

Current 10.2. Admissions Requirements

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To be admitted to Iowa State University directly from high school, an applicant must have completed the following:

- have graduated in the upper half of his or her high school class
- have completed four years of English/language arts, three years of mathematics, three years of science, and two years of social studies. (Admission to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences also requires two years of a foreign language and a third year of social studies.)

Applicants who do not meet these requirements but who otherwise demonstrate potential for successful academic performance at Iowa State may be admitted by the director of admissions. When deciding whether to admit an applicant who does not meet the regular admissions standards, the director of admissions will use the following guidelines:

- Applicants who rank in the top half of their high school class but who have not yet completed all the specified high school courses may be admitted if they have a total of no more than two unmet requirements.
- Applicants who do not rank within the top half of their high school class and who have no more than two unmet high school requirements may be admitted if they:
- obtain a composite score of 24 or higher on the enhanced ACT or
- attain the following combination of High School Rank and ACT scores.

HSR	ACT
49	20
48	20
47	20
46	21
45	21
44	22
43	22
42	22
41	23
40	23
39	23
38	24

- Applicants from disadvantaged educational backgrounds who do not rank in the top half of their high school class and who have no more than two unmet high school course

requirements may be admitted if they attain a composite score of 20 or higher on the ACT.

- Applicants presenting special circumstances (e.g., adult students, GED holders) may be admitted by the director of admissions.
- Extremely able students may be admitted prior to completion of high school with the approval of the director of admissions, the dean of the college in which the student plans to enroll, and the Faculty Senate Academic Standards and Admissions Committee.
- Applicants who do not qualify for regular admissions and who would not be admitted under one of the above provisions but who rank in the upper 80% of their high school class and have no more than two unmet high school course requirements will be offered enrollment in the summer session on a trial basis. Students who successfully complete this summer trial enrollment will be allowed to continue in the fall term.
- Applicants applying directly from high school include all applicants presenting less than 24 hours of transferable college credits.
- Students transferring from another college or university, including area and community colleges, will be admitted if their grade average at the previous institution(s) was at least 2.00. Persons with grade averages below 2.00 may be accepted on probation but will be expected to make up the deficiency in quality points accumulated previously.
- Credits presented from another institution are evaluated initially by the Admissions Office to determine whether the courses in which they were earned are acceptable for transfer credit. The application of these credits toward graduation will be determined by the student's department or college.

Proposed:

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Iowa State University admissions requirements are set by the Board of Regents of the State of Iowa. (See Catalog, <http://www.public.iastate.edu/~catalog/2009-2011/geninfo/admis.html>)