

Brandeis University

Waltham, MA

Freshman Admission Requirements
Entrance Difficulty

Most Difficult: More than 75% of freshmen were in the top 10% of their high school class and scored over 1310 on the SAT I or over 29 on the ACT; about 30% or fewer of all applicants accepted.

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION

High School Graduation	High school diploma required and GED is accepted
High School Program	College preparatory program is required

High School Units Required or Recommended

Subject	Required Units	Recommended Units
English		4
Mathematics		4
Science		4
Foreign Language		4
Social Studies		4
History		
Academic Electives		

Examinations

Exam	Required Units	Scores Due in Admissions Office
SAT or ACT	Required	January 15
SAT Only		
ACT Only		
SAT and SAT Subject Tests, or ACT		
SAT Subject Tests Only	Required for some	
SAT Essay Component Policy	Not Reported	
ACT Writing Test Policy	Accepted with or without writing component	
Use of SAT/ACT Essay	SAT: No policy as of now ACT: No policy as of now	

Applying for Admission
Admissions Office

Address	415 South Street
City, State, Zip	Waltham, MA 02454-9110
Phone	
Fax	(781) 736-3536
E-mail	admissions@brandeis.edu

Application Dates and Fees

Regular Admisson Deadline	January 1
Application Fee	\$80
Application Fee Waiver	Available
Regular Admission Notification	April 1
Accept Offer of Admission	By May 1 or within 2 weeks if notified after May 1
Waiting List Used	Yes
Defer Admission	Student can defer admission

Transfer Admission **Transfer applications accepted**

Early Admission

Early Decision Offered	Yes
Early Decision Deadline	November 1, January 1
Early Decision Notification	December 15, February 1
Early Action Offered	No
Early Action Deadline	
Early Action Notification	

Application Form

Common Application	Accepted, supplemental forms required
Universal College Application	Not accepted
Electronic Application	Available

Other Application Requirements

Interview	Not Required
Essay or Personal Statement	Required for all freshmen
Letters of Recommendation	1 required for all freshmen
Other	
Financial Need	Financial need is not a consideration in the admissions process

Selection of Students

Factor	Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
Rigor of Secondary School Record	X			
Academic GPA	X			
Standardized Tests			X	
Class Rank	X			
Recommendations		X		
Essay		X		
Interview			X	
Level of Applicant's Interest			X	
Extracurricular Activities		X		
Volunteer Work			X	
Particular Talent/Ability		X		
Character/Personal Qualities	X			
First Generation to Attend College			X	
State Residency			X	
Geographic Residence			X	
Relation with Alumnus			X	
Religious Affiliation/Commitment			X	
Ethnicity			X	
Work Experience			X	

Profile of Fall Admission

Overall Admission Rate	30% of 11,343 applicants were admitted
Women	32% of 6,677 applicants were admitted
Men	27% of 4,666 applicants were admitted
Students Enrolled	863 (25%) of 3,391 admitted students enrolled
Women	523 (25%) of 2,130 admitted students enrolled
Men	340 (27%) of 1,261 admitted students enrolled
Early Decision Admission Rate	37% of 953 applicants were admitted
Early Action Admission Rate	
Students Offered Wait List	1,553
Students Accepting Wait List Position	638
Students Admitted From Wait List	9

Grade Point Average of Enrolled Freshmen (4.0 scale)

Average GPA	3.84
3.75 and Above	64%
3.50 - 3.74	22%
3.25 - 3.49	8%
3.00 - 3.24	4%
2.50 - 2.99	2%
2.00 - 2.49	

SAT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

SAT Math	720 average 690-790 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	73.59%
Score of 600 - 700	21.86%
Score of 500 - 600	4.19%
Score of 400 - 500	.36%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%
SAT EBRW	680 average 660-730 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	48.1%
Score of 600 - 700	46.81%
Score of 500 - 600	4.37%
Score of 400 - 500	.72%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%

ACT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

ACT Composite	31 average 30-33 range of middle 50%
Score of 30 - 36	86.3%
Score of 24 - 29	12.33%
Score of 18 - 23	1.37%
Score of 12 - 17	0%
Score of 6 - 11	0%
Score of 5 or Below	0%

Other Qualifications of Enrolled Freshmen

High School Class Rank	Top tenth: 56% Top quarter: 83% Top half: 97%
National Merit Scholar	1%
Valedictorian	2%
Class President	1%
Student Government Officer	5%



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