

UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION

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In compliance with the federal law known as the "Clery Act," the Georgia College & State University Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is available for review. It contains information on campus crime statistics, safety programs, and GCSU policy. Hard copies are available at the Department of Public Safety, Human Resources, and the Office of Admissions. You may also request a hard copy by emailing publicsafety@gcsu.edu or view an electronic copy at gcsu.edu/publicsafety.

As required by Title IX, Georgia College & State University does not discriminate on the basis of sex in any of its education programs or activities, including in admissions and employment. Inquiries concerning application of Title IX can be directed to GCSU's Title IX Coordinator or to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights. Please visit gcsu.edu/titleix for more information.



Georgia College & State University (GCSU) aims to produce graduates who are well prepared for careers or advanced study and who are instilled with exceptional qualities of mind and character.

As the state's designated public liberal arts university, Georgia College & State University is committed to combining the educational experiences typical of esteemed private liberal arts colleges with the affordability of public higher education. GCSU is a residential learning community that emphasizes undergraduate education and offers selected graduate programs. The faculty is dedicated to challenging students and fostering excellence in the classroom and beyond. GCSU seeks to endow its graduates with a passion for achievement, a lifelong curiosity and exuberance for learning.

The admission policy of GCSU is to accept those applicants who provide evidence of a high potential for success at the university. A potential student is considered for admission without regard to race, creed, sex, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, age or national origin. All documents submitted for admission to Georgia College become the property of the university.

Admission to GCSU is not a guarantee of admission to a particular college or major. Separate and sometimes higher requirements for admission into a college or major are described in the GCSU electronic catalog at gcsu.edu/catalog.

Acceptance or denial of each applicant is determined by the Office of Admissions and/or the Office of the Registrar, and is subject to the right of appeal as outlined by the university and as provided by the bylaws of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. If necessary, an applicant should contact the Office of Admissions regarding details of the appeals procedure.

The GCSU Office of Admissions is located in the historic Mayfair Hall (c. 1910), at 404 West Hancock Street. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Our phone number is 478-445-2294. Campus tours are offered on weekdays and Saturdays (except holiday and special event weekends), when the university is in session. Reservations are required. Tour reservations can be made online at gcsu.edu/tours or by contacting the Office of Admissions.

Students with disabilities are invited to contact Disability Services at 478-445-5931 to determine how their disability may be accommodated. In these particular cases, campus visits are especially encouraged. When making reservations for a campus tour, please let us know how we may help to make your visit a pleasurable experience.

INFORMATION COMMON TO ALL APPLICANTS FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION

This application is intended for use by U.S. Citizens and permanent residents of the United States. International Student Application forms and information may be obtained from the GCSU International Education Center, Campus Box 49, Milledgeville, GA 31061, by calling 478-445-4789 or by visiting gcsu.edu/international.

Application for Admission

- All prospective students must submit a completed Application for Admission.
- Electronic application submission is preferred. The electronic application is found at gcsu.edu/apply.
- Students who do not attend the term for which they apply may update their application within one year by using the update form found at gcsu.edu/apply.
- Students who applied more than one year ago, but did not enroll, must submit a new application and all supporting documents. A printable application is available on the web at gcsu.edu/apply.

Application Processing Fee

A non-refundable \$40 application fee (\$35 online) is required of:

- All first-time applicants (freshman and transfer)
- Applicants who applied or were enrolled six or more years ago

No application processing fee is required of:

- Former GCSU students enrolled within the past six years
- Applicants aged 62 and above
- Applicants who applied and paid the application fee within the past six years, but never enrolled
- Dual Enrollment Applicants

Institutional Codes for GCSU	
5252	SAT/AP/CLEP
0828	ACT
001602	FICE

Official Supporting Documents

- All high school transcripts and test scores must be sent directly from the high school or testing center to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 023, Milledgeville, GA 31061. Faxed documents and copies provided by the student are NOT considered official and will not be considered for admission purposes.
- Transcripts must be sent directly from each and every college attended to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 023, Milledgeville, GA 31061. Faxed documents and copies provided by the student are NOT considered official and will not be used for admission purposes. Courses from one institution that are listed on another college transcript will not substitute for an official transcript. Prior educational experience may not be omitted from an application package.

Note: The University System of Georgia has announced that the **three most selective public universities** in the state of Georgia will require standardized test scores for fall 2024 admission for first-year students. As one of the top three most selective public universities in the state, **Georgia College & State University will require the SAT or ACT for admissions for fall 2024**. Keep in mind, GCSU employs a [holistic admissions review process](#) that takes into account a variety of factors such as GPA, difficulty of courses taken in high school, your essay, résumé, and letters of recommendation. In addition, [you may submit self-reported test scores](#) for initial admissions review. If you are admitted using self-reported scores and choose to enroll at Georgia College & State University, you will need to submit official test scores by May 1, 2024.

Tuition Classification Information

University System of Georgia students are responsible for registering under the proper tuition classification. In general, classification of in-state status for tuition purposes requires an individual to have established domicile in Georgia for a minimum of 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term in which the student plans to enroll.

Domicile is defined as a person's present, permanent home where the individual intends to stay indefinitely and to which the individual returns following periods of temporary absence. Temporary residence does not constitute the establishment of one's domicile.

Residence is defined as the state and country where an individual currently lives. An individual may reside in Georgia without having established domicile in the state. See above definition of domicile.

TRANSFER/TRANSIENT/RETURNING STUDENT APPLICANT TIMELINE

Transfer, Transient, Post-Baccalaureate, Second Undergraduate Degree, and Returning (former) student applications are processed by the Office of Admissions. Student applications are evaluated once the file is complete with all supporting documents received. Evaluations and notifications are processed on a rolling basis. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the application process as early as possible and well in advance of posted deadlines. Qualified students are admitted on a space available basis. Admission files should be complete for the following terms by the indicated deadline:

- ▶ Fall July 1
- ▶ Spring..... November 1
- ▶ MaymesterApril 1
- ▶ SummerMay 1

TRANSFER ADMISSION

(Including Post Baccalaureate and Second Undergraduate Degree applicants)

Transfer applicants have (or will have at the time of enrollment) at least 30 semester (45 quarter) hours post high school graduation and be in good academic standing. Students with less than 30 hours of transferable college credit are also subject to the freshman evaluation process. Admission decisions are based on the total student portfolio and demonstrated potential for contribution to the university and probability for success in the unique environment of the GCSU community.

Minimum Transfer Student Admission Requirements

- ▶ Applicants with less than 30 earned semester credit hours: 2.5 Transfer GPA required + Freshman Evaluation

- ▶ Applicants with 30 or more semester credit hours: 2.5 Transfer GPA required

- ▶ Applicants to the General Nursing Program and College of Education programs: 2.75 Transfer GPA required, regardless of earned credit hrs.

The John H. Lounsbury College of Education and the School of Nursing have separate and competitive admissions application procedures and requirements in addition to admission to the general university. Please contact the College of Education at 478-445-4056 or the College of Health Sciences at 478-445-1076 for additional information.

Transfer applicants must submit to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 023, Milledgeville, GA 31061 the following documents for admission consideration:

Required Items

- 1. Undergraduate Application for Admission (select Transfer)
- 2. Application fee (non-refundable)
- 3. Official transcript from **each and every** college previously attended.

Optional Items

- 5. Professor/teacher recommendation
- 6. Résumé of extracurricular activities





TRANSIENT ADMISSION

Transient applicants are students enrolled in another college or university that receive permission from the Registrar of that institution to seek temporary (one term only) admission to GCSU. Transient students must be in good standing at their home institution.

Transient applicants must submit the following documents to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 023, Milledgeville, GA 31061 for admission consideration:

- 1. Application for admission.
- 2. Application fee (non-refundable).
- 3. Official Transient Letter from the registrar of the institution in which the student is regularly enrolled, indicating good standing and recommending admission to GCSU as a transient student. Transcripts of college work completed elsewhere are not required since transient students are not admitted to degree programs at GCSU.
- 4. Proof of Lawful Presence Verification

RETURNING GCSU STUDENTS

“Returning” or “Re-admit” applicants were once enrolled at GCSU, but have been absent for one or more terms (summer semester excluded). Re-admit students are subject to Catalog policies for academic standing (such as warning, probation, dismissal, or exclusion). Students who have attended another college since leaving GCSU are considered for readmission based on their entire academic background.

Returning applicants must submit to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 023, Milledgeville, GA 31061 the following documents for admission consideration:

One year or less since term of last enrollment:

- 1. Notification to the Office of Admissions of intent to re-enroll prior to the posted deadline. Submit “Application Update Form” found at gcsu.edu/apply. **Early notification/application is strongly encouraged.**
- 2. Official Transcript from each and every college attended since leaving GCSU, if any.

Beyond one year, but less than 6 years since last enrollment:

- 1. Application for admission.
- 2. Official Transcript from each and every college attended since leaving GCSU, if any.

Six years or more since last enrollment:

- 1. Application for admission.
- 2. Application fee (non-refundable).
- 3. Official transcript from **each and every college** attended.

FRESHMAN APPLICATION TIMELINE AND HOUSING REQUIREMENT

Fall semester decisions for first-time freshmen begin in late November and continue until enrollment goals have been met. It is recommended that students apply as early as possible to be considered for admission, university housing and scholarship funding/need-based financial aid.

FALL SEMESTER TIMELINE

Early Action – October 15

- Early Action applies to Fall Semester freshmen only.
- Early Action is non-binding and provides students with an early decision without obligation to enroll.
- Prospective freshmen participating in Early Action must submit their completed application package by October 15.
- Notification of admission decision will be mailed no later than mid-December.
- For Early Action admissions, the application, \$35 application fee, official high school transcript, and personal essay response are due by **October 15**.
- We will continue to accept ACT/SAT scores (both self-reported and official score reports) and optional materials (résumé and recommendation letters) through **October 25** for Early Action admission.
- Students who apply during early action are considered for GCSU's most prestigious [President's Scholarship Competition](#) held in early December where over \$200,000 worth of scholarships are awarded.
- Notification of admission will be posted in late November.

Regular Admission – January 1 through April 1

- Prospective freshmen will submit their completed application package no later than April 1.
- Notification of admission will be made on a rolling basis subject to space availability.

Late applicants

- After April 1 late applicants will be evaluated on a rolling basis subject to space availability.

Student confirmation deposit and required housing contract – May 1

- All admitted first-time freshmen wishing to reserve a seat in the freshman class must submit the following:
 - a \$200 non-refundable enrollment confirmation deposit
 - a \$235 housing application fee and deposit (\$200 of which is refundable up to May 1).
- Students are encouraged to submit their deposits as soon as they are certain of GCSU as their college choice. Note: Room assignments and roommate preferences are based on date priority. Additional information will arrive with the acceptance package. Any students admitted after May 1 must submit the confirmation deposit and housing materials within one week of receiving an offer of admission.
- Any student canceling a housing contract after May 1 will forfeit the housing deposit.

SPRING SEMESTER TIMELINE

Freshmen applying for Spring semester are evaluated once the file is complete with all supporting documents received. Evaluations and notifications are processed on a rolling basis. Students are strongly encouraged to complete the application process as early as possible and well in advance of the posted deadline.

- Qualified students are admitted on a space available basis.
- Prospective Spring freshmen will submit their complete application package by November 1.
- The enrollment confirmation deposit (\$200) and housing contract, application fee and deposit (\$235) are due by December 1.
- Freshmen entering Spring Semester will be required to live on campus for one semester.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING – RESIDENCE LIFE FIRST-YEAR RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT

Georgia College & State University has a First-Year On-Campus Requirement for all students under the age of 21 (as of the first day of classes of their entering semester), which requires all first-year students to live in university housing for a minimum of two consecutive semesters. This policy is based upon the university's belief in the importance of the educational benefits in self-government, community living, group discipline and the opportunity for relationships with faculty and staff members that campus housing provides.

A student may request an exception to GCSU's First-Year Residency Requirement based upon one of the following:

- being married;
- being the primary caretaker of dependent children;
- being a transfer student with 12 or more earned hours of coursework (not including dual enrollment and advanced placement credits);
- taking only online coursework;
- taking fewer than seven semester hours of GCSU academic or institutional credit;
- being strictly a dual enrollment student;
- qualifying for a Pell Grant AND residing with a parent or legal guardian at one's permanent residence located within Baldwin, Jones, Wilkinson, Putnam, Washington, or Hancock counties;
- having unique hardship, including but not limited to students with disabilities that cannot be reasonably accommodated in student housing.

Any request for an exemption must be made in writing to the Executive Director of University Housing at least 30 days prior to the start of the semester in which the student intends to enroll.

Send your request to: University Housing, Georgia College & State University, Campus Box 60, Milledgeville, GA 31061

FRESHMAN ADMISSION

Freshman applicants are or will be high school graduates that have earned less than 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) of transferable college credit coursework (not including dual enrollment and advanced placement credits).

The successful freshman applicant will demonstrate his or her potential for success by completing a rigorous College Preparatory Curriculum with a competitive grade point average, show strong SAT or ACT score results and provide a well developed personal essay. **The middle 50% of admitted students for Fall 2022 had SAT total scores ranging from 1110-1250 (EBRW + M subscores only), 23-28 ACT Composite and high school grade point averages ranging from 3.51 to 3.93** (calculated on academic courses only). These numbers are provided only as guidelines. Students whose test scores/subscores may subject them to screening for Learning Support/Remedial placement will not be considered for admission.

Admissions decisions are based on the total student portfolio and demonstrated potential for contribution to the university and probability for success in the unique environment of the GCSU community. In the application review process, GCSU strives to discover students who will bring academic and creative achievements, elements of diversity, a proven commitment to community service and who have the potential to make significant contributions to society. GCSU seeks inquisitive freshmen who exhibit the desire to develop an analytical mind; a sense of civic and global responsibility; sound ethical principals; respect for human diversity and individuality; effective writing, speaking and qualitative skills; and a healthy lifestyle.

Completion of the USG's [Required High School Curriculum \(RHSC\)](#) is mandatory for admission to GCSU. The minimum requirements include:

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of Mathematics, with Algebra 1 or Mathematics I being the minimum level for consideration
- 4 units of Science including at least 2 units of laboratory science
- 3 units of Social Science (must include one unit focusing on US studies and one unit focusing on world studies)
- 2 units of the same foreign language

A word about SAT and ACT scores: Freshman and/or transferring freshman applicants must submit at least one official SAT or ACT score report. Scores must be sent directly from the testing agency to GCSU. GCSU currently utilizes only the Evidence Based Reading and Writing and Math scores from the SAT and the English or Reading, Math and Composite scores from the ACT.

Freshmen with transferable college credit must ALSO have a minimum cumulative transfer grade point average of 2.5 for admission, and must be eligible to immediately return to their previous college. See page 4 for additional transfer admission information.

Self-Reported Test Scores:

In an effort to expedite the application completion process, GCSU will allow self-reported test scores for initial admission review via the self-reported Score Form, which can be found in your admission portal after you have submitted your application.

Freshman applicants must submit the following documents to the GCSU Office of Admissions, Campus Box 23, Milledgeville, GA 31061 for admission consideration:

- 1. Application for admission
- 2. Application fee (non-refundable)
- 3. Official high school transcript
- 4. Submit your official SAT or ACT scores to school code 5252 or 0828, respectively. GCSU will allow self-reported test scores for initial admissions review. Students admitted using self-reported scores must submit official test results by May 1.
- 5. Personal Essay – See Part II of this application
- 6. Official college transcripts, if applicable (i.e., Dual Enrollment Credits)
- 7. All U.S. Permanent Residents must include a photocopy (front and back) of the Permanent Residence Card.

Optional items (highly recommended):

- 8. Teacher Recommendation Letter(s)
- 9. Résumé of extracurricular activities (organizations/honors/awards/athletics, etc.)

Non-Traditional Students who have not attended high school or college within the previous five years and have earned fewer than 30 transferable semester hours of college credit must provide evidence of exemption from Learning Support requirements. Learning Support requirements may be satisfied by presenting appropriate minimum SAT or ACT scores, appropriate minimum ACCUPLACER (formerly known as COMPASS) or CPE placement test scores from a USG institution, or appropriate minimum ACCUPLACER or ASSET placement test scores from a COC-accredited DTAE college. For more information on Non-Traditional Student testing requirements, please contact the GCSU Testing Center at 478- 445-5016.

DUAL ENROLLMENT ADMISSION

Georgia's Dual Enrollment (DE) program allows high school students to earn college credit while working on their high school diploma.

Georgia College & State University Admission Criteria for Dual Enrollment (Must meet one of the following set of criteria):

CRITERIA A -

Have a minimum 580 Evidence-based Reading/Writing (EBRW) and 560 Math on the SAT OR 23 English & 22 Math on the ACT, AND a High School academic GPA of 3.0 or higher (as calculated by the Office of Admissions).

CRITERIA B -

Have a minimum 1050 (EBRW+Math, with a minimum of 480 EBRW and a minimum of 440 Math) on the SAT OR 20 ACT Composite (with a minimum of 17 on the English or Reading and Math sections), AND a High School academic GPA of 3.5 or higher (as calculated by the Office of Admissions).

CRITERIA C -

Test Optional Dual Enrollment Admissions students may submit one required essay prompt (200-300 words) in lieu of test scores and a High School academic GPA of 3.2 or higher (as calculated by the Office of Admissions). Please note that acceptance to Dual Enrollment via Criteria C at Georgia College & State University DOES NOT guarantee acceptance to GCSU for Freshman Undergraduate Admission.

- ▶ Students must complete the 10th grade and be on track to complete the Required High School Curriculum (RHSC).
- ▶ Students must meet USG state learning support exempt minimums.

Admissions Process

All students wishing to apply as a Dual Enrollment student at Georgia College must complete the regular application for Undergraduate Admission and submit all necessary documents listed below. You may choose "Dual Enrollment" on the application under Student Type.

- Application (the application fee is waived)
- Official High School transcripts of all courses and grades to date
- List of current courses in progress
- Official SAT or ACT scores
- Completed DE Student Participation Agreement online at gafutures.org

*Immunization records and verification of lawful presence are required before a student is allowed to attend classes.

Priority Deadlines

- Fall – July 1
- Spring – November 1 (if space is available)
- Summer – May 1

For additional information, please visit gcsu.edu/admissions/dual-enrollment

MAJORS

College of Arts and Sciences

Art	ARTS
Biology	BIOL
Chemistry	CHEM
Criminal Justice	CRJU
English	ENGL
Environmental Science	ENVS
Geography	GEOG
History	HIST
Liberal Studies	LIBS
Mass Communication	MSCM
Mathematics	MATH
Music	MUSC
Music Therapy	MUST
Philosophy	PHIL
Physics	PHYS
Political Science	POLS
Psychology	PSYC
Rhetoric	RHET
Sociology	SOCI
Theatre	THEA
Undecided	GENS
World Languages and Cultures	WLAC

(French and Spanish concentrations available)

J. Whitney Bunting College of Business and Technology

Accounting	ACCT
Computer Science	CSCI
Data Science	DASC
Economics	ECON
Finance	FINC
Management	MGMT
Management Information Systems	MISS
Marketing	MKTG
Undeclared Business	BUND

John H. Lounsbury College of Education

Elementary Education	PECE
Middle Grades Education	PEDM
Special Education	PEDX

College of Health Sciences

Exercise Science	EXSC
Nursing	PNUR
Public Health	PUBH

Pre-Professional Programs

(Students who designate a pre-professional program must also select a major from the above list)

Pre-Dentistry	PDEN
Pre-Engineering	PENG
Pre-Forestry and Natural Resources	PFOR

Pre-Law
Pre-Medicine
Pre-Occupational Therapy
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Veterinary Medicine

MINORS

Anthropology
Art History
Biology
Black Studies
Business Administration (for Non-Business Majors only)
Ceramics
Chemistry
Computer Science
Creative Music Media
Criminal Justice
Dance
Economics
English
Environmental Science
Finance
French Language and Culture
Geography
Geology
Global Health Studies
Graphic Design
History
International Studies
Latin American, Caribbean, Latino-a Studies
Logistics
Management
Management Information Systems
Marketing
Mathematics
Museum Studies
Music
Outdoor Education
Painting
Philosophy
Photography
Physical Education
Physics
Political Science
Printmaking
Public Health
Rhetoric
Sculpture in Expanded Media
Sociology
Spanish Language and Culture
Theatre
Urban Studies Minor
Women and Gender Studies

PLAW
PMED
POCC
POPT
PPHA
PPHT
PPAS
PVET

ANTH
ARTH
BIOL
BLST

BBAD
ARTR
CHEM
CSCI
CRMM
CRJU
DANC
ECON
ENGL
ENVS
FINC
FREC
GEOG
GEOL
GPHS
GRPD
HIST
INTL
LCLS

LOGI
MGMT
MISS
MKTG
MATH
MSTD
MUSC
OUTD
ARPT
PHIL
PHOT
PHED
PHYS
POLS
ARPM
PUBH
RHET
ASCU
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SPAC
THEA
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For Additional Information, please contact any of the following at area code (478)

Admissions.....	445-2294
Athletics	445-6341
Disability Service.....	445-5931
Financial Aid/ Scholarships.....	445-5149
Graduate Admissions.....	445-6289
Housing.....	445-5160
Institutional Equity and Diversity.....	445-4233
Public Safety.....	445-4400
Orientation	445-0948
Registrar.....	445-6286
ROTC	445-2732
College of Business and Technology.....	445-5497
College of Education.....	445-4546
College of Health Sciences	445-5122
College of Arts and Sciences.....	445-4441
Student Activities and Greek Life	445-4027
Toll free	800-342-0471

gcsu.edu/apply

II. Disciplinary and Criminal Information:

Georgia College & State University is committed to maintaining a safe campus environment while providing students from all backgrounds the opportunity to pursue a college education. Prior misconduct, criminal history, etc. are reviewed and may require an applicant to provide additional information; however, applicants are infrequently rejected due to these issues, and we strongly encourage those applicants to apply. Applicants providing an affirmative response to any question may be contacted to provide additional information. Applicants are strongly encouraged to complete their application process.

Have you ever been convicted of or pled guilty to a crime other than a minor traffic offense?: Yes No

Convictions shall include: a finding of guilty by a judge or jury, or a plea of guilty or a plea of nolo contendere, irrespective of the pendency or availability of any appeal or application for collateral relief.

If yes, please briefly describe the criminal offense to include the offense, the date of the offense, and what you have done to avoid a repeat offense. In some circumstances you may be asked to provide additional information and/or documentation beyond the information below.

Are there any criminal charges pending against you?: Yes No

If yes, please briefly describe the pending criminal offense to include the offense, the date of the offense, and what you have done to avoid a repeat offense. In some circumstances you may be asked to provide additional information and/or documentation beyond the information below.

Do you currently have disciplinary or academic misconduct charges pending against you from a high school, college, or university?: Yes No

At the time you left your previous high school(s), college(s) or universities, were you the subject of any disciplinary or academic misconduct proceeding? : Yes No

Have you ever been disciplined, suspended, or expelled for conduct code violations from a high school or a post-secondary educational institution? : Yes No

If yes to any of the three previous questions, explain in 200 words or less:

Will you have at least 30 semester hours (45 quarter hours) of transferable college credit prior to enrolling at GCSU? Yes No

If you are a Freshman, did you take the...

SAT: Yes No Date taken: _____ Evidence Based Reading & Writing Score: _____
Math Score: _____

ACT: Yes No Date taken: _____ English Score: _____
Math Score: _____
Composite Score: _____
Reading Score: _____

GED: Yes No Date taken: _____

When did you request your scores to be sent to GCSU? _____

III. Citizenship Status:

U.S. Citizen Alien, resident (please submit documentation) **Visa Type**
Country of Citizenship (if not U.S.)

IV. Residency Information:

Are you applying for in-state tuition? Yes No

If you answered "yes" to the question above, all of the following must be answered:

As of the first day of classes for the term you are applying, will Georgia have been your present and permanent home (domicile) for at least 12 consecutive months? Yes No

What is your Georgia county of residence? _____

Have you ever lived in another country or in any U.S. state/territory other than the state of Georgia? Yes No

I have continuously resided in the state of Georgia since _____

If you have lived outside the state of Georgia, what was your primary reason for moving to the state of Georgia? _____

Have you attended a Georgia High School for at least one year? Yes No Have you graduated, or will you graduate from a Georgia high school? Yes No

In what U.S. state/territory were the following issued:

Driver's License _____

Motor Vehicle Registration _____

Voter Registration _____

In what U.S. state/territory did you file state income taxes in the past year? _____

Under the Age of 24 Information:

As of the first day of classes for the term you are applying, will Georgia have been the present and permanent home (domicile) of one or both of your parents or U.S. court-appointed legal guardian for at least 12 consecutive months? Yes No

What is the highest level of education obtained by your parent(s)/guardian(s)?

Parent/Guardian 1: _____ Parent/Guardian 2: _____

(A) Less than high school (B) High school diploma or equivalent (e.g., GED) (C) Some college but no formal award
 (D) Certificate, less than an Associate's degree (E) Associate's degree (A.A., A.S., etc.) (F) Baccalaureate degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)
 (G) Mater's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.) (H) Doctoral/Professional degree (Ph.D., M.D., J.D., etc.) (I) Unknown

V. Military Information (Answer all)

Are you currently active duty, a veteran, a member of the National Guard, or a reservist in the U.S. Armed Forces? Yes No

Please Specify: ___ Active Duty ___ Veteran ___ National Guard ___ Reservist

Branch: ___ Air Force ___ Army ___ Coast Guard ___ Marine ___ Navy

If National Guard or Reservist, are you stationed or assigned to Georgia? Yes No

Are you the spouse or dependant child under the age of 24 of someone who is currently active duty, a veteran, member of the National Guard, or a reservist in the U.S. Armed Forces? Yes No

Please specify current status/component of the military member:

___ Active Duty ___ Veteran ___ National Guard ___ Reservist

Military members branch of service:

___ Air Force ___ Army ___ Coast Guard ___ Marine ___ Navy

Is the military member stationed or assigned to Georgia?

Yes No

If National Guard or Reservist, is the military member stationed or assigned to Georgia?

Yes No

I understand that any material false statement made knowingly and willingly by me on this application, or any documents attached hereto may, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 16-10-71, which provides that upon conviction, a person who knowingly commits the offense of false swearing shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years, or both, subject me to prosecution in a court of law. Additionally, I further understand that any such false statement may subject me to immediate dismissal from the institution. Further, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information submitted on this application is true and complete.

In accordance with Board of Regents Policy 4.3.4, all applicants who are accepted for admission or readmission to Georgia College & State University for Fall, 2011 or any academic semester thereafter, and who seek to be classified as in-state for tuition purposes, will be required to provide validation of residency and lawful presence in both the State of Georgia and the United States. Acceptance to Georgia College & State University is conditional until lawful presence is verified.

Signature of Applicant (required of all applicants)

Date

For more information, call the GCSU Office of Admissions at 478-445-2294 or visit www.gcsu.edu/admissions.



UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

PART II – ESSAY

To be completed by all freshman applicants only.

Essay Instructions

- ▶ The essay shall be between 200-300 words in length.
- ▶ The essay shall be printed in a 10- or 12-point font and double-spaced.
- ▶ For matching purposes, the essay shall include the applicant's full name, address, and telephone number.
- ▶ The essay may be mailed to Campus Box 23, Milledgeville, GA 31061 or emailed as a Microsoft Word or PDF document to admissions@gcsu.edu.

As part of our mission to provide students with a liberal arts education, Georgia College & State University strives to create an atmosphere that instills in students exceptional qualities of mind and character including respect for individuality. GCSU is dedicated to extending learning beyond the classroom to foster critical thinking skills and help students develop the tools necessary to not only consume knowledge, but also produce knowledge. Our faculty create a rigorous and challenging classroom experience and prepare students to combine that experience with real-world applications. With this educational style in mind, please choose one of the two following essay topics:

Essay Questions

1. Given your own individual background and life experiences, what strengths or distinctions will you contribute to the student body at GCSU?
2. Please describe the most important goal you have established for yourself regarding your future undergraduate experience and explain how a Georgia College & State University education fits into accomplishing this goal.





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ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST AND HELPFUL HINTS FOR APPLICANTS

THE APPLICATION:

- 🕒 Complete *all portions* of the application.
- 🕒 Be sure to read the signature statement/oath, sign and date the application.
- 🕒 Students applying as incoming freshmen and transferring freshmen (with less than 30 earned semester credit hours) must submit Part I AND Part II of the GCSU application.
- 🕒 Carefully proofread your application and essay.
- 🕒 Attach to the application a check or money order for \$40 made payable to "GCSU." **Include the applicant's full name on the check. Do NOT send cash.** The application, the non-refundable application fee, and all supporting documents must be received in the Office of Admissions by the stated application deadline.
- 🕒 Please verify that your Social Security number is correct on your application as well as your supporting credentials (transcripts and test scores). Discrepancies can result in admission and financial aid processing delays.
- 🕒 To check the status of your application, please visit gcsu.edu/status-check.

THE CREDENTIALS:

- 🕒 Freshmen and transferring freshmen must submit at least one official set of SAT or ACT Scores. Only scores from test dates that occurred in the last 5 years will be accepted.
- 🕒 Additional information such as teacher recommendation letters and résumés of extracurricular activities, while not required, are strongly encouraged and will be reviewed as voluntary information provided by the applicant.
- 🕒 Official score reports are those sent directly to GCSU from the testing agency. Scores must be received prior to the appropriate application deadline. The following are the **Institutional Codes** for GCSU:
 - SAT/ AP/CLEP: 5252
 - ACT: 0828GCSU **cannot** request scores on your behalf.
- 🕒 All **U.S. Permanent Residents** must include a photocopy (front and back) of the Permanent Residence Card.
- 🕒 All materials must be received **in office** by the Close of Business on the day of the respective deadline. Postmarks will NOT be utilized.

FALL FRESHMEN APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Early Action – October 15
- Scholarship Priority Consideration – October 15
- Regular Admission – April 1
- Confirmation and Housing Deposits – May 1

SPRING FRESHMEN APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Regular Admission – November 1
- Confirmation and Housing Deposits – December 1

TRANSFER/TRANSIENT/RETURNING APPLICANT DEADLINES:

- Fall – July 1
- Spring – November 1
- Maymester – April 1
- Summer – May 1

