

GENERAL ADMISSION INFORMATION

Advanced Placement (AP) Program/College Level Examination Program (CLEP)

College credit may be granted based on achievement in college level high school courses, provided the University has received satisfactory scores from the College Level Entrance Examination Program (CLEP) or the Advanced Placement Program (AP) examinations.

It should not be assumed that credit granted by other colleges/universities would be allowed by the University of Montana or Missoula College. Specific questions regarding the Advanced Placement Program should be directed to the Office of Admissions.

The University policy for awarding credit on the basis of AP/CLEP is available on the Admissions Advanced-Credit web page (<http://admissions.umt.edu/admissions/advanced-credits/default.php>).

International Baccalaureate

The University of Montana recognizes IB achievement and grants college credit for each Higher Level exam passed provided the University has received satisfactory scores from the International Baccalaureate Program, with an examination score of four or higher. University policy on awarding IB credit is available on the Admissions Advanced-Credit web page (<http://admissions.umt.edu/admissions/advanced-credits/default.php>).

The University grants credit for Standard Level exams for some IB languages or if they are taken as a component of the full Diploma. UM will offer a maximum of 30 credits (sophomore equivalent standing) to all incoming students who have received a Diploma with a score of 30 or better, with no individual exam scores lower than four. These credits will normally be distributed as electives, although students who desire credit for specific UM courses, may petition the Admissions Office. All incoming students who have completed the IB Diploma will be given priority consideration for admission to the UM Davidson Honors College.

General Education and course equivalency credit is granted for the exams listed below as indicated. These credits cannot be used toward upper-division coursework. The Office of Admissions will provide students with an evaluation of their credits after receipt of official scores. If you do not see a specific IB exam on our list and would like it evaluated for credit, please email The Office of Admissions with the following information: exam title and level.

AP Capstone Diploma

The University of Montana recognizes and awards credits for the AP Capstone Diploma. For more about the AP Diploma, visit the College Board AP Capstone website (<https://advancesinap.collegeboard.org/ap-capstone/>).

All incoming students who have completed the AP Capstone Diploma will be given priority consideration for admission to UM s Davidson Honors College (<http://www.dhc.umt.edu/prospective-students/default.php>). Students completing the AP Capstone Diploma Research course will earn the equivalent of 3 credits of HONR 190 Honors Research. Students completing the AP Capstone Seminar will earn the equivalent of 3 credits of HONR 194 Honors Seminar.

General Education and course equivalency credit is granted for the posted exams as indicated. These credits cannot be used toward upper-division coursework. The Office of Admissions will provide students with an evaluation of their credits after receipt of official scores.

If you do not see a specific AP course on our list and would like it evaluated for credit, please contact Admissions with the course title and level. To request that your score reports be sent to the University of Montana visit the AP website (recommended) or call AP directly at (212) 713-8000. The University of Montana awards college credit to undergraduate degree students on the basis of official score reports from the Advanced Placement Program/College Board.

Foreign Language Placement

Transfer credit is not granted for high school foreign languages. Placement testing is done by the Department of World Languages and Cultures to determine appropriate class placement for entering students.

Immunization Requirements

Montana state law requires postsecondary students to provide proof of immunization. Students must complete the Medical Requirement Form and return the form to the Curry Health Center prior to matriculation.

Matriculation cannot be completed without this documentation. A Medical Requirement Form is sent with the admission acceptance letter. For additional information visit the Curry Health Center website (<http://www.umt.edu/curry-health-center/>).

High School Pilot Program

Area high school juniors and seniors of outstanding ability can enroll in University classes under the High School Pilot Program. Students must have approval from their high school counselor/principal and parent/guardian if under age 18. High school students earn college credit, receive an early introduction to University opportunities and are able to develop skills and knowledge beyond the high school level. For more information, contact the Coordinator of the High School Pilot Program, The Office of Admissions, Gilkey Welcome Center, The University of Montana-Missoula, Missoula, MT 59812 or phone (406) 243-6266. For opportunities in the Missoula College, phone (406) 243-7828.

Dual Credit Program

The Dual Credit Program enables high school juniors and seniors of outstanding ability to earn college credit in certain high school courses. Students must have approval from their high school counselor/principal and parent/guardian if under age 18. For information, please see the Dual Credit Program website (<http://mc.umt.edu/dualenrollment/>).

International Student Exchange Program (ISEP)

The University of Montana is a member of the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP), which allows University of Montana students to spend a semester, a year, or a summer abroad at one of ISEP's 141 member institutions in 42 foreign countries. ISEP offers reciprocal exchanges (students pay their home tuition, room and board, and create a space for an incoming international student) and ISEP-Direct programs (students pay a program fee covering tuition, room and board through the University of Montana to ISEP). Other expenses for which the student is responsible include: books and supplies, local transportation, round-trip airfare, or personal expenses.

For information on ISEP, please contact International Programs, International Center, The University of Montana-Missoula, Missoula, MT 59812 or phone (406) 243 2288.

National Student Exchange (NSE)

The University of Montana-Missoula participates in the National Student Exchange (NSE) program with 190 other state colleges and universities. This program offers students the opportunity to become better acquainted with different social and educational patterns in other areas of the United States. NSE encourages students to experience new life and learning styles, appreciate differing cultural perspectives, learn more about themselves and others and broaden their educational backgrounds through specialized courses or unique programs which may not be available on the home campus. Qualified students may participate in the exchange program for up to one academic year. For more information, contact the Coordinator of the National Student Exchange Program, The Office of Admissions, Gilkey Welcome Center, The University of Montana-Missoula, Missoula, MT 59812 or phone (406) 243-6266. Find more information on the National Student Exchange website (<http://www.umt.edu/academic-enrichment/national-student-exchange/default.php>).

Special Admission Committee

A special admission committee reviews applications from students who do not meet the regular admission standards.

Enrollment Limitation

The University of Montana-Missoula may deny or condition admission, readmission, or continuing enrollment of any individual who, in the judgment of the University, presents an unreasonable risk to the safety and welfare of the campus and persons thereon. In making such judgment, the University may, among other things, take into account the individual's history and experience relative to

- violence and destructive tendencies,
- behavior on other college campuses, and
- any rehabilitative therapy the individual may have undergone.

The University of Montana-Missoula Adopts the following Admission Review Procedures

The Director of Admissions at The University of Montana-Missoula shall be responsible for the administration of the Admissions Review procedures established to implement Board of Regents policy. When the responsible admissions officer has reason to believe an applicant may present an unreasonable risk to the safety and welfare of the campus and persons thereon, additional information regarding the applicant's background and experiences shall be requested, to be then handed over to the Office of the Vice Provost for Student Life. No applicant's admission may be barred automatically, solely by reason of a criminal conviction, if state supervision has terminated, or solely by reason of a youth court adjudication. The responsible admissions officer may request additional information in the following instances:

- When an applicant has been convicted of a felony;
- When an applicant has been adjudicated as a danger to others or to self;
- When an applicant has been suspended or expelled for disciplinary reasons from other educational institutions, either before or after the applicant has been accepted at The University of Montana-Missoula;
- When, on the basis of other facts, the Director of Admissions or other responsible admissions officers has reason to believe an applicant

may present an unreasonable risk to the safety and welfare of the campus and persons thereon.

After obtaining additional information, the responsible admissions officer may admit the applicant or refer the application to the Admissions Review Committee for review and recommendation.

Evaluation of Transfer Credits

Evaluation of transfer credits is determined by the Office of Admissions after a student has been admitted. All college-level credits from regionally accredited colleges and universities will be accepted for transfer. Credits from colleges or universities that are candidates for regional accreditation will be accepted only after the student has successfully completed twenty semester credits at UM. Coursework from unaccredited schools is not accepted or evaluated unless an individual exception is requested by the student and approved by a committee composed of the Academic Vice President, Director of Admissions, and the Registrar.

The Office of Admissions determines whether or not courses are college-level, the appropriate grading and credit conversion, and the applicability of the transfer courses to UM's general education requirements. Transfer courses graded C- or above may count toward general education, major, minor, concentration, or certificate requirements. Transfer courses with grades of D or D- transfer as general elective credit only. The student's major department may further evaluate the applicability of transfer courses to the student's selected program of study. College-level courses which do not have an equivalent at UM will be accepted as elective credits.

Freshman-/sophomore-level courses taken at another college or university will generally not be evaluated as equivalent to junior/senior level courses at University of Montana. Also, junior/senior level courses will generally not be evaluated as equivalent to freshman/sophomore courses at UM. Elective credit will be granted in these cases. If a lower-level elective is substituted for an upper-level course by an academic department, that credit may not be used to fulfill the University upper-level credit requirement.

Elective credit may be given for military courses according to the recommendations in the American Council (ACE) Service Guide. Elective credit may also be given for training programs recommended by the ACE Guide or by the National College Credit Recommendation Service (NCCRS).

The University of Montana database of courses transferable from colleges and universities is available on the Admissions transfer credit web page (<http://admissions.umt.edu/apply/transfer/default.php>).

Per Board Of Regents policy 301.5 (<https://mus.edu/borpol/bor300/301-5.pdf>), students have the right to appeal their official evaluation by contacting the Admissions Office. If a student exercises the appeal rights set out in this policy, the review and a final decision must be completed by the class pre-registration date for the following academic term. The student must initiate the appeal process in a timely manner in order to give the institution time to complete its review before the deadline described in the preceding sentence.

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education's Professional Student Exchange Program enables students in thirteen western states to enroll in out of state professional programs when those programs are not available in their home states. Exchange students receive preference

in admission. They pay reduced levels of tuition: for most students, resident tuition in public institutions or reduced standard tuition at private schools. The home state pays a support fee to the admitting schools to help cover the cost of students' education.

The following professional programs are not available in Montana but are supported by the Montana WICHE program. They are dentistry, medicine, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, podiatry, public health and veterinary medicine.

The Certifying Officer for the State of Montana can be contacted for specific details about the program.

WICHE Student Exchange Program
Montana University System
2500 Broadway
Helena, MT 59620
(406) 444-6570 or Fax: (406) 444-1469.

Western Undergraduate Exchange Program (WUE)

The Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) Scholarship program at The University of Montana-Missoula is a highly competitive academic merit based scholarship which is strictly monitored. Awards are decided upon a comprehensive review of a student's cumulative G.P.A. and test scores. When undergraduate students apply and are admitted from a WUE state they are automatically considered for the WUE, if not eligible for the WUE they are reviewed for other awards. The WUE states are limited to students who are legal residents of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. Please note: Only first time incoming freshman and new transfer students are eligible for the WUE scholarship. *Currently enrolled students not originally awarded WUE, post-baccalaureate students and returning students are not eligible for WUE.*

The amount of the WUE scholarship will always represent the 150% of the cost of Montana resident tuition and fees. The WUE scholarship will automatically be renewed each semester providing students follow all conditions of the WUE Scholarship.

The conditions of the WUE Scholarship are:

- The award is in effect for four years or until completion of a bachelor's degree (120 credits) whichever comes first.
- You must maintain a 3.0 grade point average and register for at least 12 credits each consecutive term of enrollment. (Please note that completion of 15 credits per semester leads to graduation within four years.) Courses taken through the School of Extended and Lifelong Learning (SELL) are not WUE eligible and are not counted in meeting the requirement to be full-time.
- Tuition and fees at UM between 12 and 21 credits costs the same. The best way to maximize your tuition dollars is by taking advantage of this cost savings during your scholarship eligibility.
- You may not earn Montana residency for fee purposes at any unit of the Montana University System.
- Students who are not continuously enrolled (except summers), transfer to Missoula College, establish Montana residency or become distance only students, forfeit the scholarship. WUE recipients cannot also receive the LAS scholarship and cease to be eligible for the WUE upon completion of a bachelor's degree.
- The WUE scholarship can be used during summer terms.

- Post-baccalaureate students (i.e. students who have previously earned a bachelor's degree) and graduate students are not eligible to receive the WUE.
- Students who do not meet scholarship conditions may appeal for reinstatement using the Continuing Student Scholarship Appeal Form (<https://www.umt.edu/finaid/forms.php>).

To be eligible for the WUE scholarship first time incoming freshman and transfer students must apply for admission and be admitted to The University of Montana. Awarding of the WUE will occur on a space available rolling basis with priority given to those who apply before December 31st. Further details are available from the Office of Admissions website.

Student Conduct Code

The Student Conduct Code, embodying the ideals of academic honesty, integrity, human rights and responsible citizenship, governs all student conduct at The University of Montana-Missoula. Student enrollment presupposes a commitment to the principles and policies embodied in this Code. The Student Conduct Code sets forth University jurisdiction, student rights, standards of academic and general student conduct, disciplinary sanctions for breach of the standards of student conduct and procedures to be followed in adjudicating charges of both academic and general misconduct. The Vice-Provost for Student Life is responsible for procedural administration of the Student Conduct Code for all general conduct. The Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs is responsible for all academic conduct. Copies of the Student Conduct Code can be obtained from the offices of the Vice-Provost for Student Life, the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Residence Life, and Associated Students of The University of Montana-Missoula (ASUM). The Student Conduct Code also can be accessed from the Vice President for Student Affairs Student Conduct Code web page.

Service Members Opportunity College

The University is a member of Service members Opportunity Colleges, a consortium of over 1300 institutions pledged to be reasonable in working with service members and veterans trying to earn degrees.

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