

# Undergraduate Admissions

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## FRESHMAN ADMISSION

Students interested in attending Mississippi Valley State University can request an admissions packet or apply [on-line](#). Paper applications should be mailed with required documents to the Office of Admissions. Admission to Mississippi Valley State University will be granted to students who meet the basic requirements for admission.

### Steps to Applying

- Application for Admission (completed and signed) – No Application Fee Required
- Official high school transcript or Official General Equivalency Diploma (GED), faxed documentation will not be accepted.
- ACT or SAT scores are required of all applicants. Prefer that scores are sent directly to us  
ACT College Code - 2224  
SAT College Code - 1482
- Proof of Immunization (Born after 1957 must provide proof of Immunity).

Mailing Address:           Office of Admissions & Recruitment  
                                  Mississippi Valley State University  
                                  14000 Highway 82 W # 7222  
                                  Itta Bena, Mississippi 38941

### Options for Full Admission

- *Full admission will be granted to the following: (1) All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 3.20 high school grade point average (GPA) on the CPC; or*
- *All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 2.50 high school GPA on the CPC or a class rank in the top 50%, and (b) a score of 16 or higher on the ACT (Composite); or*
- *All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 2.00 high school GPA on the CPC and (b) a score of 18 or higher on the ACT (Composite).*
- *NCAA Division I standards for student athletes who are “full-qualifiers” are accepted as equivalent to the admission standards established by Board.*
- *Students who have not demonstrated adequate readiness in English or Reading or Mathematics will be granted Full Admission with Academic Deficiencies to the Summer Developmental Program. In lieu of ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores. Students scoring below 16 on the ACT (Composite) or the equivalent SAT are encouraged to participate in the Year-Long Academic Support Program during their freshmen year.*

### OUT-OF-STATE POLICY

Students who are graduates of an accredited high school, or have successfully obtained a General Equivalency Diploma (GED), will be considered for acceptance upon receipt of an application and an official transcript and an ACT Score that meet our admission requirements previously stated. Any student will be considered for acceptance with a composite test score of 18 and above on the ACT or 960 and above on the SAT. In order to register, the student must submit all documents to the appropriate offices.

### **College Prep Curriculum (CPC) – High School Course Requirements**

- English: (4 Carnegie Units) requiring substantial communication skills components.
- Mathematics: (3 Carnegie Units) Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry. (Algebra I taken in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be accepted for admissions if the course content is the same as the high school course).
- Science: (3 Carnegie Units) Biology, Advanced Biology, Chemistry, Advanced Chemistry, Physical Science, Physics, Advanced Physics, or another science course of equal rigor. Note: Two science units must be laboratory based).
- Social Studies: (3 Carnegie Units) including U.S. History, World History, Government (1/2 unit) and Economics (1/2 unit) or Geography (1/2 unit).
- Advanced Electives (2 Carnegie Units) selected from Foreign Language, World Geography, 4<sup>th</sup> year lab based science, and 4<sup>th</sup> year Mathematics. One of the units must be Foreign Language or World Geography. (8<sup>th</sup> grade foreign language will be accepted provided it meets the content rigor of high school).
- Computer Applications: (1/2 Carnegie Unit)

### **College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) Beginning 2012**

**Beginning the summer of 2012, the following standards will apply to freshmen applicants to all University System Institutions.**

The high school course requirements beginning the summer of 2012 applies to students graduating from high school and entering a public institution of higher learning. Equivalent standards for out-of-state applicants will apply.

- English -- 4 units, Compensatory Reading and Compensatory Writing may not be included.
- Mathematics -- 4 units, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and any one other Carnegie Unit of comparable rigor and content. (e.g., Advanced Algebra, Trigonometry, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, AP Calculus AB, AP Calculus BC, Discrete Mathematics, Probability and Statistics, or AP Statistics.)
- Natural Science -- 4 units, Biology I, Chemistry I, and any two Carnegie Units of comparable rigor and content. (e.g., Physics, Physical Science, Biology II, Chemistry II, AP Chemistry, Physics II, AP Physics B, AP Physics C – Electricity and Magnetism, AP Physics C – Mechanics, Botany, Microbiology, or Human Anatomy and Physiology.)

- Social Studies – 4 units, includes World History, U.S. History, Introduction to World Geography, U.S. Government, Economics, and Mississippi Studies. (Credit earned for a State/Local Government course in any other state may stand in lieu of Mississippi Studies.)
- Arts – 1 unit, any visual and/or performing arts course that meets the requirements for high school graduation.
- Advanced Electives -- 2 units, Foreign Language (I and II): or Advanced World Geography and a Foreign Language (I); or any combination of English, mathematics, or lab-based science courses of comparable rigor and content to those required for the entering class of 2012.
- Computer -- 1/2 unit, Course should cover the use application packages, such as word processing and spreadsheets, basic computer terminology and hardware operation.

Pre-High School Units such as Algebra I, Foreign Language I, or Mississippi Studies taken prior to high school will be accepted for admission, provided the course content is the same as the high school course.

### **Full Admission in 2012**

Full admission to Mississippi Valley State University will be granted to high school students who graduate the summer of 2012 and complete the required CPC listed above with one of the following:

- A minimum 3.20 grade-point average on the CPC, or
- A minimum 2.50 grade-point average on the CPC and a composite score of 16 or higher on the ACT or a combined score of 760 or higher on the SAT, or
- A minimum 2.0 grade-point average on the CPC and a composite score of 18 or higher on the ACT or a combined score of 860 or higher on the SAT, or
- Standing in the top 50 percent of the class and a composite score of 16 or higher on the ACT or a combined score of 760 or higher on the SAT, or
- NCAA Division I standards for students athletes who are “full-qualifiers” are accepted as equivalent to the admission standards established by the Board.

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