



WORCESTER STATE UNIVERSITY

Application Directions for First-Year Students:

Worcester State places great emphasis on the student's academic record, including quality and level of courses, grade point average, and grade trends. SAT or ACT scores are optional* and a personal essay is recommended. A student's work experience and extracurricular involvement may add value to a student's overall credentials. Although letters of recommendation are not required, they may be submitted as additional supplemental information. For students who are not native English speakers, the submission of an English proficiency examination report is required. Specific requirements for more competitive majors, such as Nursing and Occupational Studies can be found in the University catalog.

Required Documents for First-year Student applicants:

- ✓ Completed Common Application or Worcester State application and \$50 non-refundable application fee (*applying online is encouraged*).
- ✓ Official copy of high school transcript, including first quarter senior grades (transcripts deemed official only when sent directly to the Admissions Office from the high school).
- ✓ Copy of SAT or ACT scores, if submitting (official score report is required for students enrolling to Worcester State). **First-year applicants may opt-out from submitting SAT or ACT scores. Refer to our test-optional policy at www.worcester.edu/test-optional.*
Worcester State CEEB Code #3524 ACT Code #1914
- ✓ Personal Essay; *recommended, not required*.

Note: GED/HiSET recipients must submit official GED or HiSET score reports and an official copy of their high school transcript.

Worcester State determines first-year student admission eligibility in accordance with the published standards established by the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education (MDHE). *Meeting these standards does not guarantee admission to the University.* More information on the MA DHE standards can be found on our website at www.worcester.edu/Undergraduate-Admissions.

Additional Requirements for International Students:

Refer to the WSU International Student Information Packet for more information on the admission process for first-year and transfer students

Application deadline for Fall (September entrance) – April 1
Application deadline for Spring (January entrance) – November 1

- Official Copy of TOEFL, IELTS or comparable exam scores (if primary language of instruction is not English)
- Worcester State University Certificate of Finances form
- Copy of photo ID page from your passport

Additional Information for Students with Learning Disabilities:

Applicants are not required to disclose a learning disability, but if they wish to be considered for academic accommodations after enrollment, they must submit a copy of the complete diagnostic testing with the official high school transcripts. The diagnostic testing which includes both a cognitive and an achievement test should have been completed within the last three years. All diagnostic materials are kept confidential and will be used only within guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act as amended.

Additional Requirements for home-schooled applicants:

Documentation from your local school district, preferably a letter from the Superintendent indicating that your home school plan meets district curriculum standards.

FIRST-YEAR PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINES

FALL (September entrance):

Early Action (non-binding) – **November 15**

Nursing (BSN) Track I and Occupational Studies – **January 15 (firm)**

Regular Decision – **March 1**

SPRING (January entrance): **November 15**

No spring applications are accepted for Nursing (BSN) and Occupational Studies

After these dates, contact the Admissions Office to determine if applications are still being accepted.

On-campus housing and certain majors may not be available to students completing their application after the priority application filing dates.

Students are encouraged to apply online:

www.worcester.edu/apply



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Application Directions for Transfer Students:

You are a transfer student if you have attended one or more regionally accredited colleges and/or universities and have earned college credits. Transcripts from colleges/universities previously attended are the primary factor in determining acceptance to Worcester State University. To be considered a transfer applicant, a student must have successfully completed one of the three requirements defined below:

- 12 to 23 transferable college credits and a minimum 2.5 college GPA
- Up to 23 transferable college credits, a minimum 2.0 college GPA, and a combination of high school grades and SAT/ACT scores that meet freshmen admission standards
- 24 or more transferable college credits and a minimum 2.0 GPA

Required Documents for Transfer Applicants:

- ✓ Completed Worcester State University Application and \$50 non-refundable application fee (*applying online is encouraged*)
- ✓ Official copy of final high school transcript, indicating proof of graduation from an accredited high school or a high school equivalency certificate indicating the test scores received (*excludes students who have already earned an Associate's or Bachelor's degree*)
- ✓ Official copy of college transcript(s) of all courses completed at each post-secondary institution attended (transcripts are deemed official only when sent directly to the Admissions Office from the previous college)
- ✓ Personal Essay; *recommended, not required.*

Note: International Transfer Applicants must also submit a copy of their I-20 form (Refer to our International admission requirements at www.worcester.edu/international-students)

Non Traditional Applicants:

You are a non-traditional applicant if you are applying for admission more than three years after high school graduation. You do not need to meet the admissions standards for freshmen. Instead, you must show that you are capable of succeeding in college, based upon your high school and/or college transcript grades. Standardized test scores and other factors may be used as part of the admission process. You must meet the minimum grade point average.

A personal statement outlining your experience in life or work, your career goals, and your specific reasons for applying to Worcester State University is recommended, but not necessary.

TRANSFER PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINES

FALL (September entrance): May 1

Nursing (BSN) Track I* **January 15 (firm)**

*Fall enrollment only – limited space into the first year level

RN to BSN Track II (September entrance):
May 1

LPN to BSN Track III (September entrance):
February 1

SPRING (January entrance): November 15

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