ADMISSION OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS: COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

Academic Requirements for Admission
Candidates for admission must present a transcript of courses from an accredited secondary school and test scores that indicate the applicant is likely to succeed in college. Courses and grades must indicate intellectual ability and progress. St. Catherine University strongly recommends students enroll in a solid college preparatory program while in high school. Academic success in a liberal arts college suggests the following preparation: English (4 years), foreign languages (3 years), natural science (2 years), social science (2 years) and mathematics (3 years). Students who are interested in science and scientifically related pre-professional programs should take biology, chemistry and physics.

Application Procedure
St. Catherine University operates on a rolling admission basis, which means that applications are processed as they are received. Students are considered for admission upon completion of the junior year and on the basis of a high school transcript and test scores. Students will be notified of the admission decision within four weeks after the application file is complete and has been evaluated by the Admission Committee. The University begins notifying applicants of offers of admission no later than October 15. In order to complete their application file, students must send the following to the Office of Admission:

- A completed application form
- An official high school transcript or General Education Development (GED) test results. All available aptitude and achievement scores as well as class rank should be entered on this transcript. Applicants who have completed any portion of their education outside the United States should consult with their admission counselor for additional instructions.
- Results of one of the following exams: American College Testing Program (ACT), Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT). (Tests are not required for applicants over 21 years of age.) Scores may be reported on the high school transcript or sent directly to the University from the appropriate testing agency.
- If the applicant’s first language is not English, the applicant will be required to submit the results of either the Michigan English Language Assessment Battery Test (MELAB), the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or take St. Catherine University’s English Language Test.
  - Recommendation form (for high school students only)

The Admission Committee may defer an applicant’s admission decision until further information has been received, such as recent test scores, results of the current semester’s course work or letters of recommendation. If additional credentials are needed or an interview is deemed necessary, applicants will be informed by the Office of Admission.

Upon acceptance to the University, students should send the signed enrollment form and a $200 tuition deposit to the Office of Admission.

Early Entrance
On rare occasion, certain high school students who show exceptional promise may be granted admission to the University at the end of the junior year. Students wishing to pursue early admission must follow the application procedures outlined above and must receive the recommendation of their high school principal or guidance counselor.

Advanced Placement Program
The University grants credit for Advanced Placement (AP) tests administered by the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB). The minimum grade required for credit varies across subject areas. For some AP tests, credit is awarded for a grade of 3 or higher, whereas other tests require a minimum grade of 4 or 5. Specific requirements are on file in the Registrar’s Office and posted online on the registrar’s web page.