

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT  
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

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# } international student application checklist }

*To be completed by: non U.S. citizens, U.S. permanent residents and U.S. citizens living abroad.*

## First-Year Student

Your application file is complete and ready for review when we have received your

- Application Form (online version available at: [www.messiah.edu/admissions/application/international](http://www.messiah.edu/admissions/application/international)). Students are encouraged to apply online and send supporting documents by Federal Express, DHL, or UPS International.
- Secondary/High School Academic Record (The high school, secondary transcript must be in English. If not, an official, certified translation should accompany the transcript. Contact us for suggestions.)
- Standardized test results from one of the following:
  - Scholastic Assessment Test (Messiah College SAT code is 2411)
  - American College Test (Messiah College ACT code is 3630)
  - TOEFL: Test of English as a Foreign Language (Messiah College TOEFL code is 2411)
  - IELTS: International English Language Testing System
- Essay
- Christian Life Recommendation Form
- Application Fee:
  - Online/electronic application form—\$20 USD
  - Printed/paper application—\$30 USD (fee is waived if received before November 15)
- Financial Aid Application and Documentation:
  - U.S. citizens and permanent residents: File the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)) at your earliest convenience.
  - Non-U.S. citizens and non-permanent residents: Complete the International Financial Form/Affidavit of Support Form and all supporting documents. *Note, this must be received before your application will be reviewed.* [www.messiah.edu/admissions/international](http://www.messiah.edu/admissions/international)
- Immigration documents (non-U.S. citizens and permanent residents): Please submit a copy of your passport (ID page) and a copy of your current immigration documents (i.e. I-20, visa stamp, green card, etc.)

## Transfer Student

Your application file is complete and ready for review when we have received your

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- Secondary/High School Academic Record (The high school/secondary transcript must be in English. If not, an official, certified translation should accompany the transcript. Contact us for suggestions.)

- University/College transcript(s). Request transcript(s) from the academic office at the institution(s) previously attended. (The transcript(s) must be in English. If not, an official certified translation should accompany the transcript. Contact us for suggestions)
- Standardized test results from one of the following (if you have less than 30 credits of university level course work):
  - Scholastic Assessment Test (Messiah College SAT code is 2411)
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## Admission Decisions

Once all application documents are received, admission decisions are processed on a rolling or continuous basis (and communicated after September 15).

## Contact Us

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*Messiah College's Campus Security Report and Safety and Security Information are posted on the Department of Safety website at: [www.messiah.edu/offices/safety/report.html](http://www.messiah.edu/offices/safety/report.html). Information includes statistics regarding the incidence of campus crime over the past three years, as well as details about our safety and security practices. Related material can be found on the U.S. Department of Education website at: [www.ope.ed.gov/security/instdetail.asp?UNITID=213996](http://www.ope.ed.gov/security/instdetail.asp?UNITID=213996) [www.ope.ed.gov/security/instdetail.asp?UNITID=213996](http://www.ope.ed.gov/security/instdetail.asp?UNITID=213996). If you would like additional information, clarification, or a paper copy, please contact the Department of Safety at +717-766-2511, extension 6005.*

*This serves as notification to current and prospective students that, pursuant to Section 486 of the Higher Education Act, Messiah College's six year graduation rate and other retention/graduation data are available online. A hard copy will be provided upon request by contacting the Institutional Research Office. To view statistics online, please go to the Messiah College home page—Campus Offices—Institutional Research. Once at the website, click on Messiah Stats—Six-Year Graduation Rate (HEA Section 48) or view at: [www.messiah.edu/offices/research/data/](http://www.messiah.edu/offices/research/data/)*

# { personal information }

I am applying as a:  First-Year Student  
 Transfer Student (taken 12 or more university/college credits)  
 Enrollment Term:  Fall 20 \_\_\_\_  Spring 20 \_\_\_\_ (Note: Spring intake is only for transfer students from U.S. colleges or universities, permanent residents, or U.S. citizens living abroad)  
 Housing plans:  On-campus residence  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for printing clearly.

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST/GIVEN (AS ON YOUR PASSPORT OR LEGAL DOCUMENTS) MIDDLE LAST/FAMILY

2. Preferred First Name (nickname) \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Gender  Male  Female

4. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE/PROVINCE/REGION ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

5. Permanent/Legal Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY STATE/PROVINCE/REGION ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

6. Temporary Address (if you attend a boarding school or are currently living with someone other than your parent(s), please provide the name, address, and the person's relationship to you.)  
 Effective dates      MONTH -      DAY - 20     YEAR until      MONTH -      DAY - 20     YEAR

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME RELATIONSHIP/SCHOOL STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE CITY  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
STATE/PROVINCE/REGION ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY PHONE: COUNTRY CODE CITY/AREA CODE NUMBER

7. Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_  Home  Cell Secondary Phone \_\_\_\_\_  Home  Cell  
COUNTRY CODE CITY/AREA CODE NUMBER COUNTRY CODE CITY/AREA CODE NUMBER

8. E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(if more than one, list preferred)

9. U.S. Social Security Number (if you have one) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
MONTH DAY YEAR

11. Citizenship and language:

Are you a U.S. citizen:  Yes  No

If no, check the box that best describes your situation:

- U.S. permanent resident/Green card holder. Alien Registration Number? \_\_\_\_\_
- International citizen presently residing in the USA. Visa classification? \_\_\_\_\_
- International citizen presently residing outside of the USA. Country of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have dual citizenship?  Yes  No If yes, please list the countries of citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not have USA Citizenship and are residing in the USA, please indicate the year you came to live in the USA. \_\_\_\_\_

	Proficiency:	excellent	good	poor	fair
What is your native language? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What is the primary language you speak at home? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
What is the primary language of instruction at your last school attended? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other languages spoken? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

I identify myself as: (check all that apply)  international student  MK—missionary kid  TCK—third-culture kid  have an international interest

12. Please identify your Race/Ethnic background (select one or more races/ethnicities):

- Black or African
- Asian, Middle East
- Asian, Pacific Basin (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Asian, including the Indian Subcontinent (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- White, Non-Hispanic
- Indigenous People (please specify Tribal Affiliation): \_\_\_\_\_
- Hispanic, Latino/Latina or Chicano/Chicana (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Caribbean (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

13. Church Affiliation/Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

14. Have you been convicted of a crime?  No  Yes (If yes, submit a letter of explanation. Such conviction will not necessarily disqualify you from admission.)

15. Do you plan to file the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (U.S. citizen, dual citizen with USA, and permanent resident only)?  Yes  No

## } family information }

16. Parents or Legal Guardians:

<b>FATHER</b> OR GUARDIAN	STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE OR <input type="checkbox"/> SAME AS APPLICANT	( _____ )	COUNTRY CODE	CITY/AREA CODE	NUMBER
CITY	STATE/PROVINCE/REGION	ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY	( _____ )	COUNTRY CODE CITY/AREA CODE NUMBER
E-MAIL	OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER	UNIVERSITY/ COLLEGE(S) ATTENDED			
<b>MOTHER</b> OR GUARDIAN	STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE OR <input type="checkbox"/> SAME AS APPLICANT	( _____ )	COUNTRY CODE	CITY/AREA CODE	NUMBER
CITY	STATE/PROVINCE/REGION	ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY	( _____ )	COUNTRY CODE CITY/AREA CODE NUMBER
E-MAIL	OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER	UNIVERSITY/ COLLEGE(S) ATTENDED			

17. How did you hear about Messiah College? (check all that apply)

- alumnus  family member  friend  teacher/school  pastor/clergy/church  other \_\_\_\_\_
- Name of person(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- website  college fair or school visit  brochure/magazine

18. Have any of your immediate family members attended Messiah?

NAME	RELATIONSHIP	GRADUATION YEAR	NAME	RELATIONSHIP	GRADUATION YEAR
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# { educational information }

19. What are you interested in studying? (select from academic majors listed below)

First Preference \_\_\_\_\_  Undeclared/Undecided

<b>MAJORS</b>	Chemistry	Health and Physical Education	Nutrition Science	Biology/Environmental Dual Certification (K-12)	Health and Physical Education (K-12)
Accounting	Christian Ministries	Education	Philosophy	Chemistry (7-12)	History/Social Studies (7-12)
Adventure Education	Communication	Health and Exercise Science	Physics	Early Childhood Education (N-3)	Mathematics (7-12)
Art Education	Computer Science	History	Politics	Elementary Education (K-6)	Music Education (K-12)
Art History	Criminal Justice	Human Development and Family Science	Psychology	Elementary/Early Childhood Dual Certification (K-12)	Spanish (K-12)
Arts Management	Early Childhood Education	Human Resource Management	Social Work	Elementary/Special Education	<b>PREPROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS</b>
Athletic Training	Economics	International Business	Sociology	Dual Certification (K-12)	Pre-Allied Health
Biblical and Religious Studies	Elementary Education	Journalism	Spanish	English (7-12)	Pre-Dental
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	Engineering	Marketing	Spanish Business	Family and Consumer Sciences Education (K-12)	Pre-Law
Biology	English	Mathematics	Sport Management	French (K-12)	Pre-Medical
Biopsychology	Entrepreneurship	Music	Studio Art	German (K-12)	Pre-Physical Therapy
Broadcasting	Environmental Science	Music Education	Theatre		Pre-Veterinary
Business Administration	Environmental Studies	Nursing	<b>TEACHING CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS</b>		
Business Information Systems	Family and Consumer Sciences Education	Nutrition and Dietetics	Art Education (K-12)		
	French		Biology (7-12)		
	German				

## Secondary/High School

20. Secondary/High school graduation month \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF SCHOOL		STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE				( _____ )	
CITY	STATE/PROVINCE/REGION	ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY	PHONE: COUNTRY CODE	CITY/AREA CODE	NUMBER	

21. Secondary/High school attended (most recently):  Public  Private – International  Private – American  Home

If home-educated, are you earning a state-recognized high school diploma?  Yes  No

## University/College

22. Have you taken university/college courses and/or are enrolled in a university/college?  Yes  No

If yes, check all that apply:  While enrolled in secondary/high school  After graduating from secondary/high school

23. How many credits have you earned to date? \_\_\_\_\_ Credits in progress? \_\_\_\_\_

24. If you have attended other universities/colleges, please list each institution and address:

NAME OF SCHOOL		STREET/PO BOX/RURAL ROUTE				( _____ )	
CITY	STATE/PROVINCE/REGION	ZIP/ZONE/POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY	PHONE: COUNTRY CODE	CITY/AREA CODE	NUMBER	

# { honors/awards/recognitions }

25. Please list any honors, awards, and/or recognitions you have received during your high school years. Indicate the grade/year in which the honor or award was received. **NOTE: This information may be used in the scholarship selection process.**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

26. As a National Merit Program scholarship sponsor, we are interested in knowing if you have been recognized in this program as a:

High Scorer  Commended Student  Semifinalist  Finalist

## { activities }

27. Describe any cocurricular (school-related) and/or extra-curricular (church, community, etc.) activities in which you were involved during secondary/high school, making sure to include any leadership roles assumed. Please indicate:

*A) the activity and any leadership/titled position held*

*B) the number of years involved and number of years in titled positions*

**NOTE: This information may be used in the scholarship selection process and will only be considered if reported on this form or using this format on a separate sheet(s).**

A) Activity/Position(s) held (if any)

B) Number of Years in Activity/Position(s)

*e.g., Student Government – President*

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## { essay }

28. Thoughtfully consider the following question and respond on a separate sheet of paper (not to exceed one typewritten page).

*Messiah College is a Christian college of the liberal and applied arts and sciences whose mission is to educate men and women toward maturity of intellect, character, and Christian faith in preparation for lives of service, leadership, and reconciliation in church and society. How have you prepared for and how do you expect to work toward fulfilling this mission as a student at Messiah College?*

## { Christian life statement and signature }

29. At Messiah College, we strive to bring all of life under the Lordship of Jesus Christ. We believe that a personal faith in Jesus Christ is the foundation for social, intellectual, and spiritual growth; furthermore, the College believes as ethical principles of the Christian faith are applied to life, certain actions are beneficial and others are detrimental to the development of Christian character. The College stresses the sanctity of persons and the significance of Christian community. Specifically, Messiah College expects you to be honest in the preparation of assignments and examinations and to respect the property of the College and colleagues. Messiah College is a drug-, tobacco-, and alcohol-free environment. The position of the College in this respect is amplified in the Messiah College Student Handbook and The Community Covenant. You may view the entire Community Covenant document at: [www.messiah.edu/about/community\\_covenant.html](http://www.messiah.edu/about/community_covenant.html)

I certify that I am familiar with the above standards and expectations for student conduct at Messiah College. If admitted as a student, I agree to abide by these guidelines. I also certify that the information I have provided on this application is complete and accurate.

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