

Freshman Undergraduate Application for Admission

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Applying to Meredith...

What you need to know

IMPORTANT DATES

Freshman Early Decision
Deadline: October 15

Freshman Regular Decision
Recommended Deadline:
February 15

Applications received after this date will be considered for admission.

Please follow the instructions carefully and submit the application and fee in the envelope provided. The Office of Admissions will confirm the receipt of your application. If you do not hear from us within two weeks of submitting your application or if you need further assistance, please call our office at (919) 760-8581 or 1-800-MEREDITH.

Requirements

Freshman Applicants

Units of Credit

A minimum of 16 units earned in grades 9-12. Your program must include the following academic subjects:

English	4 units
Foreign Language	.2 units
Mathematics	.3 units
<i>(Algebra I, Algebra II and Geometry or a higher level course for which Algebra II is a prerequisite)</i>	
Science	.3 units
History/Social Studies	.3 units
Electives	.1 unit
<i>(preferably from academic subjects)</i>	

Class rank - when available.

Grades - In calculating your grade point average for admission purposes, we only use grades in those academic subjects listed. Attention also is given to the academic rigor of your high school course program.

Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) required - Verbal and quantitative scores are reviewed in relation to your high school record. Essay portions of the SAT or ACT will be accepted. If English is your second language, you may be asked to submit scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) in addition to, or instead of, SAT or ACT scores.

Recommendations from school officials - Using the enclosed forms, please provide recommendations from school officials. It is suggested that one be from a teacher who has taught you in an academic subject.

Interviews/Campus Visits
A campus visit is highly recommended, but not required. For some applicants, the Office of Admissions may request an interview and/or writing sample to provide additional information for your application. Our admissions staff is happy to assist you if you would like an admissions conference, music audition or art portfolio review during the application process.

Admissions Procedures
A complete application for freshman admission includes:

- completed and signed application form
 - \$40 non-refundable application fee or acceptable fee waiver (Checks and credit cards accepted.)
 - official high school transcript including SAT/ACT scores and class rank
 - High School Recommendation
 - Teacher Recommendation
- Your application will be reviewed once these documents have been received in our office.

Home-schooled Students

In addition to those items listed above please submit:

- An official transcript from each traditional high school attended (if any)
- Official copies of transcripts from the home-school that were filed with the state (or any home-schooling association) that include courses taken, grades obtained, and standardized test results.

- A GED certificate unless high school graduation will be recognized by the state in which the home-school diploma will be issued.
- Three SAT II Subject Tests including English, Mathematics, and one elective (Foreign Language recommended).
- Two recommendations from references who are not related to the applicant.
- An essay on a topic of your choice.
- An interview with an admissions officer.

Early Decision Plan (see page 11)

If Meredith is definitely your first choice for freshman admission, you may wish to apply under the Early Decision Plan. The Early Decision agreement is a binding contract that you will:

- **if accepted, enroll at Meredith,**
- **withdraw applications from all other colleges; and**
- **submit a nonrefundable \$100 deposit by December 1.**

To be considered, you must check the **Freshman Early Decision** box on the front of your application for admission and submit your completed and signed application by **October 15** of your senior year. You will receive an admissions decision by **November 1**. If you also wish to receive an early decision financial aid estimate, the Meredith College Early Decision Aid Application must be received by **October 15** and you will receive a tentative award by **November 15**. Your final award will be confirmed after your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been received.

Financial Aid

Meredith requires the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for all applicants who wish to receive some form of federal financial assistance. The priority deadline is **February 15**. **FAFSA applications are available beginning January 1st at www.FAFSA.ed.gov. Applications received after this date will be considered for assistance, with preference provided to those received by the priority deadline.**

Competitive Scholarships

As recognition for outstanding ability and talent, Meredith College sponsors highly competitive scholarship programs. Your admissions application is automatically used for scholarship consideration. However, separate applications are required for art, music, interior design, Thomas Meredith Baptist Heritage and Paschal (computer/mathematics) scholarships. For additional information, contact the Office of Admissions.

Application for Freshman Undergraduate Admission

Application Status *(please respond to each statement or question)*

I am applying as a: <input type="radio"/> Freshman Early Decision* <input type="radio"/> Freshman Regular Decision <i>*complete and sign the agreement on page 11</i>	I am applying for admission beginning in the term: <input type="radio"/> August of _____ (year) <input type="radio"/> January of _____ (year)	I plan to reside: <input type="radio"/> On-Campus <input type="radio"/> At Home (local students only)* <i>*complete and sign the agreement on page 12</i>	Will you be applying for financial aid? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Will you apply for NC Teaching Fellows Program? (NC residents only) <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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Personal Information *(All information provided is kept strictly confidential and only used by Meredith College)*

Legal name _____ / _____
first middle or maiden last preferred or nickname

U.S. Social Security number _____ - _____ - _____ Date of birth _____ / _____ / _____
month day year

Permanent address _____ / _____
street, route county

_____ Telephone (____) _____
city state ZIP

Mailing address (if different) _____ Dates valid _____
street, route or PO Box

_____ Telephone (____) _____
city state ZIP

E-mail _____ Cellular phone (____) _____

Name of hometown newspaper _____

Are you a North Carolina resident? No Yes If yes, how long? _____
 If no, or less than a year, where? _____

Country of citizenship USA Other _____
 If OTHER, please specify country & complete applicable questions in shaded box below.

If any of the above information changes, please contact the Admissions Office.

If Not a US Citizen

- Are you a Resident Alien (also called Permanent Resident)? YES NO
 If YES, please indicate alien registration number and skip to question 5: _____
- Are you currently in the U.S.? YES NO If YES, please specify visa type or special circumstances: _____
 _____ *(Additional information will be requested if you are accepted for admission)*
- Will you require a student (F-1) visa? YES NO If YES, indicate your country of birth: _____
- Are you a dual citizen (a citizen of more than one country)? YES NO
 If YES, which country's passport will you use when entering the U.S.? _____
- Is English your native language? YES NO
 Was English the primary language of instruction in your most recent schooling? YES NO

A photocopy of Passport, Permanent Resident Card, Visa and/or I-94 Card will be required before application is complete. Further information will also be required for F-1 Visa holders.

Optional Information (used for statistical studies and reports)

How did you first become interested in Meredith College? (check one)

- Alumna (name) _____ Current Student Meredith Publications
 Internet Guidance Counselor Athletics Other _____

- Ethnic origin** American Indian or Alaskan Native Black (non-Hispanic) Hispanic
 White (non-Hispanic) Asian or Pacific Islander Multi-racial Other _____

Religious preference _____

Family Information

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Is he/she living? YES NO
first middle last

This is my primary parent/guardian? YES NO Relationship: _____

Home Address _____
street, route or PO Box city state ZIP

E-mail address _____ Telephone (_____) _____

College/Graduate School _____ Degree/Year _____
if applicable

Occupation/Position _____

Employer _____ Work phone (_____) _____

Address _____

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Employer _____ Work phone (_____) _____

Address _____

Please list the names of any of your relatives who have attended Meredith College.

Name _____ Class _____ Relationship _____
first last maiden name

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first last maiden name

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first last maiden name

General Information

Indicate any field of interest, intended major, or career or professional goals you are considering.

To what other colleges have you applied?

Academic Information

Beginning with 9th grade, list ALL high schools, colleges and universities, including summer schools, you have attended for academic credit, including the institution you are currently attending.

Name	Location	Dates attended From To	Type of degree or diploma (earned or expected)

When do/did you graduate from high school? (month/year) _____ / _____

High School is public private home school

If you are not currently enrolled in an educational program, please provide information about how you have spent your time since leaving school.

List all courses in which you are currently enrolled. If not currently enrolled, check here

Course Title (also list course number if college level)	Unit of Credit

List any other courses you expect to take before entering Meredith College.

Course Title (also list course number if college level)	When/Where	Unit of Credit

Detach here

Have you or will you take any of the following: please list all dates (month/year), including future testing:

SAT I YES NO When _____

ACT YES NO When _____

TOEFL YES NO When _____

Academic Honors

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have been awarded beginning with the ninth grade. Attach additional sheet(s) if needed. Include your name on any attachments.

Have you participated in your state's Governor's School Program? YES NO

Co-curricular Activities (Attach additional sheet(s) if needed or a complete resume is acceptable. Include your name on any attachments.)

Activity	Position Held, Honors Earned, etc.	Years (9-12)
1. School Clubs and Organizations		
2. Student Government		
3. Yearbook, Newspaper, Literary Magazine		
4. Art, Dance, Music, Drama		
5. Athletics		
6. Cultural or Religious Activities		
7. Community Service, Volunteer Work		
8. Employment		

Personal Statement

Please submit any additional information you would like us to consider with your application. This will assist us in getting to know you in ways different from your course work, grades and standardized test scores. Please be sure your name appears on any additional attachment(s).

Character Statement *(Attach additional sheet(s) if needed.)*

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from any of the secondary schools which you have attended?
 YES NO If yes, provide a detailed explanation.

The Honor System

The Honor System is a long-cherished tradition and a basis for all life at Meredith College. Based upon the principles of integrity, fulfillment of community obligations and responsibility to others, the purpose of the Honor System is to maintain an atmosphere of trust and honor throughout the Meredith community. The willingness of each student to accept full responsibility for her actions and to abide by the standards set by her peers is imperative to a community of mutual trust. Every student who attends Meredith must commit herself to abide by and uphold Meredith's Honor Code and system of self-government through signing the Honor Pledge during orientation.

When you sign your application to Meredith College, you indicate that you are aware of the importance of the Honor System and, if enrolled, will be responsible for ensuring that the Honor System is at all times the standard for individual and community behavior.

Condition of Admission

This application is made with the understanding and agreement that the applicant, upon admission, will be subject to the rules and regulations of Meredith College governing admission and retention of students, as outlined in the catalogue statement titled "Conditions of Admission."

Publicity Information

Meredith reserves the right to use photographs of students in publications, advertisements, electronic communications and other areas.

Meredith often recognizes student accomplishments by publicizing them in local and hometown newspapers. Do you want us to share your accomplishments with the appropriate media? YES NO

Student Statement

I certify that all information given in this application is complete and accurate. By signing and submitting this application, I indicate my willingness to accept both the responsibilities and privileges of the Honor System of Meredith College and all other conditions of admission.

Signature _____ Date _____

Signature of parent or guardian _____ Date _____

(parent/guardian signature required if you are under 18 years of age at the time you apply for admission)

**Enclose a \$40 Non-refundable Application Fee and
Return in the Envelope Provided Along with Application.
(credit card payment available.)**

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High School Official Recommendation

To the Freshman Applicant:

Complete the shaded box below and give this form to your guidance counselor, principal or other school official. Please request that this form be mailed directly to the Office of Admissions.

Name _____

Address _____
street, route or PO Box city state ZIP

Applying for: August January _____ (year)

To the School Official:

- Complete** any information requested below that is not already part of the official school transcript.
- Attach** a copy of the applicant's school record, which should include courses taken and grades obtained in grades 9 through the semester most currently completed, a listing of courses in progress and a complete standardized test record, if available.
- Return this form and transcript** directly to the Office of Admissions.

Name of School _____ CEEB/ACT Code _____

Address _____

Guidance phone (_____) _____ Guidance fax (_____) _____

Accreditation by _____ Public School Private School

Percent graduates entering 4-year college _____ 2-year college _____ Other _____

Passing mark _____

Are honors courses indicated on transcript? YES NO

Is it your policy to record courses failed? YES NO

Is your school on block scheduling? YES NO

Class rank _____ out of _____ students as of _____ / _____
month/year

School does not rank _____

*Recommendation Is the student recommended for admission to Meredith College? **(Required Information)**

YES NO Prefer not to respond

Comments (attach additional page as needed)

Signature _____ Title _____ Date _____

Printed name _____ E-mail address _____

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4. Would you expect this student to respond positively to a community that expects personal integrity in both academic and social matters?

YES

NO

If "NO," please explain _____

5. Please use the space below to make any further comments regarding the individual abilities and/or needs of the student.

6. Do you recommend this student to Meredith College?

YES

NO

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed name _____

Name of institution _____

Address _____ Phone (____) _____

E-mail address _____

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Early Decision Plan

The Meredith College Early Decision admission plan is recommended for first-time freshmen whose **first choice** is Meredith. **An Early Decision application is a Binding Commitment that means you will enroll at Meredith if accepted.** You will receive notification of the admissions decision by **November 1**.

To be considered under the Early Decision plan you must:

- Check the **Freshman Early Decision box** on page one of your application for admission;
- Complete this Early Decision Agreement;
- File no Early Decision requests with other colleges or universities;
- Submit your completed admission application and your signed agreement by **October 15** of your senior year to receive a decision by November 1;
- If applying for an early decision on financial assistance, submit the Meredith College Early Decision Aid Application by **October 15** in order to receive a tentative award by November 15.

If you are accepted to Meredith under the Early Decision Plan, you agree:

- To withdraw any other regular applications you may have filed with other colleges or universities;
- To submit a non-refundable \$100 deposit to Meredith by December 1 to reserve your place in the class;
- To enroll in the incoming freshman class at Meredith College.*

*If the student's demonstrated financial need determined by the Meredith College Early Decision Aid Application is not met, the accepted early decision candidate is released from the enrollment requirement.

MEREDITH COLLEGE EARLY DECISION AGREEMENT

Name of Applicant _____
first middle last

Address _____
street, route or PO Box

_____ *city state ZIP*

If accepted at Meredith College, I agree to enroll. I will submit a non-refundable \$100 deposit by December 1 to reserve my place in the class and withdraw applications from all other colleges at that time.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian signature also required.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

Meredith College admits qualified women students without regard to race, creed, sexual orientation, national or ethnic origin, age or disability.



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Completed application
- Nonrefundable U.S. \$40 fee
- SAT or ACT scores
- SAT II scores (home school only)
- Official high school transcript
- School Official Recommendation Form
- Teacher Recommendation Form
- Personal Statement
- Character Statement
- Early Decision Form (if appropriate)
- Off-campus Housing Request (if appropriate)

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- Official TOEFL score
- Certified English translation of academic transcript(s)
- A photocopy of passport, permanent resident card, Visa and/or I-94 card
- Certificate of Financial Responsibility

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIPS
PLEASE REQUEST THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION FORMS FROM THE ADMISSIONS OFFICE.

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DEADLINE: JANUARY 15

- Art
- Music
- Interior Design
- Thomas Meredith Baptist Heritage Scholarship (North Carolina Residents Only)
- Paschal (computer/mathematics)

NO OTHER MEREDITH COLLEGE ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS REQUIRE SEPARATE
APPLICATIONS

FOR FURTHER SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:
www.meredith.edu/finaid

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