

## Applying to Evergreen

If you send all of the application materials in the same envelope, please note that all transcripts must be kept in their original envelopes, sealed by the school that issued them. Transcripts that are opened prior to being received by the Office of Admissions will not be considered official. You can also apply online at [www.evergreen.edu/apply](http://www.evergreen.edu/apply).

## Family Information

Evergreen is interested in collecting accurate information about your parents' education. The data will be used to support Washington state and federal government programs to address the needs of college students. You are encouraged to complete the Family Information section of the application (questions 22 to 31) even if you are no longer a dependent.

Scholarship and financial aid grant opportunities are available for former foster care youth. The Governors' Scholarship for Foster Youth and Passport to College Promise Scholarship encourages foster care youth to prepare for and succeed in college. More information about these programs is available online at [www.evergreen.edu/admissions/special.htm#foster\\_care](http://www.evergreen.edu/admissions/special.htm#foster_care).

## Contact Information

The mailing address for the college is:

**The Evergreen State College**  
2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW  
Olympia, WA 98505

### Office of Admissions

(360) 867-6170  
(360) 867-5114 (fax)  
[admissions@evergreen.edu](mailto:admissions@evergreen.edu)

### Office of Financial Aid

(360) 867-6205  
(360) 867-6576 (fax)  
[finaid@evergreen.edu](mailto:finaid@evergreen.edu)

### Enrollment Services (scholarships)

(360) 867-6310  
(360) 867-6321 (fax)  
[elhardtm@evergreen.edu](mailto:elhardtm@evergreen.edu)

### Residential & Dining Services

(campus housing)  
(360) 867-6132  
(360) 867-6681 (fax)  
[rad@evergreen.edu](mailto:rad@evergreen.edu)

[www.evergreen.edu](http://www.evergreen.edu)

## Areas of Study

The Evergreen curriculum is organized around interdisciplinary programs that are newly designed each year.

These programs incorporate the following traditional disciplines:

### Anthropology

Art—Fine and Visual Arts

Biology

Botany

Business

Chemistry

Communications

Community Studies

Computer Science

Cultural and Ethnic Studies

*African American*

*Asian American*

*American*

*Hispanic/Mexicano*

*Latin American*

*Native American*

Ecology

Ecological Design

Economics

Environmental Studies

Film and Video

Gender Studies

Geography

Geology

Health Services

History

Humanities

### International Studies

*France*

*Ireland*

*Japan*

*Latin America/Spain*

*Middle East*

### Languages

*French*

*Japanese*

*Russian*

*Spanish*

### Literature

Management

Marine Studies

Mathematics

Media Studies

Performing Art

Philosophy

Physics

Political Science

Pre-Law

Pre-Medicine

Psychology

Public Administration

Social Sciences

Sociology

Sustainable Agriculture

Writing

Zoology

Match your academic interests online.

Go to [www.evergreen.edu](http://www.evergreen.edu) and select "Areas of Study."

## FRESHMAN APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- 1. Complete and sign the application.
- 2. Enclose the \$50.00 non-refundable application fee—check or money order, not cash.
- 3. Official high school transcripts.
- 4. Official test results from either SAT or ACT. Evergreen's SAT School Code is 4292; the ACT School Code is 4457.
- 5. Official college transcripts for any college-level work attempted.
- 6. Personal statement (desired). Please see the Personal Statement section below for instructions.

## Admission criteria for freshman applicants

Students entering Evergreen directly from high school, high school seniors who have earned college credit prior to graduating from high school and transfer students with fewer than 40 transferable quarter credits earned at the time of application will be considered for admission on the following basis:

- Completion of college-preparatory course work in high school that includes:

<b>English</b>	<b>4 credits</b>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>3 credits (Algebra I and higher)</b>
<b>Social studies</b>	<b>3 credits</b>
<b>Foreign language</b>	<b>2 credits (single language)</b>
<b>Science</b>	<b>2 credits of laboratory science; 1 credit in algebra-based biology, chemistry or physics.</b>
<b>Arts or elective from one area above</b>	<b>1 credit</b>

Your application may show that you are in the process of completing these courses. If your schedule changes, please contact the Office of Admissions because these core requirements must be completed prior to enrolling at Evergreen. You are encouraged to select challenging courses for your electives that are beyond the minimum requirements stated above.

- Your grade point average (GPA) and test scores will be used in our comprehensive review process. For your information, the average GPA for a freshman admitted in 2008 was 3.17. The average SAT verbal score was 594 and the average SAT math score was 547. The average ACT composite test score was 25.
- Good standing in any college-level work attempted while in high school or after high school graduation. The quality of the college work will be taken into consideration as well.

## Your Personal Statement

**Freshman and transfer applicants** are encouraged to provide a personal statement. The Admissions Committee will review all of your application documents and materials—for example, official transcripts, test scores and letters of recommendation. Your statement is especially helpful if you feel that your application documents do not accurately reflect your ability to succeed in college. Your response is limited to 300 words.

- How have you prepared for Evergreen's interdisciplinary learning community?
- Tell us about a group project and your role in the activity. What did you learn about collaborating with others?
- What are your educational goals? Why do you believe that Evergreen is the best college for you to achieve these goals?

**Freshman applicants who are 25 years old or older** must submit official transcripts but may submit a personal statement and résumé instead of SAT or ACT test scores.

- Describe your academic preparation for college. Why do you feel that you're ready for college studies at Evergreen?
- Identify and describe how your life experiences have prepared you for the challenges of college studies. Life experiences you may consider include, but are not limited to, personal, professional and community service experiences.

There is no required format for your résumé, but please limit this document to two pages.

## TRANSFER STUDENT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- 1. Complete and sign the application.
- 2. Enclose the \$50.00 non-refundable application fee—check or money order, not cash.
- 3. Official college transcripts from every college attended.
- 4. Personal statement (desired). Please see the Personal Statement section (below left) for instructions.

### Admission criteria for transfer applicants

Transfer students (applicants who have completed 40 or more transferable quarter credits at the time of application) will be considered for admission on the following basis:

- Academic performance as determined by the cumulative college grade point average and number of transferable credits completed. A cumulative college grade point average of 2.00 or higher is necessary for admission consideration.
- Good academic standing at the last institution attended.
- Satisfactory completion of a variety of courses in the arts and sciences. Course work should include classes in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and art.
- Students who have earned a designated transfer degree, or a designated technical transfer degree or an acceptable Upside Down degree from a Washington community college will receive priority admission consideration. All others will be accepted on a space-available basis. More information about designated transfer degrees, designated technical transfer degrees and approved Upside Down Programs may be found at [www.evergreen.edu/transferdegrees](http://www.evergreen.edu/transferdegrees).

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### Special instructions for other applicants

**Home School applications** are evaluated on an individual basis. Your Home School education documents, SAT or ACT test scores and your personal statement are required for this evaluation. (Please see Your Personal Statement section for instructions.) You must also submit your official high school transcripts and/or your official college transcripts, if applicable.

Recommendations from school district educators or college professors, who can address your academic preparation, are welcome. Letters of recommendation should be limited to one page each.

**Applicants who have completed the GED** must have test scores in the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile or above in all sub-tests of the GED. GED applicants must also submit any college transcripts and official test results for the SAT or ACT (generally with 990 SAT scores or 21 ACT for admission consideration).

**Freshman applicants who are 25 years old or older** must submit official transcripts but may submit a personal statement (as described at left) and résumé instead of SAT or ACT test scores.

**Criteria for International Students** are described in the International Student Application packet. Contact the Office of Admissions or view information on the Web at [www.evergreen.edu/international](http://www.evergreen.edu/international).

**Tacoma Program applicants** must have junior standing (90 credits) by the time they are scheduled to begin the program. An intake interview with Tacoma Program faculty or staff is required as part of the admission process. Please contact Evergreen-Tacoma Program at (253)680-3000 to obtain a Tacoma Program catalog or visit [www.evergreen.edu/tacoma](http://www.evergreen.edu/tacoma) for more information.

**Former students planning to return to Evergreen** after withdrawing or taking a leave of absence of more than four quarters must complete the application process and submit transcripts from all institutions attended since Evergreen.

## REMEMBER: Timing is Everything for up to FOUR Application Processes

### 1. Applying for Admission

Priority will be given to qualified applicants whose application files are completed by the following dates. Late materials and applications will be considered on a rolling basis. (Check our Web site regarding late applications at [www.evergreen.edu/apply](http://www.evergreen.edu/apply) or contact the Office of Admissions.)

Intended Quarter of Enrollment	Applications Accepted	Priority Date	Notification Date
Fall Quarter	September 1	March 1	Rolling
Winter Quarter	April 1	October 1	November 1
Spring Quarter	June 1	December 1	January 1

### 2. Applying for Financial Aid

- Mail the paper Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the federal processor or complete the FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) as soon after January 1 as possible. Evergreen's school code is 008155. The priority financial aid deadline for receiving complete and valid information from the federal processor is March 15. We recommend the online FAFSA method to ensure quick and accurate processing.
- Submit Evergreen's Financial Aid Data Sheet. This form is available on the Web through [www.evergreen.edu/financialaid](http://www.evergreen.edu/financialaid).
- If you are selected for verification, send required copies of documents directly to Evergreen's Financial Aid Office immediately.

### 3. Applying for Scholarships

The application deadline for the 2010-11 academic year scholarships is February 1, 2010. For more information about scholarships please see [www.evergreen.edu/scholarships](http://www.evergreen.edu/scholarships) or call Enrollment Services at (360) 867-6310.

### 4. Applying for Residential Housing

Residential and Dining Services (also known as RAD) has campus housing options and details about dining services on the Web at [www.evergreen.edu/rad](http://www.evergreen.edu/rad). Room assignments are made on a first-come, first-served basis determined by the date that you submit your application for admission. Complete the Rental Agreement and pay the \$45.00 non-refundable RAD fee online by June 1.

#### Helpful Hint

Your applications for scholarships, financial aid and housing are all dependent upon your application for admission. Scholarships, financial aid awards and housing assignments cannot be given to students who have not been formally admitted to the college. Start with the process of becoming an Evergreen student by submitting an application for admission early, stay on top of your concurrent applications and be mindful of deadlines or due dates.

#### Other Resources

You are encouraged to research other financial aid and scholarship resources to fund your education. These are a few Web sites to help you get started with your review:

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.collegeboard.com/pay](http://www.collegeboard.com/pay)  
[www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)  
[www.collegeplan.org](http://www.collegeplan.org)