

Deferral of First-Year Admission

Students may defer freshman admission for up to one calendar year immediately following admission, provided that they do not attend other collegiate institutions during that interim. They must, however, submit final transcripts confirming high school graduation and the successful completion of all school courses that were in progress at the time of acceptance. Students enrolling at other colleges or universities for however long following acceptance must submit transcripts of subsequent academic work and be reevaluated for admission. Admission cannot be automatically deferred for those completing college coursework following acceptance .

While under the conditions described above admission to Saint Mary's College may be deferred for one year immediately following high school graduation, merit scholarships and need based financial aid awards cannot be deferred. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be submitted for the new entry academic year and a new award will be determined based on the aid policies that are then in place. Students must be reconsidered for merit (no need) scholarships as well; students will need to reapply to be reevaluated for any competitive departmental scholarships that they might have been earlier awarded.

Any questions concerning deferral, any merit scholarships, or need based aid need to be referred directly to Admissions Office or Financial Aid Office personnel and should be confirmed by the respective office(s) in writing.