

McNeese State University welcomes admission inquiries and applications from all prospective students. This packet provides application procedures for admission, financial aid, scholarships, and other information, such as estimated expenses. Please read carefully and include all of the necessary information when completing the application packet.

Admission

Students seeking admission should submit all appropriate forms as soon as possible. When admission is granted, you will receive information regarding registration and orientation. Admission policies at McNeese are subject to change.

First-Time Freshman Admission Requirements

Graduates of Louisiana High Schools

First-time freshmen who are graduates of Louisiana high schools must meet the following admission criteria:

1. Completion of the Board of Regents/TOPS High School Core Curriculum (viewable at www.osfa.la.gov);
2. Need of no more than one developmental course; **and**
3. One of the following:
 - a. Cumulative high school grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale as reported by the Department of Education; **or**
 - b. ACT composite score of 20 (SAT combined math and critical reading score of 940); **or**
 - c. High school rank in the top 50% of the graduating class.

Graduates of Home-School Programs or Out-of-State High Schools

First-time freshmen who are graduates of home-school programs or out-of-state high schools must meet admission criteria in **one** of the following groups:

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| Group 1
1. Meet same criteria as graduates of Louisiana high schools (listed above) | Group 2
1. ACT composite score of 20 (SAT combined math and critical reading score of 940);
2. Need of no more than one developmental course; and
3. Cumulative high school GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. | Group 3
1. ACT composite score of 23 (SAT combined math and critical reading score of 1060) and
2. Need of no more than one developmental course. |
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Adult Students, Ages 21 – 24

First-time freshmen ages 21 – 24 must meet minimum admission criteria as outlined above. Applicants who do not meet minimum admission criteria may be admitted to the University in one of the following two ways:

1. Enroll as a part-time degree seeking student. Students admitted under this category may enroll for no more than 6 hours in the fall or spring semester and no more than 3 hours in the summer term. The part-time restriction is removed once the student earns 12 college-level hours with an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and demonstrates that both developmental English and mathematics are not required.
2. Enroll as a non-degree seeking student through the EASE program. EASE students are not eligible for financial aid or veteran's benefits. A student may transfer into a degree program and degree seeking status once that student earns 12 college-level hours with an overall GPA of at least 2.0 and demonstrates that both developmental English and mathematics are not required.

Adult Students, Ages 25 or Older

First-time freshmen ages 25 or older must have received a high school diploma or GED or have an ACT composite of 18.

Other Categories of First-Time Freshmen

First-time freshmen who do not meet the criteria outlined above are encouraged to apply. McNeese may admit students by exception; however, admission exceptions are limited and are awarded on a competitive basis.

Transfer Admission Requirements

Transfer students who have earned 12 or more college-level credit hours must either have earned a transferable associate degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution **or** meet the following admission criteria:

1. Cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 on all college-level courses;
2. Be eligible to return to the institution from which they are transferring; **and**
3. Have need of no more than one developmental course at the time of enrollment at McNeese.

Transfer students who have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 on all college-level courses but who have earned less than 12 college-level credit hours must meet first-time freshman admission criteria in addition to the transfer admission criteria listed above. Transfer students who do not meet admission criteria are encouraged to apply. McNeese may admit students by exception; however, admissions exceptions are limited and are awarded on a competitive basis.

Former McNeese Students

Students who have not attended McNeese for one calendar year or more must submit an Application for Admission and the application fee. Former McNeese students who have attended other colleges or universities since last attending McNeese must be eligible to return to the last institution attended and must have complete official transcripts sent from each institution attended to the Admissions Office.

Developmental Courses

To be eligible to enroll in college-level English or mathematics, students must demonstrate readiness for these courses. If readiness is not demonstrated, students must enroll in the required developmental course(s) to prepare them for college-level English and mathematics.

To demonstrate that developmental English is not required, an applicant must meet one of the following criteria:

1. Have an ACT English score of at least 18 or an SAT critical reading score of at least 450;
2. Have successfully completed ENGL 090 – Developmental English, or its equivalent at another institution, prior to enrolling at McNeese as a first-time freshman or transfer student; **or**
3. Have successfully completed ENGL 101 – English Composition, or its equivalent at another institution, prior to enrolling at McNeese as a first-time freshman or transfer student.

To demonstrate that developmental mathematics is not required, an applicant must meet one of the following criteria:

1. Have an ACT mathematics score of at least 19 or an SAT quantitative (math) score of at least 460;
2. Have successfully completed MATH 092 – Developmental Mathematics, or its equivalent at another institution, prior to enrolling at McNeese as a first-time freshman or transfer student; **or**
3. Have successfully completed MATH 113 – College Algebra, or its equivalent at another institution, prior to enrolling at McNeese as a first-time freshman or transfer student.

Admission by Exception

Applicants who do not meet the minimum admission requirements should note that there is an opportunity for admission by exception. Each semester, 10% of McNeese's entering freshman class and 10% of its entering transfer class can be admitted as admission exceptions. The number of admission exceptions is limited and changes each semester as the total number of entering freshmen and the total number of entering transfer students change. When a student applies for admission and does not meet the minimum admission requirements, the student's file is automatically brought before the University Admissions Panel for review and consideration for admission by exception. The panel's decisions are based upon academic credentials, the student's likelihood of success at McNeese, life achievements, and the enhancement of the University's demographically diverse population. Applicants are notified by letter of the panel's decision. Admission exceptions may only be used the semester they are granted. Applicants who are granted an admission exception and who delay attendance must again be reviewed for admission by exception.

McNeese State University Undergraduate Application for Admission

Application fee: U.S. citizen \$20, International \$30 (please do not mail cash)
NOTE: An incomplete or unsigned application will delay the processing of your application.

Enrollment						
Application Term: <input type="radio"/> Fall <input type="radio"/> Spring <input type="radio"/> Summer Year _____			Are you applying for the CALL program? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			
Entry Status: <input type="radio"/> New Freshman <input type="radio"/> New Transfer <input type="radio"/> Former Student <input type="radio"/> Visiting Student <input type="radio"/> High School Dual Enrollment						
Applicant Information						
Last Name		First		Middle	Other/Maiden	
Social Security Number		Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy)		Birthplace (City/State or Foreign Country)		
Citizenship: <input type="radio"/> U.S. Citizen <input type="radio"/> Resident Alien, indicate country of citizenship: <input type="radio"/> Non-Citizen, indicate country of citizenship and visa type:						
Ethnicity: Are you Hispanic or Latino? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No				<i>Note: Ethnicity and race information is optional and is used for federal and state reporting</i>		
Indicate all that apply: <input type="radio"/> Asian <input type="radio"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="radio"/> Black or African American <input type="radio"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander <input type="radio"/> White						
Mailing Address (Number, Street, Apt #)		City	Parish/County	State	Zip	
Since (mm/yy)						
Previous Address (If at mailing address for less than one year)		City	Parish/County	State	Zip	
Since (mm/yy)						
Home Phone () ()		Cell Phone () ()		May we text you? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Work Phone () ()	
E-mail Address						
Emergency Contact Name		Address (Number and Street)		City	State	
Relationship to Student				Phone () ()		
Did either parent attend college? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			Did either parent graduate from McNeese? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			
If parent graduated from McNeese, list complete name parent attended under and graduation date:						
Educational Information						
Did you or will you graduate from high school? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		If no, did you receive a GED? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		Date GED awarded _____ (mm/yy)		
High School		City		Parish/County	State	
Attended From (mm/yy)		Attended To (mm/yy)		High school graduation date or anticipated date		
Have you ever attended McNeese State University? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If yes, did you attend McNeese only while in high school? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No						
If yes, list last semester at McNeese _____ (semester/yy)						
If yes, have you attended another school since your attendance at McNeese? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No						
Are you now attending any college or university? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If yes, list institution currently attending:						
List name and location (city, state) of all colleges and universities attended or currently attending, including McNeese . (Attach separate sheet if necessary.)			Dates Attended		Hours Earned	Degree Received and Date (mm/yy)
			From (mm/yy)	To (mm/yy)		
Do you plan to work toward a degree at McNeese? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			Intended Major and Concentration (refer to Curricula Offerings in catalog at www.mcneese.edu)			

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:
 AT _____ ST _____ RS _____ IM _____ MN _____ DC _____ OE _____ LE _____ OR _____ AF _____ ATR _____ ATR _____

Current Class Schedule

If you are currently attending high school or college, list your class schedule:

Course	Units/Credit Hours

Employment and Activities

List any activities (other than school) that have occupied your time during the past two years.

Name of Employer or Activity	City, State	From (mm/yy)	To (mm/yy)

Certification of Selective Service Compliance (Skip this section if you are female or over the age of 25.)

I hereby swear or affirm under penalty of perjury, in accordance with the requirements of the Military Selective Service Act and the requirements of state law R.S. 17:3151, the following:

- I am registered with Selective Service in accordance with the Military Selective Service Act (attach copy of verification or card).
- I am not required to register because I am:
 - not yet 18 years of age; however, I will provide a copy of my draft card or registration verification once I am registered;
 - on active duty in the armed forces of the U.S. other than reserve or national guard; or
 - excused from registration for the following reason:
 - I am a veteran of the U.S. armed forces (attach copy of discharge papers), or
 - Other: _____

What Is Your Primary Motivation For Applying To McNeese? (Choose one)

- Location
- Parents
- Alumni
- Faculty
- High School Counselor
- Recruiter Visit
- Campus Life
- Scholarship
- Cost
- Athletics
- Degree Programs
- Appearance of Campus
- Other: _____

How Did You Hear About McNeese? (Choose one)

- College Fair
- Alumni
- Web
- Recruiter Visit
- High School Counselor
- Local Applicant
- Other: _____

Signature

Read statements below and sign and date application.

I certify that all information given is complete and accurate, and I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of this University. I realize that falsification of any information on this form or intentional omission of information may lead to refusal of admission or dismissal from McNeese State University. I do hereby authorize McNeese State University to access my academic records. By signing and submitting this application to McNeese State University, I will be charged an application fee.

By signing below, I pledge to: 1) uphold the highest standards of academic integrity in my work; 2) refuse to tolerate violations of academic integrity in the academic community; and 3) foster a sense of integrity and social responsibility on the part of the University community.

Signature of Applicant

Date