



# APPLYING AS A FRESHMAN

- 1 Carefully complete this application form.
- 2 Include a check or money order payable to St. Cloud State University in the amount of \$20. This is the application fee and it is non-refundable.
- 3 Take the completed form and application fee to your high school. They will attach an official copy of your high school transcript and forward it to St. Cloud State University.  
If you are no longer in close contact with your high school, you may submit your application directly to St. Cloud State University. Request that your high school send an official copy of your high school transcript to the University.

## ADMISSION AS A FRESHMAN

St. Cloud State University strives to provide an academic and campus environment that prepares our students to succeed and thrive in a global, multicultural world. As part of our overall mission, we are committed to enrolling an academically qualified, diverse student body. For that reason, each application is individually reviewed and evaluated on its own merits.

Students will be considered for admission using a combination of high school rank, GPA, curriculum, test scores and other indicators of academic performance and potential.

- \* The academic record is most important. The committee will give the greatest weight to performance in college preparation classes.
- \* The strength of a student's curriculum is also a major consideration.
- \* ACT or SAT scores will be considered.
- \* Other criteria that may be considered are extra-curricular and community activities, school profile, and grade trends.
- \* Personal statements and recommendations are optional, but will be considered when submitted.

Most successful applicants will:

- \* Be ranked in the upper one-half (top 50%) of their high school graduating class.
- \* Have completed the MnSCU State University college preparation curriculum.
- \* Have scored a 21 or higher on the ACT composite score.

And also may...

- \* Provide evidence of ability to accept responsibility.
- \* Provide evidence of ability to benefit from the educational experience offered at St. Cloud State University.

Students who are home schooled, graduating from high schools that do not rank students or have earned a GED will also have their records reviewed by the Admissions Committee.

St. Cloud State University requires all first year students, under the age of 21, to submit an ACT college assessment. The ACT assessment scores must be received prior to enrollment. In addition, a final high school transcript, indicating a graduation date, is also required prior to enrollment.

### FRESHMAN STUDENTS MUST ALSO MEET MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY PREPARATION STANDARDS.

Students graduating from high school in 1994 and beyond are subject to the Preparation Requirements.

## FRESHMAN APPLICATION TIMELINES/DEADLINES

### FALL

September 15	Applications open for review
December 15	Early admission incentive
January 25	Scholarship & Honors Program application deadline
May 1	In order to be assured of consideration for admission to St. Cloud State University for fall semester, complete applications must be submitted by May 1. Those applying after May 1 may be placed on a waiting list and considered for admission if space is available. St. Cloud State University strives to provide quality service to all students so we strongly encourage application prior to this date.

### SPRING

Continuous	Applications open for review
October 15	Preferred admission deadline
November 15	Applications may be accepted following this date, or late applicants may be placed on a waiting list. Services may be affected by the short timeline created by applying after November 15. Services affected may include campus housing availability, course availability and financial aid processing time. St. Cloud State University endeavors to provide quality service to all students so we strongly encourage application prior to this date.

## EARLY ADMISSION INCENTIVE = BENEFITS FOR YOU

Students applying by December 15 and meeting St. Cloud State University's admission requirements, will be guaranteed a space in the fall class as well as receiving strong scholarship consideration. Other benefits of applying by the early admission deadline include being able to secure one of the first freshman Advising Day<sup>1</sup> dates and having a financial aid estimator completed early. Please note: taking advantage of the early admission deadline does not solely commit you to St. Cloud State University- you are free to apply to other universities as well.

<sup>1</sup>Advising Day is very important. It's the day you will come to campus, learn more about student life and select and register for your classes. It's a day for students as well as families.

# APPLYING AS A TRANSFER STUDENT

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- 3 An official transcript from each college attended must be sent to St. Cloud State University. A transcript is considered official when sent directly by the institutions you have attended to the Office of Records and Registration at St. Cloud State University. Documents mailed, faxed or brought by the student are not considered official. If you have attended or are currently attending one or more MnSCU institutions, your official transcripts can be electronically retrieved by St. Cloud State University. Please check the MnSCU list to determine if your college is a member of this system.

## ADMISSION AS A TRANSFER

Undergraduates transferring to St. Cloud State University are admitted to the University if they have maintained a cumulative 2.0 (4-point scale) GPA or above in all college work and have at least 12 transferable credits. Post Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO) credits cannot be counted in the 12 credits. Admission to a major program is a separate process; requirements vary. Higher grade point averages and/or specific course requirements may apply. Students should contact the individual colleges and/or departments for more information. PSEO students should apply as freshmen regardless of number of college credits.

### TRANSFER APPLICATION TIMELINES/DEADLINES

#### Fall

- September 15 Applications open for review  
February 15\* Preferred admission deadline  
May 1\* In order to be assured of consideration for admission to St. Cloud State University for fall semester, complete applications must be submitted by May 1. Those applying after that date may be placed on a waiting list and considered for admission if space is available. St. Cloud State University endeavors to provide quality service to all students so we strongly encourage application prior to this date.  
March 15 Transfer Scholarship deadline

#### Spring

- Continuous Applications open for review  
October 15\* Preferred admissions deadline  
November 15\* Applications may be accepted following this date, or late applicants may be placed on a waiting list. Services may be affected by the short timeline created by applying after November 15. Services affected may include campus housing availability, course availability and financial aid processing time. St. Cloud State University endeavors to provide quality service to all students so we strongly encourage application prior to this date.  
October 15 Transfer Scholarship deadline  
*\* It is important to note that some major programs have limited space available and fill quickly. Those applying after this date should contact a transfer coordinator in the St. Cloud State University Admissions Office for specific information.*

**THIS APPLICATION IS FOR ADMISSION TO ALL UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS AT ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY. PLEASE DO NOT USE IT IF ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES TO YOU:**

#### **Re-entering student**

If you have ever been admitted and enrolled in St. Cloud State University as an undergraduate, you need not reapply. Look on the St. Cloud State University website for registration instructions or contact the Help Desk at 320-308-3936. PSEO students are not considered re-entering students. Please use this application.

#### **International student**

International students may obtain the official international application by contacting the St. Cloud State University Center for International Studies, 320-308-4287. Visit the St. Cloud State University website for more information.

#### **Graduate student**

Applications for graduate programs are available from the St. Cloud State University School of Graduate Studies by calling 320-308-2113. Visit the St. Cloud State University website for more information.

#### **Special student**

If you do not wish to enroll as a degree seeking student and plan to take fewer than a cumulative total of 20 course credits you should contact the St. Cloud State University Office of Records and Registration at 320-308-2111 for special student enrollment forms. Special students may enroll without submitting an official application and transcripts, but must meet all regular admissions requirements. Visit the St. Cloud State University website for more information.

## SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS TO:

Office of Records and Registration  
118 Administrative Services Building  
St. Cloud State University  
720 Fourth Avenue South  
St. Cloud, MN 56301-4498



# Application / Information Form

Welcome and thank you for your interest in St. Cloud State University. It is important for you to be aware of the following data privacy issues before completing your application.

The University is asking you to provide information that includes private and/or confidential information under state and federal law. The University is asking for this information in order to process your application.

You are not legally required to provide the information the University is requesting; however, the University may not be able to effectively process your application if you do not provide sufficient information. With some exceptions, unless you consent to further release of private information, access to this information will be limited to school officials, including faculty, who have legitimate educational interests in the information. Under certain circumstances, federal and state laws authorize release of private information without your consent:

- To other schools in which you seek or intend to enroll, or are enrolled, if you are first notified of the release;
- To federal, state or local officials for purposes of program compliance, audit or evaluation;
- As appropriate in connection with your application for, or receipt of, financial aid;
- To your parents, if your parents claim you as a dependent student for tax purposes;
- If the information is sought with a subpoena, court order, or otherwise permitted by other state or federal law, and
- To an institution engaged in educational research or accrediting agency.

St. Cloud State University abides by the provisions of the Title 9 federal and state legislation forbidding discrimination on the basis of sex, race, color, gender, religion, marital status, creed, status with regard to public assistance, membership/activity in a local commission, status as a Vietnam-era veteran, age, ancestry, disability, national origin, sexual orientation, or citizenship. This document can be made available in formats such as large print or cassette tape, upon request.

## ACT REQUIREMENTS

To provide academic advising and for institutional research, all new freshman students who graduated from high school less than three years ago must submit an ACT College Assessment Report before registering for classes. Students who already have completed an ACT assessment before they were admitted should have their student profile report sent to the Office of Records and Registration. Others may arrange to take the ACT assessment at a regional testing center on one of the regularly scheduled testing dates publicized by ACT.

## APPLICATION REVIEW

The University begins acting on admission applications soon after September 15. Students are notified of admission within approximately two weeks of receipt of all required materials. All applications and application materials will be held and can be considered active for one year following the start of the first intended enrollment term. All submitted materials become the property of St. Cloud State University and will not be returned or forwarded.

## APPEALS

Students wishing to appeal an admission decision may contact the Office of Admissions. Reconsideration will be granted to those providing additional and supportive information regarding improved academic standing, extenuating circumstances or other relevant information in writing.

## RESIDENCY

To establish Minnesota residency for St. Cloud State University purposes and thus be eligible for resident tuition rates, you must be able to show that you have resided in Minnesota continuously for at least one calendar year prior to the first day of the semester. For more information, contact the University's residency adviser at 320-308-2111.

## RECIPROCITY

Residents of Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Manitoba who attend St. Cloud State University may apply for reciprocity privileges and pay a tuition rate equal or comparable to the Minnesota resident rate. Application for reciprocity is separate from the regular admission application.

If you are a resident of Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, or Nebraska, you may be eligible to pay reduced tuition through the Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP). Students who qualify pay 150% of Minnesota resident tuition - for significant savings off regular nonresident rates.



**MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PREPARATION STANDARDS FOR FRESHMAN APPLICANTS**

Students graduating from high school in 1994 and beyond are subject to preparation requirements for admission. These requirements do not apply to transfer student admission. Please list coursework which will be/was completed by graduation from high school.

**PLEASE FILL IN THE NUMBER OF YEARS COMPLETED IN EACH SUBJECT:**

<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>	<b>SCIENCES</b>	<b>WORLD LANGUAGE</b>
		Biological sciences with lab _____ yrs	Spanish _____ yrs
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>		Physical science with lab _____ yrs	French _____ yrs
Elementary algebra _____ yrs		Physics with lab _____ yrs	German _____ yrs
Intermediate algebra _____ yrs		Chemistry with lab _____ yrs	Other _____ yrs
Geometry _____ yrs		Other with lab _____ yrs	<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>
Trigonometry _____ yrs		<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>	<b>ELECTIVES</b>
Pre-Calculus _____ yrs		<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>	World Culture _____ yrs
Other _____ yrs		U.S. history _____ yrs	Music _____ yrs
<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>		Geography _____ yrs	Theatre / drama _____ yrs
		Other _____ yrs	Visual arts _____ yrs
		<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>	Dance _____ yrs
			Other _____ yrs
			<b>TOTAL OF _____ YRS</b>

**TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIAL FOR FRESHMAN APPLICANT**

Applicant ranks \_\_\_\_\_ (from top) in class of \_\_\_\_\_ students \_\_\_\_\_ percentile ACT composite score (w/o writing) \_\_\_\_\_ [or] SAT composite score \_\_\_\_\_

**HIGH SCHOOL RANK** Rank is based on academic record through  junior year  half of senior year  senior year

Weighted rank: Applicant ranks \_\_\_\_\_ from the top in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ students

Unweighted rank: Applicant ranks \_\_\_\_\_ from the top in a class of \_\_\_\_\_ students

School does not rank.

Signature of certifying official \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Supporting Information (All applicants)**

List school activities, community organizations, and volunteer work in which you participate. Attach a separate sheet if needed.

Name of Organization or Activity	Number of years of participation	Special Recognitions/Awards/Offices held

Are your parents graduates of St. Cloud State University?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, name(s) and year(s) of graduation \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFIDENTIAL VOLUNTARY INFORMATION**

The following information will help Minnesota State Colleges and Universities evaluate student recruitment and retention policies; it will not be used as a basis for admission. Providing this information is voluntary.

Gender  Male  Female

Are you Hispanic or Latino (a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture, regardless of race)?  
 Yes  No

**Racial background (select one or more)**

- American Indian or Alaska Native** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community attachment.
- Asian** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia or the Indian subcontinent.
- Black or African American** - A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- White** - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa.

**What is the highest level of education for your parent(s)/guardian(s)?**

Please respond for the parent(s), step-parent(s), adoptive parent(s) or guardian(s) who raised you. Check only one box for each parent/guardian.

**Parent/Guardian #1**

- No high school diploma
- High school diploma
- Some college
- Two-year college degree/diploma
- Bachelor's degree or higher
- Not sure/don't know

**Parent/Guardian #2**

- No high school diploma
- High school diploma
- Some college
- Two-year college degree/diploma
- Bachelor's degree or higher
- Not sure/don't know

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED BY ALL APPLICANTS**

I certify that the information given on this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I am responsible for the forwarding of official transcripts from schools I have attended, and that such transcripts become the property of St. Cloud State University and will not be returned. I understand that falsification of my records may be cause for St. Cloud State University to void either my admission or registration or take other appropriate action.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**ACCESS TO ADMISSION APPLICATION FILE**

*St. Cloud State University complies with federal and state privacy laws and regulations. Those who may gain access to information in your file are staff and faculty at St. Cloud State University who have a need to gain access, and outside organizations and government bodies in limited circumstances as authorized by state or federal law. In addition, you may receive your own file. No one else may view your file without your written consent or a subpoena or court order. If you want the University to give information to someone else such as your parent, spouse or other relative, or friend, you must complete and sign this section of the application. This consent will remain in effect for one year from the date you sign unless you advise the University earlier that you want to withdraw your consent. If you give someone else access to your file, that person may be able to help us process your application.*

I authorize the following person(s) to receive information in my St. Cloud State University application file.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to me \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(House/Apartment Number, Street, P.O. Box/Rural route) City State Zip Code

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return this section with your application.***

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# Excellent Opportunities at St. Cloud State University

## Majors and Emphasis Areas

- Accounting
- Anthropology
- Art
- Art Education
- Art History
- Studio Arts
  - Ceramics
  - Drawing
  - Graphic Design
  - Painting
  - Photography
  - Printmaking
  - Sculpture
- Athletic Training
- Aviation
  - Professional Flight
  - Operations
  - Management
- Aviation Maintenance Management
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Ecology and Field Biology
  - Ecology and Natural Resources
  - Wildlife Biology
- Life Science Education
- Biomedical Science
- Biotechnology
- Cell Biology
- Chemical Dependency
- Chemistry
- Chemistry Education
- Communication Arts & Literature (Teaching)
- Communication Sciences & Disorders
- Communication Studies
- Community Development
- Community Health
- Community Psychology
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computer Science (Applied)
- Criminal Justice Studies
- Early Childhood Education
- Earth Science
- Earth and Space Science (Teaching)
- Ecology and Field Biology
- Economics
  - Business Economics
  - Mathematical Economics
- Elective Studies
- Electrical Engineering
- Elementary Education (K-8)
- English
  - Creative Writing
  - Linguistics
  - Literature
  - Rhetorical & Applied Writing
- Entrepreneurship
- Environmental Science/ Studies
- Film Studies
- Finance
- French
- French (Teaching)
- Geography
- Geology
- German
- German (Teaching)
- Global Studies
- Health Education
- History
- Humanities
- Hydrology
- Information Media
- Information Systems
- Insurance/Risk Management
- International Business
- International Relations
- Land Surveying/Mapping Science
- Latin American Studies
- Management
  - Human Resources Management
  - Operations Management
- Manufacturing Engineering
- Marketing
- Mass Communications/ Journalism
  - Advertising
  - Broadcasting—Radio and Television
  - News Editorial (Print Media)
  - Public Relations
- Mathematics
- Mathematics (Teaching)
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medical Technology
- Meteorology
- Music
  - Instrumental Performance
  - Jazz
  - Music and New Media
  - Piano Pedagogy
  - Piano Performance
  - Theory and Composition
  - Vocal
  - Vocal Performance
- Music (Teaching)
- Network Information Security Systems
- Network Modeling and Simulation
- Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Nursing
- Philosophy
- Physical Education
  - Astrophysics
  - Electro-Optics
  - Engineering Science
- Physics Education
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Administration
- Radiologic Technology
- Real Estate
- Recreation and Sports Management
- Secondary Education
- Social Science
- Social Studies Education
- Social Work
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Spanish (Teaching)
- Special Education
- Statistics
  - Mathematical Statistics
  - Applied Statistics
  - Actuarial Science
- Technology Management
  - Industrial Management
  - Construction Management
- Technology Education
- Theatre
  - Design/Technology
  - History/Criticism
  - Acting/Directing
- Travel and Tourism
- Women's Studies

## Pre-Professional Study *(Programs that prepare you for graduate and/or professional school)*

- Pre-Agriculture
- Pre-Chiropractic
- Pre-Dental Hygiene
- Pre-Dentistry
- Pre-Forestry
- Pre-Horticulture
- Pre-Law
- Pre-Medicine
- Pre-Mortuary Science
- Pre-Occupational Therapy
- Pre-Optometry
- Pre-Pharmacy
- Pre-Physical Therapy
- Pre-Physician Assistant
- Pre-Podiatry
- Pre-Veterinary Medicine

## Undergraduate Certificate Programs

- Information Media
- Land Surveying

## Minor Programs Only

- African Studies
- African American Studies
- American Indian Studies
- Asian Pacific American Studies
- Athletic Coaching
- Chicano/a Studies
- Computer Algorithmics
- Computer Networking and Applications
- Computer Organization and Programming
- Corrections