Your Guide to
Winthrop University

WINTHROP
UNIVERSITY

Winthrop Quick Facts

46
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

3,973
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

1,201
GRADUATE STUDENTS

18
AVERAGE CLASS SIZE

150+
CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

23
GRADUATE PROGRAMS

2 ROTC PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS (AIR FORCE & ARMY)

95%
UNDERGRADUATES RECEIVING FINANCIAL AID

12:1
STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

46%
MINORITY POPULATION

100-acre
MAIN CAMPUS

300-acre
RECREATIONAL AND RESEARCH COMPLEX

400+
STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ACROSS ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

91%
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT PLACEMENT RATE UPON GRADUATION

PUBLIC COEDUCATIONAL LIBERAL ARTS UNIVERSITY

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA FOUNDED: 1886

Application Requirements

Undergraduate first-year student applications are online. A completed application will include the following criteria:

1. A non-refundable application fee of $50.

   a. Application fee waivers are available for students in the Teacher Cadet program or those with an ACT, SAT, or NACAC waiver.

2. High School Transcript. Admissions can use an unofficial copy for the initial admission decision. A student can upload, e-mail, fax or mail a copy to the Office of Admissions. Transcripts can be e-mailed to admissions@winthrop.edu. An official final high school transcript is required for all admitted students upon graduation.

3. Winthrop is test optional. Students can decide whether they want to submit ACT or SAT test scores with their application. In lieu of the test scores, applicants are required to complete a short essay. Students who choose to submit test scores will have them evaluated as part of the admission decision. Winthrop's SAT code is **5910** and ACT code is **3884**.

Note: Winthrop also accepts the Common Application.

common app

Freshman Class Stats

Average High School GPA: **4.06**

Average GPA SC: **4.13** weighted
*South Carolina high school GPAs are weighted as described in the state's Uniform Grading Scale.

Average SAT of enrolled freshman: **1096**

Average ACT of enrolled freshman: **23**

The middle **50%** of enrolled freshman scored between **1000-1190** on the SAT

The middle **50%** of enrolled freshman scored between **20-26** on the ACT

Based on Fall 2021 data

Primary Decision Criteria

1. High school performance including grades and level of coursework
2. Completion of high school course prerequisites as set by the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
3. Standardized test scores, if not applying as test optional
4. Essay, if applying test optional
5. Optional: Letters of recommendation, resumes, personal statements, extracurricular activities and community service

Required High School Courses

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of math (Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry and an advanced math beyond Algebra II)
- 3 units of laboratory science (2 units must be selected from Biology, Chemistry, Physics or Earth Science. The third unit must be from the same field as one of the first two in which biology, chemistry, physics or earth science is a prerequisite.)
- 2 units of the same foreign language
- 3 units social science (US History, Government/Economics are both required)
- 1 unit fine arts
- 1 unit PE or ROTC
- 2 units of electives
- Total: 20

Application Deadline

Early Notification

Students must submit an application and all required materials by November 1. Decision day is December 1.

Regular Notification

Students must submit an application and all required materials by February 1. Decision day is February 15.

Students who apply after February 1 will be reviewed and notified monthly beginning March 1.

All applications are non-binding.

Decision Notification Timeline

Students will receive an e-mail when Winthrop has received their information. Updated information on the status of their application can be viewed on the Application Portal at **apply.winthrop.edu/status**.

Enrollment Deposit

An enrollment fee of $300 is required to reserve a space in the entering class. Students are able to request an extension through their admissions counselor.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/enrollment-fee-admissions-deposit-instructions.aspx
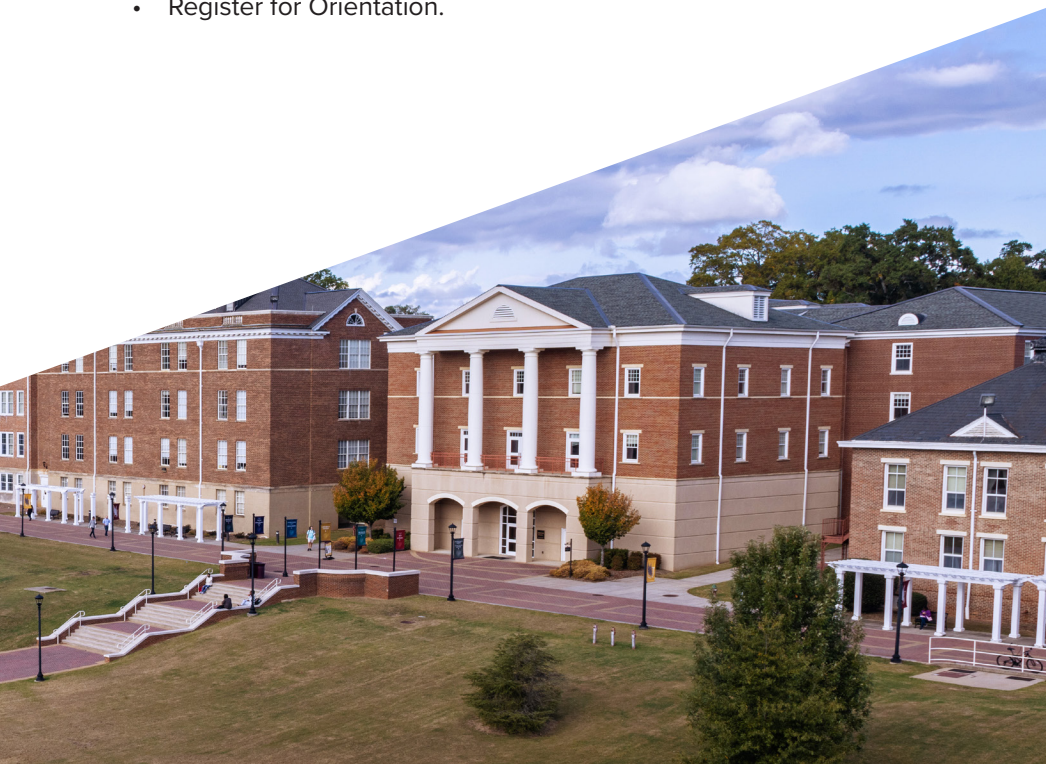
Enrollment Checklist

After receiving the admission decision, students should continue to check their enrollment checklist via their Admit Portal. This is where students will create their Wingspan account, pay their enrollment deposit, register for Orientation and complete their South Carolina Residency form.

Once a student has created their Wingspan student account, they will be able to check their financial aid package, complete the Eaglesnest Housing Application and access their Winthrop e-mail address. Students interested in attending Winthrop University should complete all of the tasks listed prior to the start of their first semester.

Application Status

Once a student has been admitted, the student can log on to the Admit Portal to:

- View what application materials Winthrop has received.
- View their admissions decision.
- Create their Wingspan account.
- Pay the enrollment deposit.
- Register for Orientation.

Academic Merit Scholarships

All first-time freshmen admitted to Winthrop will be considered for a merit scholarship. No separate application is required. The Office of Admissions must receive a completed application by February 1 for scholarship consideration. A completed application includes an application form, application fee, high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores OR test-optional form and essay. Students submitting applications and scores after February 1 will be considered for scholarships if funds are available.

Community Service Scholarship

Winthrop offers scholarships to incoming freshmen interested in committing to service and enrichment opportunities within the community each year.
Incoming freshmen must complete an application, submit an essay describing their prior community service involvement and explain why they feel it is important by the April 15 scholarship deadline. Information and the application are available online.

www.winthrop.edu/student-affairs/close-scholars

Tuition and Fees

Full-Time In-State Annual

Tuition and Fees:	$16,564
Housing and Meals:	$10,488
Total Cost:	$27,052

Full-Time Out-of-State Annual

Tuition and Fees:	$31,312
Housing and Meals:	$10,488
Total Cost:	$41,800

(Costs are estimates and depend on student preferences or selections and are subject to change each academic year.)

www.winthrop.edu/finaid/coa

Financial Aid

Winthrop has a priority deadline of November 1 for incoming freshmen to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be considered for scholarships and need-based aid. The 2023-2024 FAFSA is available on October 1, 2022. Students use their 2021 income tax return information to complete the 2023-2024 FAFSA. Since funding is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, students are encouraged to submit their FAFSA application as soon as possible.

To receive priority consideration for need-based aid please submit the completed FAFSA by the PRIORITY DEADLINE of November 1, 2022. In order for Winthrop University to receive your processed FAFSA, you must list our federal code (003456) on the application.

www.winthrop.edu/finaid
studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa

Residence Life

Winthrop University offers six residence halls in traditional, suite and apartment style. All students are required to live on campus for the first two years unless they live within a 50-mile radius of campus, are married, or are a non-traditional student.

New students will receive a housing application packet through the mail in the spring after admission into Winthrop University. The packet includes instructions on how to apply for housing online using the Eaglesnest link in their Wingspan account.

www.winthrop.edu/reslife

Visit the Campus

Students interested in attending Winthrop University are encouraged to visit campus to determine if Winthrop is a good fit. Winthrop offers weekday campus tours Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Winthrop also offers special events like First Look Fridays and Open Houses throughout the year. Students can explore Winthrop's campus through our virtual tour at **www.winthrop.edu/#virtualtour**.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/visit

NCAA Athletics

Winthrop offers 16 Division I athletic teams.
Big South Conference
Men's: Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country,
Golf, Soccer, Track and Field (indoor, outdoor)
Women's: Basketball, Cross Country, Golf,
Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Track and Field
(indoor, outdoor), Volleyball
Co-Educational: E-Sports

Recruitment Questionnaire

Students interested in playing at the Division I
level at Winthrop University are encouraged
to complete the recruitment questionnaire
for their specific sport. These
questionnaires are available on the
Athletics' website under each
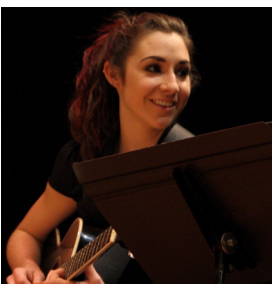individual sport.

www.winthropeagles.com

NCAA Clearinghouse

All student athletes
interested in playing a sport at
the college level need to register
with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future

The Arts
at Winthrop

Winthrop University is renowned for its visual and performing arts programs. Winthrop is one of only 37 universities in the U.S. and the only institution in South Carolina with all of its undergraduate and graduate programs nationally accredited.

Winthrop University offers degrees in theatre, dance, music, fine arts and design, as well as teacher certification in art, music, theatre and dance.
www.winthrop.edu/cvpa

Auditions

The Departments of Music and Theatre and Dance hold auditions/interviews for placement and scholarship eligibility.

Portfolios

The Departments of Fine Arts and Design hold portfolio reviews for scholarship eligibility.

Open Houses

The College of Visual & Performing Arts hosts Open Houses to provide students with an in-depth look at the College's many programs with facility tours and information sessions led by faculty members.

Talented students interested in learning more about Winthrop's arts programs should contact Arts Recruitment Coordinator Paula Garofalo at **garofalopl@winthrop.edu**.

The Honors Program

The Honors Program is a great way for students to further their college education with more opportunities to dive deep into advanced topics and work with passionate faculty in smaller classroom settings. Students in this program will participate in more rigorous coursework, complete a service learning project and write an Honors Thesis prior to graduating.

The Benefits

Honors Program students benefit from priority course registration, smaller class sizes, an additional academic advisor and apartment-style housing opportunities starting in their first year.

The Requirements

Freshman admission into the Honors Program is based upon the applicant's high school GPA and essay. All admitted freshmen with a high school GPA of 4.25 or above will be invited to apply for Honors Program admission. Students can also apply for the program after enrolling at Winthrop and maintaining a 3.3 GPA in their cumulative college coursework.

The Application

Students may choose to apply for the Honors Program when completing the admissions application. Qualified students that do not initially apply for Honors at the time of admission will receive an invitation to apply after they have been admitted to Winthrop. All Honors Program applicants must submit an essay on a specified topic.

The Leap Program

The Learning Excellent Academic Practices (LEAP) Program is designed to assist students in making a successful transition from high school to college. The program provides academic guidance and support to a select group of freshman students at Winthrop University. LEAP has an excellent track record for promoting academic success. The program includes structured study halls, tailored tutoring and access to a personal success coach. Students are selected for LEAP at the time of admission.

www.winthrop.edu/leap

Eagle STEM

The Winthrop Eagle STEM Scholars Program seeks motivated, goal-oriented, high-caliber students who demonstrate excellent proficiency in science and mathematics. This student-centered program provides individual and peer support, resources for academic success and an unmatched level of access to scientific research throughout their undergraduate experience. Eagle STEM Scholars may also be considered for scholarships based on their participation in the program. This program starts the summer before a student's freshman year and continues on to their senior year with countless research opportunities in between.

The Eagle STEM Scholars Program is for college students:

- From underrepresented minority groups, who are first generation and/or who have financial need.
- Interested in directly matriculating to Ph.D. programs in biomedical science, bioengineering, biology, chemistry, biochemistry, math, computer science or environmental science.
- Nominated for the program most typically by their high school administrators, counselors and teachers.
- Who are motivated and well-prepared high school seniors.

www.winthrop.edu/eaglestem

Accounting Mentorship and Professional Development

The Accounting Mentorship and Professional Development (AMPD) program is for students who are underrepresented in the professional accounting field. This competitive program provides a significant leg up to students who dream of a career as certified professional accountants. Upon completion of the AMPD program, students not only are prepared to take the CPA exam, but also have the advantages that come with discipline-specific mentors, internships and other professional development opportunities. The program provides scholarships of up to $2,000, paid internships and mentoring for selected students each academic year. This program begins their first year and continues until they graduate from Winthrop.

www.winthrop.edu/cba/accounting/ampd

Teaching Fellows

Teaching Fellows is a program established and operated by CERRA (Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, & Advancement) in conjunction with Winthrop University and other affiliated South Carolina higher education institutions. Teaching Fellows participate in advanced enrichment programs at Teaching Fellows Institutions, professional development opportunities during the summer months, involvement with communities and businesses throughout the state and receive up to $6,000 in yearly scholarships for four years while they complete a degree leading to teacher certification.

Teaching Fellows are chosen through a competitive application and interview process during a student's senior year of high school. Applications become available in October and the deadline to apply is December 1. Award notifications are sent in the early spring.

www.cerra.org/teaching-fellows-application.html

Advanced Placement (AP) Credit

To assist students in achieving their academic goals, Winthrop awards Advanced Placement (AP) credit for scores of three or above on Advanced Placement tests (taken in conjunction with designated high school AP classes).

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/apib

International Baccalaureate (IB) Credit

Winthrop awards advanced college course credit for scores of four or above on higher level International Baccalaureate (IB) examinations. A minimum score of five is required to receive credit for Math with Further Mathematics and Computing Studies. Students may receive up to 30 hours of course credit for scores of four or above on higher level and selected standard level examinations.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/apib

Dual Enrollment

Winthrop University provides an opportunity for academically strong secondary students to take college courses for either credit at the high school and college level OR start building college credit for use upon entering a post-secondary institution.

Eligibility Requirements

Rising high school junior or senior

Student must complete an online application

3.0 GPA on the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale

ACT and SAT scores are optional

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/dual-enrollment.aspx

Winthrop University and York Technical College Bridge Program

Students who plan to transfer to Winthrop University are encouraged to consider the advantages of the Winthrop Bridge Program with York Technical College. Benefits include academic advising, academic support services and admission to athletic events and the fitness center. For more information, e-mail admissions@winthrop.edu or call 803/323-2191.

Transfer Pathways

Many students elect to begin their studies at another college or university and transfer to Winthrop to earn an undergraduate degree. The Office of Admissions will process transfer applicants for the summer, fall or spring semesters.

*Students are classified as a transfer applicant if they enrolled in another college or university the fall after graduating from high school.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/transfer/pathways.aspx

Transfer Tuesdays

Winthrop offers Transfer Tuesday events several times a year to help students learn about the transfer process and make a smooth transition to Winthrop.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/transfer-tuesday.aspx

Winthrop Majors

APPLIED SOFTWARE*
ART: FINE ♦
ART: LIBERAL ART EMPHASIS •
Teacher Certification (PK-12)
ART HISTORY ♦
BIOLOGY • ♦
Biomedical Research
Conservation
Medical Technology
Teacher Certification (9-12)
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ♦
Accounting ♦
Computer Information Systems
Economics ♦
Entrepreneurship ♦
Finance ♦
Health Care Management ♦
Human Resource Management ♦
International Business
Management ♦
Marketing ♦
CHEMISTRY • ♦
ACS Chemistry
ACS Biochemistry
Pre-Engineering
Forensic
Health and Chemical Sciences
COMPUTER SCIENCE ♦
CYBERSECURITY
DANCE ♦•
Teacher Certification (PK-12)
DATA SCIENCE
DESIGN
Experience Design
Graphic Design
Illustration
Interior Design
DIGITAL INFORMATION DESIGN ♦
Digital Commerce
Digital Mass Media
Interactive Media
Web Application Development
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
(PK-3 Certification)
ECONOMICS ♦
EDUCATIONAL STUDIES
Early Childhood Education
Elementary Education
Middle Level-English Language Arts
Middle Level-Math
Middle Level-Science
Middle Level-Social Studies
Physical Education
Special Education

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION •
(2-6 Certification)
ENGLISH • ♦
Teacher Certification (9-12)
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
EXERCISE SCIENCE
Athletic Training
HISTORY • ♦
**HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND
 FAMILY STUDIES** ♦
Child and Adolescent Studies
Child and Family Services
HUMAN NUTRITION ♦
Health Promotion
Dietetics
INDIVIDUALIZED STUDIES
**INTEGRATED MARKETING
 COMMUNICATION**
MASS COMMUNICATION
MATHEMATICS • ♦
Teacher Certification (9-12)
MIDDLE LEVEL EDUCATION
(5-8 Certification)
English/Language Arts
Mathematics
Science
Social Studies
MODERN LANGUAGES
French • ♦
Teacher Certification (K-12)
Spanish • ♦
Teacher Certification (K-12)
MUSIC: LIBERAL ART EMPHASIS ♦
Music Technology ♦
MUSIC EDUCATION
(PK-12 Certification)
Choral
Instrumental
MUSIC PERFORMANCE
Music Composition
Instrumental/Vocal
PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES ♦
Philosophy ♦
Religious Studies ♦
PHYSICAL EDUCATION •
(PK-12 Certification)
POLITICAL SCIENCE ♦
PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
Dental
Engineering
Law
Medical

Pharmacy
Physical Therapy
Seminary
Veterinary
PSYCHOLOGY ♦
SOCIAL STUDIES EDUCATION •
(9-12 Certification)
SOCIAL WORK ♦
SOCIOLOGY ♦
Anthropology ♦
Criminology ♦
Social Inequalities
SPECIAL EDUCATION •
(PK-12 Certification, provides opportunity to
 add-on Severe Disabilities and Elementary
 Education)
SPORT MANAGEMENT
THEATRE • ♦
Design/Technical
Musical Theatre
Performance
Teacher Certification(PK-12)
UNIVERSITY STUDIES/UNDECLARED

Options to Take You Far

FIFTH-YEAR M.B.A. PROGRAM
Major in any Bachelor of Arts degree program,
minor in professional business, and you could
earn your M.B.A. in your fifth year.

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Earn a degree marked with a garnet circle • on
the right, and you may complete requirements
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www.winthrop.edu/majors

♦ *Indicates minor available*
PK *Indicates pre-kindergarten*
K *Indicates kindergarten*
• *Indicates fifth year M.A.T. program
 options*
* *Applied software is only available to
 transfer students who have earned
 an associate's degree in computer
 programming from a South Carolina
 Technical College*

Directory of Departments:

Admissions 803/323-2191 **www.winthrop.edu/admissions**

Athletics 803/323-2129 **www.winthropeagles.com**

Accessibility 803/323-3290 **www.winthrop.edu/student-affairs/accessibility**

Center for Student Wellness 803/323-2206 **www.winthrop.edu/csw**

Financial Aid 803/323-2189 **www.winthrop.edu/finaid**

Honors Program 803/323-2320 **www.winthrop.edu/honors**

New Student and Family Programs 803/323-2387 **www.winthrop.edu/orientation**

Records and Registration 803/323-2194 **www.winthrop.edu/recandreg**

Residence Life   803/323-2223 **www.winthrop.edu/reslife**

College Directory

College of Arts and Sciences Academic Student Services 803/323-2183 **www.winthrop.edu/cas**

College of Business Administration Academic Student Services 803/323-4833 **www.winthrop.edu/cba**

Richard W. Riley College of Education Academic Student Services 803/323-4750 **www.winthrop.edu/coe**

College of Visual and Performing Arts 803/323-2465 **www.winthrop.edu/cvpa**

University College Academic Advising 803/323-4784 **www.winthrop.edu/ucadvising**

Helpful Links

Academic Catalog www.winthrop.edu/recandreg/undergraduate-catalogs.aspx

Academic Calendar www.winthrop.edu/uploadedFiles/acadschedule/5yrcalendar.pdf

Admissions Counselor Information www.winthrop.edu/admissions/winthrop-admissions-staff.aspx

Application Status apply.winthrop.edu/status

Apply to Winthrop apply.winthrop.edu/apply

Campus Visit Opportunities www.winthrop.edu/admissions/visit

Graduate Programs www.winthrop.edu/graduateschool

Scholarships www.winthrop.edu/finaid/scholarship-guidelines.aspx

Student Affairs www.winthrop.edu/student-affairs

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