FRESHMAN APPLICANTS

Academic Requirements for Admission

Current high school seniors or high school graduates who have never attended a college or university are classified as freshman applicants. This policy does not include any advanced college credits earned while in high school.

Applicants must present an academic transcript of courses attempted and in progress from a secondary school (and of any attempted and earned college course work).

It is strongly recommended that the applicant present five academic courses each semester for all four years of high school. These academic courses should include the following: four years each of English and mathematics (including Algebra I and II and Geometry) and three years each of natural sciences, social sciences, foreign language and academic electives.

Application Procedures

The following steps must be taken before a freshman applicant can be considered for admission:

- Complete an application for admission
  - Through www.slu.edu/apply (https://www.slu.edu/apply/).
  - Through the Common Application.
- Request a guidance counselor send official high school transcripts and the recommended Secondary School Report Forms directly to the Office of Admission. A final high school transcript, listing the date of graduation, must be sent to the University by August 15 if the student chooses to enroll at SLU. Students who are not high school graduates must send school equivalency exam results and test scores.

Note: Beginning with the 2021-22 academic year, undergraduate applicants will not be required to submit standardized test scores (ACT or SAT) in order to be considered for admission. Applicants will be evaluated equally, with or without submitted test scores. Applicants who choose to submit the ACT/SAT, or are required to submit proof of English proficiency, can have scores sent electronically from the testing company or include them on official high school transcripts. Self-reported scores will also be considered. If multiple test results are sent, SLU does not superscore.

Application Policies

Applicants who are seniors in high school and offered admission to the University are admitted with the provision that high school graduation requirements will be completed and admissions requirements will be maintained prior to enrollment at the University. A final transcript showing all grades and the date of graduation must be submitted by August 15 if the student chooses to enroll.

Home-Schooled Applicants

It is strongly recommended that the applicant present five academic courses each semester for all four years of high school. These academic courses should include the following: four years each of English and mathematics (including Algebra I and II and Geometry) and three years each of natural sciences, social sciences, foreign language and academic electives.