Frequently Asked Questions

Recruitment, Admissions & Programming
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What are your admissions requirements?
Dual Enrollment Students (Current high school juniors/seniors)
  o Application for Admission
  o $36.00 Application Fee
  o 3.25 Cumulative Unweighted GPA
  o 20 Composite ACT Score or 1030 Combined SAT Score (Evidence Reading/Writing and Math)
  o One Letter of Academic Recommendation

First Year Students-Never attended college (excludes dual enrollment)
  o Application for Admission
  o $36.00 Application Fee
  o 2.5 Cumulative Unweighted GPA or GED Score of 450 or higher
  o 18 Composite ACT Score or 960 Combined SAT Score (Evidence Reading/Writing and Math)
    o Applications over the age of 23 are not required to submit test scores
  o *Two Letters of Recommendation (only for students who do not meet the GPA and test score requirements)
  o *Personal Statement/Essay. 3-5 paragraph essay outlining your future goals and aspirations and why you want to attend Dillard University
    o Only for students who do not meet the GPA and test score requirements

Transfer Students-Attended College after graduating from high school
  o Application for Admission
  o $36.00 Application Fee
  o 2.0 cumulative GPA (all official transcripts for colleges attend)
    o If an applicant has less than 24 credit hours, they are required to also submit their high school transcript and ACT/SAT test scores

Special/Visiting Students-Consortium or Non-Degree seeking students
  o Application for Admission
  o $36.00 Application Fee

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Readmit Students-Previously attended Dillard (Includes students who attended another college after leaving Dillard)
  - Application for Admissions
  - $25.00 Application Fee
  - Official Transcripts for all College Attended

International Students-Students who seek an F-1 Visa
  - Application for Admissions
  - $55.00 Application Fee
  - Official Transcripts for all Colleges Attended or High School (Must be translated if not in English)

**What methods of payment do you accept?** Check, money order or online web payments are acceptable made payable to Dillard University.

**What forms of fee waivers do you accept?**
- NACAC
- College Board
- Free or Reduced Lunch
- Letter of financial hardship from high school guidance counselor or administrator

**What entrance examinations do you accept?**
- SAT-Scholastic Aptitude Test (960 Combined Evidence Reading/Writing & Math)
- ACT-American College Testing (18 Composite)

**What placement examinations do you accept?**
- AP-Advanced Placement (score of 3-5 for college course credit)
- IB-International Baccalaureate (score of 4 or higher for college course credit)
- CLEP-College Level Examination Program (score of 50 or higher for college course credit)

**Do you superscore ACT or SAT scores?**
No, we do not superscore test scores. Students are encouraged to submit all ACT or SAT score reports as it assists with the course placement. The highest composite/combined score from ACT or SAT is used to determine acceptance.

**When is your application deadline?**
Dillard has rolling admission so there is no true deadline to apply, but we encourage all students to submit all documents prior to July 1st for the Fall semester and prior to December 1st for the Spring semester.

**What forms of application do you accept?**
- Online/Web Application
- Paper Based Application
- EDU Inc/Black Common Application
- Common Application

**Do you offer early acceptance?**
The office of Recruitment, Admissions and Programming offers early acceptance to those applicants who have completed 9th-11th grade and supplied their high school transcript through the completion of grade 11. And who also meet the required ACT/SAT score and unweighted gpa. If an applicant is graduating “early” a written statement is required for a high school official and must accompany their high school transcript.

How do I stay on-campus for the academic year?
All new students who resided outside of a 60 mile radius are required to reside on campus for their 1st year at Dillard. (Written notifications for permission to reside off campus can be submitted of the office of Residential Life housing@dillard.edu). Students apply for housing online through MyDU (under the Residential Life tab)

What are some of your upcoming programs/events?
- **September-December**: Heavy recruitment cycle
- **October**: Appreciation Brunch (For high school counselors, teachers and principals and other organizations who work with high school students)
- **November**: Fall Preview Weekend
- **January**: Spring SOAR
- **February/March**: Spring Preview Weekend
- **May/June**: Summer SOAR
- **June/July**: Summer Send-Offs and Clearance Sessions
- **August**: Fall SOAR

SOAR (New student orientation) is requiring for all incoming students. (Freshmen, Transfer, International and Readmits)

Should students use their school email address, parent’s email address or personal email address?
All students are HIGHLY encouraged to use their personal email address for all communication. All communication sent from us will be sent directly to the student. Students should not use their school email address because those email addresses may be deactivated once you are no longer enrolled.

How do applicants update their contact information?
Please email admissions@dillard.edu if your address, phone number, email address or major changes after the time you have completed your application for admission.

I am interested in visiting your campus, how do I do so?
We conduct tours on weekdays at 10am and 2pm by appointment and with 2-week notice. Email campustours@dillard.edu to schedule your visit.