

# Application for Undergraduate Admission

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## DEAR APPLICANT

We are thankful that you have decided to apply for admission to Biola University. Since its founding in 1908, Biola has been committed to biblically-centered education, scholarship, and service equipping men and women in mind and character to impact the world for Jesus Christ. Students fulfill a comprehensive foundation in Bible and theology that is necessary to develop a life of worship and an ability to think as Christians in the respective disciplines. Therefore, the University seeks students who desire an education that integrates their faith and learning. Additionally, the University reviews applicants whose Christian commitment, academic records, and moral character match those of the University.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

### Fall

File completed by:	Notification:
December 1 (Early Action #1)	January 15
January 15 (Early Action #2)	February 15
March 1 (Regular Deadline)	April 1

*Note: Files completed after March 1 will be processed on a bi-monthly basis with notification of admittance beginning after April 15. Applications are considered late after March 1 (late fee of \$55) and will be processed if space is available and time allows.*

### Spring

File completed by:	Notification:
December 15	Rolling Basis

## TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION...

- File application for Admission.** Complete all pages legibly. Specify when you plan to enroll. Every advantage goes to the early applicant. Address to: Office of Admissions, Biola University, 13800 Biola Avenue, La Mirada, CA 90639-0001.
- Include a non-refundable \$45 application fee** payable by check or money order to Biola University. Please include applicant's name on the check. Biola will accept the College Board fee waiver or appropriate letter verifying family financial hardship.
- Apply early.** Applications filed after December 15 for spring semester or after March 1 for fall semester are considered "late applications" and require a \$55 application fee (non-refundable).
- Request official transcripts from high school and from every school 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.
- Arrange to take the SAT Reasoning Test or ACT**(College Board Code 4017). 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 and nursing departments will require SAT scores regardless of classification. International students under F-1 student visa may register for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), rather than the SAT.
- Request two recommendations** (forms supplied). One reference must come from a member of the pastoral staff of your church. The other should come from a high school teacher or counselor, or a college instructor. Forms must be addressed to the Office of Admissions. (References should be provided by persons *outside of your own family* who can attest to your academic ability and Christian testimony).
- International Students** may only apply for fall admission. In addition to the above requirements, international students must submit an affidavit of support.

## AFTER YOU'VE APPLIED...

- 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.
- You will be notified of items needed to complete your file.
- If admitted to Biola University and you decide to attend, you must submit a \$200 non-refundable enrollment and housing deposit by May 1, the National Candidates Reply date. Missing this deadline may result in the applicant being placed on a wait-list, jeopardizing his or her opportunity to enroll.
- 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 & 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 records 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 must 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. Returning students must file an application for readmission along with a \$15 non-refundable fee. (The form is available at the Office of Admissions).*