

Clarkson University

Potsdam, NY

Freshman Admission Requirements
Entrance Difficulty

Very Difficult: More than 50% of freshmen were in the top 10% of their high school class and scored over 1230 on the SAT I or over 26 on the ACT; about 60% 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 recommended

High School Units Required or Recommended

Subject	Required Units	Recommended Units
English	4	
Mathematics	3	4
Science	1	4
Foreign Language		
Social Studies		
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	Recommended	
SAT Essay Component Policy	Accepted with or without essay component	
ACT Writing Test Policy	Accepted with or without writing component	
ACT Writing Test Policy	Not reported	

Applying for Admission
Admissions Office

Address	8 Clarkson Avenue
City, State, Zip	Potsdam, NY 13699
Phone	(315) 268-6480
Fax	(315) 268-7647
E-mail	admission@clarkson.edu

Application Dates and Fees

Regular Admisson Deadline	January 15
Application Fee	\$50
Application Fee Waiver	Available
Regular Admission Notification	February 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	December 1
Early Decision Notification	January 1
Early Action Offered	No
Early Action Deadline	
Early Action Notification	

Application Form

Common Application	Accepted
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	2 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	71% of 6,885 applicants were admitted
Women	69% of 2,787 applicants were admitted
Men	73% of 4,098 applicants were admitted
Students Enrolled	714 (15%) of 4,894 admitted students enrolled
Women	264 (14%) of 1,920 admitted students enrolled
Men	568 (19%) of 2,974 admitted students enrolled
Early Decision Admission Rate	78% of 159 applicants were admitted
Early Action Admission Rate	
Students Offered Wait List	55
Students Accepting Wait List Position	2
Students Admitted From Wait List	0

Grade Point Average of Enrolled Freshmen (4.0 scale)

Average GPA	3.70
3.75 and Above	49%
3.50 - 3.74	23%
3.25 - 3.49	13%
3.00 - 3.24	10%
2.50 - 2.99	4%
2.00 - 2.49	1%

SAT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

SAT Math	590-690 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	22%
Score of 600 - 700	50%
Score of 500 - 600	26%
Score of 400 - 500	2%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%
SAT EBRW	620 average 570-660 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	12%
Score of 600 - 700	50%
Score of 500 - 600	34%
Score of 400 - 500	4%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%

ACT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

ACT Composite	27 average 24-30 range of middle 50%
Score of 30 - 36	27%
Score of 24 - 29	53%
Score of 18 - 23	20%
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: 35% Top quarter: 69% Top half: 95%
National Merit Scholar	Not reported
Valedictorian	2%
Class President	Not reported
Student Government Officer	Not reported