

MEREDITH COLLEGE®

Raleigh, North Carolina

Freshman Undergraduate Application for Admission

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I Believe...

Applying to Meredith...

What you need to know

Important Dates:

Freshman Early Decision

Deadline: October 30

Freshman Regular Decision

Recommended Deadline: February 15

Applications received after this date will be considered for admission.

Admissions decision notification occurs on a rolling basis. Decisions are made within four weeks of receipt of a complete application, however, the applicant should anticipate receiving application related correspondence from the Office of Admissions prior to that.

Please follow the instructions carefully and submit the application and fee in the envelope provided. If you need further assistance, please call our office at 1-800-MEREDITH or email us at admissions@meredith.edu

Requirements

Freshman Applicants: Units of Credit

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

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| 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 |

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 program.

Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) required

Critical reading 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) or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).

Recommendations from school officials

Using the enclosed forms, please provide recommendations from school officials. One recommendation,

the High School Official Recommendation, should be completed by your high school counselor. The other, the Teacher Recommendation, should be completed by a teacher who has taught you in an academic subject in the 11th or 12th grade.

Interviews/Campus Visits

A campus visit is highly recommended. Our admissions staff is happy to assist you if you would like an admissions interview or a meeting with an individual department. For some applicants, the Office of Admissions may request an interview, writing sample and/or additional recommendations to provide more support for your application.

Admissions Procedures

A complete application for freshman admission includes:

- completed and signed application, including essay
- \$40 non-refundable application fee or acceptable fee waiver (checks and credit cards accepted)
- high school official transcript
- high school official recommendation
- teacher recommendation
- SAT/ACT scores

Home-Schooled Students

In addition to those items listed above please submit:

- official transcript from each traditional high school attended (if any)
- GED certificate, unless high school graduation will be recognized by the state in which the home-school diploma will be issued
- one recommendation from a reference who is not related to the applicant (if applicable)
- interview with an admissions officer
- SAT Subject Tests may be required

Early Decision Plan

(see page 11)

If Meredith is your first choice for freshman admission, you may 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 non-refundable \$100 deposit by December 15.**

To be considered, you must check the **Freshman Early Decision** box on the front of your application and submit

your completed and signed application with supporting credentials by **October 30**. You must also complete and submit the Early Decision Plan form on page 11. You will receive an admissions decision by **November 15**. If you also wish to receive an early decision financial aid estimate, the Early Decision Financial Assistance Application must be received by **November 10**. You will receive a tentative award by **December 1**. Your final award will be confirmed after your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been received (see below).

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**. Applications received after this date will be considered for assistance, with preference provided to those received by the priority deadline. **FAFSA applications are available beginning January 1 at www.FAFSA.ed.gov.**

Competitive Scholarships

Your admissions application is automatically used for most merit scholarship considerations. However, separate applications are required for Art, Music, Interior Design, Thomas Meredith Baptist Heritage and Paschal (computer/mathematics/engineering/biology/chemistry) Scholarships. Your complete application for admission and for scholarship must be received by January 15 in order to receive consideration for these awards.

Honors Program

For those gifted and motivated students seeking an enriched academic program, Meredith College offers an Honors Program. Honors Program applications are due by January 15, along with your completed application for admission, and are available through the Office of Admissions. Only applicants to the Honors Program receive consideration for the College's most prestigious academic scholarships, the Alumnae Legacy and Presidential Scholarships.

Application for Freshman Undergraduate Admission

Application Status (please respond to each statement or question)

I am applying as a:

- Freshman Early Decision*
 Freshman Regular Decision

*complete and sign the agreement on page 11

I am applying for admission beginning in the term:

- August of _____ (year)
 January of _____ (year)

I plan to reside:

- On-campus
 At home (local students only)*

*complete and sign the agreement on page 12

Will you be applying for financial aid?

- Yes No

Will you apply for NC Teaching Fellows Program? (NC residents only)

- Yes No

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

_____ / _____
province country

_____ Home Phone (_____) _____
city state ZIP/postal code

Mailing address (if different) _____ / _____
street, route county

_____ / _____
province country

_____ Telephone (_____) _____
city state ZIP/postal code

E-mail _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

The Office of Admissions will contact you a number of ways regarding your application, however, we wish to know your preference for how we communicate with you. Please check all that apply:

Email ___ Cell Phone ___ Home Phone ___ Text Message ___

Are you a veteran? No Yes

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

1. Are you a resident alien (also called permanent resident)? YES NO

If YES, please indicate alien registration number and skip to question 5: _____

2. 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)

3. Will you require a student (F-1) visa? YES NO If YES, indicate your country of birth: _____

4. 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.? _____

5. 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 if accepted for admission. 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 Current Student Family/Friend College Fair Meredith Publications
 Internet Guidance Counselor Athletics Other _____

Race and Ethnic Origin

Are you Hispanic or Latina? Yes No

Please select one or more of the following groups of which you consider yourself a member:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White

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/postal code province country*

E-mail address _____ Telephone (_____) _____

College _____ Degree/Year _____
if applicable

Graduate school _____ Degree/Year _____
if applicable

Occupation/Position _____

Employer _____ Work phone (_____) _____

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

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if applicable

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Employer _____ Work phone (_____) _____

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Please list any Meredith College graduates/current students to whom you are related:

Name _____ Class _____ Relationship _____
first last maiden name

Name _____ Class _____ Relationship _____
first last maiden name

Please list any additional Meredith College graduates/faculty/staff/current students who influenced your decision to apply:

Name _____ Class _____ Relationship _____
first last maiden name

Name _____ Class _____ Relationship _____
first last maiden name

Academic & Career Interest

Indicate any field of interest, intended major, or career or professional goals you are considering (List in order of preference.)

To what other colleges have you applied? (Optional)

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 | City/State/Country | Dates Attended From To | Type of degree or diploma (earned or expected) |
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When do/did you graduate from high school? (month/year) _____ / _____

High School is public private home school

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

SAT YES NO When _____

ACT YES NO When _____

TOEFL YES NO When _____

IELTS YES NO When _____

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List all courses in which you are currently enrolled. If not currently enrolled, check here and answer the questions below this shaded box.

| Course Title (also list course number if college level) | Unit of Credit |
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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 |
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If you are not currently enrolled in an educational program, please provide information about how you have spent your time since leaving school.

Academic Honors

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have been awarded beginning with the ninth grade. Attach additional sheet(s) if needed or a resume, if preferred. 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) |
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Essay

We request an essay of at least 250 words on any topic of your choice. A few possible topics include sharing why you are interested in attending an all women's college, a formative experience in your life or an area of your academic background that requires additional 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.

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

1. Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at your school from 9th grade (or the international equivalent) forward, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in your probation, suspension, removal, dismissal or expulsion from your institution? YES NO
2. Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime? YES NO

If you answered yes to either or both questions, please attach a separate sheet of paper outlining the approximate date of each incident and explaining the circumstances.

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."

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 or acceptable fee waiver and return in the envelope provided along with Application. (Credit card payment available by calling the Office of Admissions at 1-800-MEREDITH)

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High School Official Recommendation

To the Freshman Applicant:

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

Name _____
first middle last

Address _____
street, route or PO Box

_____ city state ZIP/postal code province country

Applying for: August January _____ (year)

I recognize the confidential nature of this document and I do I do not waive my right to access.

Student's signature _____ Date _____

To the School Official:

- Complete** any information requested on the **front and back** of this form.
- Attach** a copy of the applicant's high school transcript.
- Return this form and transcript** directly to the Office of Admissions. This information will be held in confidence.

Name of school _____ CEEB/ACT Code _____

Address _____

College Counseling phone (_____) _____ College Counseling 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

Is the rank weighted? YES NO

School does not rank _____

Give grading scale, highest to lowest:
 A =
 B =
 C =
 D =
 F =

In comparison with other college preparatory students at your school, the applicant's course selection is:

Most Demanding Very Demanding Demanding Average Below Average

FOR HOME SCHOOLED STUDENTS ONLY: Will the student's home school graduation be recognized by her state of residence? YES NO

1. Has the applicant ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at your school from 9th grade (or the international equivalent) forward, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in the applicant's probation, suspension, removal, dismissal, or expulsion from your institution?
 YES NO School policy prohibits response
2. To your knowledge, has the applicant ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime?
 YES NO

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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Teacher Recommendation

To the Applicant:

Please complete the shaded box below, give to the person indicated and request this form be mailed directly to the Office of Admissions.

This form is to be completed by a teacher who has taught you in an academic subject in grade 11 or 12.

Name _____
first middle last

Address _____
street, route or PO Box

_____ *city state ZIP/postal code province country*

Applying for: August January _____ (year)

To the Teacher:

- Complete** any information requested on the **front and back** of this form.
- Return this form** directly to the Office of Admissions. This information will be held in confidence.

1. How long have you known this student?

- Less than two years Two to four years More than four years

2. What subject(s) have you taught her and in what academic years?

3. Please rate the applicant on the qualities listed below:

| | Excellent | Above Average | Average | Below Average | No basis for judgement |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|
| Academic Ability | | | | | |
| Determination | | | | | |
| Cooperation | | | | | |
| Dependability | | | | | |
| Leadership | | | | | |
| Social Adaptability | | | | | |
| Integrity | | | | | |
| Motivation | | | | | |
| Creativity | | | | | |

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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 15**.

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 30** of your senior year to receive a decision by November 15;
- If applying for an early decision on financial assistance, submit the Meredith College Early Decision Financial Assistance Application by **November 10** in order to receive a tentative award by December 1. The Meredith College Early Decision Financial Assistance Application will be mailed to you upon submission of your Early Decision undergraduate admission application.*

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

- To withdraw any other applications you may have filed with other colleges or universities;
- To submit a non-refundable \$100 deposit to Meredith by December 15 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 Financial Assistance 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/postal code province country

If accepted at Meredith College, I agree to enroll. I will submit a non-refundable \$100 deposit by December 15 to reserve my place in the class and withdraw applications from all other colleges and universities at that time.

Signature of Applicant _____ 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)

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Off-Campus Housing Request (Commuter)

Meredith College takes pride in its academic community life and feels strongly that the residence life experience is an integral part of that community. However, Meredith allows students in the following categories to reside off-campus if that is their preference:

Please check all conditions that apply:

- Student will reside locally with parent(s) or spouse.
- Student will be 21 years of age or older at the time of enrollment. NOTE: Campus housing is usually available only to full-time undergraduate degree-seeking students under the age of 23 (see catalogue). International students, 23 or older, enrolled full-time in an undergraduate degree program may request special consideration for on-campus housing.

Please check below if you have a special request for commuter status:

- Student requests special permission from the Dean of Students to reside with someone other than a parent or spouse. **If you check this option, complete shaded box below.**

Please read and sign below:

I understand that I am responsible for finding suitable housing if accepted for admission as a commuting student. If I do not qualify for off-campus residency as defined by Meredith College, I understand I will be contacted and given the opportunity to change my application status to on-campus residency.

Printed name _____

Student's signature _____ Date _____

If you are requesting special permission to live off-campus, please provide us with the following information concerning the person with whom you plan to reside should you attend Meredith College:

Name of person with whom you plan to live _____

Relationship _____ Age _____

Address _____
street, route or PO Box

_____ *city* _____ *state* _____ *ZIP*

Telephone Number (_____) _____ Occupation _____

Place of Employment _____

Marital Status: Single Married E-mail address _____

For Office Use Only:

Student qualifies for commuter status YES NO

Confirmed by _____ Date _____

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Application Checklist

- Completed application (including essay)
- Non-refundable U.S. \$40 fee
- SAT or ACT scores
- Official high school transcript
- High School Official Recommendation Form
- Teacher Recommendation Form
- Early Decision Form (if appropriate)
- Off-Campus Housing Request (if appropriate)

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

- Official TOEFL or IELTS 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 (will be mailed to student upon admission)

Scholarship Information

Your admissions application is automatically used for scholarship consideration. However, if you would like to be considered for the following specialized scholarships, please request the appropriate application forms from the Office of Admissions. (Deadline: January 15)

- Alumnae Legacy and/or Presidential Scholarships (file Honors Program application for consideration)
- Art
- Music
- Interior Design
- Thomas Meredith Baptist Heritage Scholarship (North Carolina Residents Only)
- Paschal (computer science/mathematics/engineering/biology/chemistry)

If you would like to be considered for the Honors Program, request an application from the Office of Admissions for submission by January 15.

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For further scholarship information, please visit: www.meredith.edu/financial_assistance

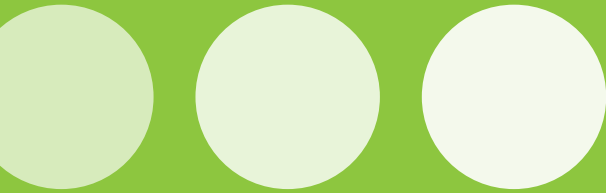
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without regard to race, creed, national or ethnic
origin, sexual orientation, age or disability.*

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