



**BIOLA**  
UNIVERSITY

APPLICATION FOR  
UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION



## Application for Undergraduate Admission

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### APPLICATION DEADLINES

*Early Priority Deadline:* February 1

Submit applications for admission *and* financial aid by February 1 to receive an early financial aid package.

*Fall:* June 1

*Spring:* January 1

Note: Application may be submitted after deadlines (late fee of \$55), and will be considered and processed if space is available and time allows.

Application and reference forms are on following pages.

### TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION...

1. File application. Specify when you plan to enroll (fall, interterm, spring, summer). Every advantage goes to the early applicant. Address mail to Office of Admissions, Biola University, 13800 Biola Avenue, La Mirada, CA 90639-0001.

2. Remit the \$45 application fee (non-refundable). Do not send cash.

3. Apply early. Applications filed after January 1 for spring semester or after June 1 for fall semester are considered "late applications," and require a \$55 application fee (non-refundable).

4. Request official transcripts from high school and schools attended after high school graduation. If enrolled at the time application is filed, be sure to request transcripts of work you have finished and final transcripts upon completion of course of study whether it is high school or college. Transcripts must be submitted in a sealed envelope.

5. Arrange to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT is preferred). SAT or ACT is required of all applicants except those who will have sophomore classification upon entrance (requires 27 semester units of accepted course work). The education department will require SAT scores regardless of classification. International students under F-1 student visa should register for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), rather than the SAT.

6. Request recommendations (forms supplied). One reference must come from a member of the pastoral staff of your church. The other may come from school or employer. Forms must be addressed to the Office of Admissions. (References should be provided by persons *outside of your own family* who can attest to academic ability and Christian testimony.)

7. Interview. All applicants are expected to participate in an interview with an Admissions representative prior to a decision on their application. On-campus interviews are preferred, when possible, but phone interviews are substituted when travel distance to Biola prohibits the campus visit. Applicants from overseas are not required to interview unless notified by the Admissions staff.

Call 800•OK•BIOLA and schedule an interview.

### AFTER YOU'VE FILED...

1. You will be assigned to an admissions counselor and notified, by letter, of his/her name. Any questions you have concerning admissions, financial aid, or housing should be directed to your admissions counselor.

2. You will be notified of items needed to complete your file.

3. A letter of acceptance will be sent upon completion of your file if you qualify for admission.

4. Remit required \$100 non-refundable enrollment deposit along with Validation of Acceptance certificate and the residence information card. Send these three together to the Office of Admissions.

5. If you plan to live on campus, please remit a deposit of \$100 (in addition to enrollment deposit), to the Office of Admissions.

6. The medical examination form included with the acceptance notice must be completed and returned by a physician of the student's choice. Address to the Health Center.

If your plans change and you do not plan to complete your application or to enroll if accepted, please notify the Office of Admissions.

### THE FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

The Family Education Rights and Privacy of 1974 permits enrolled university students access to certain credentials in their files. Biola University has long permitted access for the student to his/her previous educational records such as high school transcripts and college transcripts (if a transfer), SAT or ACT scores and educational record at Biola University.

Because of the importance of preserving the confidentiality of letters of recommendation, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act permits an educational institution to suggest an applicant may waive his right to access to letters of recommendation. Signing such waiver is not required as a condition for admission, receipt of financial aid or receipt of any other services or benefits from Biola University.

### ELIGIBILITY

The applicant should be a high school graduate and born-again Christian for at least one year. The application will be considered only after all of the necessary forms have been received by the Office of Admissions.

Biola University has a strong evangelical Christian commitment and requires that the student be an evangelical believer. However, it is and shall be the policy and practice of Biola University, in the admission of students, the hiring of employees, or the operation of any of its programs and activities, not to discriminate on the basis of the applicant's race, color, sex, handicap or national origin. We welcome all applicants who are personally committed to faith in Christ.

*Note: All potential graduate students must use the graduate application available from the Office of Admissions.*

This application must be filled out by the applicant and mailed to the Office of Admissions. It must be accompanied by a \$45 *non-refundable fee*. Returning students must file an application for readmission along with a \$10 *non-refundable fee*. (The form is available at the Office of Admissions).



INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name in full \_\_\_\_\_ Male   
Female

Previous Name(s) Used \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Home address \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip

Temporary address \_\_\_\_\_  
(if not at home for an extended time) Address City State Zip

At temporary address until: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Temporary

Planning to enter: \_\_\_\_\_ Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Interterm \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_  
Date year year year year

Acceptance into the fall or spring semester is automatic acceptance into the preceding Summer Session or Interterm. Students interested in attending only these special sessions must complete the Summer Session/Interterm application.

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ City, state and country of birth \_\_\_\_\_  
(optional) (optional) Month Day Year

Have you ever previously applied to Biola?  Yes  No Attended Biola?  Yes  No If so, which semester? \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. citizen:  Yes  No  If no, citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Resident # \_\_\_\_\_

Do you consider the English language your native tongue?  Yes  No Other U.S. immigration status \_\_\_\_\_ F-1 Student Visa # \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity: (optional)  1. Asian or Pacific Islander  2. African American  3. Native American  4. Hispanic/Latin  5. White  6. International

Marital status:  Single  Married Number and ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

Date of marriage \_\_\_\_\_ Separated or divorced (indicate date) \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY BACKGROUND

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Home address \_\_\_\_\_

Where employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

If father attended college, where? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years \_\_\_\_\_

(Include maiden name)

Mother's full name \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, when? \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Where employed? \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

If mother attended college, where? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years \_\_\_\_\_

If parents are separated, give date of separation \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Year

If parents are separated, with whom do you live? \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children older than yourself: Brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Sisters \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children younger than yourself: Brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Sisters \_\_\_\_\_

Members of your family who have attended Biola: \_\_\_\_\_

ENCLOSE A RECENT PHOTOGRAPH OF YOURSELF.

## WHY BIOLA?

Which was the most significant factor influencing your choice to attend Biola University? Check one square only.

- |   |   |                                       |   |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pastor's referral              | <input type="checkbox"/> Biola faculty contact                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Alumni       | <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine advertisement _____       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> University Day                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Relative attending                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Visit | <input type="checkbox"/> Biola Homepage                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone contact with Biola staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Biola counselor visited school/college | <input type="checkbox"/> Biola Bound  | <input type="checkbox"/> Present Biola student/friend _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Aid workshop         | <input type="checkbox"/> Shepherd Ministries                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Hume Lake    | <input type="checkbox"/> Biola Video                        |

Additional comments \_\_\_\_\_

Are you applying to other colleges or universities? If so, please list \_\_\_\_\_

## EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Anticipated (or past) graduation date from high/secondary school \_\_\_\_\_ Name of high/secondary school \_\_\_\_\_

Address of high/secondary school \_\_\_\_\_  
City State or Country

Were you ever home schooled during high school?  Yes  No If yes, please list dates: \_\_\_\_\_

What school/organization, if any, was overseer of your high school education? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have graduated from high/secondary school, list in chronological order your activities since high school graduation (schools attended, employment, military service, extended travel, etc.). Schools must be listed even if you do not expect to transfer credit. Please include Biola extension courses, if applicable.

SCHOOL, WORK, TRAVEL

DATES

Have you earned a B.S. or a B.A. degree from any college or university?  Yes  No If yes, complete the following:

College \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Date Conferred \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been dismissed or placed on academic or disciplinary probation?  Yes  No If yes, explain the circumstances:

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT) is REQUIRED, unless as a transfer you will have sophomore status (requires a minimum of 27 accepted units). International students must submit Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores. Please indicate the testing date on which you plan to take (or have taken) the:

SAT \_\_\_\_\_ or ACT \_\_\_\_\_ TOEFL \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Year Month Year Month Year

*Note: Regardless of transfer status, any nursing major and student seeking a teaching credential must take the SAT.*

Indicate your possible major. \_\_\_\_\_

What are your vocational goals? \_\_\_\_\_

*Nursing majors: See catalog for procedures for acceptance into the School of Nursing.*

Are you currently  A Registered Nurse?  A Licensed Vocational Nurse?  Enrolled in a nursing program?

Additional departmental applications will need to be filed for admittance into the following programs: business, music, nursing and psychology.



**STANDARDS OF CONDUCT**

IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, HAVE YOU:

- Used tobacco?  Yes  No
- Gambled in any form?  Yes  No
- Used alcoholic beverages?  Yes  No
- Used illegal drugs?  Yes  No

Have you been convicted of a felony within the last seven years?  Yes  No If yes, describe in full including date(s) and disposition of case (a conviction will not necessarily disqualify you from admission).

**STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT**

Biola University has long recognized the value in maintaining certain behavioral standards that contribute to the atmosphere on campus, foster fellowship with a wide range of Christians, and strengthen our Christian testimony to our community. *In this light, Biola University requires its students to abstain from alcoholic beverages, illegal drug use, tobacco, and gambling while enrolled (no exceptions).*

This institution is for earnest Christians who are sensitive to the principles of Christian living found in the Bible. The institution also states certain guidelines for the conduct of the Board of Trustees, faculty, staff and students. Although such regulations are not the basis of one's standing in Christ and are not a necessary consequence of it, they can be beneficial to the life and testimony of both the individual and the institution. To this end, Biola expects its members to refrain from gambling and the use of alcoholic beverages and tobacco. Also, Biola does not allow social dancing at university-related or sponsored activities (that is, any activity that involves an identifiable University group, is publicized on-campus, and/or has the appearance of being university-related, whether held on or off campus). Members of the Biola community are expected to exercise discernment and abstain from all activities that tend to be morally degrading. This includes, but is not limited to, individual decisions regarding movies and television programs viewed and other entertainment, recreational and social activities. Biola University does not presume to be a censoring agency for all activities; however, it does expect tangible evidence of maturing Christian convictions and discerning judgment from its members.

Biola reserves the right to dismiss a student who, in its judgment, does not conform either to the stated regulations governing student conduct or the expressed principles, policies, programs and expectations of the University.

These standards apply to the student while enrolled in any of the schools or programs of the University on campus and off campus. Further, these standards apply to the Board of Trustees, faculty and staff while part of the Biola community.

I have read and understood the statement on the university standards of conduct as summarized above, and I agree to abide by these standards while a student at Biola. (The complete published statement of the standards of conduct can be found in the Student Handbook and the Statement of Rights and Responsibilities which are distributed upon enrollment.)

Applicant's signature (required)

Date

**TRANSCRIPTS**

Please have your high school send a transcript of your record. We must also have transcripts from any schools attended subsequent to high school. Applicants currently enrolled in school must have transcripts sent upon completion of enrollment.

Please indicate the approximate total of college semester credits you hope to transfer. \_\_\_\_\_

**HOUSING**

Applicants under 21 are expected to live on campus unless married or living at home with parents and within commuting distance of the campus. Reservations for on-campus housing will be sent when the student is accepted for admission. No reservation is complete until both deposits (room and enrollment) are made.

Do you wish on-campus housing?  Yes  No If no, please indicate your housing arrangements.

**CLASS LOAD**

I plan to study:  Full time  Part time

The average full-time class load is 15 or 16 units. You must carry at least 12 units to be classified as a full-time student. Those carrying between seven and 11 units are classified as part-time students. Those carrying six units or less are classified as special students. The University reserves the right to impose limits upon the number of units a student may take.

**REFERENCES**

You are required to furnish two references: one from your pastor or youth pastor and one from your high school counselor, principal or another high school administrator who knows your record. If you are transferring from another college, you should have a college professor or administrative staff member complete the form. The school reference form may be given to your employer if you have been out of school and employed for some time. Please indicate the name, addresses and phone numbers of the individuals to whom you give the reference forms.

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone

School/Employer \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone

At the discretion of the University, references from others may be advisable. Give full name and address information of two additional individuals from whom references may be secured.

Name Address City State Zip Code Country Phone Fax #

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