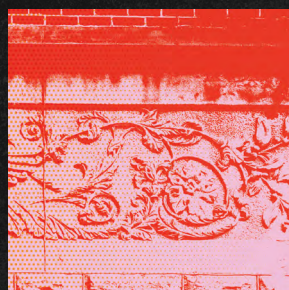
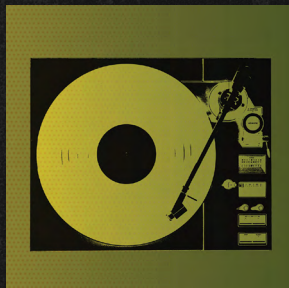
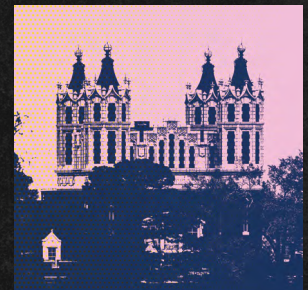


WINTHROPEDIA
the
WU
How-To





Dear Counselor,

Think you know Winthrop? Think again.

This is not your grandma's alma mater. Quite the contrary, we're offering transformation by doing—an experience that's out there, pushing the envelope and not looking back. We've had enough of the idea of molding young minds. We are building a university around the ones who are here and the ones yet to come. We say, bring it.

We want students who aren't looking for a cookie cutter experience.

As a school counselor you can help your best and brightest see themselves in our community. A place where heart and hustle make Eagles soar. Our students get to work and make their mark on Rock Hill as they look to bring their personality, passion and even peculiarities to bear on a future career.

We encourage prospective students to "Bring the You," and the promise we make to them is that "You Will Be." Many of the details you need to learn more about and fully understand today's Winthrop are within these pages. Please reach out to us with any additional questions.

Warmly,

David Rollings

David Rollings
Dean of Admissions

DON'T FIT THE MOLD. BREAK IT.

There's no better way to determine if Winthrop is a good fit than to visit! We offer weekday campus tours, twice a day, Monday through Friday in the morning and afternoon and select Saturdays throughout the year. There are also events like Eagle for a Day and Open House throughout the year. Our virtual tour can show you around on your device, but making you feel welcome, comfortable and connected is what we do best in person! Come see us!



Public coeducational comprehensive university founded in 1886 and located in Rock Hill, South Carolina

Winthrop by the Numbers

5,287

TOTAL
STUDENT BODY

4.04

AVERAGE HIGH
SCHOOL GPA

49

UNDERGRADUATE
MAJORS

998

GRADUATE
STUDENTS

49%

MINORITY
POPULATION

25

GRADUATE
PROGRAMS

4,289

UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENTS

46

STATES REPRESENTED
BY STUDENT BODY

14:1

STUDENT-TO-
FACULTY RATIO

100+

CLUBS &
ORGANIZATIONS

20+

YEARS AS A U.S. NEWS TOP
REGIONAL COLLEGE

87%

CAREER
OUTCOMES RATE*

22

AVERAGE
CLASS SIZE

385

INCOMING
TRANSFER STUDENTS

15

GREEK FRATERNITIES
& SORORITIES

16

DIVISION I
NCAA SPORTS

85.5%

OF UNDERGRADUATES
RECEIVING
FINANCIAL AID

300

ACRE RECREATIONAL
AND RESEARCH
COMPLEX

2

ROTC PARTNERSHIP
PROGRAMS
(AIRFORCE & ARMY)

1K+

STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN
UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH
ACROSS DEPARTMENTS

*87% of graduates report being employed, enrolled in continuing education, serving in the military, or volunteering within six months of completing their bachelor's degree

Based on Fall 2025 data

FRESHMAN CLASS STATS

Average GPA SC: 4.04 weighted

*South Carolina high school GPAs are weighted as described in the state's Uniform Grading Scale.

Average SAT of enrolled freshmen: 1116

Average ACT of enrolled freshmen: 23

The middle 50% of enrolled freshmen scored between 1020-1210 on the SAT

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

SETTING STUDENTS UP FOR SUCCESS

Understanding the process helps everyone succeed! Undergraduate first-year student applications are available online. A completed application includes the following criteria:

1. **High School Transcript.** Admissions can use an unofficial copy for the initial admission decision. Students can upload a copy in their admissions portal or e-mail admissions@winthrop.edu. An official final high school transcript is required for all admitted students upon graduation.

2. **Winthrop is test optional.** Students can decide whether they want to submit ACT or SAT test scores with their application. 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.



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. 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 of social science (US History, Government/Economics are both required)
- 1 unit of fine arts
- 1 unit of 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 bi-weekly beginning March 1.

All applications are non-binding.

DECISION NOTIFICATION TIMELINE

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

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.

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.

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 In-State Tuition 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.

SLATE.ORG — A FREE TOOL!

- Connect with over 1,200 colleges.
- See who has been accepted.
- Submit documents for students.
- Stay up-to-date with events and deadlines.



WINTHROP AFFORDABILITY

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College costs continue to be in the news, but studies continue to find that a college education is still a sound investment when you consider lifetime earnings, return on investment, and health and social benefits. Applying for aid at Winthrop is one of the best ways to help fund higher education. Our students navigate the financial aid process knowing they are fully supported by our team of aid professionals.

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, high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores OR test-optional form. Students submitting applications and scores after February 1 will be considered for scholarships if funds are available.

COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS

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. Information and the application are available online.

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

FINANCIAL AID

The 2027-28 FAFSA should be available in October 2026. Students use their 2025 income tax information to complete the 2027-28 FAFSA. Since funding is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, students are encouraged to submit their FAFSA as soon as possible. In order for Winthrop to receive the processed FAFSA, your student must list Winthrop on the FAFSA.

www.winthrop.edu/finaid
studentaid.gov

TUITION + FEES

Full-Time In-State Annual

Tuition and Fees:	\$15,064
Housing and Food:	\$14,112
Total Cost:	\$29,176

Full-Time Out-of-State Annual

Tuition and Fees:	\$28,976
Housing and Food:	\$14,112
Total Cost:	\$43,088

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

www.winthrop.edu/finaid/coa



Bring the Talent

Winthrop University is renowned for its visual and performing arts programs. Winthrop is one of only a few 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 Associate Director of Recruitment Paula Garofalo at garofalopl@winthrop.edu.



HONORS COLLEGE OUT FRONT

Winthrop's Honors College develops tomorrow's leaders through an integrated experience of purposeful academics, hands-on leadership training, and meaningful community engagement. Our scholars dive deeper into advanced coursework in intimate classroom settings, collaborate closely with dedicated faculty mentors, and tackle real-world challenges through service-learning projects. The program culminates in an original capstone experience that transforms academic learning into lasting impact. The Honors College builds a tight-knit community of motivated students who challenge each other to think critically, lead authentically, and serve purposefully.

THE BENEFITS

Honors College students benefit from priority course registration, smaller class sizes, focused academic advising, guaranteed undergraduate research or internship opportunities in their first year, and apartment-style housing opportunities starting in their first year. Each Honors student will also have the opportunity to be mentored by community and business leaders in their field!

THE APPLICATION & REQUIREMENTS

All qualified students will receive an invitation to apply after they have been admitted to Winthrop. Admission to the Honors College for freshmen is determined by student's high school GPA and essay on a specified topic.

www.winthrop.edu/honors

CAMPUS LIFE - VIBING 6,000 STRONG

Between booming Rock Hill as our backyard and Charlotte just a short drive away, our Eagles could literally write for Tripadvisor. But it's our campus that really sets us up for transformation. From residential living and friends for life to cultural events and sports, there's more to get immersed in than can fill your days.

For freshmen, your closest circle is often formed in your residence hall. With supportive staff to help guide your experience, Winthrop offers six 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 information about applying for housing after acceptance to Winthrop University. Instructions on how to apply online and what to expect will come in the student's Wingspan account.

www.winthrop.edu/student-engagement/just-for-incoming-students.aspx

www.winthrop.edu/reslife



CHECK IN ON UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES

Some of our most popular extracurriculars actually make you a more motivated and accomplished scholar. See the descriptions and links below for programs and offerings of note.

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 through their senior year with countless research opportunities in between.

The Eagle STEM Scholars Program is for college students:

- 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.
- Who are motivated and well-prepared high school seniors.

www.winthrop.edu/eaglestem

www.winthrop.edu/eaglestem/onlineapplication.aspx

TIPS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

Addressing the critical national demand for skilled STEM professionals, the TIPS Scholars Program (Transdisciplinary Approach to Identity, Persistence, and Success in STEM) empowers promising students. This program provides substantial financial support, offering scholarships of up to \$15,000 per year (up to \$60,000 over four years) to high-achieving, low-income students with demonstrated financial need, ensuring their persistence and success in STEM fields.

www.winthrop.edu/cas/chemistry/tips-scholars-program.aspx

ACCOUNTING MENTORSHIP + PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Accounting Mentorship and Professional Development (AMPD) program is designed for students aiming for careers in accounting. This competitive program provides a significant advantage by offering discipline-specific mentors, internships, and professional development. Plus, students can receive a scholarship of up to \$2,000, along with paid internships and mentoring each academic year. Twenty students are selected each year based on their application, interview, and GPA.

www.winthrop.edu/cbt/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/page/teaching-fellows

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/ap-and-ib-credit.aspx



WINTHROP UNIVERSITY

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 mathematics and computer science courses. 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/ap-and-ib-credit.aspx

CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL EXAMS CREDIT

Winthrop awards credit for A & AS level exams. Exam results must be sent directly from the testing agency to Winthrop.

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/ap-and-ib-credit.aspx

NCAA ATHLETICS

16 DIVISION I ATHLETIC TEAMS
IN THE 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

COEDUCATIONAL

National Championship-Winning Varsity Esports, National Championship-Winning Cornhole and Disc Golf

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/eligibility-center

HOW WE CAN HELP SCHOOL COUNSELORS

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

www.winthrop.edu/admissions/dualenrollment

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 processes 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/index.aspx

Transfer Tuesdays

Students planning to begin their studies at another institution before enrolling at Winthrop are invited to attend Transfer Tuesday. These virtual events are held throughout the year to help students learn about the transfer process and make a smooth transition to Winthrop.

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



MAJORS & PROGRAMS

- ◆ **Applied Software Engineering**
- ▲ **Art: Fine** • ◆
 - Single or Dual Discipline
 - Teacher Certification (PK-12)
- **Art: Liberal Arts Emphasis**
- **Art History and Museum Professions** ◆
- ◆ **Artificial Intelligence**
- ◆ **Biology** • ◆ +
 - Biomedical Research
 - Conservation
- ◆ **Business Administration** ◆
 - Accounting ◆
 - Computer Information Systems
 - Economics ◆
 - Entrepreneurship ◆
 - Finance ◆ +
 - Logistics and Supply Chain Mgmt. Management ◆
 - Marketing ◆
- ◆ **Chemistry** • ◆
 - Chemistry
 - Biochemistry
 - Pre-Engineering
 - Forensic
 - Health and Chemical Sciences
- ◆ **Computer Science** ◆
- Criminal Justice**
- ◆ **Cybersecurity** ◆
- **Dance** • ◆
 - Teacher Certification (PK-12)
- **Data Science**
- **Design**
 - Game Design
 - Graphic Design
 - Illustration
 - Interior Design
- ◆ **Early Childhood Education** (PK-3 Certification)
- ◆ **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
- Youth Impact
- ◆ **Elementary Education** • (2-6 Certification)
- **English** • ◆
 - Teacher Certification (9-12)
- ◆ **Environmental Sciences**
- **Environmental Studies**
- ◆ **Exercise Science**
 - Athletic Training +
- ◆ **Financial Technology**
- **Game Design Studies**
- **History** • ◆
- ◆ **Human Development and Family Sciences** ◆
- ◆ **Human Nutrition** ◆ +
 - Dietetics
- **Individualized Studies**
- **Mass Communication**
 - Digital Sports Production
 - Journalism
- ◆ **Mathematics** • ◆
- ◆ **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 Arts Emphasis** ◆
 - Commercial Music
 - Music Technology ◆
- **Music Education** (PK-12 Certification)
 - Choral
 - Instrumental
- ▶ **Music Performance**
 - Music Composition
 - Instrumental/Vocal

- **Philosophy and Religious Studies** ◆
 - Philosophy ◆
 - Pre-Law
 - Religious Studies ◆
- ◆ **Physical Education** • (PK-12 Certification)
- **Political Science** ◆
 - Pre-Law
- Pre-Professional Programs**
 - Dental
 - Engineering
 - Law
 - Medical
 - Pharmacy
 - Physical Therapy
 - Seminary
 - Veterinary
- **Psychology** ◆
- **Public Relations and Advertising**
- **Social Studies Education** • (9-12 Certification)
- **Social Work** ◆
- **Sociology** ◆
 - Anthropology ◆
 - Criminology ◆
 - Pre-Law
 - Social Inequalities
 - User Experience Research
- ◆ **Special Education** • (PK-12 Certification, provides opportunity to add-on Severe Disabilities and Elementary Education)
- ◆ **Sport Management**
- **Theatre** • ◆
 - Acting
 - Design/Technical
 - Musical Theatre
 - Teacher Certification(PK-12)
- Undeclared**
- ◆ **Web Development**

Legend

- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
- Bachelor of Design (B.Des.)
- ▲ Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)
- Bachelor of Music Education (B.M.E)

- ▶ Bachelor of Music (B.M.)
- ◆ Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
- Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W.)
- ◆ Indicates minor available

- PK Indicates pre-kindergarten
- K Indicates kindergarten
- + Indicates fifth year master's options
- Indicates fifth year M.A.T. options

DIRECTORY

DIRECTORY OF DEPARTMENTS

- Admissions 803/323-2191
www.winthrop.edu/admissions
- Athletics 803/323-2433
www.winthroeagles.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 College 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
- Office for Student Success 803/323-3900
www.winthrop.edu/success

COLLEGE DIRECTORY

- College of Arts and Sciences Academic Student Services 803/323-2183
www.winthrop.edu/cas
- College of Business and Technology Academic Student Services 803/323-4833
www.winthrop.edu/cbt
- Richard W. Riley College of Education, Sport, and Human Sciences 803/323-4750
www.winthrop.edu/ceshs
- College of Visual and Performing Arts 803/323-2323
www.winthrop.edu/cvpa

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/staff/
- Application Status apply.winthrop.edu/status
- Apply to Winthrop apply.winthrop.edu/apply
- Campus Visit Opportunities www.winthrop.edu/admissions/visit
- Graduate Studies www.winthrop.edu/sgco/graduatestudies
- Scholarships www.winthrop.edu/finaid/scholarships
- Student Affairs www.winthrop.edu/student-affairs



Bring the Passion



Scan to learn more about change-maker and political science and sociology graduate Kennedy Bates '25.



Bring the All In



Scan to learn more about all-around leader and grad student Sean Pennington '25.



Bring the Creative



Scan to learn more about eclectic artist and design major Sabr Lateefuddin.





WINTHROP
UNIVERSITY



*Would You Like to
Request Materials or
Have a Counselor
Visit Your School?*

CONNECT WITH US

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