergraduate Research Awards**
- Up to eight $5,000 research awards

**Signature Scholar Programs**
The University’s signature scholar programs, housed within the Office of Scholar Programs (OSP), bring together members from each of the academic divisions to create a unique academic and cultural community in which to share, learn, challenge, make friends, and exchange views and ideas about what is possible in a global environment. You may apply to any or all of these programs by submitting the optional writing supplement through the Common Application or Coalition Application. Scholars receive up to full tuition for four years.

**The Danforth Scholars Program** honors students with a passion for helping others. We are looking for students who have demonstrated leadership in service and a strong commitment to community. Danforth Scholars are also known for their academic excellence, personal integrity, and high ideals.

**The Annika Rodriguez Scholars Program** recognizes students of exceptional merit who demonstrate academic and leadership achievements, as well as the passion for community service exemplified by Annika Rodriguez. In keeping with the legacy of the program, applicants should demonstrate their commitment to, or a history of, bringing diverse groups together and celebrating the cultures of different people.

**The John B. Ervin Scholars Program** was founded on four pillars—academic excellence, leadership, community service, and diversity. All our scholars are expected to exemplify these ideals to be competitive for this program. The Ervin Scholars Program is open only to U.S. citizens and permanent residents
The Application Process at a Glance

Our team is here to help you through the application process! These important points will get you started, but please don’t hesitate to call us with any questions or concerns at 800.638.0700 or 314.935.6000. You can also check out our website admissions.wustl.edu.
1. Common Application or Coalition Application
Washington University accepts the Common Application or Coalition Application, including an optional supplemental essay. The Common Application is available online at commonapp.org, and the Coalition Application is available at coalitionapp.org.

2. Application Fee
The $75 nonrefundable application fee is required and may be paid using a credit card when you submit your application. The application fee is automatically waived for any student applying for need-based financial aid.

3. Test Optional Policy
As part of our commitment to always put students first, all applicants for the class entering in Fall 2022 have the option of whether to submit standardized test scores when they apply.

What does our test waiver policy mean?
• Applicants for Fall 2022 have a choice about whether to submit standardized test scores or use the waiver.
• Applicants who have taken the SAT or ACT and feel their scores reflect their abilities should submit them.
• Applicants who do not have scores, had limited opportunity to sit for exams more than once, or who do not feel their scores accurately reflect their ability and do not wish to share them, should select the waiver option.
• All applicants, whether or not they submit standardized testing, will receive full consideration for admission.

Please Note: We will continue to require evidence of English Language proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo English Test) for international applicants for whom English is a second language.

4. Demonstrated Interest Policy
WashU will no longer consider demonstrated interest (such as visiting campus, attending an event, or emailing with a member of the admissions staff) as a factor in making admission decisions or in the admission decision process. In doing so, we can create and implement a truly equitable admissions process and support our goal to build a community of talented and diverse young people.

5. Midyear Report
The Midyear Report is an important component of our evaluation process. Your counselor should mail us this form and an updated transcript as soon as possible after January 1, 2022. If you are applying Early Decision I or II, you must submit your first marking period grades (first quarter, trimester, or progress report) in order to complete your application.
6. Final Report
Applicants who are admitted and who choose to enroll at Washington University will be required to submit a Final Report, which includes the official final transcript. If you self-reported test scores during the application process, you will be required to verify those scores with official score reports.

7. WashU Pathway
The WashU Pathway is the single source of information about the status of your application, including any scholarship applications, and support materials. You’ll also find a link to check the status of your financial aid application. Within a few days of submitting your application, you will receive login instructions to access the WashU Pathway via our website: admissions.wustl.edu.

8. Optional Video
We offer virtual interviews with a current student through the Admissions Office or with alumni volunteers through the Alumni and Parent Admission Program (APAP). Requests for interviews often outnumber the amount of time and available interviewers, but you should not be concerned—this will not negatively impact your chance of admission. You may also share your story by submitting an optional, 90-second video. Visit admissions.wustl.edu/how-to-apply/interview/ for more details.

9. Financial Assistance
While we are a need-blind institution, our process for financial assistance will not change. Visit admissions.wustl.edu to learn more.

10. Scholarships & Scholar Programs
All students are automatically considered for most of our academic scholarships based on their application materials. If you wish to be considered for one of our Signature Scholar Programs—Danforth, Ervin, or Rodriguez—you must also submit the optional supplemental essay. See admissions.wustl.edu for deadlines and more information.

11. Support Materials
In addition to the admissions application and fee, you must submit the following supporting materials by the deadlines: School Report and Official Transcript; Teacher Evaluation; TOEFL, IELTS, or Duolingo English Test scores (for students whose first language is not English); and Portfolio (required for applicants to the College of Art and strongly encouraged for applicants to the College of Architecture). The portfolio should be submitted using SlideRoom. In addition, applicants who elect to submit test scores may self-report SAT or ACT scores. If applicant is admitted and enrolls, official score reports from testing agencies will be required.
Washington University encourages and gives full consideration to all applicants for admission, financial aid, and employment. The university does not discriminate in access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, veteran status, disability, or genetic information. Applicants with a prior criminal history will not be automatically disqualified from consideration for admission. Inquiries about compliance should be addressed to the Vice Chancellor for Human Resources, Washington University, Campus Box 1184, One Brookings Drive, St. Louis, MO 63130-4899.

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