

ADMISSION

Admission information can be found at www.clemson.edu/admission.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applicants should apply on-line at www.clemson.edu/admission. Freshman candidates are especially encouraged to submit preliminary applications and sit for the SAT or ACT during the spring semester of their junior year.

Candidates should understand that admission is closed when all classroom space has been committed. The majority of freshman admission decisions are communicated during the middle of February. Transfer students seeking entrance in August are usually notified between February and July. Candidates must pay a nonrefundable fee of \$60 (subject to change) with the application. This fee is not applicable toward tuition and/or other University fees.

Application Deadlines	
For Freshman Applicants	
Spring semester	December 15
Fall semester	
Priority deadline	December 1
Final deadline	May 1
For Transfer Applicants	
Spring semester	December 1
Fall semester	July 1

FRESHMEN

Admission to the University is competitive and is based primarily upon high school curriculum, grades, class standing, and SAT or ACT scores. An applicant's intended major and state residency also receive consideration. To apply for admission, a candidate must submit a high school transcript through his/her counselor and have results of the SAT or ACT sent directly from the testing agency. In addition, all applicants for freshman admission should complete the following courses in high school:

English—4 credits

All four courses must have strong grammar and composition components, with at least one in English literature and at least one in American literature. College preparatory English I, II, III, and IV will meet these requirements.

Mathematics—3 credits

These include algebra I (for which applied mathematics I and II may count together as a substitute if a student successfully completes algebra II), algebra II, and geometry.

Laboratory Science—3 credits

Two must be selected from biology I, chemistry I, or physics I.

Foreign Language—3 credits

All three must be earned in the same language.

Social Sciences—3 credits

American history is required. One-half credit of government and one-half credit of economics are also recommended.

Physical Education/ROTC—1 credit

Other—2 credits

One of these must be a fourth year of mathematics, laboratory science, or foreign language. Students interested in engineering are strongly encouraged to take a fourth year of mathematics. This course should be selected from precalculus, calculus, statistics, or discrete mathematics. The second credit must be in advanced mathematics, computer science, or a combination of these; or one unit of world history, world geography, or western civilization.

The SAT or ACT examination scores, rank in class, academic preparation, and recommendation of the high school counselor will be weighed carefully in the decision-making process. The applicant's acceptance will be confirmed upon presentation of a final high school transcript indicating continued academic progress and graduation.

Entrance Examinations

All freshman candidates and some transfer students must submit scores from either the SAT or ACT. For August enrollment, it is recommended that students complete the SAT or ACT no later than the preceding December. Registration materials for these tests are readily available at high schools or can be obtained by contacting the College Board at

(609) 771-7600 or 1-800-SAT-SCOR or www.collegeboard.com or the American College Testing Service at (319) 337-1313 or www.act.org. All candidates must have their scores reported directly to Clemson by contacting the appropriate testing agency. The College Board's institutional code for Clemson is 5111. The ACT code for Clemson is 3842. Photocopies of student test reports or those submitted by third parties, such as high schools and colleges, are not accepted.

International Baccalaureate (IB) Credit Policy

Clemson University endorses the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program and awards credit for IB Higher Level scores as indicated below.

College Board Advanced Placement Program

The College Board Advanced Placement Program (AP) gives highly motivated high school students an opportunity to begin their college careers during the last year or two of high school. AP participants take college-level courses in high school, sit for nationally administered examinations in the subjects concerned, and submit test grades to Clemson for credit. Credit is awarded to those earning grades of 3, 4, or 5 on AP exams.

IB Higher Level Examination	Level Grade	Credit Allowed Toward Degree	Credits
Anthropology	4, 5, 6, 7	ANTH Elective	3
Biology	4, 5, 6, 7	BIOL 103/105, 104/106	8
Business and Management	4, 5, 6, 7	MGT 201	3
Chemistry	4, 5, 6, 7	CH 101	4
	4, 5	(for majors requiring organic chemistry) CH 101	4
	6, 7	(for majors not requiring organic chemistry) CH 101, 102	8
		(for majors not requiring organic chemistry)	
Economics	4, 5, 6, 7	ECON 211, 212	6
English	4	ENGL 101	3
	5, 6	ENGL 101, 212	6
	7	ENGL 101, 103, 212	9
Environmental Systems	4, 5, 6, 7	EN SP 200	3
Foreign Language	4	CHIN 101, FR 101, GER 101, ITAL 101, JAPN 101, LATIN 101, RUSS 101, or SPAN 101	4
	5, 6, 7	CHIN 101, 102, FR 101, 102, GER 101, 102, ITAL 101, 102, JAPN 101, 102, LATIN 101, 102, RUSS 101, 102, or SPAN 101, 102	8
Geography	4, 5, 6, 7	GEOG 101	3
History—European	4, 5, 6, 7	HIST 173	3
History—Americas	4, 5	HIST 101	3
	6, 7	HIST 101, 102	6
Mathematics ¹	4, 5	MTHSC 106	4
	6, 7	MTHSC 106	4
Music	4, 5, 6, 7	Determined on individual basis	
Philosophy	4, 5, 6, 7	PHIL 101	3
Psychology	4, 5, 6, 7	PSYCH 201	3
Theatre Arts	4, 5, 6, 7	Determined on individual basis	
Visual Arts	4, 5, 6, 7	ART 103	3

¹For students taking the calculus sequence, MTHSC 106 and 108. Upon completion of MTHSC 108 with a grade of C or better, credit will be given for MTHSC 106.

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ECONOMICS	Microeconomics	3, 4, 5	ECON 211	3
	Macroeconomics	3, 4, 5	ECON 212	3
ENGLISH	Literature and Composition ¹	3, 4	ENGL 101	3
		5	ENGL 101, 103	6
	Language and Composition ¹	3, 4	ENGL 101	3
		5	ENGL 101, 103	6
	Both Tests	3, 4, 5	ENGL 101, 103	6
	International English Language ¹	3, 4	ENGL 101	3
5	ENGL 101, 103	6		
GOVERNMENT	Government & Politics: United States	3, 4, 5	PO SC 101	3
	Government & Politics: Comparative	3, 4, 5	PO SC 104	3
HISTORY/ GEOGRAPHY	United States History	3	HIST 101	3
		4, 5	HIST 101, 102	6
	European History	3, 4, 5	HIST 173	3
	Human Geography	3, 4, 5	GEOG 101	3
	World History	3, 4, 5	HIST 193	3
HUMANITIES	Music Theory	3, 4, 5	MUSIC 205, 207	4
	Art History	3, 4, 5	A A H 210	3
	Art: Studio Drawing	3, 4, 5	ART 205	3
	Art: Studio 2-D Design	3, 4, 5	ART 103	3
LANGUAGES	Chinese Language and Culture	3, 4	CHIN 101, 102, 201	11
		5	CHIN 101, 102, 201, 202	14
	French Language	3, 4, 5	FR 101, 102	8
		French Literature	3	FR 101, 102
	4		FR 101, 102, 201	11
	5	FR 101, 102, 201, 202	14	
	German Language	3, 4, 5	GER 101, 102	8
	Italian Language and Culture	3, 4	ITAL 101, 102, 201	11
		5	ITAL 101, 102, 201, 202	14
	Japanese Language and Culture	3, 4	JAPN 101, 102, 201	11
		5	JAPN 101, 102, 201, 202	14
	Latin (either test)	3	LATIN 101, 102, 201	11
		4, 5	LATIN 101, 102, 201, 202	14
	Spanish Language	3, 4, 5	SPAN 101, 102	8
		Spanish Literature	3	SPAN 101, 102
	4		SPAN 101, 102, 201	11
	5		SPAN 101, 102, 201, 202	14
MATHEMATICS	Calculus AB	3, 4, 5	MTHSC 106	4
	Calculus BC ²	3, 4, 5	MTHSC 106, 108	8
	Statistics	3, 4, 5	MTHSC 203	3
PSYCHOLOGY	Psychology	3, 4, 5	PSYCH 201	3
SCIENCE	Biology	3	BIOL 103/105, 104/106	8
		4, 5	BIOL 110, 111	10
	Chemistry	3, 4	CH 101	4
		5	CH 101, 102	8
	Computer Science A	3, 4, 5	CP SC 101	4
	Computer Science AB ³	3, 4	CP SC 101	4
		5	CP SC 101, 102	8
	Environmental Science	3, 4, 5	EN SP 200	3
	Physics B ⁴	3, 4, 5	PHYS 207/209, 208/210	8
	Physics C (Mechanics)	3, 4, 5	PHYS 122/124	4
Physics C (Electrical and Magnetism)	3, 4, 5	PHYS 221/223	4	

¹Students who earn a score of 3 or 4 should register for ENGL 103.²Students who earn a score of 2 on the Calculus BC examination, but have earned a score of 3 (or better) on the AB subscore of the BC examination, may receive credit for MTHSC 106.³Students who earn a score of 4 on Computer Science may request a personal interview with a departmental representative to determine whether credit will be given for CP SC 102.⁴Students enrolling in curricula requiring calculus-based physics (PHYS 122, 124, 221, 222, 223, 224), but who earn a grade of 5 on Physics B, will be asked to meet with a departmental representative for further evaluation and placement counseling.

Applicants should be sure to include their social security numbers when registering for AP examinations; this will save time and ensure that credit is automatically awarded to their Clemson academic records.

Dual Enrollment

Dual enrollment courses enable high school students to take college-level courses while earning college credit before graduating from high school. Students should have official transcript(s) sent directly to Clemson's Admissions Office from the registrar of each college or university where credit was earned. A transcript that states "Issued to Student" is considered unofficial. Courses that have previously been evaluated are listed on the Transfer Credit Equivalency List (TCEL) at virtual.clemson.edu/groups/tcel. If a student has taken a course not listed on the TCEL, the course will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions once the student has been accepted by Clemson. Students will be notified by letter of the credit they will receive at Clemson before they enroll in the fall.

South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics

Clemson awards college credit for selected biology, chemistry, and mathematics courses taken at the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics. Credit is awarded to students enrolled at Clemson University who earn A or B in the SCGSSM course(s).

Placement Tests

Mathematics Placement—Freshmen mathematics placement is determined by the applicant's score on the Clemson Mathematics Placement Test (CMPT). The CMPT is required for all freshmen and transfer students. Failure to complete the CMPT satisfactorily will result in placement in preparatory work that, in most cases, will not apply toward the general education mathematics requirement. Placement will be adjusted as needed after AP and IB scores have been received by Clemson.

Foreign Language Placement—The Department of Languages offers placement tests that students are required to take during summer orientation. Any student who has had at least one year of a foreign language and who decides to continue with the same language at Clemson, must take one of these tests. Applicants desiring advanced placement in a foreign language may take the College Board's SAT Subject Test, Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations, or the International Baccalaureate (IB) Higher Level Examination. SAT Subject Test scores of 450 or higher enable students to exempt one or more language courses. These students will receive credit following the successful completion (grade of C or better) of a qualifying course at Clemson.

GED

Candidates submitting General Educational Development (GED) credentials in lieu of a high school diploma must be 19 years of age or older. Official GED score results must be received directly from the General Educational Development Testing Service along with an official copy of the high school transcript and SAT or ACT scores. Applicants presenting the GED will be reviewed by the Undergraduate Admissions Committee.

Appeals

Any freshman or transfer candidate who is denied admission may appeal for reconsideration provided the student (1) presents new information, such as improved grades and/or class rank, improved SAT or ACT scores; and (2) submits a letter outlining the rationale for the appeal. All appeals will be reviewed by the Office of Admissions. In some instances, appeals will be referred to the Undergraduate Admissions Committee.

Freshman students who are accepted to and enrolled in Clemson University in a conditional admissions program through the appeals process must meet the conditions of their admission or be subject to disenrollment.

Admissions Exceptions

If it is not possible to make a positive decision on the basis of previous academic performance and SAT or ACT scores, other factors, such as special talents or high school profile, may be considered. Where appropriate, the Office of Admissions will refer such cases to the Undergraduate Admissions Committee. Student athletes who do not meet regular admissions standards may be admitted if they meet Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) and National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) eligibility requirements.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

All transfer applicants must have original transcripts of their records sent to Clemson directly from each college or university attended. Unless so stated on the transcript, the candidate should present statements of honorable dismissal and of eligibility to return to the institution last attended. Transfer admission is moderately competitive. To increase their chances for admission, potential students should have the following qualifications:

- Completion of a year of college study with 30 semester hours (or 45 quarter hours) of transferable credit
- A minimum 2.5 grade-point ratio (3.0 preferred). Note: Majors such as Architecture; Communication Studies; Construction Science and Management; Early Childhood Education; Elementary Education; General Engineering; Health Science; Landscape Architecture; Nursing; Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management (Professional Golf Management); Production Studies in Performing Arts; Secondary Education (Social Studies); and Visual Arts have more selective admission standards. Students interested in these majors are encouraged to apply early and contact the Office of Admissions for current admission requirements.
- Freshman level math, science, and English requirements for the intended major at Clemson

Application deadlines are December 1 for consideration for the spring semester and July 1 for consideration for the fall semester. In most cases, admission decisions will be made once the year of college study is completed. Summer school applicants should have all credentials sent at least two weeks prior to the beginning of the term. Admission is closed when all classroom space has been committed.

Information regarding transfer from a South Carolina technical college is contained in the brochure *S.C.*

Technical College Transfer Guide, available through the Office of Admissions at the address below. Prospective transfer students are also encouraged to refer to the University's Web site at www.clemson.edu or the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education's Web site at www.che400.state.sc.us.

Students who are unsure to which South Carolina college or university they would like to transfer after their initial coursework at a South Carolina technical college may follow the transfer block system. These transfer blocks are posted at www.clemson.edu/prospectivestudents/transfer/transblock.html. Depending on the student's chosen major, some courses may not be applicable toward graduation requirements. Contact the Office of Admissions for information.

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Transfer Credit

Coursework completed with a grade of C or better at other regionally accredited institutions, including correspondence courses, telecourses, on-line courses, and exempted courses, will be evaluated for transfer in terms of equivalent courses included in the Clemson curriculum of the student's choice. This does not guarantee that all courses taken at other institutions will be accepted for transfer. The acceptability of each course or exemption will be based on an evaluation by the Office of Admissions. Coursework earned at different institutions will not be joined to equate with one Clemson course. No course taken at a nonbaccalaureate-degree granting institution may be used as an equivalent or substitute for any 300- or 400-level Clemson course. Students must submit a registrar's explanation stating that a grade of P or S is equivalent to a C or better before transfer credit may be awarded.

Learning experiences including, but not limited to, military service schools, non-collegiate sponsored instruction, work related experiences, etc. will not be evaluated for transfer; however, enrolled students may request credit by examination from the appropriate department for any non-transferable learning experience. For additional information, see Advanced Placement and Credit by Examination on page 24.

Students transferring may select the curriculum that was outlined in the Clemson University Undergraduate Announcements at the time they entered the sending institution, provided they have been in continuous enrollment. Further, transfer students may select any curriculum adopted subsequent to that initial curriculum. After enrolling at Clemson, if transfer students change from one major to another, they will complete all of the requirements included in the new curriculum that are in effect at the time of the change. If all work toward a degree is not completed within six years after the initial enrollment at the sending institution, the student may be required to take additional courses.

College Board College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

This program has very limited recognition at Clemson. A few departments accept credit for CLEP subject-matter examinations; however, CLEP General Examinations are not recognized. Credit is awarded for introductory-level courses according to criteria established by the following departments: Chemistry, English (composition only), and Mathematical Sciences (algebra and trigonometry only). Numerical scores plus essays, required when offered as part of a CLEP examination, will be evaluated by the appropriate department. CLEP is designed primarily for adults with nontraditional learning experiences.

ADMISSION DEPOSIT

With the exception of certain University scholarship recipients, all accepted freshman and transfer candidates for fall semester are required to submit a nonrefundable \$200 admission deposit. This deposit is applicable toward tuition and other University fees and may be paid by credit card.

HOUSING

All unmarried freshmen who are under the age of 21 at the time of enrollment, who do not live with parent(s) or guardian(s) [within a 50-mile radius of campus], are required to live in University-owned housing for the fall and spring semesters.

For the purpose of this agreement, transfer students are not considered freshmen. Transfer students are housed on a space available basis.

ORIENTATION PROGRAMS

The University offers a series of orientation programs during the summer for freshmen and transfer students and their parents. All accepted students are expected to attend one of the sessions. During orientation, students will have an opportunity to discuss their educational objectives with an advisor, to register for the fall semester, and to learn about student life and other co-curricular activities. All new students will register for their first semester at Clemson during orientation. For more information about the orientation programs fee structure, visit www.clemson.edu/studentaffairs/orientation.

2009 Summer Orientation Dates

Freshmen	New Transfer
June 15-16	June 17 (Bridge Only)
June 18-19	June 24
June 22-23	July 8
June 25-26	July 15
June 29-30	
July 2-3	
July 9-10	
July 13-14	

International students are expected to attend the session held on August 14 after attending the mandatory orientation for all international students on August 13, which is conducted by International Student Programs in the Gantt Intercultural Center.

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATES

Admissions services for undergraduate international students are provided by the Office of Admissions. International students who come from abroad or transfer from another school must meet academic, language, and financial qualifications as determined by Clemson University. The SAT or ACT is required of all international applicants (freshman or transfer). The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is required of applicants from countries where English is not the native language. Financial qualifications are determined by the submission of a financial certification form and bank statements verifying adequate funding. Student visa services are provided by the Office of International Affairs, www.clemson.edu/prospectivestudents/international/index.html.

SPECIAL STUDENT STATUS

The special student classification is designed for high school graduates who are 19 years of age or older and wish to take a limited number of courses for personal or professional development. This program is not appropriate for individuals who are interested in earning an undergraduate degree. In addition, it is not a "trial admission" status or one for candidates who apply too late to submit credentials for consideration for regular admission. Applicants denied regular admission to Clemson are not eligible to apply as special students.

None of the usual credentials supporting an application are required of special student applicants. A cumulative maximum of 18 undergraduate credit hours may be taken. Contact the Office of Admissions, 105 Sikes Hall, Clemson, SC 29634-5124.

READMISSION OF FORMER UNDERGRADUATES

Undergraduate students who have previously attended Clemson and wish to return must secure an application for re-entrance from the Registrar's Office, www.clemson.edu/registrar. Students are readmitted to the major they were in when they last attended Clemson. Change-of-major forms are available in the Enrolled Student Services Office. Former students must meet the catalog curriculum requirements for graduation in effect at the time of their return. Students are required to satisfy the University's general education requirements in addition to curricular requirements. Any variations in curricular requirements will be considered under the substitution procedures. If all work toward a degree is not completed within six years after entrance, the student may be required to take additional courses. Other information can be obtained from the Registrar's Office.

Any student who is classified as an in-state student for tuition and fees purposes must reaffirm his or her resident status upon application for readmission to the University. If the resident status of an individual changes, that student will be classified as out-of-state for tuition and fees purposes upon readmission to the University. If the resident status is not immediately clear, the student may be required to submit an application for resident status to the Office of Residency Classification.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION REFORM ACT PROCESS

Section 59-101-430 of the South Carolina Code of Laws states:

"(A) An alien unlawfully present in the United States is not eligible to attend a public institution of higher learning in this State, as defined in Section 59-103-5. The trustees of a public institution of higher learning in this State shall develop and institute a process by which lawful presence in the United States is verified. In doing so, institution personnel shall not attempt to independently verify the immigration status of any alien, but shall verify any alien's immigration status with the federal government pursuant to 8 U.S.C. Section 1373 (c).

(B) An alien unlawfully present in the United State is not eligible on the basis of residence for a public higher education benefit including, but not limited to, scholarships, financial aid, grants, or resident tuition."

In accordance with section 59-101-430 of the SC Code of Laws, also known as the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act, the Clemson University Board of Trustees hereby institutes the following process:

I. PROCESS

All applicants to Clemson University are required to verify on their application whether they are a U.S. citizen, Permanent Legal Resident or will be lawfully present in the United States at the time of enrollment on some other grounds. Enrollment at Clemson University for both undergraduate and graduate students is conditioned upon verification of lawful presence in the United States.

South Carolina Code of Law section 59-101-430 prohibits Clemson University from independently verifying the status of any legal alien. An alien's status must be verified with the federal government. Therefore, Clemson University will use either the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVIS), a Web-based technology that tracks and monitors schools and programs, students, exchange visitors and their dependents throughout the duration of approved participation with the U.S. education system, or the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) program, Homeland Security's online system of alien status determination or any federal source of information about lawful alien presence that becomes available to Clemson University.

The Board of Trustees delegates responsibility for administering the details of this process to the Provost and the Office of Academic Affairs.