**Admissions**

**Admissions Procedures**
Consistent with the university mission, Quinnipiac welcomes inquiries from serious students of all ages and backgrounds who are interested in professional preparation in fields related to business, communications, education, engineering, health sciences, nursing, public service, and the theoretical and applied disciplines in arts and sciences. An education at Quinnipiac integrates technical, professional and liberal studies. The students who benefit most from Quinnipiac are those who are motivated for a life of professional service and prepared to undertake a program of studies that is broad in its cultural perspectives, while being focused in its technical and professional dimensions. Quinnipiac University seeks students who wish to pursue professional careers, including those who, as yet, are undecided on their fields.

Students interested in Quinnipiac University are urged to acquaint themselves thoroughly with Quinnipiac as early in their decision-making process as possible. A campus visit and admissions interview is strongly recommended. If a campus visit is not possible, prospective students are advised to meet with one of Quinnipiac’s representatives when they visit the student’s school, or to make arrangements for a telephone conference. The admissions office hosts on-campus interviews Monday through Friday year-round and group information sessions weekdays throughout the year and on Saturday mornings during the fall and spring semesters. Fall and spring open houses, Admitted Student Days (in late March or early April) and online interactive sessions also provide opportunities to learn more about Quinnipiac. We welcome your interest. Please call our toll-free number, 800-462-1944 or 203-582-8600, visit our Quinnipiac webpage (http://www.qu.edu/visit), or email us at admissions@qu.edu.

**Admissions Process**
Prospective freshmen are strongly encouraged to file an application as early in the senior year as possible, and arrange to have first quarter grades sent from their high school counselor as soon as they are available. Students applying for entry into the Physician Assistant (PA) program should apply by Oct. 15. Those applying for entry into the Nursing, Occupational Therapy (OT) or Physical Therapy (PT) programs should apply by Nov. 15. Students may apply using the Common Application or the Quinnipiac University application. Click here (http://www.qu.edu/apply) for more information or to apply.

File review begins as applications become complete beginning September 15, and students are notified of an admissions decision starting in the late fall. February 1 is the recommended application deadline. Students who are placed on a wait list are notified by June 1 of any movement opportunity. There is an early decision option (with an application deadline of November 1) available for all majors for freshman applicants for the fall. See the Quinnipiac application webpage (http://www.qu.edu/apply) for details.

Transfer students should apply for admission by mid-November for the Spring (January) semester, or by June 1 for fall (August) entry. Applicants for athletic training, nursing and the radiologic sciences are considered on a space-available basis only for the Fall term. The recommended application deadline is June 1. Official transcripts from all institutions attended must be provided. Most programs look for a minimum grade point average of 2.5 (3.0 for health sciences) for consideration. Those interested in the PT and PA programs may only apply at the graduate level.

Quinnipiac works closely with the community and technical colleges in Connecticut and elsewhere, and recommends that students follow a transfer curriculum of study if their plan is to move to a four-year university. Students may wish to arrange an admissions appointment to discuss program requirements.

**Admissions Requirements**
Admission to Quinnipiac University is competitive, and applicants are expected to present a strong college preparatory program in high school. Official SAT or ACT scores are required for all applicants in health sciences and nursing. Quinnipiac is test optional for applicants considering programs in arts and sciences, business, communications, education and engineering. The admissions staff looks for a B or higher grade point average in a challenging academic program through the senior year. If the high school does not provide a rank in class, we will estimate based on the high school profile. We will use the highest individual scores on the SAT in evidence-based reading and writing and math or the highest ACT composite score. The admissions website provides a range of information on the number of applicants and average scores, including ethnic and geographic information about the recent incoming class.

All freshman applicants for admission are expected to present:

1. A high school diploma from an approved secondary school or its equivalent prior to enrolling.

2. A secondary school transcript showing as completed, or in progress, a college preparatory sequence including: English, four units; mathematics, three units (physical and occupational therapy, nursing, physician assistant and engineering applicants should have four years); science, three units (all health science, nursing and engineering applicants are expected to have four years including biology and chemistry; physical therapy applicants should also have physics); social science, two units; academic (college preparatory) electives, four units. Total academic units expected: 16. First quarter grades in the senior year should be sent as soon as they are available.

3. All official score results for the Scholastic Reasoning Test (SAT I) of the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) or of the American College Testing Program (ACT). The writing portion is not required. Official Test scores are REQUIRED for the following individuals:

   • Students applying to the School of Health Sciences or School of Nursing
   • International Students (SAT, ACT or TOEFL or IELTS)
   • Students who have been home-schooled
   • Athletes playing a Division I sport (as required by the NCAA)
   • Students who are interested in our dual-degree programs or accelerated dual-degree programs:
     • Accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MBA in Business (3+1)
     • Accelerated Dual-Degree BA/MS in Communications (3+1)
     • Accelerated Dual-Degree BS in Biology or Biochemistry/MS in Molecular and Cell Biology (3+1)
     • Accelerated Dual-Degree BA in Theater/MBA in Business (3+1)
     • Accelerated Dual-Degree BA or BS/JD (3+3) with the School of Law
• Dual-Degree BA or BS/Master of Arts in Teaching (4+1) as a certain score will waive a portion of the PRAXIS exam
• Accelerated Dual-Degree BA or BS/Master of Social Work (3+2)
• Accelerated Dual-Degree BS/MHS in Advanced Medical Imaging and Leadership (3+1)

Test scores are OPTIONAL for those applying to the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Business, School of Communications or School of Engineering.

4. A completed Quinnipiac University application, or the Common Application with a nonrefundable application fee of $65.
5. A personal statement or essay (250-word minimum).
6. An interview is encouraged but not required.
7. A teacher or counselor letter of recommendation.

Transfer Requirements
Transfer applicants must submit the documents listed above for freshmen with the following exceptions:

1. An official transcript from each post-high school institution attended, even if no courses were completed.
2. Applicants who graduated from high school more than five years ago or have successfully completed the equivalent of one year (30 credits) of college study are not required to submit entrance examination scores. Students applying to health science majors with less than 30 credits must submit test scores.
3. Students seeking a second bachelor’s degree need only submit the application form and official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended even if no courses were completed.
4. The application fee for transfer applicants is $65.

International Student Admissions
Quinnipiac University welcomes applications for undergraduate study from international students. Upon application, international students are requested to submit English language descriptions of secondary schools, colleges and universities attended.

Applicants from non-English-speaking countries also must submit the following:

1. Certified translations of all prior secondary and collegiate academic records.
2. A teacher or counselor letter of recommendation.
3. Proof of English proficiency: TOEFL, IELTS, SAT or ACT scores. Students who have studied entirely in English throughout secondary school may qualify to receive a waiver for the English proficiency requirement, although we still highly recommend that you submit a TOEFL or IELTS score. All waiver requests may be made by contacting the Office of Admissions. Requests should provide evidence as to why the English proficiency requirement should be waived and will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
4. Official documentation of financial support for undergraduate study and living expenses must be submitted to the admissions office before an I-20 can be issued to the student. The statement of financial support can be downloaded from the website.