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 also 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 Readers’ 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 14,100 full-time students and 1,300 part-time students, 7,600 are undergraduates
• Students come from more than 100 countries and all 50 states + the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Northern Mariana Islands
• Approximately 90% are from out of state and about 65% come from more than 500 miles away

Faculty
• More than 4,100 professors
• 7:1 student-to-faculty ratio
• Honors:
  • Pulitzer Prize: 4
  • Poet Laureate of the United States: 3
  • American Academy of Arts & Sciences: 63
  • National Academy of Sciences: 58
  • American Law Institute: 31
  • 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, covers the full cost of an undergraduate education for students who come from a family earning $75,000 or less annually.
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 and accomplishments. A student’s ability to pay tuition is not a factor in the admissions process.

Financial Assistance & Academic Scholarships
Scholarship Programs

WashU is committed to supporting talented students who show exceptional academic performance and outstanding promise. The following information outlines academic scholarships available through each undergraduate division and through our Signature Scholar 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.

Architecture  
**James W. Fitzgibbon Scholarships**  
- Up to one full-tuition scholarship and up to five $10,000 scholarships

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

Arts & Sciences  
**Ampersand Scholarships**  
- Up to sixteen renewable, up-to-full tuition scholarships

Business  
**Distinguished Scholars Program**  
- Up to 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**

WashU accepts the Common Application or Coalition Application including a 200-word response to the question “Please tell us what you are interested in studying at WashU and why.” The Common Application is available online at [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org), and the Coalition Application is available at [coalitionapp.org](http://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 2023 have the option of whether to submit standardized test scores when they apply.

What does our test waiver policy mean?
- 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 does not 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. We encourage you to take advantage of virtual and in-person programs so you can learn about WashU, but if you are unable to participate in activities, it will not be held against you.
5. Midyear Report
The Midyear Report is an important component of our evaluation process. Your counselor should send us a transcript and midyear report (if available) as soon as your first trimester or semester ends. 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 will be required to have their high school submit an official final transcript and a Final Report (if available).

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 Interview/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 for 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
Students who wish to be considered for Financial Aid must submit the FAFSA and CSS Profile. For complete details and deadlines, see admissions.wustl.edu.
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.

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