

Free Application Opportunities at Minnesota Colleges and Universities

Updated for 2017-18

As Minnesota high school students think about applying to college, application fees should not be a barrier. Some Minnesota colleges and universities do not charge application fees or they don't charge fees at certain times of the year.

For students from low-income families

Every day of the year, students from families with modest incomes can apply at no charge using a NACAC fee waiver at the University of Minnesota, Minnesota State colleges and universities and the nonprofit colleges that are members of the Minnesota Private College Council. High school counselors and college admission staff can help a student make these arrangements. Eligibility information and the fee waiver form is available at <http://www.nacacnet.org/studentinfo/feewaiver>.

For all students

There are many opportunities for students to apply at no charge at some institutions.

- Some colleges never require an application fee; sometimes this offer is limited to applications submitted online.
- Some colleges waive the application fee for the month of October.
- Some colleges waive the application fee for one week in late October.

Refer to the list below and on the following pages for the ways students can apply without a fee to earn a bachelor's or associate degree at Minnesota's postsecondary institutions.

Colleges and universities that never charge a fee FREE TO ALL STUDENTS ALL YEAR

Private Colleges

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BETHEL UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
CARLETON COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
COLLEGE OF SAINT BENEDICT [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
CONCORDIA COLLEGE, MOORHEAD [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, ST. PAUL [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
THE COLLEGE OF ST. SCHOLASTICA [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
HAMLINE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA — Winona campus [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ST. CATHERINE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ST. OLAF COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

University of Minnesota Campuses

CROOKSTON [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

Minnesota State Campuses

ANOKA TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ANOKA-RAMSEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
CENTRAL LAKES COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
HENNEPIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
PINE TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

Colleges and universities that never charge a fee (continued)
FREE TO ALL STUDENTS ALL YEAR

Minnesota State Campuses

RIVERLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ROCHESTER COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
SAINT PAUL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
SOUTH CENTRAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

Colleges and universities that will not charge a fee during CKM
FREE TO ALL STUDENTS IN OCTOBER 2017

Private Colleges

MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#) > use code MCW2018

Minnesota State Campuses

ALEXANDRIA TECHNICAL & COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
FOND DU LAC TRIBAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
RIDGEWATER COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ST. CLOUD TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

Colleges and universities that will not charge a fee during last week of CKM
FREE TO ALL STUDENTS OCTOBER 23-27, 2017

Minnesota State Campuses

CENTURY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
DAKOTA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
HIBBING COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
INVER HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
ITASCA COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
LAKE SUPERIOR COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MESABI RANGE COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MOORHEAD [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)
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**Colleges and universities that will not charge a fee for ONLINE applications submitted by Nov. 15
FREE TO ALL STUDENTS**

Private Colleges

MACALESTER COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#) > Fee waiver is granted when either Macalester's Part 1 or the Common Application is submitted prior to November 15.

**Colleges and universities that accept the NACAC Fee Waiver
FREE to QUALIFIED STUDENTS ALL YEAR**

Private Colleges

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MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

University of Minnesota Campuses

DULUTH [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MORRIS [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

ROCHESTER [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

TWIN CITIES [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

Minnesota State Campuses

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BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

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ITASCA COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

LAKE SUPERIOR COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MESABI RANGE COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MINNEAPOLIS COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGE SOUTHEAST [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MINNESOTA STATE COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

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VERMILLION COMMUNITY COLLEGE [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)

WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY [Homepage](#) | [Admissions](#)