

Swarthmore College

Swarthmore, PA

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 or equivalent is not required
High School Program	

High School Units Required or Recommended

Subject	Required Units	Recommended Units
English		4
Mathematics		3
Science		3
Foreign Language		3
Social Studies		3
History		3
Academic Electives		

Examinations

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

Applying for Admission
Admissions Office

Address	500 College Avenue
City, State, Zip	Swarthmore, PA 19081-1397
Phone	(610) 328-8300
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Application Dates and Fees

Regular Admisson Deadline	January 1
Application Fee	\$60
Application Fee Waiver	Available
Regular Admission Notification	April 1
Accept Offer of Admission	May 1
Waiting List Used	
Defer Admission	Student can defer admission

Transfer Admission **Transfer applications accepted**

Early Admission

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

Application Form

Common Application	Accepted
Universal College Application	Not accepted
Electronic Application	Not reported

Other Application Requirements

Interview	Not Required
Essay or Personal Statement	Required for all freshmen
Letters of Recommendation	3 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	11% of 9,382 applicants were admitted
Women	9% of 5,474 applicants were admitted
Men	13% of 3,908 applicants were admitted
Students Enrolled	416 (41%) of 1,004 admitted students enrolled
Women	198 (38%) of 515 admitted students enrolled
Men	194 (40%) of 489 admitted students enrolled
Early Decision Admission Rate	28% of 712 applicants were admitted
Early Action Admission Rate	
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	Not reported
3.75 and Above	Not reported
3.50 - 3.74	Not reported
3.25 - 3.49	Not reported
3.00 - 3.24	Not reported
2.50 - 2.99	Not reported
2.00 - 2.49	Not reported

SAT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

SAT Math	690-780 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	73%
Score of 600 - 700	25%
Score of 500 - 600	2%
Score of 400 - 500	0%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%
SAT EBRW	690-760 range of middle 50%
Score of 700 - 800	71%
Score of 600 - 700	28%
Score of 500 - 600	1%
Score of 400 - 500	0%
Score of 300 - 400	0%
Score of 200 - 300	0%

ACT Scores of Enrolled Freshmen

ACT Composite	32 average 31-34 range of middle 50%
Score of 30 - 36	86%
Score of 24 - 29	14%
Score of 18 - 23	0%
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: 91% Top quarter: 99% Top half: 100%
National Merit Scholar	Not reported
Valedictorian	Not reported
Class President	Not reported
Student Government Officer	Not reported