ADMISSION, COSTS, AND FINANCIAL AID

Admission

Denison is committed to enrolling students of high intellectual ability who come from diverse backgrounds. The university provides an environment that supports and promotes academic achievement and personal growth. Denison values its faculty, academic programs, and students who have come to learn and contribute. Denison’s Office of Admission (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/) coordinates admission programs and reviews all applications to the university.

Secondary School Preparation

Because a Denison academic education is a blend of electives, general education, core courses, and departmental requirements, a broad, rigorous secondary school preparation is highly desirable. The university strongly recommends that, by the time you graduate from secondary school, you complete the following: four years of English; three years of mathematics, science, social studies, and a foreign language (at least two of which should be in the same language).

The admission committee takes particular note of Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, PSEO, honors, and enriched courses.

Admission Criteria

The quality of your academic performance and the rigor of courses selected are the most important factors considered by the admission committee. Submission of standardized test scores (ACT or SAT) is optional. Your application essay, as well as written statements from your collegeguidance counselor and an academic teacher, give us a greater understanding of your personal character and motivation. Important also is the quality, rather than the quantity, of your extracurricular accomplishments, whether school-, community-, or job-related. An offer of admission is always pending the receipt of the final transcript and its confirmation that the coursework has been completed in good standing and that no disciplinary issues have been added to the record. All offers of admission are conditional based on Denison’s Conditions of Admission (https://denison.edu/forms/conditions-of-admission/).

International applicants must demonstrate adequate English proficiency (considerations include, but are not limited to the following: English as the primary language of school instruction; English as the first/native language; TOEFL of 80+; IELTS of 6.5+; Duolingo English Test of 105+; SAT Reading of 600+; ACT English Language Arts of 26+; an admission interview). English proficiency waivers are considered on a case-by-case basis after a student applies for admission.

Application Process

Denison accepts the Common Application and the Coalition Application for first-year applicants. Transfer applicants must complete the Denison Transfer Application.

Early Decision

If, after careful research, you decide that Denison is your first-choice college, you are encouraged to apply through one of our two early decision rounds. Early decision applicants must sign and submit an early decision agreement form.

The deadline for Early Decision 1 is November 15, and the deadline for Early Decision 2 is January 15. Students are notified on a rolling basis once the Office of Admission has received all the required application materials. All decisions will be released within one month of the application deadline. Admitted students must accept our offer of admission and pay a nonrefundable enrollment deposit by the indicated deadline to confirm their place in the entering first-year class. An offer of admission is always pending the receipt of the final transcript and its confirmation that the coursework has been completed in good standing and that no disciplinary issues have been added to the record. All offers of admission are conditional based on Denison’s Conditions of Admission (https://denison.edu/forms/conditions-of-admission/).

Regular Decision

Candidates for regular decision admission should apply no later than January 15 and present a consistent record of academic accomplishment. Final notification of our admission decisions for completed applications will be made by April 1, and admitted students must respond to our offer and pay their nonrefundable deposit by May 1. An offer of admission is always pending the receipt of the final transcript and its confirmation that the coursework has been completed in good standing and that no disciplinary issues have been added to the record. All offers of admission are conditional based on Denison’s Conditions of Admission (https://denison.edu/forms/conditions-of-admission/).

Campus Visit and Interview

As you go through your college selection process, there are many ways to engage with Denison students, faculty, and staff. However, there is great value in visiting our campus in person and seeing first-hand all that Denison has to offer. When you visit Denison, plan to spend a few hours on campus. We offer information sessions, various tours of campus, the ability to sit in on a class (when classes are in session), and interview with an admission staff member or senior intern. Senior interviewers share with our regular staff the responsibility for describing the university to you and assessing your candidacy for admission. Interviews are intended to be conversational and no advance preparation is required.

You are encouraged to schedule your visit online (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/visit-campus/). You may also call the Office of Admission at 740-587-6276.

Alumni Interviews

Denison alumni located in many metropolitan areas across the country and overseas can serve as valuable resources and can often interview you if you are unable to visit campus. The report of your interview with a Denison graduate will become a part of your admission file. For local Denison alumni assistance or to arrange an interview, please contact the Office of Admission by phone (740-587-6276) or email (admission@denison.edu).

Overnight Accommodations on Campus

Visiting high school seniors can request overnight accommodations with a student host in one of the university residence halls. Overnight stays and airport shuttles can be arranged Sunday through Thursday while classes are in session. The Office of Admission also hosts several visit programs each semester.

If you wish to stay with a friend currently at Denison, you are encouraged to make your own arrangements.
Granville's Location
Granville is located 27 miles east of Columbus and is easily accessible from Interstates 70 and 71. The John Glenn Columbus International Airport (CMH) is served by major airlines, and rental cars and rideshares are available at the airport.

Deferred First-Year Student Matriculation
You have the option, upon being admitted to Denison, to request deferred enrollment (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/deferred-enrollment/) for up to one year. After being offered admission to Denison and paying the nonrefundable enrollment deposit, students seeking deferred enrollment may request a gap year no later than June 1. Requests must be made in writing by emailing the Office of Admission at admission@denison.edu. The request must include a clear explanation of why the deferral is being requested and how it is in the student’s best interest. Review the full Deferred Enrollment Policy (https://denison.edu/forms/deferred-enrollment-policy/) for more information.

Transfer Admission
The transfer application deadline for spring semester admission is November 15, and the transfer application deadline for fall semester admission is May 15. For further information on Denison’s transfer program, please contact the Office of Admission by phone (740-587-6276) or email (admission@denison.edu).

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Annual Costs
Actual 2020-2021

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The university reserves the right to make changes in costs at the beginning of any semester by publication of the new rates for tuition, activity fee, and student health center fee three months in advance, and for board and room, one month in advance of their effective date. Changes in other fees, charges, or policies may be made by announcement one month in advance of the effective date of the change.

Tuition
The annual tuition permits a student to take a maximum of 18 hours each semester. An additional charge of $1,730 is made for each registered hour in excess of 18 hours. All excess-hour charges are billed by Student Accounts. A part-time student (8 hours per semester or fewer) is charged $1,730 for each semester hour of credit.

Activity Fee
The activity fee provides basic support to the Denison Campus Government Association and the organizations they sponsor.

Health Center Fee
The health center fee provides basic support to student health services. This fee covers general operating expenses. Fees for inpatient care, medicine, laboratory tests and procedures, office surgery, and medical equipment will be charged to the student.

A group accident and sickness insurance plan is also available to students. Student Accounts sends details of this plan to students in the summer.

Housing
Housing options are: multiple room, single room, apartment, suite or Stone Hall apartment with shared bedroom. In addition, students will be charged for any damage beyond ordinary wear to the room and its contents.

Meals
Meals are served in the college dining halls throughout the academic year except during scheduled breaks. More detailed information on this and the other meal plan options will be sent to students along with their bill.

Other Fees
Auditing Classes
This privilege may be granted to any student with the approval of the teaching faculty member. A regularly enrolled full-time student may be permitted to audit one course each semester without an additional fee and without academic credit. In all other cases, an auditor pays a sum equal to one-half the tuition rate paid by a part-time student ($865 per registered hour).

Off-Campus Programs
An administrative fee charged to each student participating in an off-campus program is $950 per semester. However, students participating in full-year program will be charged a reduced fee ($110) for the second semester of the same program. An administrative fee of $290 will be charged for summer 2021 off-campus programs.

Books and Supplies
Bookstore purchases may be paid by cash, check, credit card, or a "Denison Dollars" debit account. Book grant funds (if awarded as part of your financial aid package) can also be used at the bookstore to purchase books and supplies. Information on the Denison Dollars account will be sent to all students prior to the start of each semester.

Department of Music Fees
Music fees are required of a student taking private lessons in applied music. A surcharge of $530 per half-hour (1 credit) or $1,060 per hour (2 credits) of instruction per semester, including the necessary practice time, is assessed for applied music lessons. All declared music majors and minors will be given 1 waived credit hour for private lesson instruction each semester. At the discretion of the music department, music majors may have up to 4 credit hours waived, and music minors may have up to 3 credit hours waived.
Any student paying regular tuition may attend classes (not private lessons) in voice or instrumental music without the surcharge.

**Special Fees**

An additional fee is assessed for courses such as ceramics, sculpture, printmaking, drawing/life drawing, and photography when the student becomes the owner of tangible items created. Additional course fees also apply to certain courses, including Intermediate Cinema Production, Taekwondo, Skin and Scuba Diving, and certain Denison Seminar courses. A fee is also charged for Model U.N. participation and Model E.U. participation. This is subject to change from semester to semester.

Some fine arts studio courses and science courses may have additional expenses.

**Enrollment Deposit**

A nonrefundable enrollment deposit is required of all students prior to enrollment at Denison. It is due by the date specified in a student’s offer of admission. This deposit is applied to the student’s first semester bill. The deposit is forfeited if the enrolling student withdraws after May 1 for Fall or November 1 for Spring.

**Semester Bills and Late Payments**

Denison bills electronically. Semester bills are available in MyDenison Self-Service in early July for Fall Semester and in early December for Spring Semester. Bills are due approximately three weeks after the bill date. Bills may be paid in advance. Bills not paid by the due date are subject to a late payment fee of 1% per month or any portion thereof on the unpaid balance until the bill is paid in full. Registration for a semester is not permitted unless all fees are paid.

**Payment of Bills**

All bills are payable in Student Accounts. To help develop a sense of responsibility and a greater appreciation of the educational opportunity, the university has a policy of collecting payment from the student rather than from his or her parents. The student, however, may grant another party direct access to their bill.

**Advanced Course and Housing Registration**

The university conducts advanced course registration each semester for the ensuing semester, and housing registration each spring for the following academic year.

All fees must be paid to permit advanced courses and housing registration.

**Miscellaneous Bills**

Invoices for miscellaneous items such as lost keys, identification cards, residence hall damages, lock core changes, medications and other health services, and driving and parking infractions are issued by the department authorizing the charge. All charges (except as noted below) are included on the comprehensive billing statement, which is available electronically in Denison Self-Service. Confidential health center services are added to the account only if not paid within 10 days. Unpaid library fines and other miscellaneous charges are also periodically added to the billing statement.

The university reserves the right to notify parents when scheduled payments are not met by the student. Students may want to grant others direct access to all bills, both semester and miscellaneous. The student can accomplish this by completing the steps outlined in the “Grant Access” link in their Denison Self-Service account.

A student is ineligible to attend classes unless his or her bills are paid when due. A student is denied an honorable separation, an official record of credits, or a diploma until all university bills are paid in full.

The policy in breakage fees applies to all supplies and equipment issued in any lab course in chemistry (including directed studies, senior research, and individual work for honors) or through the Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation Department. In addition to breakage fees, the Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation Department also charges for lost equipment if the student is negligent in returning borrowed equipment by the date requested.

Although a record is kept of all breakage, students are not ordinarily charged for breakage amounting to less than $5 per semester. However, when the breakage in any one semester is $5 or more, students will be billed directly by Student Accounts for the total amount of all breakage, including the first $5.

Additionally, students who fail to check out of a laboratory or locker properly (either when dropping a course during a semester or at the regular check-out time at the end of a semester) will be charged a fee of $25, plus the cost of any breakage, regardless of the amount.

The university accepts checks for payment of bills; however, a $30 charge is assessed on all payments returned by the bank. The university does not provide check-cashing privileges for students at Student Accounts. Granville has numerous banking and savings institutions that offer a variety of checking and savings plans. It is recommended that students establish an account with a local financial institution to facilitate their bill-paying and cash needs.

A $25 wire processing fee is charged on all incoming and outgoing wire transfers.

**Payment Plans**

Several monthly payment plans and long-term loans are available to parents of Denison students. Details of these plans are sent to students each spring for the following year of enrollment.

**Refunds**

Where applicable, refunds are automatically issued upon withdrawal or graduation. Continuing students may request refunds any time their account has a credit balance of $25 or greater, or at the end of the academic year if the credit balance is less than $25.

**Veterans Benefits and Transition Act of 2018**

In accordance with the VBTA, Denison agrees to make certain concessions to existing policy for covered individuals. A covered individual is any individual who is entitled to educational assistance under chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation, or chapter 33, Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits. These concessions, outlined below, are limited to the portion of funds paid by the Veterans Administration.

We will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds, on any covered individual because of the individual’s inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the
institution due to the delayed disbursement of funding from the Department of Veterans Affairs under chapter 31 or 33.

We will permit any covered individual to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a Certificate of Eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance under chapter 31 or 33 and ending on the earlier of the following dates:

1. The date on which payment from the VA is made to the institution.
2. 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the COE.

The Office of Financial Aid is the department of record for these dates.

Late Registration

Students failing to complete all registration matters by the final deadline of the tenth class date of the term and/or failing to respond properly to university officials’ notices regarding the problem shall be withdrawn from all pre-registered courses. Such withdrawal shall carry with it financial forfeitures in accordance with the refund schedules outlined below. Appeal of this action shall be to the academic standing board and, if upheld, will normally carry a minimum penalty of $50 and other disciplinary sanctions as deemed appropriate.

Refund or Forfeiture of Tuition, Activity Fee, Health Center Fee, Housing, and Meals

Withdrawal from the university at any time is official only upon written notice to the dean of students. A request to the registrar for a transcript of credits shall neither be considered a notice of withdrawal from the university nor a cancellation of a housing and/or meals reservation. For further information, please consult Withdrawal from the College.

In the event of an official withdrawal after the first day of classes, a student may receive a partial refund. The withdrawal process begins when a student meets with the dean of students or his/her designee for an exit interview. A student will not be considered withdrawn without an exit interview. Upon official withdrawal or suspension, any adjustments to the account are automatically made in accordance with university policy and a refund or bill will be sent as needed. Please contact Student Accounts with questions regarding the amount of refund or forfeiture of charges. *NOTE: Taking a Leave of Absence or withdrawing from the university may have serious implications concerning your financial aid and repayment plan. Contact the Office of Financial Aid (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/financial-aid/) by phone (740-587-6276) or email (finaid@denison.edu).

The enrollment deposit is nonrefundable.

A student will receive a refund of tuition, activity fee, and health center fee based upon withdrawal before the end of the respective full week of classes. The housing refund (including personal possessions) will be based on the date the student is determined to have vacated university premises and returned their room key. Please see chart below.

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No refunds are granted after the 8th week (9th week for medical withdrawal). In the event of withdrawal of a student because of dismissal, the medical withdrawal schedule will apply. A student who stops attendance without completing an exit interview or notifying the dean of students of their withdrawal is not entitled to a refund of charges.

A pro rata refund of the meals charge will be made following official withdrawal or dismissal from Denison as of the date the student vacates university premises and discontinues use of university facilities and services. The dean of students will determine this date.

Other Conditions

If a student withdraws after the deadline and before the first day of classes because of illness or other approved extenuating circumstance, the enrollment deposit remains nonrefundable.

Fees for applied music lessons or other course fees are not refunded after the fourth week in the case of a student withdrawing for any reason from a course or from the university.

In the unlikely event that a public health agency requires Denison University to halt operations—including the cancellation of classes—as the result of a pandemic or some similar occurrence, Denison will reopen and continue the semester as soon as public authorities permit it. Prepaid tuition, fees, housing, and meals would not be refunded under this circumstance. Prepayments will be held and applied to the continued semester as though there were no interruption of services.

Motor Vehicle Policy

All students are required to register any vehicle present on the Denison campus. A Denison registration sticker is not only a parking permit, but is also required for roadway use of a motor vehicle.

Safety Glasses Requirement

In accordance with the provisions of the state law (i.e. amended Sections 3313.643, 3743.52 and 3743.99 of the Revised Code of the State of Ohio file No. 225, effective June 22, 1972):

All students enrolled in specified laboratory and studio courses in art, biology, chemistry, geosciences, physical education, physics, theatre, and cinema MUST wear industrial-quality eye protective devices at all times while participating or observing any of the laboratory or studio work.

The Ohio law (a copy of which is on file in the departments named above) is written in such a way that “industrial-quality eye protective devices” means devices meeting the standards of the American National Standard Practice for Occupational and Educational Eye and Face Protection (Z87.1-1968) approved by the American National Standards Institute Inc., and subsequent revisions thereof, provided such revisions are approved and adopted by the State of Ohio Industrial Commission. In particular, the law specifies that “all impact resistant lenses must be capable of withstanding an impact test in which a five-eighths inch steel ball weighing approximately fifty-six hundredths of an ounce is dropped
Types of Financial Aid
Financial aid awarded is designed to help meet a student’s financial need, if the student has applied for need-based financial aid. Financial packages will usually consist of scholarships, grants, student employment, and/or loans.

Financial Aid Information
Denison is strongly committed to enrolling highly qualified students, regardless of their financial means. Because qualified, committed, and involved students are the lifeblood of our university, we regard each one as an invaluable asset to Denison. Denison meets 100% of the demonstrated financial need of all students.

If you have any doubts about your family’s ability to pay for a Denison education without help, don’t hesitate to apply for financial aid (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/apply-for-financial-aid/). The Office of Financial Aid welcomes the opportunity to help you and your family plan for college.

Applying for Financial Aid
To apply for need-based financial aid at Denison University, domestic students must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by November 15 (for Early Decision 1 and spring transfer applicants), by January 15 (for Early Decision 2 and Regular Decision applicants), or by May 15 (for fall transfer applicants). All need-based aid applicants must also submit the CSS Profile and parent W-2s by those same deadlines. Additionally, the CSS Noncustodial Profile and other documentation may be required depending on a student’s individual circumstances. Denison’s FAFSA code is 003042 and Denison’s CSS Profile code is 1164. All international applicants must submit a Certification of Finances, regardless of their intention to apply for financial aid.

If you have any doubts about your family’s ability to pay for a Denison education without help, don’t hesitate to apply for financial aid (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/apply-for-financial-aid/). The Office of Financial Aid welcomes the opportunity to help you and your family plan for college.

When we make an offer of financial assistance, we offer funds from federal, state, third-party, and/or institutional sources to help meet your need.

Denison students intending to apply for financial aid while enrolled elsewhere must consult with the Office of Financial Aid. Individual circumstances will vary, but accepting aid elsewhere may impact a student’s ability to receive aid after returning to Denison.

Denison’s endowment supports the awarding of all Denison merit scholarships and Denison need-based grant aid each year, totaling over $60 million.

Scholarships
Denison annually offers several merit scholarships to incoming students, and scholarships generally range from $5,000 to full tuition. Students who wish to be considered for merit-based scholarships must submit a completed application for admission by the deadline for their chosen admission round, unless otherwise noted. Unless otherwise specified, all of Denison’s merit scholarships awarded at the time of admission are available for four years (eight semesters), and they cannot be applied toward off-campus study tuition charges. Merit scholarships require recipients to maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA, unless otherwise stipulated.

A limited number of departmental scholarships are also available to selected students, based on factors such as outstanding academic achievement and fine arts talent. If you are eligible to be considered for such a scholarship, you will be either considered automatically or invited to apply by the appropriate academic department.

Grants
Grant aid is typically based on financial need, as determined by your FAFSA and CSS Profile, if you filed these your first year at Denison. Denison awards grants from our own funds and from outside sources. We participate in the Federal Pell Grant program, the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) program, and certain state grant programs.

Student Employment
Every student at Denison may have an opportunity to work. Students are not required to work; however, if they have been offered a work award, they may earn up to the amount listed for the academic year. Student employment earnings are NOT deducted from your tuition bill, because they must be earned from work. Students are responsible for finding their own job and contacting the supervisor to arrange interviews. Available jobs can be found on myDenison in the HR and Employees tab. Students must submit all paperwork requirements to the HR office before they begin working. Students and supervisors can find the supervisor and student employee manuals on myDenison for more information. Student employment in any given position is not guaranteed.

Loans
Students and their families often take out loans to help cover the costs of education. Loans are available through the federal government at a low cost. Loans are also available through financial institutions and from a special fund provided by Denison alumni. If loans are necessary to fund your education, Denison’s financial aid team will work with you to secure you the best loans and rates and help you understand your responsibilities for repayment.

Your financial aid award may contain a Denison Scholar Loan, a Federal Direct Subsidized Loan, or a Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan. The Denison Scholar Loan is limited and made at the discretion of the Office of Financial Aid. Students must have a FAFSA on file to be considered. Denison Scholar Loans are subsidized, meaning no interest accrues while the student is enrolled. These loans have an interest rate of 6%, a 10 year repayment plan and a 9 month grace period after a student graduates or ceases to be enrolled. Loans may be pre-paid without penalty.
Federal Direct Subsidized loans are need based and available to students that have completed a FAFSA, and are enrolled at least half-time. Interest begins to accrue following graduation and after the 6 month grace period or after the student ceases to be enrolled.

The Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan is available to students who are not eligible or have limited eligibility for the Federal Direct Subsidized Loan. The loan terms are similar to the subsidized loan except that interest is charged from the time of loan disbursement. The student may choose to have the interest accrue while enrolled at least half time or pay the interest quarterly. The interest rates and terms of these loans are subject to change by Congress. Students must accept or decline their loans offered to them via MyDenison Self-Service. Loan Entrance Counseling and a Master Promissory Note are required prior to loan disbursement. Parent and alternative loans are also available. For more information, consult with the Office of Financial Aid.

Renewal of Financial Assistance

For U.S. citizens and permanent residents, financial need must be determined every year by re-filing the FAFSA to re-qualify for need-based financial aid. The deadline for all continuing students to file the FAFSA for aid eligibility in the following academic year is April 1. FAFSAs may be accepted after April 1, but financial aid is not guaranteed. Financial aid may vary from year to year depending on increased costs, FAFSA results, income fluctuations, number of students in college, a change in circumstances, etc.

Further Information

For more detailed information about financing your Denison education, visit the Office of Financial Aid (https://denison.edu/campus/admission/financial-aid/) or call 740-587-6276.

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