

Sacred Heart University

Fairfield, CT

Freshman Admission Requirements
Entrance Difficulty

Moderately Difficult: More than 75% of freshmen were in the top 50% of their high school class and scored over 1010 on the SAT I or over 18 on the ACT; about 85% 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	3	4
Science	3	4
Foreign Language	2	4
Social Studies	3	4
History	3	4
Academic Electives	3	4

Examinations

Exam	Required Units	Scores Due in Admissions Office
SAT or ACT	Considered if submitted	Not reported
SAT Only	Considered if submitted	Not reported
ACT Only	Considered if submitted	Not reported
SAT and SAT Subject Tests, or ACT	Not used if submitted	Not reported
SAT Subject Tests Only	Not used if submitted	
SAT Essay Component Policy	Not Reported	
ACT Writing Test Policy	Accepted with or without writing component	
Use of SAT/ACT Essay	SAT: Used for admission ACT: Used for admission	

Applying for Admission
Admissions Office

Address	5151 Park Avenue
City, State, Zip	Fairfield, CT 06825
Phone	
Fax	(203) 371-7889
E-mail	enroll@sacredheart.edu

Application Dates and Fees

Regular Admisson Deadline	Rolling
Application Fee	\$50
Application Fee Waiver	Not available
Regular Admission Notification	Rolling
Accept Offer of Admission	May 1
Waiting List Used	No
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	December 15
Early Action Offered	Yes
Early Action Deadline	December 15, February 1
Early Action Notification	January 31

Application Form

Common Application	Accepted
Universal College Application	Not accepted
Electronic Application	https://www.sacredheart.edu/admissions--aid/apply-now

Other Application Requirements

Interview	Not Required
Essay or Personal Statement	Recommended for all freshmen
Letters of Recommendation	1 required for all freshmen
Other	Interview for Early Decision candidates recommended for some freshmen
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	64% of 11,748 applicants were admitted
Women	67% of 7,780 applicants were admitted
Men	58% of 3,968 applicants were admitted
Students Enrolled	3,129 (42%) of 7,515 admitted students enrolled
Women	2,047 (39%) of 5,205 admitted students enrolled
Men	1,082 (47%) of 2,310 admitted students enrolled
Early Decision Admission Rate	85% of 252 applicants were admitted
Early Action Admission Rate	Not reported
Students Offered Wait List	
Students Accepting Wait List Position	
Students Admitted From Wait List	

Grade Point Average of Enrolled Freshmen (4.0 scale)

Average GPA	3.55
3.75 and Above	31%
3.50 - 3.74	18%
3.25 - 3.49	18%
3.00 - 3.24	19%
2.50 - 2.99	13%
2.00 - 2.49	1%

SAT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

SAT Math	590 average 550-630 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	5.13%
Score of 600 - 700	41.41%
Score of 500 - 600	51.67%
Score of 400 - 500	1.79%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%
SAT EBRW	600 average 570-630 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	3.22%
Score of 600 - 700	49.05%
Score of 500 - 600	46.3%
Score of 400 - 500	1.31%
Score of 300 - 400	.12%
Score of 200 - 300	0%

ACT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

ACT Composite	26 average 23-28 range of middle 50%
Score of 30 - 36	12.14%
Score of 24 - 29	61.85%
Score of 18 - 23	26.01%
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: 10% Top quarter: 35% Top half: 69%
National Merit Scholar	Not reported
Valedictorian	Not reported
Class President	Not reported
Student Government Officer	Not reported