How to apply for freshman admission

- Complete the enclosed application or apply online at canisius.edu/admissions. Canisius College is also a member of the Common Application and gives full and equal consideration to students who use this method to apply for admission. You may obtain a paper copy of the Common Application or apply online at www.commonapp.org.

- Submit your completed paper application or the online counselor recommendation form to your high school counselor. Your counselor should complete the recommendation and attach an official copy of your high school transcript and standardized test scores.

- Have the results of your SAT or ACT exam sent directly to Canisius College when you register for either exam. The Canisius SAT code is #2073. The ACT code is #2690.

Note: If you are an adult applicant age 22 or older applying for freshman admission, you are not required to submit SAT or ACT scores. Instead, submit a statement describing your activity/employment since leaving high school.

All application materials should be sent to:
Canisius College Office of Undergraduate Admissions
2001 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14208-1098

Contact information:
Toll-free: 1-800-843-1517
Local: 716-888-2200
Web: canisius.edu/admissions
Email: admissions@canisius.edu

Important Canisius College Codes:
SAT: 2073
ACT: 2690
FAFSA: 002681

Transfer applicants

Students who have attended other colleges or universities may submit this application for admission or apply online using the transfer application at canisius.edu/apply. Official transcripts should be submitted for all college work. Students who have completed fewer than 24 credit hours at the time they apply for admission must also submit an official high school transcript and standardized test scores. For more information about transfer admission or Canisius College, visit the transfer students section of the admissions website at canisius.edu/admissions/transfer.

Rolling admissions and priority notification

Canisius adheres to a rolling admission policy that allows you to apply at any time until the class is full. Canisius offers a priority consideration deadline of November 1. If you apply by this time, you will receive your admissions decision and scholarship notification by early December. If you choose this option, you will still have until May 1, the National Candidates’ Reply Date Agreement, to make your college decision. High school seniors who do not apply by November 1 are encouraged to apply by March 1 of their senior year for full and equal consideration.

Admission and timeline schedule for high school seniors

September – November

- Submit your application for admission and all supporting documents and academic information. You will be considered automatically for an academic merit scholarship when you apply for admission.

- Visit Canisius for our Open House or on a Saturday or weekday to learn more about our diverse academic programs, student life opportunities, admission and financial aid. Schedule your visit online at canisius.edu/visit.

- Use the Canisius Net Price Calculator, a tool to help families plan future educational costs, found at canisius.edu/npc. The Net Price Calculator is based on Canisius’ current academic year costs. The “net price” is derived by subtracting a student’s potential scholarship and grants from the estimated cost of education.

- Be sure that your parent or guardian files the FAFSA to be considered for all forms of financial aid available at Canisius. We recommend that you file the FAFSA online at fafsa.ed.gov for the fastest processing time. The Canisius FAFSA code is 002681.

December – January

- Watch the mail for your admissions decision letter and academic merit scholarship notification if you applied for admission by November 1.

- If you intend to apply for one of Canisius’ specialized scholarships, be sure to do so by the appropriate deadlines in January or February. More information about the scholarships and online applications may be found at canisius.edu/freshmenscholarships.

- Watch the mail for your financial aid award. Read the award letter carefully and contact the Office of Student Records and Financial Services with any questions, toll-free at 1-800-541-6348 or in Western New York at 716-888-2300.

January – February

- Attend an Accepted Student Overnight visit. Enjoy a specialized visit that will allow you to immerse yourself in the Canisius College experience. This program gives you the opportunity to shadow a class, set up lunch with a faculty member or current student, meet with an admissions counselor, or take a tour. More information can be found at canisius.edu/visit.

March – April – May

- Attend one of our many events for accepted applicants, including Accepted Students Day. Invitations to these events are sent by mail and more information can be found online at canisius.edu/visit.

- Your tuition ($200) and housing ($200) deposits are due by May 1 to reserve your seat in the freshman class. Housing is prioritized based on date of deposit, so we recommend that you send your deposit as soon as you have made the decision to enroll. Deposits may be sent to the Office of Admissions. You may also pay your deposit by credit card online at canisius.edu or by calling the Office of Admissions toll-free at 1-800-843-1517 or in Western New York at 716-888-2200.
PERSONAL INFORMATION

LAST NAME
FIRST NAME
MIDDLE INITIAL
FORMER LAST NAME (IF APPLICABLE)

☐ MALE ☐ FEMALE

PREFERRED FIRST NAME
DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)
GENDER
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

PERMANENT HOME MAILING ADDRESS
CITY
STATE
ZIP

PHONE NUMBER
CELL PHONE NUMBER
EMAIL ADDRESS

Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident? ☐ YES ☐ NO If no, please explain status:

Are you Hispanic/Latino? ☐ YES ☐ NO

What is your race? † (Select one or more): ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ White

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

List below, in chronological order, all high schools and colleges or universities you have attended. Misrepresentation in any statement made here may be considered sufficient reason for refusal of admission.

NAME OF SCHOOL
CITY/STATE
DATE ENTERED
DATE LEFT
DATE GRADUATED OR REASON LEFT

List all courses in which you are currently enrolled:

List all dates you have taken or will take the SAT-I or ACT exam:

SAT MONTH/YEAR
ACT MONTH/YEAR

Semester you wish to enroll: ☐ FALL ☐ SPRING

YEAR: _____________________ Are you applying to be a: ☐ FRESHMAN ☐ TRANSFER

Have you previously applied to or attended Canisius College? ☐ YES ☐ NO If yes, when? ____________________________

Do you intend to live in Canisius College housing? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Freshmen and sophomores are required to live on campus unless they will be commuting from their family home.

Do you intend to apply for financial aid? ☐ YES ☐ NO

This has no impact on the admission decision; it simply allows us to communicate with you about the financial aid timeline.
ACADEMIC INTERESTS

Please indicate your first and second choice of major by placing a 1 and 2 on the line next to your selections. If you are still considering a variety of majors, check the box in the UNDECIDED section that best describes your interests. Please note that you are not locked in to the major you choose on this application. You may change your major at any time.

UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

___ Accounting
___ Accounting Information Systems
___ Adolescence Education
___ Animal Behavior, Ecology & Conservation
___ Biochemistry
___ Biology
___ Chemistry
___ Childhood Education/ Special Education
___ Childhood Education/ TESOL
___ Classics
___ Clinical Laboratory Science
___ Communication Studies
___ Computer Science
___ Creative & Performing Arts Interdisciplinary Studies
___ Creative Writing
___ Criminal Justice
___ Digital Media Arts
___ Economics
___ English
___ Entrepreneurship
___ Environmental Science
___ Environmental Studies
___ European Studies
___ Finance
___ Health and Wellness
___ History
___ Human Services
___ International Business
___ International Relations
___ Journalism
___ Latin American Studies
___ Management
___ Marketing
___ Mathematics
___ Philosophy
___ Physical Education
___ Physical Education/Health Education
___ Physics
___ Political Science
___ Professional & Technical Studies
___ Psychology
___ Religious Studies
___ Sociology
___ Spanish
___ Specialized Studies
___ Sport Management
___ Sport & Exercise Health Care
___ Urban Studies

In addition to your choice of major(s), please indicate your interest in any of the following programs:

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

☐ Pre-Dental
☐ Pre-Engineering
☐ Pre-Law
☐ Pre-Medical
☐ Pre-Optometry
☐ Pre-Pharmacy
☐ Pre-Veterinary

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

☐ Athletic Training*
  (Must major in Health & Wellness)
☐ Dental Medicine*
☐ Fashion Merchandising
  (Must major in Marketing)
☐ Military Science/ROTC
☐ Osteopathic Medicine*
☐ Pharmacy *
☐ Sport Broadcasting/Journalism
☐ Veterinary*

UNDECIDED?

If unsure of a specific major, check the box in one of the following areas that best describes your interests:

☐ Humanities
☐ Business Administration
☐ Education
☐ Natural Science
☐ Not sure at this time
☐ Social Sciences

* Joint degree program.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Please tell us more about your extracurricular involvement(s). You may attach an additional document if necessary.

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List any employment or military service:

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List all other colleges/universities to which you have applied:

☐ Do you intend to apply for the Urban Leadership Learning Community (ULLC) program?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO
For more information visit canisius.edu/freshmenscholarships

☐ Check here if you wish to receive Army ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps) information.

☐ Are you a member of Phi Theta Kappa?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO  Date of induction: __________________________

☐ Are you a member of Alpha Beta Gamma?  ☐ YES  ☐ NO  Date of induction: __________________________

FAMILY INFORMATION
Occasionally the Office of Admissions corresponds with your parent(s) or guardian(s). Please tell us where and to whom to send this information.

Parent/Guardian 1:  ☐ MRS.  ☐ MR.  ☐ MS.  ☐ OTHER  Relationship: ____________________________________________________________

FIRST NAME  LAST NAME
MAILING ADDRESS  CITY  STATE  ZIP
PHONE NUMBER  EMAIL ADDRESS

OCCUPATION AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT

Parent/Guardian 2:  ☐ MRS.  ☐ MR.  ☐ MS.  ☐ OTHER  Relationship: ____________________________________________________________

FIRST NAME  LAST NAME
MAILING ADDRESS  CITY  STATE  ZIP
PHONE NUMBER  EMAIL ADDRESS

OCCUPATION AND PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT
Are you the child of a Canisius College faculty or staff member? □ YES □ NO

Did either your mother or father attend college? □ YES □ NO

Did your father graduate from Canisius College? □ YES □ NO YEAR(S) __________________ DEGREE(S) EARNED________________________

Did your mother graduate from Canisius College? □ YES □ NO YEAR(S) __________________ DEGREE(S) EARNED________________________

If your mother is a graduate of Canisius, please indicate her maiden name: ____________________________________________________________

Number of siblings: ___________________ Older: ___________________ Younger: ___________________

Are you a veteran of the U.S. military? □ YES □ NO

Are you a spouse/dependent of someone who has served in the U.S. military? □ YES □ NO

Do you plan to use your military veteran benefits? □ YES □ NO

Have you ever been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor (except a traffic violation)? □ YES □ NO

If yes, give details: ___________________________________________________________________________________________________

ESSAY (FRESHMEN & TRANSFERS)

Please write a brief essay of at least 250 words about a significant experience, achievement or person in your life, or another topic of interest to you.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION (FRESHMEN ONLY)

Please include up to two letters of recommendation from teachers or school administrators (i.e. school counselor, principal, etc.)

YOUR SIGNATURE IS NECESSARY TO PROCESS YOUR APPLICATION

I certify that the information which I have given on these pages is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. I agree that if I am accepted for admission, I shall comply with all the rules and regulations of the college that may be in effect or that shall be put into effect while I am a student.

STUDENT’S SIGNATURE ___________________ DATE __________

COUNSELOR RECOMMENDATION (FRESHMEN ONLY)

Please enclose the following with the application and submission materials to:

Canisius College
Office of Undergraduate Admissions
2001 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14208-1098

SUBMISSION MATERIALS:

□ Student transcript, including results of SAT or ACT exams
□ Additional documentation such as an essay, resume or letters of recommendation
□ Your school profile

COUNSELOR’S NAME ___________________ TITLE ___________________

SCHOOL NAME ___________________ SCHOOL CODE (CEEB) ______

PHONE NUMBER ___________________ EMAIL ADDRESS ___________________

Student’s cumulative average: ___________________ □ WEIGHTED □ UNWEIGHTED Student’s class standing: ___________________ OF ___________________

In comparison with other college preparatory students at your school, the applicant’s course selection is: □ MOST DEMANDING □ DEMANDING □ AVERAGE

Percentage of graduating class attending: □ FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS: ___% □ TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS: ___%

What is your professional judgment regarding this student’s aptitude and preparedness for baccalaureate studies at Canisius College?

□ HIGHLY RECOMMEND □ RECOMMEND □ RECOMMEND WITH RESERVATION □ DO NOT RECOMMEND
□ UNABLE TO JUDGE AT THIS TIME □ PREFER NOT TO RESPOND

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The Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP) is available to New York state residents who are academically and financially disadvantaged. Check here if this applicant would like to be considered for HEOP. □ YES □ NO

**HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM**
Academically and financially disadvantaged students who are New York state residents may apply to be considered for the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP). Please check with your school counselor for more information about HEOP and be sure to have your counselor check the HEOP box on the counselor portion of the application if you would like to be considered for the program.

**FRESHMAN MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS**
Canisius College offers an extensive merit-based scholarship program to reward students for outstanding academic achievement. Students will be evaluated for an academic scholarship when they are evaluated for admission. A separate application is not required.

Academic scholarships are based on a three-year cumulative high school average (freshman through junior year) and the highest SAT-I combined score (critical reading and math only) or ACT composite score. If students qualify for an academic scholarship at Canisius, they will be notified of the scholarship amount when they receive their admissions decision letter. Find out how much scholarship money you could be eligible to receive at canisius.edu/scholarshipcalculator.

**TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS**
Students are automatically considered for a transfer scholarship when they are evaluated for admission. Scholarships are awarded based on cumulative academic performance for all coursework completed at the university level. Students may also be considered for either one (but not both) of the following scholarships:
- Phi Theta Kappa Award
- Alpha Beta Gamma Award

To be considered, students must submit proof of induction at the time of application.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE**
Canisius commends students who have challenged themselves with the rigor of Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate coursework. These types of courses are taken into consideration when students are reviewed for admission and scholarships, particularly students who have enrolled in the International Baccalaureate diploma program.

Canisius awards credit to students with scores of 3 or better on most Advanced Placement exams. Scores must be sent directly from the College Board to the Office of Student Records and Financial Services once the student has made the decision to enroll at Canisius.

Canisius College grants academic credit for International Baccalaureate work. An IB diploma will be recognized with 30 credits of work at Canisius, which is the maximum amount of credit granted for pre-college work. A student who has earned the IB Diploma will be awarded the full maximum of 30 credit hours. Official IB exam scores should be sent directly to the Office of Student Records to have individual diploma exams evaluated to determine specific transfer credit to be applied toward major, core curriculum, or elective course requirements. Major credit will be determined in consultation with department chairs. Students will not receive additional credit for AP exams that duplicate credit awarded for the IB exams, and the maximum amount of credit for pre-college work is 30 credits.

**MYCANISIUS PAGE**
We recognize that once you have been accepted for admission, you and your family will want access to as much information as possible as you make your decision. Visit the MyCanisius website at my.canisius.edu.
- Register for accepted student events
- Check our FAQ section for students and parents
- Connect to detailed information about academic majors and programs and student services on campus

**NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**
Canisius College does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, religion or creed, color, sex, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, genetic predisposition or carrier status, or disability in administration of its education policies, employment practices, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.