

Tip Sheet for Alumni Ambassadors

Please view our admission application instructions at drexel.edu/undergrad/apply.

Basic Tips: What You Should Do

- Please remember that we no longer use the designation of “freshman” for students in their first year of collegiate studies, instead referring to them as “first-year students.”
- Encourage students to take advantage of our multiple in-person and virtual experiences for prospective students. We are offering virtual general information sessions for the University, college-specific information sessions (department focus), and virtual tours. We host Open House weekends in the fall, spring, and summer, which you can learn more about at drexel.edu/undergrad/visit. Our Admissions team is offering times to chat one on one with students as well. Students can contact their counselor at drexel.edu/undergrad/contact/representatives.
- Encourage students to apply in the fall. Remind students of application deadlines (see Deadlines section). The bulk of our applications come in during the fall.
- If students have questions about a particular major, encourage them to visit the course catalog at catalog.drexel.edu.

Fast Facts

- 2021 first-year enrolled: 2,831 students from 36 states and 67 countries
- 32 percent fall in the top 10 percent of class rank
- SAT Critical Reading scores (25th–75th percentiles): 600–690*
- SAT Math scores (25th–75th percentiles): 605–720*
- ACT Composite (25th–75th percentiles): 26–32*
- Average GPA: 3.76 on 4.0 scale
- 54 percent of students are from outside of Pennsylvania
- Student-to-teacher ratio is 10:1
- Median class size is 19 students

*Note: Drexel adopted a Test-Optional policy as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic for the fall of 2021; we plan to continue to offer that policy for fall 2023. This policy allows students to choose whether to have test scores included as part of their admission application. Students will indicate on their admission application if they will be supplying test scores for consideration.

Tuition, Fees, and Financial Aid

2022–2023 Tuition and Fee Rates

The below rates represent three-quarters of enrollment:

- Average first-year tuition: \$56,595
- Average first-year fees: \$2,405
- Average room and board: \$16,980

Academic Scholarships

- Merit scholarships are available to academically qualified students. Students are automatically reviewed for these awards when they apply. Students who apply under our Test-Optional Policy and choose not to submit test scores will receive the same consideration for merit-based scholarships as those applicants who do submit scores.

Other Scholarships

- Athletics (Division I in the Colonial Athletic Association): Recruitment forms available at drexeldragons.com.
- Performing Arts: Contact the Performing Arts Department for details or to set up an audition at performingarts@drexel.edu.
- ROTC: Army, Navy, and Air Force.
- Drexel Legacy Scholarship: Offered to children and grandchildren of a Drexel University alum.
- Special interest scholarships: drexel.edu/drexelcentral/financial/grants/undergraduate-scholarships

Need-Based Financial Aid

- Students will be reviewed for need-based aid with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Profile. The FAFSA is used to award federal and state aid (including Pennsylvania) and is only for domestic students, while the CSS Profile is used to award Drexel institutional aid and is for both domestic and international students. To learn more, please visit drexel.edu/undergrad/financing.

Deadlines

- November 1: Binding Early Decision and Non-Binding Early Action application due; decisions released in mid-December. Applicants applying to a BA/BS+MD Early Assurance Combined degree program must have all application materials submitted.
- November 15: Early Action and Early Decision CSS Profile due.
- January 15: Regular Decision applications due; decisions released by April 1.
- January 15: Tuition deposit due for admitted Early Decision students.
- February 15: Regular Decision CSS Profile due and FAFSA priority submission deadline for all applicants.
- May 1: Tuition deposit and housing deposit due for admitted Early Action and Regular Decision students.

Enrollment

- 13,142 full-time undergraduates
- 4,605 full-time graduate students
- 5,830 undergraduate and graduate part-time students
- 23,217 total students/all campuses

Ethnic Breakdown, Undergraduates

- 8% African American
- 22% Asian
- 8% Hispanic
- 4% More than one race
- .1% Native American
- .1% Pacific Islander
- 49% White
- 9% International
- 2% Unknown

Required Materials for Application

- Apply online at drexel.edu/undergrad/apply
- \$65 application fee
- Personal essay
- Transcripts
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Standardized Test Scores (see next section)

Standardized Testing Requirements

Drexel is test optional for applicants to the fall of 2023, which allows students to choose whether to have test scores included as part of their admission application. First-year applicants applying for entry in fall 2023 will indicate on their admission application whether they will be supplying test scores for consideration. Learn more about Drexel's standardized testing requirements at drexel.edu/undergrad/apply/tests.

Students may submit results from one of the following:

- SAT Reasoning Test
- ACT Exam
- Two SAT subject test scores
- Two AP exam scores
- International Baccalaureate Diploma or two IB higher-level exam scores
- National Exam results

Please note that if students plan to submit the SAT and ACT, we consider the highest score across all SAT test dates and the highest section scores across each ACT test date.

Supplemental Materials

- Portfolios are required for Animation & Visual Effects, Architectural Studies, Architecture, Fashion Design, Game Design & Production, Graphic Design, Photography, and Digital Media and Virtual Production.
- Optional portfolios may be submitted for Art History, Design & Merchandising, Entertainment & Arts Management, Film & Television, Interior Design, Music Industry, Product Design, Screenwriting & Playwriting, Undeclared Design and Media, and User Experience and Interaction Design.
- Writing supplements are required for all College of Media Arts & Design students.
- Dance applicants are required to audition or submit a portfolio.
- BA/BS+MD applicants must submit the College of Medicine Supplemental Application and standardized testing results. They may be asked to interview.

Education Abroad

Every major at Drexel is preapproved to study abroad.

We currently offer 140 programs in 35 different countries.

To accommodate students' schedules, the Office of Global Engagement also offers programs during breaks and the summer.

Research

As a major R1-designated undergraduate research institution, Drexel enables students to begin research as early as their first year. The Students Tackling Advanced Research (STAR) program allows for first-year students to live on campus during the summer to do full-time paid research.

Entrepreneurship

The Charles D. Close School of Entrepreneurship is the nation's first freestanding school of entrepreneurship to offer degrees. They also oversee the Baiada Institute, an incubator lab that can help student business ideas get started.

Housing and Residence Life

First-year student housing is guaranteed. All first-year and second-year students are required to live on campus or in affiliated housing unless they live with their parents or guardians within 10 miles of the University. There are 8 residence halls; seven are reserved for first-year students, and Bentley Hall is home to Pennoni Honors College students. All residence halls are co-ed by floor or section. Housing deposits are due May 15. Visit drexel.edu/housing to learn more.

Student Activities and Athletics

Students can participate in intercollegiate athletics (contact coaches directly at drexeldragons.com), sports clubs, intramural sports, and a large number of religious, cultural, and academic clubs. More than 300 organizations are available; visit drexel.edu/studentlife to learn more.

Performing Arts

The University currently has over 20 different audition-required theater, dance, and music ensembles. All majors are welcome to participate in these programs. Seventeen of these groups offer additional scholarships to students, but require auditions prior to enrollment. Learn more about the Westphal College of Media Arts & Design at drexel.edu/westphal.

Athletics – Division I, Colonial Athletic Conference

- Basketball
- Field Hockey
- Golf
- Lacrosse
- Rowing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Squash
- Swimming/Diving
- Tennis
- Wrestling

Sports Clubs

- Badminton
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Cricket
- Cycling
- Equestrian
- Fencing
- Field Hockey
- Golf
- Judo
- Karate
- Lacrosse
- Paintball
- Powerlifting
- Quidditch
- Roller Hockey
- Rugby
- Sailing
- Ski & Board
- Soccer
- Squash
- Swimming
- Tae Kwon Do
- Tennis
- Ultimate
- Volleyball
- Water Polo

Accelerated, Combined, and Bridge Degree Programs

Accelerated, combined, and bridge degree programs enable academically qualified students to pursue a more direct pathway to earning a bachelor's and advanced degree at Drexel. Prospective first-year applicants who meet the requirements set by Undergraduate Admissions may apply for an accelerated, combined, or bridge degree program. Current Drexel students may apply for some accelerated or bridge degree programs through the Graduate College after completing 90 credits but no more than 120 credits. To learn more about accelerated degree options, visit drexel.edu/undergrad/accelerated.

Accelerated Degree Programs

- BS/MBA Accounting
- BS/MBA Design & Merchandising
- BS/MBA Economics
- BS in Elementary Education PK4/MS Teaching, Learning, Curriculum
- BS in Teacher Education/MS Teaching, Learning, Curriculum (Advanced Track)
- BA/BS/MPH in Public Health
- BA/BS/MS in Strategic & Digital Communications
- BA/BS in Marketing/MS in Communication
- BA/BS/MS in Communication
- BS in Health Services Administration/MPH in Public Health
- BS/MPH in Public Health
- BS/MS in Biomedical Engineering
- BS/MS in Engineering
- BS/MS in Psychology

Combined Degree Programs

- BA/BS+MD Early Assurance Combined Program (8-year Medicine program; requires standardized testing)

Bridge Degree Programs

- BS Health Sciences/MHS Physician Assistant
- BS Health Sciences/DPT Physical Therapy
- BS Nutrition and Foods/MS Nutrition and Dietetics

For More Information

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