

ADMISSIONS

Undergraduate Admissions-General Information

Lincoln University seeks to admit and enroll students who are prepared to succeed in the University's programs of study. In order to determine an applicant's readiness for success at Lincoln, the University needs an accurate appraisal of the student's academic achievement and ability.

Lincoln University, in accordance with applicable Federal and State Laws and University Policies, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, age, medical condition, ancestry, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran or special disabled veteran. This nondiscrimination policy covers admission, access, and treatment in University programs and activities.

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Application Procedures

Lincoln University's application for admission is available online at: www.lincoln.edu/apply-now

Entry Term	Priority Notification	Application Deadline
Fall	February 1	May 1
Spring	October 1	November 1

After these dates, applications will be considered on a space-available basis. (Students seeking housing on campus will want to apply as soon as possible, as housing is limited and is not guaranteed).

First-time Freshmen

First-time freshmen are applicants whom have graduated from high school (or received their General Educational Development credential) and have not attended a college or university. First-time freshmen must submit the following documents:

- Completed application with \$20 application fee (non-refundable)
- High School Transcript
- Test Scores (ACT or SAT)

Lincoln University welcomes admission applications from prospective first-time freshmen after they have completed their eleventh grade year, when final grades have posted and course selection for the senior year is reflected. The SAT or ACT should be taken late in the junior year and again early in the fall of the senior year. In making admissions decisions, Lincoln will combine the highest math, and critical reading scores from all test scores submitted. Students who have graduated from high school, but not have attended a college, would not be required to take the ACT or SAT test after five years have passed since their high school graduation. These students' admission into Lincoln would be based solely upon their high school transcripts.

First-year Transfers

First-year transfers are applicants whom have attended one or more regionally accredited college(s) or universities and have accrued less than 12 transferable credits but wish to continue their education at Lincoln University. First-year Transfers must submit the following documents:

- Completed application with \$20 application fee (non-refundable)
- High school transcript
- Test scores (ACT or SAT)
- College transcript (from all institutions attended)
- Transfer student dean certification form (from all institutions attended)

Transfer Students

Transfer students are applicants whom have attended one or more regionally accredited college(s) or universities and have accrued 12 or more transferable credits but wish to continue their education at Lincoln University. Transfer students must submit the following documents:

- Completed application with \$20 application fee (non-refundable)
- High school transcript
- College transcript (from all institutions attended)
- Transfer student dean certification form (from all institutions attended)

On the basis of the college transcript, a tentative estimate will be given to the candidate identifying the work to be completed and the approximate length of time it will take to earn a degree. Students from an institution that is not regionally accredited will have their General Education course work evaluated by the Office of the Registrar and major requirements by the respective academic department.

Students with an Associate's degree:

Students who transfer to Lincoln University with an associate degree in a parallel degree program from a regionally accredited college/university will have their General Education/core curriculum courses considered complete. Students may have to complete additional coursework depending on the major and prerequisites required for major courses, as determined by the academic department.

Students with a Bachelor's degree:

Students that transfer to Lincoln University with a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college/university will have their General Education/core curriculum courses considered complete.

Students may have to complete additional coursework depending on the major and prerequisites required for major courses, as determined by the academic department.

It is the applicant's responsibility to see that all the appropriate steps are completed in filing an application for admission.

Admission Requirements

Lincoln University reviews applications on a rolling basis. Applicants will be notified of a decision on a rolling basis as their completed application is reviewed. Some applicants will be asked to submit new information to support their applications for admission, usually first-semester senior year grades and/or new SAT or ACT scores and/or final college grades and/or a personal statement. Applicants who are asked to submit additional information will be reviewed upon receipt of that information. All offers of admission are contingent upon satisfactory completion of senior year courses, college coursework and a continuing record of good character.

Lincoln reserves the right to rescind admission for unsatisfactory academic performance or social behavior anytime. Additionally, an offer of admission ordinarily will be withdrawn if Lincoln University discovers that a false statement or falsified material was submitted in

connection with an application. If the misrepresentation is discovered after a student has enrolled, the student will be subject to loss of credits earned and separation from the University.

High School Requirements

Students must possess a high school diploma, GED, or equivalent by the start of their intended term of entry. Each candidate for admission must complete a minimum of 21 credits in grades 9 through 12. These credits must come from a standard senior high school, accredited either by the state authorities or by a regional accrediting body, or from an approved General Education Diploma (GED) program.

The 21 credits should be distributed as follows:

4 units of English	3 units of Mathematics
3 units of Social Studies	3 units of Science
2 units of Arts or Humanities or both	1 units of Health and Physical Education
5 units of Electives*	

*Student selects 5 additional courses from among those approved for credit toward graduation by the school district, including approved vocational education courses.

Please check the Admissions webpage for any updated requirements that may supersede this academic catalog.

Entrance Exam Requirements

First-time freshmen and first-year transfer students seeking admission are required to take either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT). The candidate is responsible for requesting that the test scores be sent to Lincoln University, either by indicating Lincoln University on the application or, at a later date, by special request.

Entrance Exam	Lincoln University School Code
Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)	2367
American College Test (ACT)	3614

It is recommended that the candidates take these tests at the earliest possible date.

Admission for International Students

International students should submit official copies of transcripts listing all subjects taken and grades received. He or she should submit the General Certificate of Education or its equivalent, a letter of recommendation from the principal of the secondary school attended, and a

character recommendation, preferably from a teacher or some other professional person who knows the applicant well.

Applicants whose native language is not English are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). Applicants whose native language is English are required to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

Registration forms for the TOEFL and the SAT can be obtained from the Educational Testing Service at the following address: Box 6151, Princeton, New Jersey 08541-6151. The telephone number is 609-771-7100.

A statement signed by the person who will be responsible for the financial obligation of the applicant to the University is also required. International students are encouraged to pay particular attention to the fee structure, which is included in the General Statement pertaining to school expenses. Payment of the first semester's tuition and fees and room and board charges are required before the issuance of INS Form I-20 to the student.

Advanced Placement

Lincoln University participates in the College Board Advanced Placement Program and awards course exemptions and college credit to entering students with qualifying scores. Students who have received a score of three or higher on any of the Advanced Placement Examinations of the College Board will be eligible, in the area of each examination, for advanced placement and credit toward graduation as determined by the appropriate department.

Lincoln University is a participant in the College Level Examination Program (CLEP). The University will grant credit for CLEP General Examination and Subject Examinations. CLEP General Examination credits will be granted to entering freshmen on the basis of Lincoln University norms. CLEP General and Subject Examination Credit will be granted to freshmen, transfer or current students according to the requirements established by the American Council on Education (ACE). Department approval must be obtained before taking a subject examination. The student should contact the Registrar's Office for other requirements.

International Baccalaureate

Lincoln University participates in the International Baccalaureate (IB) program and awards course exemptions and college credits to entering students with qualifying exam scores. Students who have received a score of five or higher on any of the IB examinations will be eligible for credit, in the area of each exam, for advanced placement and awarded credit toward graduation as determined by the appropriate academic department.

Personal Interviews

Although interviews are not required for admission, the University encourages them. An interview and campus tour can be arranged by appointment. A request for an interview and campus tour should be addressed to the Office of Admissions two weeks in advance of the

desired date. Applicants should suggest at least two alternative dates on which it would be convenient for them to visit campus.

After Admission

After being admitted, and before registering for classes, the student must submit an official final high school transcript (*first time freshmen only*) and satisfy the obligations listed below:

Acceptance Fee

A \$275 registration fee is required of each new student to reserve a space at the University. This fee is non-refundable but will be credited toward the semester expenses. All new students must mail the fee as soon as admission to the University is granted. If an applicant fails to attend after admission, the fee will be forfeited and a later admission will require a new fee.

Medical History and Health Insurance

The State of Pennsylvania requires that all entering students present a report of medical history, signed by a licensed physician, assessing the students' state of health before they can be cleared for registration.

All students are encouraged to participate in the Lincoln University Student Health Insurance Plan. However, if parents choose not to have their daughter/son covered under this policy, the University requires that a Health Insurance Notification Form indicating the name of their present insurance carrier and policy number be signed and returned. The student will be billed for University insurance for the academic year if this notification form is not in the office of the Vice President for Student Success by the date of registration.

Placement Testing and Academic Advising

Placement in the appropriate English, Writing, Reading, and Math courses is determined by student performance on the placement tests administered by the university. Students scoring below the established norm for Lincoln University students will be required to take developmental courses in English and Math. However, students can opt to take a more advanced math course if they have a strong background in math as demonstrated by High School grades and other equivalent preparation or exposure(s).

Students who took two years or more of a foreign language in junior/high school and wish to take that same language at Lincoln University are required to take the language placement exam. For more details, see Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

All newly admitted undergraduate students are assigned faculty advisors by the Academic Advising Center and must consult with them before making a final choice of courses.

Graduate Admissions

Application for admission to the graduate programs is made through the Office of Admissions at the School of Adult and Continuing Education. The specific requirements for admission to each program are listed in the graduate programs section of this catalog.