

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

First-time entering freshmen applicants who present the following academic qualifications will be automatically admitted:

- Successful completion of the high school college preparatory core in effect at the time of graduation from high school (the current core is shown to the right), plus one of the following :
  - A cumulative high school grade-point average of 2.5.
  - An ACT composite score of 21 or a combined verbal/math SAT I score of at least 990 .
- Students who were home schooled or completed a GED are automatically admitted if they have an ACT composite of 21 or a combined verbal/math SAT I score of at least 990.

Students wishing an early admission decision using 6th semester transcripts will be admitted with the expectation of continued academic success in high school. Students admitted by early decision will be given preferential treatment for housing and registration.

The academic qualifications of all other applicants will be individually reviewed by the Admissions and Transfer of Credit Committee, with attention to those factors that indicate the applicant has the ability and motivation to earn the grades required for satisfactory academic progress and eventual graduation. Such factors include, but are not limited to, high school grades with particular focus on the college preparatory core courses and grades in them below C, the academic rigor of the high school courses, success in AP courses and International Baccalaureate courses, and standardized test scores. Based upon this review, the Committee may admit, defer or deny admission to the applicant.

Any applicant whose admission is denied or deferred may, with the submission of additional information, request reconsideration.

## HOW TO APPLY

Apply online at <http://boss.ualr.edu>. It's a free application, so there's no reason not to fill it out as soon as possible. Then, you can start sending us transcripts, test scores, and other documentation.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

The deadline for first-time freshmen to apply for admission and turn in required academic credentials for Fall 2009 is August 12, 2009, by 5 p.m. For more information, consult the Admissions & Financial Aid website at: [www.ualr.edu/admissions](http://www.ualr.edu/admissions).

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## COLLEGE PREP CORE

To be automatically admitted as a freshman, students must complete a minimum of 16 high school units (year-long classes) in the following areas:

- **English** - 4 units (Four units with emphasis on writing skills, not to include courses in oral communications, journalism, drama or debate.)
- **Natural Sciences** - 3 units (Three units, with laboratories, chosen from Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics. Only one unit may come from a Life Science.)
- **Mathematics** - 4 units (Four units including Algebra I and II, Geometry, and an advanced math. It is strongly recommended that students take a math course during their senior year.)
- **Social Studies** - 3 units (Three units, including one of American History -does not include contemporary American History, one of World History -not to include World Cultures, World Geography, or Global Studies, and at least one-half unit of Civics or American Government -not to include courses in practical arts.)
- **Electives** - 2 units (To be chosen from English, foreign languages, oral communications, mathematics, computer science, natural sciences, (pre) engineering, and social studies. As you choose your electives, residents of Arkansas please remember that to be eligible for such scholarships as the Arkansas Department of Higher Education's Academic Challenge Scholarship or the Federal Academic Competitiveness Grant, students must also have 2 years of the same foreign language.)

## SCHOLARSHIPS

UALR's scholarship deadline is **February 1** of each year. The following scholarships are intended for full-time entering freshmen who are graduates of Arkansas high schools. Most are renewable for up to three additional years for those who maintain a 3.25 cumulative GPA and complete a total of 24 credit hours during the fall and spring semesters.

Scholarship	Eligibility	Award
<b>Chancellor's Academic Distinction</b>	ACT: 30 + or SAT: 1340+ or National Merit/Achievement Finalist	\$12,500 per academic year
<b>Provost's Academic Excellence</b>	ACT: 28-29 or SAT: 1260-1330 or National Merit/Achievement Semi-Finalist	\$10,000 per academic year
<b>Dean's Academic Merit</b>	ACT: 26-27 or SAT: 1180-1250	\$8,000 per academic year
<b>UALR Academic Achievement</b>	ACT: 24-25 or SAT: 1110-1170	\$6,000 per academic year
<b>UALR Freshman Award</b>	ACT: 22-23	\$2,000 per academic year
<b>UALR Chancellor's Leadership Corps (CLC)</b>	Competitive: Letter of recommendation from high school counselor	\$7,000 per academic year

## VISITING CAMPUS

The best way to get a feel for a university and see if it's the right fit for you is to visit the campus yourself. We welcome your visit to UALR. Here's how you can experience our campus:

- **Campus Tour** - We offer campus tours most Mondays through Fridays at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. To register for your spot, go to [www.ualr.edu/future](http://www.ualr.edu/future) and click on "Visit Us!" or call the Office of Recruitment at 501.683.7302 or 800.482.8892.
- **Open House** - UALR's annual Open House for prospective students will be held on Friday, January 30, 2009. Go to [www.ualr.edu/openhouse](http://www.ualr.edu/openhouse) for updates and to register.

## ACADEMICS

- More than 100 programs of study in nine colleges and schools.
- Many programs were developed with input from leading employers and won't be found at other universities.
- 325 different online classes in the fall of 2008, which makes UALR the leader in Arkansas for online classes and programs for undergraduate and graduate students. We also offer a growing number of hybrid courses that combine online work and some on-campus class or lab time.
- The Donaghey Scholars Program, is one of the most unique and elite interdisciplinary honors programs in the nation.
- Study abroad programs all over the world, as well as internship and service-learning opportunities in the state's capital city.
- Average class size of 14.

## FACULTY

- 535 faculty with degrees from all over the U.S. and the world from prestigious universities like MIT, Yale, Emory, UCLA, and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.
- Most have their PhD, and you're much more likely to be taught by a professor than by a graduate or teaching assistant.
- Faculty are engaged in research, and UALR supports opportunities for undergraduates to participate in that research.
- Student-to-faculty ratio of 14-1.

## FINANCIAL AID

- Feb. 1 is the deadline to apply for scholarships. So mark your calendar. Get started early to make this crucial deadline.
- Apply online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).
- The priority deadline for fall financial aid applications and supporting documentation is March 1, 2009.
- Fall financial aid applications and supporting documentation must be submitted by July 1 for the application to be processed and eligibility to be determined by payment deadlines.
- Remember, you aren't in this process alone. UALR has a Financial Aid office with a resourceful staff to assist you.
- Annually, UALR awards more than \$75 million in financial aid to more than 60% of UALR students in the form of scholarships, grants, loans, and work study.

## STUDENT LIFE

College life offers wonderful opportunities for involvement and gives you a chance to make new friends and discover leadership skills you didn't know you had. UALR has about 100 different organizations, to help you discover your place, such as:

- Fraternities and sororities
- Service and philanthropic clubs
- Professional associations
- Religious and cultural organizations

## UALR CAMPUS

- Located on a tree-lined 200-acre campus in the heart of Arkansas' capital city.
- More than 40 buildings, and many of them state-of-the-art.
- The library contains 400,000 volumes and access to more than 18,000 electronic books and nearly 50,000 electronic journals through 115 electronic databases.
- Special learning facilities include a learning resource center, art galleries, radio station, television station, Cyber Café, a wireless network that is being expanded to the rest of the campus, and a speech and hearing clinic.

## LITTLE ROCK

- Little Rock is the state's capital city as well as the business and cultural center of Arkansas.
- Close to opportunities for internships, employment, the arts, and recreation such as sporting events and concerts at ALLTEL Arena.
- Nearby you'll find excellent hiking, fishing, biking, and other outdoor activities
- The River Market offers restaurants, museums, shops, loft apartments, and the Farmers' Market. It also has exciting nightlife options including live bands, Arkansas Twisters arena football, and concerts in the Riverfest Amphitheatre, central Arkansas' premier outdoor concert venue.

## HOUSING

- More than 600 students live on campus in our suite-style residence hall and campus apartments.
- A convenience store in the Housing Commons that's open late and on weekends and a theatre room for serious TV time.
- Freshmen aren't required to live on campus, but it's a great way to meet new friends!
- Find out more and apply online at [www.ualr.edu/housing](http://www.ualr.edu/housing).

## TUITION AND FEES

UALR charges tuition and fees on a per credit hour basis. The following is based on tuition and fees effective for Fall 2008. For a more exact estimate, go to <http://boss.ualr.edu> and click on "Tuition and Fee Estimator."

	Ark. Resident	Nonresident
Average Tuition per credit hour <sup>†</sup>	\$163.00	\$435.75
Average Fees per credit hour*	\$43.72	\$43.72
Average Tuition & Fees 12 credit hours (full time)	\$2,480.64	\$5,753.64

<sup>†</sup> Tuition based on non-College of Business courses.

\*Based on the maximum College Tech Fee possible. Not including online-course fees. Other special course fees may apply.



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