

ADMISSIONS

MISSION STATEMENT

The Undergraduate Admissions Office is committed to providing accurate and current information to prospective students and their parents/guardians regarding the University's Christian mission, majors, programs, costs and admissions process. The Admissions Office is committed to quality customer service and providing information to prospective students in an efficient, caring, timely and confidential manner.

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

MidAmerica Nazarene University values moral character and personal integrity in addition to intellectual ability and academic achievement, and seeks students who also value these characteristics and who are in harmony with the University's mission as a distinctively Christian liberal arts oriented institution of the Church of the Nazarene.

MidAmerica is selective in its admission, with enrollment being contingent on the student's ability to meet the academic standards and moral principles of the University. Prospective students who do not meet these standards and principles will be denied admission. In order to be considered for admission, the prospective student must submit an Application for Admission and supporting documentation before the semester's enrollment deadline approximately one week after classes begin (see academic calendar). Applicants for admission should be aware of the desirability of applying early since priority is given to early applicants in such matters as campus housing, scholarships, certain loans and grants.

Applicants are reminded that admission to the University does not assure the student of housing, financial aid, or other necessary arrangements incidental to attending the University.

Applicants who have attended previous colleges or universities are required to list all institutions, including any coursework attempted through high school dual-enrollment. Failure to list all institutions attended will delay the processing of your application. Official determinations regarding the transferability of prior course work are completed by the Registrar's Office.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

Successful candidates for admission must have graduated from an accredited high school having completed at least 15 units of study. While the University does not require specific subjects for entrance, it does recommend the following optimum preparation:

Math	3 units
English	4 units
Science	3 units
Social Studies	3 units
Foreign Language	1 units

In addition, students are advised to participate in a college preparatory curriculum. First-time freshman students entering MidAmerica Nazarene University are encouraged to take the ACT or SAT examination. The examination should, whenever possible, be taken during the student's junior or senior year of high school. High school students expecting to enroll at MidAmerica should ask their principal or counselor about taking the ACT or SAT examination. **MNU's ACT code number is 1445. MNU's SAT code number is 6437.**

FRESHMEN

Regular Admission: Regular Admissions decisions are made and communicated to students once an application is received along with supporting documents deemed necessary to make a decision. Admission may be granted to traditional freshman students who have submitted all required materials, meet the GPA requirement (minimum grade point average of 2.5 (or above) on a 4.0 scale (six-semester high school transcript required for regular admission decision)). Students who have a minimum GPA of 2.3, can also be admitted with a minimum ACT composite score of 18 (or SAT equivalent).

Freshmen are still encouraged to submit ACT or SAT scores regardless of high school GPA, as those scores will be utilized in placement for freshman composition and algebra courses. In some cases, strong test scores can also increase academic scholarships. Contact the admissions office to learn more.

Students who fail to meet the conditions for regular admission may be admitted through the Pioneer Success Program with the approval of the Admissions Committee after submitting additional documentation. Additional documentation includes a written essay and contact information for a reference. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to request additional information from the applicant in order to determine the applicant's readiness for study at the collegiate level.

Students offered admission through the Pioneer Success Program will be required to complete the requirements of the program by the end of their first semester enrolled at MidAmerica Nazarene University. Pioneer Success Program students may enroll in a maximum course load of 14 semester hours for their first semester with a combination of major, General Education, and supplemental courses. The successful completion of these requirements and earning a semester GPA of a 2.5 or higher will allow students to graduate from the program.

Pioneer Success Program acceptance status may be removed by retaking the ACT or SAT test and score at levels which meet requirements for regular admission.

The Pioneer Success Program includes the following types of required activities for students:

1. Monthly meetings with an assigned personal Academic Success Center (ASC) Student Success Coach;
2. Development of an individualized student success plan (SSP);
3. Placement in supplemental education courses for writing and math;
4. Access to tutoring services for all subject areas;
5. Access to the Director of Career Development and services related to career success; and
6. Pass Freshman Seminar and attend additional mentoring meetings with instructor.

Specifics of the required activities are laid out in the contract signed upon admission through the Pioneer Success Program.

Provisional Admission: Students who fail to meet the conditions for regular admissions, admissions through the Pioneer Success Program, or whose application materials are missing requirements may be admitted on a provisional basis with the approval of the Admissions Committee. In such a case, the Admissions Committee will request additional materials be submitted for review by a given deadline (not to exceed June 30 for fall starts and November 1 for spring starts). Materials reviewed must demonstrate the applicant's readiness for study at the collegiate level and in doing so moves an applicant from provisional to either standard admittance status or to the Pioneer Success Program. Those exceeding the articulated deadline will have their admittance transferred to the next eligible semester start.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students from institutional accredited colleges and universities are welcome to apply as transfer students. Transfer students are defined as students who have earned one or more semester hours of credit after high school. Any student transferring to MidAmerica Nazarene University with less than 24 credit hours is categorized as a freshman and will be required to take Freshman Seminar.

Transfer students who have a GPA of 2.00 or better are accepted in good standing. In addition to the completed Application for Admission, students must submit transcripts from all colleges attended. Students not meeting these requirements for admission may be considered for acceptance through the Admissions Committee to the Pioneer Success Program (see explanation of the program under “Freshmen” above).

Residency requirements apply to all transfer students. Transfer credit policy should be reviewed carefully to determine what coursework will be considered for transfer.

NON-DEGREE SEEKING STUDENTS

A student may be accepted as a special student under the following conditions:

1. The student makes application;
2. The student declares in writing that he/she does not wish to work toward a degree at MNU, does not wish to be considered as either a student in good standing or a student accepted provisionally;
3. Only wishes to take one or more courses for personal enrichment apart from any degree program; and
4. The student may register for courses on a space-available basis after priority registration concludes.

EARLY COLLEGE ADMISSION

Early admission of high school senior and second semester junior students is possible. Early College students must complete the regular Application for Admission to MNU and meet all of the following conditions:

1. They are a junior or senior in high school.
2. They have a cumulative 3.0 or better GPA based on a 4.0 scale.
3. They are 16 years old.
4. They take no more than twelve (12) hours per semester.

Early admission will qualify the student for regular admission should they choose to pursue their degree at MNU after high school graduation provided they still meet the minimum requirements for regular admission. The student may register for Early College courses at the conclusion of Priority Registration.

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FRESHMAN DEGREE SEEKING STUDENTS

Applying for Admission - Prior to enrollment, a student must complete the admissions process by submitting all of the following:

1. Complete the Application for Admission.

2. If applicable, submit results of the ACT or SAT. MNU's ACT code is 1445 and SAT is 6437.
3. Submit official high school transcripts to MNU.
An official transcript is signed by a designated school official and stamped/sealed with an authorized school embossed seal or stamp. Acceptance can be administered with a minimum 6th semester, official high school transcript.
4. Complete an official Admissions Interview (Highly Recommended).
The interview may be completed while visiting campus but can be completed over the phone if necessary. The Admissions Interview allows for the admissions counselor to better understand the student's interests, talents, and pre-enrollment expectations.
5. Complete the FAFSA and add the MNU school code: 007032. Those choosing to not submit a FAFSA should notify their Admissions Counselor.

After Acceptance - The following are required in order for the admissions process to be considered complete:

1. Enrollment Deposit - \$200. The enrollment deposit is refundable if the student notifies the Office of Admissions in writing of his/her non-attendance before August 1 for the Fall semester and January 1 for the Spring semester. Failure to notify the Office of Admissions in writing will cause the prospective student to lose his/her deposit.
2. Housing Questionnaire
Note: The confirmation deposit must be paid before the room assignment and pre-registration can proceed. The \$200 enrollment deposit includes this confirmation deposit.
3. Official, final transcripts with graduation date from your high school (first-year students only).
4. Meningitis immunization or signed waiver. MNU requires students to have the meningitis immunization or sign a waiver stating he/she is choosing not to be immunized. In the event, the student contracts meningitis, he/she waives his/her claim against the University as a result of the failure to receive the vaccination.

TRANSFER

Applying for Admission - Prior to enrollment, a student must complete the admission process by submitting all of the following:

1. Complete the free Application for Admission.
2. Submit an official high school transcript (if the student has completed less than 12 college credit hours).
3. Submit official transcripts from ALL colleges previously attended.
An official transcript is signed by a designated school official and stamped/ sealed with an authorized school embossed seal or stamp, or sent electronically through an authenticated software.
4. Complete an official Admissions Interview (Highly Recommended).
The interview may be completed while visiting campus but can be completed over the phone if necessary. The Admissions Interview allows the admissions staff to better understand the student's interests, talents, and pre-enrollment expectations.
5. Complete the FAFSA and add the MNU school code: 007032. Those choosing to not submit a FAFSA should notify their Admissions Counselor.

After Acceptance - The following are required in order for the admissions process to be considered complete:

1. Confirmation Deposit - \$200 (fully refundable until August 1st for the fall semester and January 1st for the spring semester)

2. Housing Questionnaire
Note: The confirmation deposit must be paid before the room assignment and pre-registration can proceed.
3. Meningitis immunization or signed waiver.

READMISSION PROCESS

Readmission applies to any student who has completed at least one (1) hour of credit at MNU and has missed one (1) semester or more, has not been enrolled for one (1) semester, or has formally withdrawn from the institution. There is no fee for readmission. If a student applied to MNU and was accepted but never attended, he/she must reactivate his/her application through the Office of Admissions.

The readmission process begins by utilizing the special readmission form provided on the “Apply” page of www.mnu.edu. Upon submission of the application (which includes any official non-MNU transcripts), the Office of Admissions will verify eligibility with various departments and help complete the readmission process. Student-athletes having left MNU due to academic ineligibility may have additional requirements to meet for readmissions. These policies are found in the Student-Athlete Handbook posted online. Any student readmitted with a history of academic probation concerns is required to meet with a student success coach in the Academic Success Center to create a student success plan.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

MidAmerica Nazarene University welcomes International Students. Upon request students seeking admission into MNU programs will be sent an International Student Admissions Packet. Application for Admission to the traditional undergraduate programs must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the beginning of the semester (by May 15 for Fall Semester and by September 15 for Spring Semester). International Transfer Students from other colleges or universities in the United States must submit an application 30 days prior to the beginning of each semester. Students seeking admission to other academic programs offered at MidAmerica Nazarene University must follow the time procedures set up by those programs. When all admission requirements have been met, the MNU International Student Advisor will issue the prospective International Student an I-20 document required by ICE for F-1 visa status.

For students seeking admission to the traditional undergraduate programs, the following must be submitted and received:

1. A completed Application for Admission — sent at least 90 days before the beginning of the semester
2. Required Fees: Confirmation Deposit - \$200 (fully refundable until August 1st for the fall semester and January 1st for the spring semester)
3. A minimum official TOEFL paper-based score of 550, or minimum computer- based score of, or internet based TOEFL score minimum of 76 (students with a 61 or higher may be considered for acceptance in the Pioneer Success Program) or IELTS score of 6 or higher (MNU code: 6437).
4. For the International Student from a world area whose first official language is English, an official ACT or SAT score which meets the same requirements for admission as domestic students. If the ACT/SAT scores qualify for only acceptance through our Pioneer Success Program, TOEFL is also required.
5. An original, notarized Affidavit of Support and required supporting documentation of evidence of ability to pay school bills in accordance with policy.

6. An appropriately completed and signed International Student Financial Summary to cover estimated semester charges, verifying at least an equal amount of financial support available for each semester in attendance at MNU.
7. Meningitis immunization or signed waiver.
8. Original transcripts and records (sent directly from the institution), documenting all completed secondary and university academic work.
9. An appropriately completed recommendation from an institutional official, pastor, or comparable person.

International Students may apply to any academic program at MNU. The application process varies with each program. All International Students who wish to study at MNU must work with the MNU International Student Advisor, who is also the Designated School Official (DSO) for Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at MNU, in order to receive the required I-20 document and to ensure that proper ICE guidelines are followed for academic study in the United States.

EXTENSION POLICY

Definition - F-1 students are admitted to the U.S. for Duration of Status (D/S). The duration of status is noted on the I-94 card often with a D/S. Additionally, students are given a deadline which is noted on their I-20, by which to complete their studies. This means students may remain legally within the U.S. as long as they are in compliance with the regulations regarding the maintenance of their F-1 status and are making progress toward completion of the degree they have declared as their educational objective at MNU. F-1 students who are not able to complete all of the courses required for their educational program by the completion date noted on the most current, valid I-20 are required to apply for a program extension. Other reasons for extending the program may include change in major, studies interrupted by illness, etc.

Eligibility - I-20 extension applicants are required to:

1. Be in lawful status.
2. Be enrolled as full-time students at a DHS approved school or have been given approval by the PDSO/DSO that issued the student's current I-20 to be enrolled in less than 12 hours.
3. Apply within the 30-day period prior to the completion date (Item #5) on their I-20.
4. Maintain good academic performance.

Limitations

1. MNU will grant extensions for a maximum of 12 months at a time. If a student requires more than one 12-month extension, s/he must seek another extension.
2. A maximum of three (3) extensions may be granted at the bachelor's level of study.

Students

1. Make an appointment with an MNU academic advisor to discuss your need for an extension within the 30-day period prior to the completion date (Item #5) on your I-20. If a program extension is warranted, the advisor will complete the MNU Extension Request form.
2. Submit to the PDSO/DSO the completed MNU Extension Request form with your MNU program plan and an advising transcript.

NOTE: An extension request will not be processed if you do not provide your SEVIS ID number.

3. Once all required documents have been submitted to the PDSO/DSO, a new I-20 authorizing an extension for a maximum of 12 months will be created. Students will be contacted via their MNU student e-mail account to sign the new I-20 and keep as

their official I-20.

LESS THAN FULL-TIME STATUS

Only in the situations listed below are students enrolled in less than a full course of study considered to be maintaining status:

1. Illness/medical condition documented and required by a licensed medical doctor, doctor of osteopathy or a licensed clinical psychologist for a specific period of time.
2. Initial difficulty with the English language within the first semester to one (1) year of study in the U.S. This option is only available during the first semester of attendance in the U.S.
3. Initial difficulty with reading requirements within the first semester to one (1) year of study in the U.S.
4. Unfamiliarity with U.S. teaching methods within the first semester to one (1) year of study in the U.S.
5. Improper course level placement by recommendation of an MNU academic advisor.
6. To complete a course of study within the current term as documented, recommended by a MNU academic advisor and approved by the PDSO/DSO before the official 20th day of classes.

Limitations

1. Students must be authorized for a reduced course load (RCL) prior to dropping below a full course of study. Dropping enrollment below a full course of study before approval from the PDSO/DSO will place an F-1 student out of status.
2. The maximum duration of an authorization to drop below full course load for F-1 students is:
 - Academic difficulty is a maximum of one (1) semester at the bachelor program level.
 - Initial difficulty with English language is a maximum of one (1) semester at the bachelor level.
 - * The student must continue to attend classes toward his or her degree.
 - * This option is only available during the first semester of attendance in the U.S.
 - Medical reasons are an aggregate of twelve (12) months per academic level of study.
 - * Students may request a maximum of one (1) semester at a time by submitting this form.
 - If a student requires a second RCL, he/she must submit a second Request for Less Than Full-Time Enrollment form prior to payment deadline of the semester in which student is requesting the RCL.
3. "Imminent danger of failing a class" is not a permissible reason for authorizing a reduced course load.
4. Students authorized for medical leave of absence may not be eligible for employment while on medical leave if the problems they are experiencing are severe enough to interfere with studies.

Process

1. Complete the Student Information Section. Your SEVIS identification number must be written in Part I of this form or processing of your request will be delayed.
2. If Section II will be completed by your medical provider, he/she is to fax the form directly to

the International and Immigrant Student Services office at 913-971-3481 and return the original to you to submit to the International and Immigrant Student Services office in Campus Center.

Once all required documentation has been submitted and approved by the PDSO/DSO, a new I-20 will be issued to reflect the reduced course load authorization for the requested semester/ term.

This school is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.

Contact: Office of Admissions

MidAmerica Nazarene University
2030 East College Way
Olathe, KS 66062-1899
Phone 913-971-3380 or 1-800-800-8887 ext. 3380
Fax 913-971-3481

INTERNATIONAL TRANSCRIPT EVALUATION

For prospective International Transfer Students from colleges and universities in world areas other than the United States, an official evaluation of transcripts by an approved international transcript evaluation service must be requested and sent to the MNU International Student office before academic courses may be considered for transfer credit. This is the International Transfer Student's responsibility.

The following is a list of approved Evaluation Services. In order to grant credit, the student should have a course-by-course evaluation done.

AACRAO American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers Foreign Credential Evaluation Service
One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 520 Washington, DC 20036
202-293-9161; <http://www.aacrao.org/credential/index.htm>

ECE Educational Credential Evaluations, Inc. PO Box 514070
Milwaukee, WI 53203-3470
414-289-3400
www.ece.org

WES World Education Services
International Academic Credential Evaluation Bowling Green Station
P.O. Box 5087
New York, NY 10274-5087 212-966-6311
www.wes.org

NACES National Association of Credential Evaluation Services
Any service listed as a member of this organization
www.naces.org

InCred – International Credential Evaluations*
InCred Evaluations
120 W 12th Street, Suite 700
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