Admissions
Freshmen

How to Apply

To apply for freshman admission an applicant must submit to the Office of Admissions:

1. APPLICATION: A completed application form
2. TRANSCRIPTS: Prospective students should request their high school to send to the Office of Admissions an official six- or seven-semester transcript, which lists all high school course work, the date of graduation, grade point average, and class rank. **Unofficial transcripts are not accepted from students.** The following high school course units are required and must be listed on the transcript:

### High School Course Requirements (College Preparatory Curriculum)

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<th>SUBJECT:</th>
<th>CARNEGIE UNITS:</th>
<th>CONTENT AND REMARKS</th>
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<td>English</td>
<td>4-</td>
<td>All must have substantial writing components</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>3-</td>
<td>Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or higher</td>
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<td>Science</td>
<td>3-</td>
<td>Biology, Advance Biology, Chemistry, Advanced Chemistry, Physics, Physical Science</td>
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<td>Social Studies</td>
<td>3-</td>
<td>Must include United States History, World History and American Government (½ unit) and Geography (½ unit)</td>
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<td>Advanced Electives</td>
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<td>Choose from a foreign language, Geography, a math above Algebra II or a science from thoselisted above (1 unit must be foreign language or Geography)</td>
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<td>Computer Application</td>
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<td>Computer applications/programming course</td>
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3. TEST SCORES: Official ACT or SAT scores for all applicants finishing high school within the past five years are mailed to the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid directly from the ACT or SAT headquarters upon request (see addresses listed in this section). **Score reports brought by the applicant are not considered official.**

American College Testing Program

Box 268
Iowa City, Iowa 52240
(310) 356-3711

College Entrance Examination Board
P.O. Box 592
Princeton, New Jersey 08540
(609) 921-9023

4. COMPLETE STUDENT HEALTH FORM: All students born after December 1957 must submit proof of immunization compliance for measles and rubella.

When to Apply

High school students are encouraged to apply for admission and financial aid in January of their senior year. The earlier applications are received, the earlier students will be notified of admission and financial aid decisions.

Any first time entering freshman student who meets the admission requirements and submits the necessary application for the fall semester by April 1st will receive early notification of acceptance to Jackson State University. The application deadline for regular admission for all students for the fall semester is August 1st.

Completed applications, test scores and transcripts should be received in the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at least 20 days prior to the student's scheduled registration date.

**FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Regular admission will be granted to the following:

1. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 3.20 high school GPA on the CPC.
2. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) a minimum of a 2.50 high school GPA on the CPC or a class rank in the top 50%, and (b) a score of 16 or higher on the ACT (or the SAT equivalent).
3. All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) minimum of a 2.00 high school GPA on the CPC and (b) a score of 18 or higher on the ACT (or SAT equivalent).
4. Satisfy the NCAA standards for students who are "Full Qualifiers" under Division I guidelines.

Students not meeting regular admission standards may still be eligible for admission.

*If an applicant meets one of the above requirements except for the full CPC, he/she may be admitted with up to two curriculum deficiencies (but no more than one in any allowable area; and English and Mathematics are not allowed deficiencies).*

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Freshman applicants who do not meet the above listed standards will be required to
participate in a screening process that will include the diagnostic test, ACCUPLACER. Depending on the level of readiness diagnosed through ACCUPLACER, an applicant may be admitted to the Summer or Fall semester. Those students will be encouraged to participate in the Academic Support Program.

**Summer Development Program**

Students who fail to successfully complete the screening program requirements may be given "Admission with Deficiencies" and enroll in the Summer Development Program. This is an intensive program that concentrates on those high school subject areas (Writing, Reading, and Mathematics) that are essential to success in first-year college courses.

Students who successfully complete this summer program will be allowed to continue their regular programs of study during the fall term with mandatory participation in the Academic Support Program. Developmental courses taken during the Summer Developmental Program are remedial and neither count toward a degree nor are computed in a student's grade point average.

Students who fail to complete the summer program are not eligible for enrollment in the regular academic year. These students will be counseled to explore other post-secondary opportunities.

**Academic Support Program**

This program is designed to assist students with their freshman courses. The Academic Support Program Staff will consist of special tutors in mathematics, science, reading, and writing, as well as career counseling. The goal of this program is to provide individualized support.

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