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**ubmitting** an application for admission is an important step for any prospective student. Careful examination of the offerings of the College, the institutional profile, and its expectations should help in determining one's "fit" with the institution. A well-written application and timely submission of admissions data should minimize the processing time. Prospective students should apply early in order to meet important enrollment and financial aid deadlines. Campus visits are highly encouraged because of the value of seeing firsthand what is advertised in the literature and for obtaining face-to-face answers to specific admissions concerns. Clearwater Christian College is committed to non-discriminatory admission practices, regardless of age, race, color, gender, or national or ethnic origin.

# **ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Certain admissions data are collected on each applicant by the Office of Enrollment Services and are evaluated by the admissions committee. The General Application for Admission packet, containing required forms, can be obtained from the Office of Enrollment Service or on our website. The admissions process includes the submission of the application for admission, a written statement of personal faith, at least two letters of recommendation, appropriate high school and college transcripts, SAT or ACT results, and a non-refundable \$35 processing fee. GED results are accepted in lieu of a high school transcript. SAT or ACT results may be waived for some transfer applicants. International students are required to submit a completed CCC International Student Data Form and scores from a recent administration of the TOEFL if they reside in a country where English is not the native language (see International Students). Before applying, the prospective student should thoroughly examine the purpose and objectives of the College.

Several factors, including Christian character, academic background, motivation, and personal testimony can influence the acceptance of applicants. Academically, applicants must have a minimum ACT composite score of 18 or a combined

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SAT score of 870 *and* high school or college GPA of 2.00 for unconditional acceptance. Individuals who miss either or both of these standards may be offered admission on the basis of academic probation. The restrictions associated with this admissions status are described in the Academic Information section of the catalog.

In considering one's academic background, the College recommends that applicants have a minimum of 15 high school credits in English (4), math (3), science (3), social science/humanities (3), and foreign language (2). Mathematics courses should include geometry. English courses should emphasize grammar and writing skills.

#### International Students

Students whose citizenship is in a country other than the United States are required to submit an International Student Data Form, along with the General Application for Admission at least 90-120 days prior to the start of the intended semester of enrollment. The purpose of this form is to verify the applicant's ability to meet expenses incurred while attending the College. Verification of support requires affidavits of support from each source. Once this verification is accomplished, an I-20 form required for entrance into the United States will be issued. International students must consult their own embassies for visas and travel information to the United States.

In addition, international students for whom English is a second language are required to provide a minimum score of 500 (paper-based) or 173 (computer-based) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language or TOEFL.

#### **Home School Students**

Individuals who will graduate from a home school program are required to meet the same requirements as new freshmen and transfer applicants. An official transcript indicating courses taken by academic term, credit and grades earned, and date of graduation is required. Applicants who cannot provide such information must pass the General Education Diploma (GED) exam in order to be accepted as a degree-seeking student.

## **Special Students**

Individuals desiring to enroll for courses as a non-degree-seeking student may apply as a special student. Special students may enroll for courses for the purposes of earning academic credit or auditing the course. All applicants are required to complete the General Application for Admission, write a statement of personal faith, provide at least one letter of recommendation (pastoral recommendation form preferred) and submit academic transcripts to prove satisfactory completion of course prerequisites unless waived by the Dean of Enrollment Services. Non-

degree-seeking students should be aware that priority is given to degree-seeking students in the admissions process, and approval must be obtained from the dean of enrollment services to continue taking classes during subsequent terms. Since most federal, state, and institutional financial aid programs require the student to be degree seeking, special students should anticipate satisfying registration costs through use of personal funds. Unless permitted by the vice president for student affairs, special students are ineligible to reside on campus because of limited available space. Special students who wish to become degree-seeking students should contact the Office of Enrollment Services for further requirements.

#### **Dual Enrollment**

High school students may be eligible to register for classes prior to high school graduation under our Dual Enrollment programs. Dual Enrollment permits students to take courses at CCC concurrent with their regular high school or home school program. Dual Enrollment applicants are required to submit the same documentation as a new freshman applicant. Applicants accepted under this admission category are awarded a tuition discount and may be eligible for a scholarship should they continue at the College as a degree-seeking student. Specific information regarding this enrollment opportunity can be obtained from the Office of Enrollment Services.



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#### **Former Students**

Students in good standing who interrupt their studies for no more than one academic term (not including summer sessions) are eligible to re-enroll without completing an application for admission. These students should notify the Office of Enrollment Services in writing of their intention to register for classes. Students who have been out for two academic terms (not including summer sessions) are required to reapply.

Students who have been dismissed from the College are eligible to apply for readmission upon completion of their suspension period. The admissions committee reviews all requests for readmission. Readmission is not automatic.

All former students who are accepted after having to reapply will be required to meet the course requirements of their intended degree program as stated in the catalog in effect at their return.

#### **Veterans**

Clearwater Christian College is approved for veterans' training programs such as the GI Bill Education Benefit, Vocational Rehabilitation Program, War Orphans Educational Assistance Act, and Education Assistance to Children of Disabled Veterans. The Financial Aid Office should be contacted for assistance regarding these programs.

### MATRICULATION PROCESS

The objective of the Office of Enrollment Services is to assist each applicant from the time his or her application is received until the time of course registration. Each applicant is assigned an admissions counselor who assists the applicant throughout the process. The first step for accepted applicants is to confirm their intention to accept our offer of admission. This is done by submitting a confirmation form with the required non-refundable deposit by the deadline given. The confirmation deposit also secures housing reservations for resident students. The confirmation form is mailed to students soon after acceptance.

Once accepted applicants have confirmed, they will receive an arrival manual that outlines pre-arrival concerns, arrival dates and deadlines, student orientation schedules, and appropriate enrollment forms. A copy of *The Guide*, or student handbook, is also included in this packet. Confirmed students are given an opportunity to select classes through a registration opportunity called Early Selection. Early Selection appointments are scheduled with a representative of the registrar's office on campus or over the telephone. Confirmed students may participate in Early Selection once they have submitted their medical report forms and copies of their final high school transcripts.

## **CAMPUS VISITS**

When is it a good time to visit Clearwater Christian College? ANYTIME! We hope that every applicant will make an effort to see the campus firsthand before enrolling. Those who visit during a time when classes are in session have the best experience. Appointments for campus visits and tours should be made through the Office of Enrollment Services by calling 1-800-348-4463.

