

# Old Dominion University

## Guidance Counselor FAQ's

### Office of Admissions

#### **Application Deadlines**

**December 1:**  
for Merit-Based Scholarships

**February 1:**  
for Regular Admission

#### **Old Dominion University**

Founded in 1930 as the Norfolk Division of the College of William & Mary. Became an independent institution in 1962 and gained university status in 1969. Accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Best Southeastern College by Princeton Review. Top 15 for Global Management M.B.A. by Entrepreneur. Top 100 graduate School of Education by U.S. News and Report. 25 SCHEV Outstanding Faculty Award Winners.

#### **Where is Old Dominion University located?**

ODU is located in Norfolk, Virginia near the Naval Base and the downtown area. The campus is approximately 25 minutes from Virginia Beach.

#### **What is required to complete an application?**

We require an online application, \$50 non-refundable fee, official high school transcript and official SAT/ACT scores. Optional but recommended pieces include an activity resume, essay on the topic of the student's choice and 1-3 letters of recommendation.

#### **Does your online application accept fee waivers?**

Yes, our online application does accept fee waivers. Fee waiver eligibility is available for review when completing the online application. Students may select a waiver based on the eligibility criteria.

#### **Is there a FAFSA Deadline?**

The priority deadline to submit the FAFSA is February 15.

#### **What is the average GPA and test score of admitted students?**

3.3 GPA, 1080 SAT (critical reading and math only) and 23 ACT

#### **Does the Admissions Office consider the weighted GPA when evaluating students applications?**

Admissions Counselors will honor the weighted GPA when provided by the high school.

#### **Which is better to take - AP, IB or Dual Enrollment?**

In order to receive college credit for AP or IB courses, a student must complete the exam and submit those scores to the Admissions Office. Credit is awarded based on satisfactory scores and these scores can be found at [admissions.odu.edu/credittests](http://admissions.odu.edu/credittests). In order to receive college credit for a dual enrollment course, a student must receive a "C" or higher and submit the official transcript to the Admissions Office.

#### **What does it cost to attend ODU?**

In-state tuition is approximately \$7,800 per year and out-of-state tuition is approximately \$21,200 per year. Room and board costs approximately \$8,400 per year.

#### **Are freshmen required to live on-campus? Is housing guaranteed?**

Freshmen students are not required to live on-campus. On-campus housing is guaranteed if students confirm their offer of admission, pay the \$200 Tuition Deposit and complete the housing application by May 1.

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