APPLYING TO SAINT MARY’S

Saint Mary’s College only accepts the Common Application and we recommend that you apply online. If you don’t have reliable internet service, however, and you’d like to apply by mail, a paper copy of the Common Application is available in most high school college counseling offices. It may also be downloaded, printed and filled out manually.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION. To complete an application please submit your Saint Mary’s College supplemental application, essay, letter of recommendation(s), transcripts and test scores. Note: transfer students are not required to submit test scores or letters of recommendation.

TAKE THE SAT OR ACT. Saint Mary’s requires freshman applicants to take the SAT (Saint Mary’s code 4675) or the ACT (Saint Mary’s code 6385). You will need to list the Saint Mary’s code for us to receive your scores. The Admissions Committee will consider the best combined score from the SAT I or the best composite score from the ACT and will also give credit for Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate exams, depending on the scores. Have those results sent directly to us or noted on your transcript.

OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS. Please submit official transcripts that include all work to date. If you’re accepted to Saint Mary’s, you will still need to successfully complete your senior year and submit a final transcript.

LETTER(S) OF RECOMMENDATION. We require one letter of academic recommendation, but you may submit more than one if you wish.

ESSAY. Your original essay is an important part of the application – it gives the Admissions Committee a better understanding of who you are and why you think Saint Mary’s might be a good fit for you. You should write your essay in a word processing program, then copy and paste it into the appropriate space on the online application.

APPLICATION FEE. A non-refundable application fee of $55.00 (payable online, via secure server) must accompany your application.

DEADLINES

Early action deadline: November 15
Regular admissions deadline: February 1
FAFSA priority deadline: February 15
Spring regular deadline: January 1

If you have all your application materials in by the November 15 priority deadline, you will hear from the Admissions Committee by the end of December. If you are accepted early, you will not be required to enroll early or to pay an early deposit.

To schedule a visit, call (800) 800-4SMC or go to stmarys-ca.edu/campusvisit
Apply at stmarys-ca.edu/apply