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Major Admission Guide

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide provides the minimum GPA and admission requirements for each undergraduate major or sequence. Recommended transfer coursework and academic planning information are available on the individual major webpages at IllinoisState.edu/Academics.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.
- Admission is competitive for some programs.
- Some majors have additional requirements such as portfolios, auditions, or application deadlines.

MAJOR/SEQUENCE	MINIMUM GPA	COURSE REQUIREMENTS
ACTUARIAL SCIENCE	2.50	Grade of “B” or better in Calculus I & II (MAT 145 & 146).
AGRICULTURE		
Agribusiness		
Agronomy Management		
Animal Industry Management		
Animal Science		
Communication & Leadership	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
Crop & Soil Science		
Food Industry Management		
Horticulture & Landscape Management		
AGRICULTURE TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
ANTHROPOLOGY	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
APPLIED HEALTH SCIENCES	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
ART		
Art History		
General Art	2.00	Art History: Provide a statement of interest in this field.
Graphic Design		
Studio Arts		
ART TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	All other programs: Portfolio required for admission.
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES		
Conservation Biology		
General Biology		
Molecular & Cellular Biology	2.50	For portfolio requirements visit: FineArts.IllinoisState.edu/Academics
Physiology, Neuroscience & Behavior		
Plant Biology		
Zoology		
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
BUSINESS		
Accounting		
Business Administration		
Business Education		
Business Information Systems	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
Finance		
Insurance		
International Business		
Management		
Marketing		

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		Completion of IAI, an approved AMALI course, along with:
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (ONLINE PROGRAM)	2.50	Grades of “C” or better in: Financial Accounting (ACC 131), Managerial Accounting (ACC 132), Economics-Micro & Macro (ECO 101 & ECO 102), Statistics (MGT 100 or ECO, POL, or PSY 138), Enterprise (BUS 100), Legal, Ethical, & Social Environment of Business (FIL 185), Applied Calculus (MAT 121) or Calculus I (MAT 145), and prove computer competency through completion of BIS 167, IT 150 or IAI BUS 902.
CHEMISTRY Biochemistry General Chemistry	2.30	Under 45 hours —No course requirements. 45 or more hours —Grades of “C” or better in: Calculus I (MAT 145), General Chemistry I & II (CHE 140 & 141).
CHEMISTRY TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	Under 45 hours —No course requirements. 45 or more hours —Grades of “C” or better in: Calculus I (MAT 145), General Chemistry I & II (CHE 140 & 141).
COMMUNICATION Communication Studies Journalism Mass Media Public Relations Sports Communication	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
COMMUNICATIONS SCIENCES & DISORDERS	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
COMPUTER NETWORKING	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
COMPUTER SCIENCE	2.30	No additional admission coursework required.
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES Animation & Entertainment Arts Audio & Music Production Game Design Interdisciplinary Technologies	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SCIENCES Forensic Investigations General Criminal Justice	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
CYBERSECURITY	2.30	No additional admission coursework required.
DATA SCIENCE Big Data & Computational Intelligence Business Analytics Population Health Social Demographic/Public Policy Analytics Individualized Sequence	2.00	Under 45 hours —No course requirements. 45 or more hours —Grades of “C” or better in: Calculus I (MAT 145) & Calculus II (MAT 146)
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	2.70	No additional admission coursework required.
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: WORKFORCE ONLINE LICENSURE (ONLINE PROGRAM)	2.50	Associate of Applied Science, Associate of Arts, or Science, and Gateways to Opportunity Credential Level 4. Admission by College of Education.
EARTH & SPACE SCIENCE TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
ECONOMICS - GENERAL	2.00	Grade of “B” or better in: Finite Math (MAT 120) or a “C” or better in Applied Calculus (MAT 121), Calculus I (MAT 145), or higher. Calculus is preferred.
ECONOMICS - MANAGERIAL	2.50	Grade of “B” or better in: Finite Math (MAT 120) or a “C” or better in Applied Calculus (MAT 121), Calculus I (MAT 145), or higher. Calculus is preferred.

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ELEMENTARY EDUCATION Bilingual/Bicultural General Elementary Education	2.70	No additional admission coursework required.
ENGINEERING Electrical Engineering General Engineering Mechanical Engineering	2.75	No additional admission coursework required. <i>These majors will be available starting Summer/Fall 2027.</i>
ENGLISH Creative Writing General English Literary & Cultural Studies Publishing Studies Technical Writing & Rhetorics	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
ENGLISH TEACHER EDUCATION*	2.50	30 or more hours —Grades of “C” or better in: Intro-level Composition (ENG 101) or Intro-level Speech (COM 110). Students with fewer than 30 hours at time of enrollment who have a 2.0 GPA or higher will be reviewed for General English admission.
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & SUSTAINABILITY	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
EXERCISE SCIENCE Allied Health Professions Health & Human Performance	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCES TEACHER EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
FASHION DESIGN & MERCHANDISING Fashion Merchandising Fashion Design & Product Development	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
FOOD, NUTRITION, & DIETETICS Dietetics Food & Beverage Management	2.80	No additional admission coursework required.
GEOGRAPHY General Geography Geography Social Science Teacher Education	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
GEOLOGY General Geology Environmental Systems Science & Sustainability	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
HEALTH INFORMATICS	2.25	No additional admission coursework required.
HEALTHCARE LEADERSHIP	2.25	No additional admission coursework required. Under 60 hours —No course requirements.
HISTORY	2.50	60 or more hours —Cumulative GPA of 2.50 in 9 hours of the following core history courses: Western Civilization (HIS 101), Modern Western Civilization (HIS 102), History of the US to 1865 (HIS 135), or History of the US Since 1865 (HIS 136). Under 60 hours —No course requirements.
HISTORY-SOCIAL SCIENCE TEACHER EDUCATION	2.75	60 or more hours —Cumulative GPA of 3.00 in 9 hours of the following core history courses: Western Civilization (HIS 101), Modern Western Civilization (HIS 102), History of the US to 1865 (HIS 135), or History of the US Since 1865 (HIS 136).
HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY SCIENCE	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
INFORMATION SYSTEMS	2.20	No additional admission coursework required.

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INTEGRATIVE HEALTH & WELLNESS	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
INTERIOR DESIGN*	3.00	No additional admission coursework required.
LANGUAGES, LITERATURES & CULTURES		
French & Francophone Studies	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
German		
Spanish		
LANGUAGES, LITERATURES & CULTURES EDUCATION		
French Teacher Education	2.75	No additional admission coursework required.
German Teacher Education		
Spanish Teacher Education		
LEGAL STUDIES	3.25	No additional admission coursework required.
MATHEMATICS		
General Mathematics	2.00	Grades of “C” or better in Calculus I & II (MAT 145 & 146).
Statistics		
MATHEMATICS TEACHER EDUCATION	2.80	Grades of “C” or better in: Calculus I & II (MAT 145 & 146), and a cumulative GPA of 2.80 in mathematics courses.
MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
MIDDLE LEVEL TEACHER EDUCATION	2.70	No additional admission coursework required.
MUSIC*		
Composition		
Liberal Arts	2.00	Classical audition is required for admission.
Music Business		
Music Performance		
Music Therapy		
MUSIC EDUCATION	2.75	Classical audition is required for admission.
NURSING - RN TO BSN (ONLINE PROGRAM)	2.00	Admission by Mennonite College of Nursing. Please see prerequisites at Nursing.IllinoisState.edu/RN-BSN .
		A minimum of 55 credit hours completed prior to the start of the fall semester, with IAI completed or A.A. degree awarded.
NURSING - PRELICENSURE FALL ADMISSION ONLY	2.50	Grades of “C” or better in: Chemistry (CHE 110/112 or 140), Statistics (ECO or PSY 138 or MGT 100 or MAT 150), Psychology (PSY 110 or 111), Lifespan Development (PSY 213), Microbiology (BSC 160), Anatomy & Physiology I & II (BSC 181 & 182), Nutrition (FCS 102), and Medical Terminology (HSC 105).
Application period: August 1 - January 15	Average Admitted GPA: 3.07 -3.65	*Microbiology (BSC 160) or A&P I (BSC 181) must be completed with a “C” or better by the application deadline.
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
PHILOSOPHY	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER EDUCATION*	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
PHYSICS		
Biophysics		
Computational Physics	2.00	Grade of “C” or better in: Calculus I (MAT 145).
Engineering Physics		
General Physics		
PHYSICS TEACHER EDUCATION*	2.50	Grade of “C” or better in: Calculus I (MAT 145).
POLITICAL SCIENCE	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
		Under 60 hours—No course requirements.
PRE-VETERINARY MEDICINE	3.00	60 or more hours— Grade of “C” or better in: Biological Diversity (BSC 196), Molecular & Cellular Basis of Life (BSC 197), and General Chemistry I & II (CHE 140 & 141).

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PSYCHOLOGY	2.50	30 or more hours —Grade of “C” or better in: Psychology (PSY 110 or 111), a transferrable lab science course, and one of the following math courses: Elements of Mathematical Reasoning (MAT 113), Finite Math (MAT 120), Applied Calculus (MAT 121), Pre-Calculus (MAT 144) or Calculus I (MAT 145).
PUBLIC HEALTH	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
RECREATION & SPORT MANAGEMENT Recreation & Sport Management Therapeutic Recreation		No additional admission coursework required.
SCHOOL HEALTH EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
	2.50	A minimum of 45 credit hours must be completed prior to the start of the fall semester.
SOCIAL WORK <i>FALL ADMISSION ONLY</i>	<i>Average Admitted GPA: 2.82-3.63</i>	Grade of “C” or better in: Intro to Social Work (SWK 170); Grade of “D” or better in: Psychology (PSY 110 or 111) and Sociology (SOC 106).
SOCIOLOGY	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
SPECIAL EDUCATION* Deaf & Hard of Hearing Learning & Behavior Low Vision & Blindness	2.70	No additional admission coursework required.
SPECIAL EDUCATION: PULSE (ONLINE PROGRAM)	2.00	Completion of AA or AS, 60+ hours with IAI or general education requirements completed, or a bachelor’s degree required prior to enrollment. In addition, at least 2 years of experience working as a paraprofessional in a special education setting is required.
		Admission by College of Education.
SUSTAINABLE & RENEWABLE ENERGY	2.25	No additional admission coursework required.
TECHNOLOGY Computer Systems Technology Engineering Technology Graphic Communication Technology	2.00	No additional admission coursework required.
TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING EDUCATION	2.50	No additional admission coursework required.
THEATRE & DANCE Acting Dance Dance Teacher Education Design/Production Film & Digital Media* Film Studies Musical Theatre* Theatre Teacher Education	2.00	Acting, Dance, & Dance Teacher Education: Audition required for admissions. Design/Production: Portfolio review & interview required for admissions. Theatre Teacher Education: Interview required for admission.
EXPLORATORY (UNDECLARED)	2.00	Fewer than 75 hours completed before transferring.

*To complete this degree in four years between the community college and Illinois State, early transfer is recommended. Visit IllinoisState.edu/Academics to see the specific timeline for your major.