UW REGULATION 8-3 Admission of Undergraduate and Graduate Students

I. PURPOSE

To establish policies and procedures governing the admission of students to the University of Wyoming.

II. UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A. General Admission Requirements

The University seeks to admit qualified undergraduate students. Each applicant's admission shall be based on his or her individual academic achievement. To be considered for admission, an applicant must submit an application, a one-time nonrefundable application fee, official high school transcripts sent directly from the high school, and an official ACT or SAT test score (if the applicant is under 21) to the University's Office of Admissions.

Applicants seeking admission to the University of Wyoming at Casper and the University of Wyoming Outreach School shall be admitted based on the same criteria as applicants requesting admission for the Laramie campus.

B. Assured Admission

Assured undergraduate admission shall be granted to high school graduates and transfer students with fewer than thirty (30) transferable semester college credit hours who meet the following requirements:

- 1. A cumulative, un-weighted high school GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale);
- 2. A minimum composite ACT score of 21 or SAT score of 980 (math/ critical reasoning combined); and
- **3.** Completion of the *High School Success Curriculum* while attending high school.

C. Admission with Support

Undergraduate admission with support shall be granted to high school graduates who meet the following requirements:

- 1. A cumulative, un-weighted high school GPA of 2.5-2.99 or 2.25-2.49 and a minimum composite ACT score of 20 or SAT score of 980 (math/critical reasoning combine); and
- 2. Completion of the *High School Success Curriculum* with no more than two deficiencies. Both deficiencies cannot occur in the same curriculum category.

Students admitted with support are required to participate in the University's Synergy program or another academic transition program.

D. High School Success Curriculum

- **1.** Four (4) years of English;
- 2. Four (4) years of math (including algebra I, II, and geometry);
- **3.** Four (4) years of science (including at least one year of physical science);
- 4. Three (3) years of social science;
- 5. Two (2) years of a single foreign language; and
- **6.** Two (2) years of additional coursework (including visual and performing arts, behavioral or social sciences, humanities, or foreign language).

E. General Education Development (GED) Credentials

Undergraduate applicants with GED credentials should contact the University's Office of Admissions for specific application requirements.

F. Transfer Students

College transfer students with thirty (30) or more transferable hours after high school must submit an application, a one-time nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from each previously-attended institution. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the institution to the University's Office of Admissions. Transfer students must have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA for undergraduate admission.

G. Holistic Alternative Admission

The University, through the Director of Admissions, has the discretion to admit students who do not qualify under the above-described criteria.

III. GRADUATE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

To be considered for admission as a graduate student, an applicant must submit an application, a one-time nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from each previously-attended higher education institution. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the institution to the University's Office of Admissions.

Additionally, each graduate program has its own admission requirements, application processes, and deadlines. Graduate student applicants should contact the graduate program directly to inquire about the requirements.

IV. INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Admission of international students is governed by the attached *Admission Policy for International Students*. This Policy is supplementary to the general admission policies described in this Regulation.

V. HIGH SCHOOL GUESTS

High school students requesting admission as high school guests must submit transcripts demonstrating a cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (official high school transcripts must be sent directly from the high school to the Office of Admission); a written recommendation from a high school counselor or principal; and official ACT or SAT test scores, if any.

VI. NON-DEGREE STUDENTS

The non-degree admission status is a special status that is not available to international students or students who have a suspension status at UW or another college or university.

Applicants seeking admission as non-degree undergraduate students must submit an application and a one-time nonrefundable application fee to the Office of Admissions. Under this admission status, undergraduate students may take a maximum of eight (8) credit hours per semester and cannot apply more than twelve (12) total credits taken as a non-degree student toward an undergraduate degree.

VII. SECOND BACHELOR'S DEGREE STUDENTS

Students who have received a bachelor's degree from the University of Wyoming and are seeking a second bachelor's degree, but have not taken coursework since graduation, must submit a new application.

Students who have received a bachelor's degree from another institution, or who graduated from the University of Wyoming and have taken courses at another institution since leaving the University, must submit an application, a one-time nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from each previously-attended higher education institution. Official transcripts must be sent directly from the institution to the University's Office of Admissions.

VIII. ADMINISTRATION/DISTRIBUTION

The Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Vice President for Student Affairs shall be responsible for administering this Regulation. Admission policies and procedures shall be published and distributed by the Office of Admissions and will be available through its website.

IX. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The University will provide all applicants for admissions, employment and all University employees with equal opportunity without regard to race, gender, religion, color, national origin, disability, age, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, creed, ancestry, political belief, or any other applicable protected category or participation in any protected activity. The University ensures non-discriminatory practices in all matters relating to its education programs and activities and extends the same non-discriminatory practices to recruiting, hiring, training, compensation, benefits, promotions, demotions, transfers, and all other terms and conditions of employment.

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