



LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Each year Lawrence enrolls a limited number of students who have spent time at other colleges and universities. These students bring with them diverse interests and talents, along with a college experience usually quite different from that found at Lawrence. We hope that, through the application process, you will share with us your achievements, your perspectives, and your goals.

As a transfer student, you may enter Lawrence at the beginning of any of our three terms:

Term I: mid-September; application deadline, May 1; notification, May 15

Term II: early January; application deadline, November 1; notification, November 15

Term III: mid-March; application deadline, February 1; notification, February 15

Because many colleges have semester calendars, September and January entrances are most popular. However, we discourage applications for Term II (January) from students who have completed only one semester or term elsewhere.

You can expect to be considered seriously by our admissions committee if you have a 2.75 grade point average or higher (on a 4.0 scale) in your previous college work.

Our registrar will make a formal transcript evaluation of your transfer credit only after you have been offered admission. If you would like an informal evaluation, however, you may send our admissions office a copy of your college transcript with a letter requesting an assessment.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

To apply for transfer admission, you must submit the following:

- The Transfer Common Application** and **Lawrence Supplement**
Both are available at www.commonapp.org.
- Application Fee**
Enclose a check for \$40, payable to Lawrence University. If this fee will impose a financial hardship, please request a fee waiver in writing.
- Secondary School Report**
Your school counselor, principal, or head of school should complete and submit this report. At the time of application, if you have completed more than one year of full-time college work or have been out of high school for more than one year, this form is optional.
- Official Secondary School Transcript**
Your transcript should include an interpretation of the grading system and clear designation of honors, accelerated, Advanced Placement, or International Baccalaureate courses. If you took college courses while in secondary school, submit an official transcript of this work as well.
- Official transcript(s) of all college work completed and in progress**
- Faculty Report (Teacher Evaluation)**
A college faculty member who knows you well and has instructed you in class should complete this form. We welcome additional faculty recommendations, which may be submitted on our form or simply as letters of recommendation. If you have attended a large university and are not well acquainted with any faculty members, you may submit recommendations from teaching assistants.
- SAT or ACT Scores (optional)**
You may have the testing agency send your scores directly to Lawrence, or the scores may be included on your official transcripts. Lawrence's code numbers are:
SAT - 1398 ACT - 4596

BACHELOR OF MUSIC APPLICANTS

Students applying to the Bachelor of Music degree or the five-year double-degree program also must submit:

- Supplementary Music Form**
This is an opportunity for you to describe in detail your musical accomplishments to date. This form is available as part of the Lawrence supplement at www.commonapp.org.
- Music Teacher's Report**
This form needs to be completed by your private applied teacher or ensemble director or both.
- Audition**
Arrange an audition as soon as possible. You can do so by calling the conservatory admissions counselor at 920-832-6500 or 800-227-0982 toll-free.
- Transfer Release Form**
This form is required if you are presently enrolled at a member institution of the National Association of Schools of Music. Please ask your music department chair if this is the case.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER STUDENTS

If you are not a citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States, we strongly encourage you to complete your transfer application by March 1 for September entrance. You must also submit the Lawrence University Certification of Finances Form and — if seeking an International Student Scholarship — the International Student Financial Aid Form. (Corresponding financial aid forms printed by The College Board are also acceptable.) All forms and instructions are available through the “International Students” link at www.lawrence.edu/admissions/apply. If you are submitting a transcript from a non-U.S. institution, please submit your transcripts/documents to Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc., for evaluation. (You will be responsible for any fees incurred.) Lawrence's registrar will review your evaluation report before awarding transfer credit.

If you have taken the SAT, but feel that the verbal score does not accurately represent your proficiency in English, you may submit the TOEFL score as a supplementary document (generally, successful candidates will present TOEFL scores of at least 575, paper test, or 233, computer test, to demonstrate fluency). Lawrence University's code number for both the SAT and TOEFL is 1398.

WHERE DO LAWRENCE'S TRANSFER STUDENTS COME FROM?

The following is a partial list of colleges and universities from which transfer students have come to Lawrence in the past five years:

Beloit College	New York University
Bethel College	Northwestern University
California State University	Pacific Lutheran University
Earlham College	St. Norbert College
Eastman School of Music	University of Michigan
Lakeland College	University of Oregon
Luther College	University of Wisconsin
Minnesota State University	Ventura College

IF I APPLIED BEFORE, MUST I REAPPLY?

If you completed an application to Lawrence within the past three years, you may reactivate your previous application folder by writing or e-mailing the admissions office. There is no application fee required for reactivation. Refer to the checklist to see what items you anticipate we will still need to complete your file. Otherwise we will notify you of any outstanding documents.

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

More than 90 percent of Lawrence students annually receive a total of more than \$20 million in merit- and/or need-based financial aid. The average aid award currently exceeds \$23,000 per year.

To apply for financial aid, please submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), the Lawrence Application for Financial Aid, signed copies of your and your parents' federal tax returns, and all W-2 forms and schedules. You need not wait to receive an admission offer from Lawrence to apply for financial aid.

Your application for admission is also an application for scholarship. If you are awarded a merit-based scholarship, you will learn about it at the time you receive your admission offer from Lawrence.

TRANSFER OF COLLEGE CREDIT

Lawrence awards credit for courses taken at accredited colleges and universities, provided you have earned a grade of C- or better and that the course is similar in content and length to a Lawrence course. You can use transfer credit to fulfill Lawrence general education requirements, except for the writing and speaking general education requirements. Individual departments will determine if transfer credit fulfills major requirements.

If you are transferring credit from an institution outside the United States, please submit your transcripts/documents to Educational Credential Evaluators, Inc., for evaluation. (You will be responsible for any fees incurred.) Lawrence's registrar will review your evaluation report before awarding transfer credit.

At Lawrence, a standard course is valued at 6 units. A normal course load for a Lawrence trimester is three standard courses (18 units). For purposes of transcript evaluation, 6 units at Lawrence may be considered the equivalent of 3.3 semester hours or 5 quarter hours at other institutions. A 6-unit Lawrence course that includes extra class or laboratory sessions is the equivalent in content to courses valued at 5 semester hours or 8 quarter hours at some other institutions.

For your credits to be reviewed by our registrar, your transcript must be official (*i.e.*, your registrar must send it directly to our admissions office in a sealed envelope). Lawrence offers official evaluation only after making offers of admission. At that time we will provide an evaluation report that includes a list of credits granted toward a Lawrence degree, along with a statement of the class to which you

have been admitted. (If you are in the process of completing an academic term while you're applying to Lawrence, we will only be able to give you an official course evaluation on the courses you have completed. We will send you a revised evaluation after we receive your final transcript and our registrar has reviewed it.)

In some cases, the registrar may ask you for further explanations of course descriptions from your prior institution. We may also ask that you meet with a Lawrence department chair of a department to receive approval for credit in that academic discipline. Before receiving credit in the areas of mathematics, music, and foreign languages, we may also ask you to take a placement test after enrolling.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

In most cases, we will notify you of our admission decision within two weeks after the application deadline.

To secure enrollment and course registration, please submit your \$200 deposit as soon as possible after you receive your final transcript evaluation or (if you've applied for financial aid) your financial aid package, whichever comes later. The deposit is refundable at graduation but will not be refunded if you later decide not to attend Lawrence.

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for a Lawrence University Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Music degree, you must have a minimum of six terms (two years) in residence and earn 108 units (approximately 18 courses). Nine terms in residence and 162 units are required for the five-year B.A. and B.Mus. double-degree program. Enrollment in courses held on campus, at Lawrence off-campus study programs, ACM programs, and other special arrangements under Lawrence sponsorship contribute toward fulfilling the residence requirement.

FRESHMAN ADMISSION AT MIDYEAR

Lawrence typically discourages applications for Term II or III from students who have completed only one term of coursework elsewhere or who have not previously enrolled at a college following high school graduation. (This is due to the unique nature of Freshman Studies, a two-term course for first-year students, and because new student orientation is offered only in the fall.)

ACADEMIC ADVISING

All Lawrentians have faculty advisers who are available to assist with questions on general and departmental requirements. In addition, the dean of student academic services is available to assist in planning your course of study. Tutoring is available in all departments and is provided by the Center for Teaching and Learning at no cost to the student. You will find plenty of support — don't be afraid to ask for it!

RESIDENTIAL LIFE AND ACTIVITIES

The Residence Life Advisors, upper-class students who assist with residence hall life, help new students to become involved in campus life and make the adjustment to life at Lawrence. Transfer students are encouraged to participate in all extracurricular activities, including those sponsored by the residence halls. Often, transfer students bring ideas for new activities or organizations from their previous colleges and universities.

On-campus housing is guaranteed for all students, and because Lawrence is a residential college, 98 percent of students live on campus. If you are admitted, we will send you a housing form that assists the residential life office in making an appropriate housing assignment.