Admission

Admission information, requirements and application materials are available on the respective department web site:

- Undergraduate Admission (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission/admission_information) (domestic, international and permanent resident students)
- Graduate Admission (https://www.ndsu.edu/gradschool/prospective_students) (international and domestic graduate students)

In addition to the standard admission requirements and processes, special application instructions and admission information applies to special populations of students as identified below.

Admission of Early-Entry Students

The Early Entry Program allows high school students to take courses at NDSU while completing their high school graduation requirements. Students who are in their junior year of high school and have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher are ideal candidates for the program.

To begin as an Early Entry student, submit the following:

1. Application for Admission (http://www.ndsu.edu/admission/admission_information/application)
2. A nonrefundable $35 application fee
3. Official high school transcript
4. Early Entry permission form (obtained from the Office of Admission)

College courses may or may not substitute for courses required for high school graduation. North Dakota students must initiate the Dual Credit Enrollment Application with a high school counselor to count college credit toward graduation requirements.

Early Entry students pay regular tuition and fees.

Students are encouraged to begin the application process at least one month prior to the semester they wish to take classes. Some courses require ACT scores or AP/IB exam scores as prerequisites prior to registration. Students are required to participate in a brief orientation session with an admission representative following registration. To begin enrollment as an Early Entry student, contact the Office of Admission.

Admission of Non-Degree Seeking Students

Special status is reserved for non-degree seeking students who wish to enroll in a limited number of courses at NDSU. Students are permitted to register for up to 15 credits. Interested students must submit an Application for Admission to the Office of Admission and pay the $35 nonrefundable application fee. Official transcripts are required if coursework was attempted any time one year prior to application. To take additional courses or become degree-seeking, appropriate high school and/or college transcripts must be submitted to be considered for admission. Non-degree seeking students are not eligible for financial aid.

Students currently enrolled at another college or university and planning to take limited coursework at NDSU with intention of transferring NDSU credits to their home institution should follow application procedures for non-degree student status.

Some courses are limited to students in select programs of study, in specified classifications (i.e., junior or senior status), or are restricted by prerequisite/co requisite coursework. Such information is listed in the Course Catalog details on Campus Connection (https://studentadmin.connectnduspsp/NDSPRD/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/h/?tab=GUEST). If restrictions are placed on the courses in which you are interested in enrolling as a non-degree seeking student, permission to enroll may be sought through the appropriate academic department.

Admission by Examination (GED)

NDSU will accept the General Education Development (GED) certificate in place of a high school diploma. North Dakota residents may take these tests by appointment at the NDSU Counseling Center or at high schools throughout the state. Others should consult with schools in their home state for details about testing centers.

Students testing after 2014 must present scores of 170 or higher on each of the four content areas. ACT/SAT scores are required if applicant is under 25 years of age. Students testing between 2002 and 2014 must present an overall average score of 450 with no subject score lower than 410. For students testing prior to 2002, an average of 45 and subject scores no lower than 40 are required.

Selective and Limited Admission Programs

Admission to a number of academic programs is selective and/or limited. Admission to the university does not guarantee entrance to a specific major. Supplemental applications may be required for students seeking admission to the professional-level programs. Some programs require that minimum standards be met and maintained for continuous enrollment and advancement in the program. Contact your respective department for further admission criteria.
Readmission Process
Returning students are those who have previously attended NDSU and are returning after a leave of absence of at least one full term, exclusive of summer session. Returning undergraduate students should begin the reactivation process with the Office of Registration and Records (http://www.ndsu.edu/registrar) at least 30 business days prior to their expected return so that records may be updated to permit further registration. Refer to the Undergraduate Reactivation/Petition for Readmission (https://www.ndsu.edu/pubweb/rr/forms/reactivation) form for complete submission deadlines.

Undergraduate Admission Requirements
The course offerings of the summer school are open to all qualified students. Students may enroll as degree candidates by meeting general university requirements as described elsewhere in this bulletin or may enroll for summer classes in a non-degree status by submitting an Application for Admission (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission/admission_information/application) to the Office of Admission (https://www.ndsu.edu/admission), a $35 non-refundable application fee, and official transcripts from their home institution (if coursework was attempted within one year prior to application). Students who previously attended NDSU, but who have had a leave of absence of at least one full semester (fall or spring) must submit a Reactivation Form (https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/forms/reactivation), and supply any necessary documentation.