

ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES & REQUIREMENTS

To apply for admission to Bethel University, the following steps are required in most cases:

New Freshmen, Transfers, and Nontraditional Students

1. Submit the Bethel Application (<http://bethel.edu/undergrad/admissions/apply/>).
2. For high school students: a transcript complete through the most recent semester (if grades are not determined on a 4.0 scale, a transcript evaluation may be required).
3. For high school students: Submit ACT, CLT, or SAT test scores. Test scores are required from all applicants unless "No" is selected on the "Should Bethel consider your standardized test scores in the admissions process" question on the application. In that case, students would be applying "Test Optional." NOTE: References and test scores may be requested in certain cases
4. For transfer applicants, all transcripts from any secondary and postsecondary institutions attended. A high school transcript is required if the student has less than one year of college experience.

Admissions Standards

- Graduation from an accredited secondary school or equivalent
- GPA Requirements:
 - First Year Students: GPA: 3.0 (unweighted)
 - Transfer Students: GPA: 2.8 or higher
 - International Students: GPA, on a 4.0 scale, same as entrance classification
 - Transcript evaluation required
- Test Scores (optional)
 - First Year Students: ACT: 21+; SAT: 920+; CLT: 68-70
- Students with a GPA below stated requirements may be considered for admission as a "Provisionally Admitted Student"
 - Full program statement and requirements are located in the Provisional Admittance (<https://catalog.bethel.edu/arts-sciences/general-information/academic-progress-probation-dismissal/>) section of this catalog

Completed applications will be reviewed and considered on an individual basis. References and additional information may be requested in certain cases.

If there is reason to doubt the validity of the student's high school diploma or recognized equivalent, Bethel University will follow the institution's procedures to verify completion of high school, recognized equivalent of a high school diploma or college coursework.

Provisionally Admitted Students

Students whose past academic performance falls below Bethel's requirements for admission may be admitted on a provisional basis. These students must attain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better at the end of their first year at Bethel in order to continue at Bethel. To support these students, Bethel requires all provisionally admitted students to participate in the Spark program. This program is taken during the **first** Fall semester of the student's enrollment at Bethel; it includes GES 109 *Orientation to College Studies* (for first-time college students) and GES 119 *Introduction to Bethel* (for transfer students), and GES 130 *Christianity and Western Culture*, group tutoring sessions for GES 130 *Christianity and Western Culture*, and a specialized academic advisor who will monitor students' progress.

PSEO Students

For an application for admission to be considered, Bethel University must receive the following by **May 1st**:

1. Your completed online application (<http://bethel.edu/undergrad/admissions/apply/>) must be received in the Office of Admissions by **May 1**.
2. Official or unofficial transcripts by **May 1**.

Admissions Standards

- Be a junior or senior in high school by the time classes begin
- Be a resident of the state of Minnesota
- GPA of at least 3.0 OR submit a qualifying test score: ACT: 24+; SAT: 1160; CLT: 76-77

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NOTES: Early College seats are limited. Qualified applicants are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Students with a GPA below 3.0 may be considered for admission.

International Students

An international student is any applicant who wishes to enroll with non-immigrant visa status. [Students who are US citizens (including those who are living outside the US), those who are legal permanent residents, those who have refugee status, those who have been granted asylum, or those who are undocumented are not considered international students and should abide by the policies above.]

For international applicants, attending school in the U.S. on a Visa, the following additional items are required to apply to Bethel University:

- Copy of valid passport
- After financial aid has been received, submission of a Certificate of Finance (<https://www.bethel.edu/admissions/international-student-financial-information/>) and most recent copy of bank statements going back 6 months

For international applicants living outside of the US, the following items are required to apply to Bethel University:

- Copy of valid passport
- Once financial aid has been received, submission of a Certificate of Finance (<https://www.bethel.edu/admissions/international-student-financial-information/>) and most recent copy of bank statements going back 6 months
- If applying as a **first year** student, an evaluated transcript with cumulative GPA by an official NACES member. (WES (<https://www.wes.org/partners/credential-evaluation-requirements-for-bethel-university-mn/>) is a preferred a vendor.)
- If applying as a **transfer** student, a course-by-course transcript with cumulative GPA by an official NACES member. (WES (<https://www.wes.org/partners/credential-evaluation-requirements-for-bethel-university-mn/>) is a preferred a vendor.)

- IELTS, TOEFL, or DET (Duolingo) score if English is not the student's first language or his/her education did not take place in an institution where English was the primary instructional language
 - Minimum scores: 80 iBT-TOEFL, 550 PBT-TOEFL, 6.5 IELTS, 110 DET

Once above requirements are met **students will be considered for conditional acceptance**, to complete acceptance process, students need to submit the following once financial aid award is received:

- Certificate of Finance (<https://www.bethel.edu/admissions/international-student-financial-information/>) and most recent copy of bank statements going back 6 months
 - Additional bank statements and sponsorship letter may be required

In order to enroll at Bethel, Bethel requires official transcripts from all institutions student has attended. Uniquely for high school transcripts, the posted graduation date must be listed on the transcript.

- International students are only eligible to apply for **Fall term**
- Acceptance Deadline: **May 1**, prior to the start of the student's first Fall term
- Applicants must be conditionally accepted by **May 1** to be eligible to enroll for Fall term