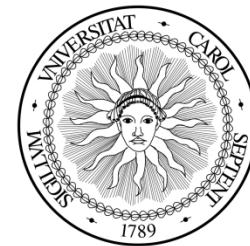


Minimum Entrance Requirements The University of North Carolina



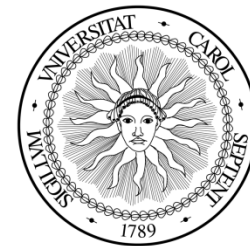
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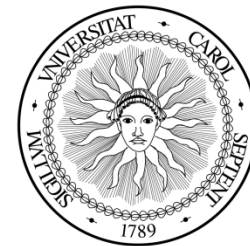
UNC System Overview

- Comprised of sixteen constituent public institutions of higher education and one constituent high school (NCSSM)
- University was chartered in 1789, and is the oldest public institution of higher education in the United States
- Oldest institution: UNC-Chapel Hill (1789)
- Newest institution: NCSSM (2007)



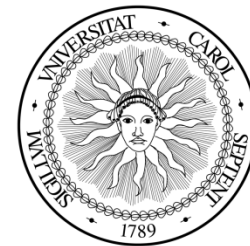
UNC By the Numbers

- Total enrollment: 215,692
- New Freshmen:
 - 86.4% NC residents
 - 13.6% Out-of-state
- Institution Size:
 - Largest: NC State (32,872)
 - Smallest: UNC School of the Arts (879)
- Students enrolled from all 100 NC counties and all 50 States



Admissions to UNC Institutions

- Two Tiered Approach
- UNC Board of Governors Policies
 - Minimum Course Requirements
 - Minimum Admission Requirements
 - Other Admissions Requirements
- Individual Campus Requirements
 - Grades, Class Rank, Standardized Test Scores, Essays, Letters of Recommendation, etc.



Minimum Course Requirements

- Enacted in 1990
- Revised in 2004 (Second Language Requirement)
- Revised in 2006 (Fourth Mathematics Requirement)
- Student is required to meet the revision in effect at the time of their high school graduation

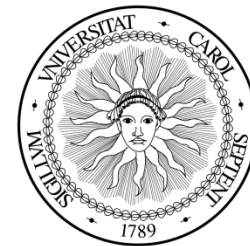


Minimum Course Requirements

- Six course units in language, including
 - four units in English emphasizing grammar, composition, and literature, and
 - two units of a language other than English.
- Four course units of mathematics, in any of the following combinations:
 - algebra I and II, geometry, and one unit beyond algebra II,
 - algebra I and II, and two units beyond algebra II, or
 - integrated math I, II, and III, and one unit beyond integrated math III.
- Three course units in science, including
 - at least one unit in a life or biological science (for example, biology),
 - at least one unit in physical science (for example, physical science, chemistry, physics), and
 - at least one laboratory course
- Two course units in social studies, including one unit in U.S. history

(The fourth unit of math affects applicants to all institutions except the North Carolina School of the Arts.) It is recommended that prospective students take a mathematics course unit in the twelfth grade.

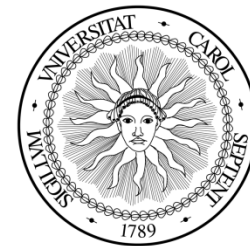
An applicant who does not have the unit in U.S. history may be admitted on the condition that at least three semester hours in that subject will be passed by the end of the sophomore year.



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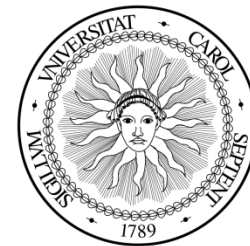
- Special Consideration 1
 - Applicants who are at least 24 years old and are seeking admission as nontraditional students: institutions may waive some of the minimum requirements for applicants in this category.
- Special Consideration 2
 - Applicants with superior academic records in high school who have completed the 11th grade and have met virtually all the minimum course requirements as well as the requirements for high school graduation: institutions may waive some of the minimum requirements for these applicants.



Minimum Course Requirements

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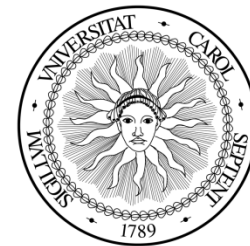
- Special Consideration 3
 - Transfer applicants who:
 - (a) have received the associate of arts, the associate of science, the associate of fine arts, the baccalaureate or any higher level degree, or
 - (b) have successfully completed the 44-hour general education core courses needed to satisfy the requirements of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement between the University of North Carolina and the North Carolina Community College System, or
 - (c) have completed at least six (6) semester hours of degree-credit hours in each of the following subjects: English, mathematics, the natural sciences, the social and behavioral sciences, and (for students who graduate from high school in 2004 and beyond) a second language
 - will be considered to have satisfied the minimum course requirements.



Minimum Course Requirements

Special Considerations

- Special Consideration 4
 - Applicants who apply to the University of North Carolina School of the Arts and do not meet the minimum high school course unit requirements: UNCSEA may admit such applicants on the condition that course deficiencies be removed by successfully completing required courses in the UNCSEA high school program by the end of the freshman year.



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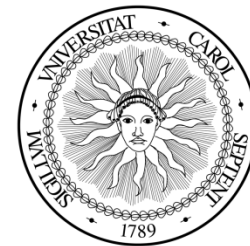
- Special Consideration 5
 - The University of North Carolina and its constituent institutions are committed to equality of opportunity. There will be no discrimination on the part of the constituent institutions of the University against applicants for admission, regardless of whether they attended a public or non-public high school. Therefore, it is the intention of the University to administer nondiscriminatory admissions policies by fairly evaluating the records of applicants. The undergraduate admissions policy of each constituent institution shall define a uniform set of application materials for all applicants that comprise a complete application for admission. No additional information will be required from any applicant based upon the type of high school attended. Whenever the information presented by any applicant to any of the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina does not clearly indicate whether an applicant is admissible under the institution's current policy, the institution may request supplemental information and test scores. Additional information or testing may not be arbitrarily requested. Although the institution may recommend the test alternatives that it believes will maximize the applicant's chance of acceptance, the choice of which supplemental test scores to submit is left to the applicant. All of the constituent institutions of the University of North Carolina accept SAT I or ACT scores in support of an application for admission. Whenever a student applies from a high school where class rank or grade point average is not available or readily assessable, the applicant is encouraged to submit supplemental test scores.

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Special Considerations



- Special Consideration 6
 - Other applicants who, due to unusual or special circumstances, do not meet all of the minimum high school course unit requirements but who have achieved a superior academic record, as measured by grades, rank in class, admissions tests scores, the rigor of courses taken, or who demonstrate special talents: institutions may waive some of the minimum requirements for applicants in this category upon a finding that such individuals are qualified. The process resulting in an exception must include faculty participation with final authorization for an exception to be made by the chancellor.
 - For any individual who receives admission by this exception and has not met the requirement for the fourth unit of mathematics (beginning in Fall 2006), then the student will have 12 months from the first day of the first semester of the first year to fulfill the requirement. The course taken to fulfill this mathematics requirement may count as elective credit, but cannot be used to fulfill general education requirements after August 1, 2007. Exceptions may be granted for the fourth unit of mathematics requirement under this policy until September 1, 2010.



Minimum Admissions Requirements

- Minimum high school weighted GPA AND SAT/ACT scores required for admissions at any UNC institution
- Standards will be implemented incrementally between Fall 2009 and Fall 2013
- These scores are minimums, and do not guarantee entry at any UNC institution



Minimum Admissions Requirements

Entering Term	Minimum GPA	Minimum SAT	Minimum ACT	Exceptions Per Campus
Fall 2009	2.0	700	15	1%
Fall 2010	2.0	700	15	1%
Fall 2011	2.3	750	16	1%
Fall 2012	2.3	750	16	1%
Fall 2013 (and beyond)	2.5	800	17	1%



Minimum Admissions Requirements

Frequently Asked Questions

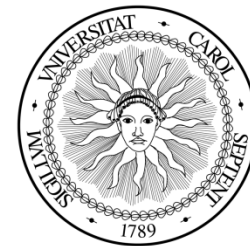
- The weighted GPA is used to determine if the student satisfies the minimum requirement, as calculated by the high school.
- The GPA is the students cumulative GPA based on ALL courses taken during high school.
- The SAT score can be derived from multiple tests – i.e. if a student scores higher on the Math on their first testing, and higher on the critical reading on their second testing, those scores may be combined.
- The SAT score represents only the Math + Critical Reading sections. While the writing component is still required for all students, it is not figured into the minimum scores.
- Each campus will have an exception to these admission requirements of 1% of the number of currently admitted students



Minimum Admissions Requirements

Frequently Asked Questions

- Students must hold a high school diploma or its equivalent
- Students must submit either an SAT or ACT Score
- Students must submit a valid writing component score with their SAT or ACT



COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS