



IJPC's DACAmended College Application Guide 2016

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INTRODUCTION

Hello and welcome to the 2016 DACAmended College Application Guide! The Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center (IJPC) created this guide with hopes that you may find it to be a helpful resource during your college application process. At IJPC we understand that the college search can be both difficult and stressful, especially as an undocumented resident and a first generation college student. The information in this packet provides students with the beginning resources they will need as they begin to consider universities in Ohio and Northern Kentucky.

This being said, there are some disclaimers that come with this guide. This version of the DACAmended College Application Guide was created in the summer of 2016, and therefore the information provided may change from year to year making it outdated. Always remember to check with the individual universities if you have questions about information in the packet or elsewhere. If you are reading this at a much later date, feel free to contact IJPC by phone or email to see if we have created a more recent version.

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GENERAL NOTES

If you live in the state of Ohio and have DACA status then public schools are required to grant you in-state tuition. That being said, it is important to follow up with the admissions office after applying to make sure that they realize that the applicant should be charged as in-state tuition.

Many private schools give out merit-based scholarships as their primary form of financial aid. This means that this financial aid is open to anyone.

Many schools will want DACA applicants to apply using the international application. If they ask for this, fill out the international application, but make sure you follow up and make sure they get all the documents that prove DACA status in order to get in-state funding.

The prices and dates that are listed under each university are currently the most updated information we could find. That being said, this information is subject to change. It is crucial that students using this guide check with each university for updated information.

Having this guide does not mean that your research is done! Go and do more extensive research on the school you plan to apply. Also visit a lot of schools. Remember you will be attending that school for four years, make sure you like it.

Art Academy of Cincinnati

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Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
Phone: (513) 562-6262

Contact:

Jamie Owens, Director of Enrollment Management

T: (513) 562-6262

E: jowens@artacademy.edu

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Common App: No

Full-time Tuition: \$28,252 (a year) \$14,126 (per semester)

Part-time Tuition: \$1,177 (per credit hour)

Students: 209

School Type: Private

Application Deadline: April 1

1. What is the Art Academy of Cincinnati's policy of DACA students?
A: There is no specific policy on DACA. The Art Academy's practices and procedures are compliant with Title IV, Title IX and any other relevant state and federal laws/ regulations that pertain to higher education.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: Not at this time, but this policy may change as laws and standards change.
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: There is no form to waive the application fee.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic residents
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: The Art Academy of Cincinnati is a private institution and therefore everyone pays the same tuition and fees.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: No.

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students cannot be found on AAC's website. You must use the contact Jamie Owens for more information.

Cincinnati State Technical and Community College

3520 Central Pkwy.
Cincinnati, Ohio 45223
Phone: (513) 569-1500

Contact:

Bryan Wright

Manager- International Student Affairs

T: (513) 569-1795

E: bryan.wright@cincinnati-state.edu

*Does speak Spanish, does have Spanish speaking staff

Common App: No

Full-time Tuition: \$1,783.68 (per semester) 3,567.63 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$148.68 (per credit hour)

Students: 10,581

School Type: Technical and Community College

Application Deadline: Open enrollment

1. What is Cincinnati State's policy of DACA students?
A: Cincinnati State welcomes all DACA students.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: Cincinnati State asks that DACA students complete a one-page form (the DACA Residency Application Form) and submit supporting documentation:
 - Copy of I-797 Notice of Action (must state "Notice of Deferred Action" in the body of the document)
 - Copy of Employment Authorization Card
 - Copy of State ID or driver's license
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: There is an Admission Application Fee of \$15, but students are not required to pay the fee until they register for classes. This fee *cannot* be waived.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic residents
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: DACA students are eligible for in-state tuition in Ohio so long as they meet Ohio residency guidelines for tuition purposes. DACA students at Cincinnati State pay in-state tuition and fees so long as they meet Ohio residency guidelines for tuition purposes.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply?
A: Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
Yes, these scholarships can be found on Cincinnati State's website.

Other Notes:

- For more information regarding DACA students, use the link below:
<http://www.cincinnati-state.edu/admission-financial-aid/admissions/admission-process/daca>

Mount Saint Joseph University

5701 Delhi Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio 45233
Phone: (513) 244-4200

Contact:

Peggy Minnich
Director of Admission
T: (513) 244-4531
E: peggy.minnich@msj.edu

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Common App:

Full-time Tuition: \$27,300 (year) \$13,650 (per semester)

Part-time Tuition: \$515 (per credit hour)

Students: 1,657

School Type: Private

Application Deadline: Rolling. Deadline for admission for Fall semester is 10 days before the fall term start date.

7. What is Mount Saint Joseph University's policy of DACA students?
A: DACA students apply through the regular admission process, they would be eligible for MSJ money.
8. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: If students have proof of DACA status, we will accept a copy of the documentation. No extra forms are needed.
9. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: Fees can be waived. You must contact the admissions office to discuss details.
10. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic residents
11. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: MSJ is a private institution; therefore there is one tuition rate for all undergraduate students.
12. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply?
A: Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
All students are eligible for Merit Based Scholarships and MSJ funded money.

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students cannot be found on MSJ's website. You must direct all questions to the contact above or to the general admissions office.

Miami University
501 E High St
Oxford, Ohio 45056
Phone: (513) 529-1809

Contact:

Aaron Bixler
Associate Director of Admission
T: (513) 529-2531
E: bixleraj@miamioh.edu

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Common App: Yes
Full-time Tuition: \$14,736 (year)
Part-time Tuition: \$563.88 (per credit)
Students: 16,387
School Type: Public
Application Deadline: February 1 (for Fall semesters), June 1 (for spring semesters)

1. What is Miami University's policy of DACA students?
A: Miami University has no official policy on DACA students but accepts and encourages applications from these students.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: YES. Verification of the DACA status is required. This is typically done by submitting a copy of a student's Work Authorization card but other forms of documentation may be accepted.
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: For students who qualify, an official fee waiver form may be submitted in lieu of the application fee. Students requesting a fee waiver form from the College Board, the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), or a letter from a guidance counselor or representative of a social service/ community agency stating that the fee would cause financial hardship.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: DACA students apply as international students
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: DACA students are initially coded as out-of-state students for tuition purposes but are encouraged to apply for Ohio residency for tuition purposes with our Registrar's office upon admission.

6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?

A: Miami's International Student Scholarship program provides renewable merit-based scholarships for outstanding international applicants. International Student Scholarship awards can vary from \$2,000 to \$16,000 per year. Award amounts are determined by academic records, test scores, and other factors received by Miami University at the time of application.

In addition to the International Student Scholarships, all international students with equivalent U.S. grade point averages of 3.50 (or equivalent) or higher and old SAT scores of 1210 (Critical Reading + Math) or ACT scores of 27 or higher are also considered for merit-based scholarships. These additional scholarships can range from \$500 per year to full tuition per year. Merit scholarship amounts are determined by the academic records, test scores, and other factors received by Miami University at the time of application.

Other Notes:

- Information for DACA students cannot be found on the Miami University website. You must contact the representative listed above.

Northern Kentucky University
100 Louie B Nunn Dr
Highland Heights, Kentucky 41099
Phone: (859) 572-5100

Contact:

Leyla Peña

Coordinator, Latino Programs and Services

T: (859) 572-6013

E: Penal1@nku.edu

*Contact does speak Spanish, does have Spanish-speaking staff

Common App: No

Full-time Tuition: \$8,856 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$353 (per credit)

Students: 15,738

School Type: Public

Location: Highland Heights, Kentucky

Application Deadline: Final application deadline is July 1

1. What is Northern Kentucky University's policy of DACA students?
A: DACA students can apply to Northern Kentucky University following the application and admissions procedures like any regular student. Instead of submitting a copy of an Alien Registration Card, DACA applicants can submit a copy of the Employment Authorization Card. DACA applicants are encouraged to contact the Office of Admissions or Latino Programs and Services once they submit the admissions application to NKU in order to receive personal assistance.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: For admissions purposes students are not required to submit additional information, just a copy of their Employment Authorization Card in substitution of an Alien Registration Card. To apply, students have to:
 - Complete the NKU online application at **apply.nku.edu**
 - Pay the \$40 application fee
 - Submit high school transcript
 - Submit ACT or SAT scores
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: NKU will waive the application fee to students who are on free or reduced lunch. A waiver can be submitted via the school guidance counselor.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic residents.

5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: Tuition for students is based on residency status. Kentucky students pay in-state tuition rates, while Ohio students pay a special tuition rate lower than out of state rates (Metropolitan rate/ Regional Tuition Award). Information on tuition can be found at **tuition.nku.edu**
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: Merit-based scholarships at NKU do not have a citizenship requirement. Applicants who apply for admissions and who meet our scholarship criteria will be considered for institutional scholarships. Final scholarship deadline is February 15. The Educational Diversity Scholarship, a competitive scholarship, is the only one that requires applicants to be permanent residents or US citizens. More information can be found at **scholarships.nku.edu** and at **latino.nku.edu** for external scholarships.

The Office of Latino Programs and Services has identified external scholarships for Latino/Hispanic students. They have compiled other scholarship opportunities for Latino students from local community organizations and others. More information can be found at: <http://latino.nku.edu/education.html>

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students can be found at the following link: <http://latino.nku.edu/education/web-scholarships.html>
- NKU holds visitation programs in Spanish called Spanish Norse Days. These are held every semester; one in November and one in March. There is also a Welcome Wednesday summer visit program for rising seniors over the summer. You can find more information about these visit days by going to **visit.nku.edu** or calling the Welcome Center at (859) 572-1400

Ohio State University

281 W Lane Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43210

Contact:

Marco A. Chávez

Senior Assistant Director for International Recruitment

T: (614) 292- 3980

E: chavez.30@osu.edu

*Contact speaks Spanish

Common App: Yes

Full-time Tuition: \$10,037 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$297.50 (per credit)

Students: 45,289

School Type: Public

Location: Columbus, OH

Application Deadline: February 1 (freshman), March 1 (transfer for fall semester),

October 1 (for spring semester)

1. What is Ohio State University's policy of DACA students?
A: Treat DACA students as any other student. DACA students must go through a holistic review process like all other students.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: Not at the time of application. If a DACA student is admitted, then she or he must submit proof of DACA if living in state in order to be considered for residency tuition.
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee?
A: No
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: DACA students are considered international. They should answer all questions on the application appropriately and accurately so OSU can properly classify them as DACA.
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: Yes, if they reside in Ohio.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: No to both questions. DACA students are eligible for the Morrill Scholarship Program, which can be found here:
<http://undergrad.osu.edu/money-matters/scholarships.html>

Other Notes:

- Every admissions counselor in the office is prepared to answer questions about DACA if the contact listed is out of the office. Call (614) 292-3980 and ask to speak with an international admissions counselor.
- If the contact listed is not available and you are looking for a Spanish speaker, simply call the number above and ask to speak with a Spanish speaker.
- Information regarding DACA students can be found on Ohio State University's website at <http://odi.osu.edu/for-students/daca/>

Ohio Wesleyan University

61 S Sandusky St
Delaware, Ohio 43015

Contact:

Nicole More

Director of International Admission

T: (740) 368-3029

E: nbmore@owu.edu

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Common App: Yes

Full-time Tuition: \$43,770 (year)

Students: 1,675

School Type: Private

Location: Delaware, Ohio

Application Deadline: November 15-Early decision, December 1, Early Action, March 1-regular decision

1. What is Ohio Wesleyan University's policy of DACA students?
A: DACA students should apply as any other student. Their application will be reviewed without prejudice.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: No
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: There is no application fee
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic Residents
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: As a private university, there is difference between in-state and out-of-state tuition
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: All students are eligible for merit scholarships regardless of citizenship. Students are also awarded OWU grants based on financial need

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students cannot be found on the Ohio Wesleyan University's website. Please use the contact listed above for any questions or concerns.

Shawnee State University
940 2nd St
Portsmouth, Ohio 45662

Contact:

Rick Merb

International Student Admission Coordinator

T: (740) 351-4778

E: rmerb@shawnee.edu

*Contact does *not* speak Spanish, does *not* have Spanish speaking staff

Common App: No

Full-time Tuition: \$7,365 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$260 (per credit)

Students: 4,400

School Type: Public

Location: Portsmouth, Ohio

Application Deadline: 3 weeks prior to the start of the respective term. Scholarship deadline is December 1. Health Sciences have deadlines in February, March, and April leading into the fall semester.

1. What is Shawnee State University's policy of DACA students?
A: Required to apply as domestic students but must supply receipt of the DACA process.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: Send the receipts/proof of DACA status
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: Shawnee State University does not have an application fee. When the Enrollment Deposit is implemented it will not be able to be waived nor deferred.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Start out with the domestic student application, listing citizenship as "non-citizen". Then follow up with required documentation.
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: This will depend on residency determined by Shawnee State University's Registrar's Office but is typically based on parent residence.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: No to both questions. The Scholarship Matrix is available to all students who meet the requirements, regardless of citizenship.

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students cannot currently be found on Shawnee State University's website. If you have questions about DACA please use the contact listed above.

University of Cincinnati Blue Ash
9555 Plainfield Rd
Blue Ash, Ohio 45236

Contact:

Nick Castro

Coordinator for Hispanic and Latino Affairs

T: (513) 936-1538

E: Nicholas.castro@uc.edu

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Common App: Yes, if you apply through the Clifton campus. Blue Ash has a separate online application.

Full-time Tuition: \$2,637 (per-semester) \$5,274 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$221 (per credit)

Students: 5,084

School Type: Public

Location: Blue Ash, Ohio

Application Deadline: July 1 (fall semester), November 15 (spring semester), March 15 (summer term)

1. What is University of Cincinnati Blue Ash's policy of DACA students?
A: For a DACA students, tuition will be the same as an Ohio resident.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: Once the student is admitted, the DACA application should be sent to Ronald Cushing in the International Affairs Office.
Ronald Cushing
(513) 556-2879
Ronald.cushing@uc.edu
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: UCBA application fee waivers are based on financial need. The NACAC "Requests for Admission Application Fee Waiver" must be completed and submitted by the student's high school advisor. Please visit the website below for information on the waiver process:
<http://bit.ly/NACACfewaiver>
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: DACA students apply as domestic residents.
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: For a DACA student, tuition will be the same as an Ohio resident; part-time \$251/credit hour, full time tuition \$3,005/semester or \$6,010/year. Students that are not residents of Ohio will pay out of state tuition; part time \$617/credit hour; full time \$7,404/semester or \$14,808/year.

6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: UCBA and UC Clifton created a resource guide for undocumented students. Lists of scholarships are included in the guide. Please use the link below to access the guide:

<http://www.ucblueash.edu/about/diversity/hispanic-latino-affairs.html>

Other Notes:

- For access to a Spanish version of the UCBA website use the link below:
www.ucblueash.edu/espanol.html
- More information regarding DACA students can be found at the link below:
<http://www.ucblueash.edu/about/diversity/hispanic-latino-affairs.html>

University of Cincinnati

2600 Clifton Ave
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Contact:

Charlene Agyemang
Programs Coordinator in UC International Admissions
T: (513) 556-2069
E: international.admissions@uc.edu

*Does *not* speak Spanish, does *not* have Spanish speaking staff

Common App: Yes

Full-time Tuition: \$5,800 (per semester) \$11,000 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$484 (per credit)

Students: 44,000

School Type: Public

Location: Cincinnati, Ohio

Application Deadline (for International Freshman): March 1-rolling (for Fall term),

December 1-Early Action, November 1 (for spring term), March 1 (for summer term)

1. What is The University of Cincinnati's policy of DACA students?
A: The University of Cincinnati defines an International student as any enrolled student who is not a U.S. citizen, permanent resident of the United States, asylee or refugee. As such, if you hold DACA status, you are classified as an international student and should apply accordingly. This means the listing that you are not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and listing that your country of citizenship is something other than the U.S. when completing application materials. Once you are admitted to the University of Cincinnati you will receive communication from UC International Services asking you to clarify your immigration status.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: DACA students must submit their Passport Bibliography page (page with your picture and personal details) if they have one and the following:
 - A copy of their I-797 Notice of Action (approval notice) from USCIS for their I-821D application for Deferred Action status
 - A copy of their Employment Authorization Document (EAD)
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: International type applicants are not eligible for fee waivers from UC
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: DACA students apply as international students

5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: DACA students qualify for in-state tuition if they have attended and graduated from an Ohio high school or qualify through one of the various guidelines established by the Ohio Board of Regents. Students living in Indiana and Kentucky may be eligible for Metropolitan or Reciprocity rate tuition programs. For a complete list of the guidelines please visit:
http://www.uc.edu/registrar/residency_reciprocity_metro.html
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: The University of Cincinnati lists some scholarships that do not list citizenship to apply at the follow page:
<https://webapps.uc.edu/FinancialAid/Scholarships/search.asp>

Other Notes:

- More information regarding DACA students can be found at:
<http://www.uc.edu/international/services/future/DACA.html>

Wittenberg University
200 W Ward St
Springfield, Ohio 45504
Phone: (937) 327-6231

Contact:

Kelsey Ellis

Assistant Director of Admission

T: (877) 206-0332

E: admission@wittenberg.edu

*Does *not* speak Spanish, *does* have Spanish-speaking staff

Common App: Yes

Full-time Tuition: \$18,615 (per semester) \$37,230 (year)

Part-time Tuition: \$1,241 (per credit)

Students: 1,910

School Type: Private

Location: Springfield, Ohio

Application Deadline: November 15 (binding- Early decision), December 1 (Early Action), January 15 (Early Action II), March 15 (Regular Decision)

1. What is Wittenberg University's policy of DACA students?
A: DACA students can apply and be considered for admission and merit based scholarships. Students can submit the FAFSA form to be considered for university grants, but will not be eligible for any federal loan or grant programs.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: No
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: There is no application fee.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic students
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: There is one set tuition fee, which is the same for both in-state and out-of-state tuition.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: The Broadwell Chinn Award is for \$16,000 per year, and recognizes diversity among students who exhibit a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher. Students can also be considered for other merit based awards.

Other Notes:

- Wittenberg University does not currently have information available for DACA students online. Please direct all questions and concerns to the contact listed above.

Wright State University
3640 Colonel Glenn Hwy
Dayton, Ohio 45435
(937) 775-1000

Contact A:

Tony Ortiz
Associate Vice President of Latino Affairs
T: (937) 775-3827
E: tony.ortiz@wright.edu

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Contact B:

Katie Espino
Program Coordinator
T: (937) 775-3806
E: kathryn.espino@wright.edu

Common App: No
Full-time Tuition: \$6,360 (per semester)
Part-time Tuition: \$1,060 (per credit)
Students: 18,000
School Type: Public
Location: Dayton, Ohio
Application Deadline: Rolling admissions

1. What is Wright State University's policy of DACA students?
A: Wright State University welcomes DACA students
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: DACA students will need to submit evidence of their approved DACA status when submitting their application.
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: No
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: Domestic residents
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: In-state tuition and fees

6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: Wright State University has a general scholarship application form for all students that can be found at <http://www.wright.edu/raider-connect/financial-aid>

Although Wright State University does not have a list of scholarships for non-U.S. citizens, they do offer the Paul Laurence Dunbar Scholarship for underrepresented students. Additionally, the Office of Latino Affairs has scholarships available to qualifying Latino students. For more information, contact the Office of Latino Affairs.

Other Notes:

- If you have questions concerning how DACA students should apply to Wright State University, please use the contact for the Office of Latino Affairs listed above as they will be your best resource.

Xavier University
3800 Victory Pkwy
Cincinnati 45207
Phone: (513) 745-3000

Contact:

Lauren Cobble
Dean of Undergraduate Admission
T: (513) 745- 3301
E: cobblel@xavier.edu

*Does *not* speak Spanish, does *not* have Spanish speaking staff

Common App: Yes
Full-time Tuition: \$17,960 (per semester) \$36,150 (year)
Part-time Tuition: \$375 (per credit)
Students: 4,633
School Type: Private
Location: Cincinnati, Ohio
Application Deadline: Rolling admissions but encouraged to apply by December 1.
Nursing program deadline is January 15. Occupational Therapy deadline in February 1.

1. What is Xavier University's policy of DACA students?
A: DACA students may apply for admission and will be reviewed based solely upon their academic credentials and application materials.
2. Do students need to fill out any extra forms or send in proof of DACA status?
A: No
3. Is there any form to waive the application fee? If so where can students locate that form?
A: As long as the student applies online, using either the Xavier application or the Common Application, there is no fee. Therefore no waiver is necessary.
4. Do DACA students apply as international students or domestic residents?
A: DACA students should apply as international students. Xavier will waive the international-specific admission materials.
5. Do DACA students pay in-state tuition and fees?
A: There is no difference in cost for in-state and out-of-state students.
6. Does your university have a list of scholarships that do not list citizenship as a requirement to apply? Does your university have minority specific scholarships?
A: All of Xavier's academic merit scholarships are open to all students, and those awards range from \$14,000- \$20,000 per year and are renewable for four years. In addition, students can apply for the Miguel Pro or Francis X Weninger scholarships, which celebrate diversity. Those applications are due by February 1. More information can be found at: <http://www.xavier.edu/scholarships>

Other Notes:

- Information regarding DACA students can be very difficult to find on Xavier University's website, so make sure to direct any questions or concerns to the contact listed above
- If the contact listed above is out of the office, a secondary contact is listed below:
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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

from First Generation College Students

1. What is a first generation college student?

A: A first generation college student is defined as a student whose parents or legal guardians have not attended a college or university. Being a first generation college student means you are the first person in your family to attend college and achieve a bachelor's degree.
2. What do undergraduate and graduate student mean?

A: An undergraduate student is a college student who has not completed their associates or bachelor degree programs yet. If you are a high school student applying to a college or university, you will apply as an undergraduate student. A graduate student then is a student who has already completed a bachelor's degree and is taking additional classes to obtain a higher degree (such as a masters degree or a doctorate degree).
3. Are application dates the same for all students?

A: Some schools require you to apply earlier for certain degree programs. These application deadlines are different for all universities. If you have questions concerning when your application deadline is, you will need to contact the university or college you're applying to.
4. How much time do I spend in class every day?

A: In high school most students spend their entire day in class. In college, students average between 3 to 4 hours in class each day. The number of hours you spend in class will depend on the number of credit hours you sign up for each semester. At many universities you will not go to the same classes each day. If you sign up for five classes for the semester, you may attend three of those classes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays while you attend the other two on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
5. What are credit hours and how many do I need to graduate on time?

A: Credit hours are what determine the number of hours of classes you take each semester. The average number of credit hours a semester is 12, which is usually 5 classes. However, every school requires a different number of credit hours. Or how a credit is counted different. Please check with your school advisor before scheduling classes to assure you are taking the appropriate number of classes.
6. What is the difference between a full-time student and part-time student?

A: A full-time student is taking 12, or more, credit hours. A part-time is taking anything less than 12 credit hours. If you a full-time student you are more likely to graduate in four years, but as a part-time student you can go at your own pace. Another big difference about full-time and part-time is that most scholarship, if not all, require the applicant to be enrolled as a full-time student.

7. If I transfer school will all my credit I received transfer to the new school I will be going to?

A: No. Knowing that. Check with the school you plan to transfer to and insure that the credit you've earn in your current school will transfer over to your new school. **Do this before you transfer schools.** This will save you a lot of money!

COMMON APP: THE APPLICATION

More and more colleges and universities are requiring applicants to apply using the Common Application. This application can be found online at www.commonapp.org. Create an account with an email and password that you will remember. It is only required that you answer the questions with the red asterisk next to it. It is also crucial that you **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS TRUTHFULLY!**

I. Profile Section

This section is divided up into subsections

- A. Personal Information: Asks for your name, sex, and date of birth.
- B. Address: Give your permanent home address. If you use an alternative mailing address also enter that address in the box provided.
- C. Contact Details: Enter your email address, preferred phone, and a preferred phone number.
- D. Demographics: This section is optional, however it could benefit you. By filling out this section, colleges can identify if there are any minority specific scholarships that may be applicable.
- E. Geography: State what country and city you were born in. Also fill out the number of years you have lived in and outside of the United States. Again, make sure this section is accurate.
- F. Language: Answer questions asking what languages you are proficient in.
- G. Citizenship: First, select your citizenship status. **If you are in the DACA status select “Other (Non-U.S.)”** Next, list the country that you do have legal citizenship in. Finally, select what United States visa that you currently have (if any). **For DACA students: select “I do not hold a currently valid U.S. non-immigrant VISA.”**
- H. Common App Fee Waiver: The Common App states that you must meet one of the requirements below in order to receive a Fee Waiver:
 - You have received or are eligible to receive an ACT or SAT testing fee waiver
 - You are enrolled in or eligible to participate in the Federal Free or Reduced Price Lunch Program (FRPL)
 - Your annual family income falls within the Income Eligibility Guidelines set by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service
 - You are enrolled in a federal, state, or local program that aids students from low-income families (e.g., TRiO programs such as Upward Bound)
 - Your family receives public assistance
 - You live in a federally subsidized public housing, a foster home or are homeless
 - You are a ward of the state or an orphanYou can provide a supporting statement from a school official, college access counselor, financial aid officer, or community leader: www.commonapp.com

*You must then sign the box below signifying that you do in fact meet at least one of the above requirements

II. Family

- A. Household: Enter in your parent's marital status and who you live with at your permanent home
- B. Parent 1: Enter in all known information about parent
- C. Parent 2: Enter in all known information about parent
- D. Sibling: Enter in all known information about siblings

III. Education

- A. School: Look up the high school you will be graduating from using link. Enter your high school counselor's name, email, and phone number
- B. Other School: If you have attended other high schools enter what schools they were and also when you attended
- C. Education Interruption: Indicate if your schooling was interrupted at all during high school and check all that apply
- D. College and Universities: Indicate if you have taken a college/university course during high school. If so, enter the corresponding data
- E. CBO: Indicate the number of community programs or organizations that gave you free assistance in this application. Then fill out the corresponding data
- F. Grades: Enter data accurately
- G. Current Year Courses: Enter the classes you are currently taking or will take in high school.
- H. Honors: Enter any honors that you have received throughout high school. These are most likely things that are already on your resume.
- I. Future Plans: This section is up to you! Answer with your plans and interests

IV. Testing

- A. Enter if you would like to self-report scores from any of the standardized tests listed. Remember, even though you can self-report your scores, you must also send in an official score report. Different schools may have different methods of reporting, so check with the schools you are applying to.

FINAL WORDS OF WISDOM (FROM THE EXPERTS)

“The general rule of thumb dictates that you shouldn’t borrow more in loans for your undergraduate degree than what you expect to make your first year out of school.” (McGrath, Maggie. "Money Isn't Everything: When It's Worth Taking On \$50,000 Or More In Student Debt." Forbes. Forbes Magazine, 4 Apr. 2014. Web. 18 June 2014.) □

“Community Colleges are still your best educational value. Most four-year colleges require basic courses that can be taken at community colleges at a fraction of the cost. If a student does well in them at the local level, they can transfer to a university to finish their B.A. and cut the cost of a degree almost in half. Remember that there’s no room-and-board and minimal transportation cost at a community college, so the savings are significant.” (Wasik, John. "How To Make College Affordable: Four Ways To Stem Toxic Student Debt." Forbes. Forbes Magazine, 7 Aug. 2013. Web. 18 June 2014.) □

“Taking Advanced Placement (AP) classes can help you earn college credits if you do well on the College Board exams. Students who score high on several AP tests can start college with one semester (12-15 credit hours) already under their belt.” (Tips To Make College More Affordable - CBS Sacramento." CBS Sacramento. N.p., n.d. Web. 18 June 2014) □

“...keep in mind that private colleges and universities set their own financial aid policies. Some are willing to provide institutional scholarships to undocumented students.” (<http://www.chooseyourfuture.org/college/undocumented-students#law>) □