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Bridgewater State College UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Thank you for your interest in Bridgewater State College.

FRESHMAN ADMISSION

(Students with no prior post-secondary experience)

The Application

The application should be completed and submitted directly to the college, along with the \$40 application fee, in the accompanying envelope or students may elect to apply for admission and pay this fee online at the Web address above.

High School Record

Applicants should request their secondary school to send their transcript and any other supporting materials to the:

**Office of Admission
Bridgewater State College
Bridgewater, MA 02325**

In addition, freshman applicants with college credit should request official transcripts be sent to the address above from each college attended. All foreign credentials must be externally evaluated by an approved credential evaluation service and submitted with the application for admission.

Standardized Tests

Freshman applicants must submit the official results of either the SAT I or the ACT. It is advised that students fulfill the standardized testing requirements no later than January of their senior year. The college code number for designating SAT I score reports to be sent to Bridgewater State College is **3517**. The ACT college code for Bridgewater State College is **1900**.

All students whose native language is other than English should consider submitting the results of the TOEFL examination or the SAT II, ELPT (English Language Proficiency Test).

NOTE: High school students who have been diagnosed as learning disabled are not required to submit an SAT I or ACT score. Those high school students seeking exemption should submit a copy of their individualized educational plan (IEP) and relevant psychological and educational testing results obtained within the last three years.

Applicants who have been away from high school for at least three full years are exempt from the standardized testing requirement.

DECISION AND NOTIFICATION DATES FOR FRESHMAN APPLICANTS

Regular Decision Program – Freshman applicants for the fall semester must submit their completed application (including all required documents) by **February 15** for priority consideration. Notification of the admission decision will be mailed no later than April 15. Candidates for January admission must submit the application by **November 1**.

Early Action Program – To apply under the Early Action Program, an applicant needs to have fulfilled the testing requirement no later than the November test date and will need to have the application complete and transcripts on file in the Office of Admission by **November 15**.

Early Action applicants are notified of the decision on their applications by mid-December. They are either (1) offered admission, (2) denied admission, or (3) deferred to the Regular Decision Program in the spring. Students offered admission under the Early Action Program have until the May 1 candidates' reply date to respond.

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

(Students that have attended another post-secondary institution)

Transfer applicants for the fall semester should submit the completed application and fee by **April 1 (November 1 for spring semester)** for priority consideration directly to the:

**Office of Admission
Bridgewater State College
Bridgewater, MA 02325**

Transfer applicants will be evaluated for admission on the basis of their previous college academic record and must provide an official transcript(s) from **each** college attended. Transcripts must be sent **DIRECTLY** from your previous college(s) addressed to the OFFICE OF ADMISSION at Bridgewater State College. Applicants with less than 12 semester hours of **transferable** credit must, in addition, submit an official high school transcript and the results of the SAT I or ACT.

Most courses are acceptable for transfer credit from accredited two- and four-year institutions if a grade of C- or better is earned. If the courses do not satisfy specific subject requirements at Bridgewater State College, they will be accepted for elective course credit.

Note: Individuals with disabilities who may have difficulty completing the application form should contact the Office of Admission for assistance.

All transfer students are required to complete Bridgewater State College's Core Curriculum requirements. Also, at least one half of a student's academic major as well as a minimum of 30 semester hours must be completed at Bridgewater.

To be eligible for admission, a student must have a grade point average of at least 2.00 on a four-point scale from their previous institution. **Please note that this is merely a minimum grade point average and does not guarantee admission.**

READMISSION/REINSTATE APPLICANTS

(Students who have attended Bridgewater previously)

Students who were separated from the college because of academic deficiency, or who have not registered for classes at Bridgewater for one or more semesters, must reapply through the Office of Admission. Official transcripts of any course work attempted after leaving Bridgewater State College must be provided.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

(Students seeking a student visa)

International applicants must have completed the approximate equivalent of 12 years of elementary and secondary schooling, and be able to present such school records, with certificates of government examination results and with the equivalent of a B average on an A, B, C, D and F scale, as would qualify them for university admission in their home country. Applicants with university work in their home country must present official records showing above-average scholastic performance. Upper division students who have college work at other institutions in the U.S. must have at least a 2.2 average in that work. All foreign credentials must be externally evaluated by an approved credential evaluation service and submitted with the application for admission. International students must also supply an Affidavit of Financial Support which signifies the student has sufficient funds to study at Bridgewater.

FINANCIAL AID

Bridgewater State College awards millions of dollars in federal, state and institutional financial aid each year to eligible students. Many students, however, miss out because they do not think they are eligible and do not complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To apply for financial aid, students must complete the FAFSA available on

the Federal Financial Aid Web site at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Financial Aid can be used to pay for tuition, fees, books, transportation and other educational expenses.

We strongly encourage you to complete the FAFSA. If you need help with your financial aid application or college financial planning, our Financial Aid Office has counselors who can assist you.

SIGNIFICANT DATES of interest to candidates for fall admission*

Freshman

November 15	Deadline for filing application under the Early Action Program.
December 15	Notification date for Early Action candidates.
February 15	Freshman priority deadline for filing application under the Regular Decision Program.
March 1	Financial Aid Priority Deadline. (FAFSA must be filed by this date.)
By April 15	Notification date for Regular Decision candidates.
May 1	Accepted freshman applicants must submit a nonrefundable deposit indicating their intention to enroll.

Transfers

March 1	Financial Aid Priority Deadline. (FAFSA must be filed by this date.)
April 1	Priority deadline for September admission.

***Freshman and transfer candidates for January admission should submit their applications by December 15.**

Readmission/Reinstatement Candidates

December 15	Priority deadline for January reinstatement or readmission.
August 1	Priority deadline for September reinstatement or readmission.

TUITION AND FEES (2009–2010)

Tuition:	Massachusetts residents pay \$910 per year Out-of-state students pay \$7,050 per year
Fees:	Required fees for all students average \$5,563 per year
Student Health Insurance:	\$1,017 per year and is required unless the student has comparable coverage elsewhere
Room and Board:	Rates for occupancy presently average \$5,766 per year. Board is approximately \$3,266 per year.

All figures are subject to change.

Policy on Nondiscrimination Bridgewater State College does not discriminate in admission to or access to, or treatment or employment in, any of its educational programs or activities, including scholarships, loans and athletics, on the basis of race, creed, religion, color, gender, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, age, sexual orientation, national origin, political belief or affiliation, veteran status or disability. The college complies with executive orders 11246 and 11375 as amended; the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended; the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1988; the Civil Rights Act of 1991; Title IX of the Higher Education Amendments of 1972 as amended; Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; Section 402 of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974; and pertinent laws, regulations and executive orders; directive of the Higher Education Coordinating Council; the Boards of Trustees of the Massachusetts State Colleges and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and other applicable local, state and federal statutes.

Bridgewater State College

UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

\$40 application processing fee required (no cash allowed)

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| <input type="radio"/> Fee received | |
| <input type="radio"/> Fee waived | |
| <input type="radio"/> Fee not included | <i>For office use only</i> |

Please mail the completed application form along with the \$40 nonrefundable application fee. Make the check or money order payable to *Bridgewater State College*. Both the application form and the application fee should be mailed in the accompanying envelope to:

Office of Admission
Gates House
Bridgewater State College
Bridgewater, MA 02325

APPLICATION TERM: (Check one) Fall Semester (September Start) Year of 20 _____ Spring Semester (January Start) Year of 20 _____ Summer (for Reinstatement applicants only) Year of 20 _____

APPLICATION TYPE: Freshman (0–11 college credits) Early Action Regular Decision Program Transfer Joint Admissions – Receiving Associate’s Degree from a MA Community College Program Other Readmit/Reinstatement: Previously Attended BSC / no fee required Second Bachelor’s Degree

HOUSING PREFERENCE: On-Campus Residence Hall Commuter or Off-Campus

PERSONAL DATA: Please print or type

Legal Name _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name Jr., etc.

Other names under which records may appear _____

PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS

MAILING ADDRESS (If different from home address)

Number and Street _____

City, State, Zip _____

If Foreign, Country _____

Telephone () _____

Gender Female Male Birthdate ____/____/____ E-mail address _____
Month Day Year

US Armed Services Veteran Yes No Branch of Service _____

U.S. CITIZENSHIP: Yes Permanent Resident No

If no, will you require a student visa? Yes No If yes, indicate: country of citizenship _____
country of birth _____

Are you currently in the U.S. on a visa? Yes No If yes, what type _____

To ensure proper placement in college courses, please check the appropriate answers:

- English is your first language.
- As a child, you simultaneously acquired two languages, English and _____.
- English is your second language. Your first language is _____.

How did you learn English as a second language? (Please check all that apply.)

- In your native country, by taking English classes at the secondary and/or college level.
- In the U.S., by taking ESL classes at the secondary level.
- In the U.S., through interaction with your peers.
- In the U.S., by taking ESL pre-college classes.
- In the U.S., by taking ESL college-level classes.

How would you rate your English proficiency? Fluent, non-native speaker OK, but needs major improvement
 Good, but needs improvement Less than satisfactory

ETHNIC BACKGROUND: (For institutional reporting purposes only. Please check the one that best describes you. International students should not reply.)

- American Indian / Native American / Native Alaskan
- Hispanic
- African American/Black (non-Hispanic)
- Asian / Pacific Islander
- Cape Verdean
- Multiracial (list races) _____
- White (non-Hispanic)
- Other (please specify) _____

FINANCIAL AID: Please select the option below that best describes your plans to complete a FAFSA.

This information will have no impact on whether you are admitted to the college.

- I plan to apply for federal, state and institutional financial aid and am prepared to complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov. My Social Security number is ____-____-____.
- I plan to apply for federal, state and institutional financial aid, but I need help from the Financial Aid Office to complete the FAFSA. I will contact the Financial Aid Office at 508.531.1341 with my questions.
- I do not plan to apply for federal, state and institutional financial aid at this time.

INTENDED AREA OF STUDY:

Please indicate the major area of study you would like to pursue at Bridgewater. Please understand that entrance requirements are the same for all programs and you may request to change your major at any time.

Code for major choice (Please select only one from the list below): _____

Accounting and Finance

Accounting (ACFI-ACAC)
Finance (ACFI-ACFN)

Anthropology

General Anthropology (ANTH-ANGN)
Cultural Anthropology (ANTH-ANCA)
Public Archeology (ANTH-ANPA)

Art

Art Education (ART-ARED)
Art History (ART-ARTH)
Crafts (ART-ARCR)
Fine Arts (ART-ARFA)
Graphic Design (ART-ARGD)
New Media (ART-ARME)
Photography (ART-ARPH)

Athletic Training

Athletic Training (ATTR-BS)

Aviation Science

Aviation Management (AVSC-AVAM)
Flight Technology (AVSC-AVFT)

Biology

General Biology (BIOL-BIGN)
Biomedical/Molecular Biology (BIOL-BICN)
Environmental Biology (BIOL-BIEN)

Chemistry

Biochemistry (CHEM-CHBI)
Environmental Chemistry (CHEM-CHEN)
Professional Chemistry (CHEM-CHPR)

Chemistry-Geology

Chemistry-Geology (CHGE-BS)

Communication Studies

Corporate Communication (COMM-COCO)
Dance Education (COMM-CODE)
Individualized (COMM-COIN)
Media Studies and Communication Technologies (COMM-COME)
Speech Communication (COMM-COSP)
Theater Arts (COMM-COTA)
Theater Education (COMM-COTE)

Computer Science

Computer Science (CSCI-BS)

Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice (CRJU-BS)

*** Early Childhood Education** (see note below)

Early Childhood Education (PreK-K) (ECED-BSE)
Early Education and Care (PreK-K) (ECED-ECPK)

Earth Sciences

Earth Sciences (EASC-BA)
Environmental Geosciences (EASC-EAEG)
Geology (EASC-EAGE)

Economics

Economics (ECON-BS)

*** Elementary Education** (see note below)

Elementary Education (ELED-BSE)

English

English (ENGL-BA)
English Education (High School, Middle School) (ENGL-ENED)
Writing (ENGL-ENWR)

Geography

Geography (GEOG-BA)

Health Education

Community Health (HEED-HECD)
School Health (HEED-HESC)

History

History (HIST-BA)
Military History (HIST-HIMH)

Management

General Management (MGMT-MGGN)
Global Management (MGMT-MGGL)
Information Systems Management (MGMT-MGIS)
Marketing (MGMT-MGMK)
Operations Management (MGMT-MGOM)

Mathematics

Mathematics (MATH-BS)

Music

Music (MUSC-BA)
Music Education (MUSC-MUED)

Philosophy

Philosophy (PLOS-BA)
Applied Ethics (PLOS-PLAE)

Physical Education

Physical Education (PED-BA)
Coaching (PED-PECO)
Exercise Science/Health Fitness (PED-PEEH)
Motor Development Theory/
Adapted Physical Education (PED-PEMA)

Recreation (PED-PERC)

Recreation and Fitness Club Administration (PED-PERF)

Teacher Licensure in Physical Education (PreK-8) (PED-PETP)

Teacher Licensure in Physical Education (5-12) (PED-PETS)

Physics

General Physics (PHYS-PHGN)
Professional Physics (PHYS-PHPR)

Political Science

Political Science (POLI-BA)
American Politics (POLI-POAM)
International Affairs (POLI-POIN)
Legal Studies (POLI-POLS)
Public Administration (POLI-POPA)

Psychology

Psychology (PSYC-BS)

Social Work

Social Work (SCWK-BA)

Sociology

Sociology (SOCI-BA)
City, Community and Region (SOCI-SOCC)
Education (SOCI-SOED)
Global Studies (SOCI-SOGL)

Spanish

Spanish (SPAN-BA)

Special Education (see note below)

- * Communication Disorders (SPED-SPCD)
- Teacher Licensure of Students with Moderate Disabilities (PreK-8) (SPED-SPMP)
- Teacher Licensure of Students with Moderate Disabilities (5-12) (SPED-SPMS)
- Teacher Licensure of Students with Severe Disabilities (SPED-SPSD)

Undecided

Undecided (UNDC-BA)

* Students who wish to major in Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education or Special Education must also select a dual major from among the following programs (please refer to the codes from the more extensive list above):

Anthropology

Art

Biology

Chemistry

Chemistry-Geology Studies

Communication Studies - Individualized

Earth Sciences

Economics

English

Geography

History

Mathematics

Music

Philosophy

Physics

Political Science

Psychology

Sociology

Spanish

Code for dual major choice if you plan to be an education major: _____

EDUCATIONAL DATA:Highest degree held by planned entrance date
(choose one)

- GED
- High School Diploma
- High School Diploma-Home Schooled
- Associate's Degree from a
Massachusetts Community College
- Any Other Associate's Degree
- Bachelor's Degree
- Registered Nurse
- R.N. & Associate's Degree
- R.N. & Bachelor's Degree

High School Attended _____
Name of School City StateCEEB Code* _____ Attended from _____ TO _____
Month / Year Month / Year*Check with high school guidance office, if unknown

STANDARDIZED TESTING INFORMATION:

It is the responsibility of each candidate to make the necessary arrangements for testing (as described on the front page of this application) and to have SAT I or ACT results officially reported to Bridgewater State College, if required. Bridgewater's CEEB code is **3517** and the ACT code is **1900**. Students whose first language is not English should also submit the results of the TOEFL.

Indicate the test and dates on which you have completed or plan to complete the required examinations:

Test _____ Date taken _____
Test _____ Date taken _____

COLLEGES ATTENDED: All previous college work must be noted whether or not transfer credit is desired. Failure to disclose attendance at another institution will jeopardize enrollment at Bridgewater.

College/University	CEEB Code*	City/State	Dates Attended	
Most Recent			Month Year	TO Month Year
Next Most Recent			Month Year	TO Month Year
Next Most Recent			Month Year	TO Month Year
Next Most Recent			Month Year	TO Month Year

Total number of colleges attended: _____

*Check with registrar of previous college(s) attended

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- Have you previously applied to Bridgewater? Yes No
- Have you previously attended Bridgewater? Yes No
- If yes, when were you last enrolled at Bridgewater? Term _____
- Were you admitted to a degree program? Yes No
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ACADEMIC HONORS:

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have won since the beginning of the ninth grade.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES: I wish to be considered for admission with the following opportunities:(Detailed descriptions can be found in the admission section of the catalog at www.bridgew.edu/catalog/.)

- New England Regional Student Program
- Senior Citizen
- Academic Honors Program

Students wishing to receive information related to disability services are encouraged to call 508.531.1214 or TTY 508.531.6133.

EXTRACURRICULAR, COMMUNITY SERVICE AND PERSONAL ACTIVITIES: *(All applicants should use form below in addition to optional separate activity sheets.)*

Please list your principal extracurricular, community, and family activities and hobbies in the order of their interest to you. Include specific events and/or major accomplishments such as musical instrument played, varsity letters earned, etc. Please indicate (x) in the left column those activities you hope to continue in college.

Continue in college?	Activity	Grade Level or Post- Secondary (PS)					Positions Held or Honors Achieved
		9	10	11	12	PS	

WORK EXPERIENCE: *(All applicants)*

List any job (including summer employment) you have held during the past three years.

Specific Nature of Work	Location	Approximate Dates of Employment	Approximate Number Hours per Week

DISCIPLINARY RECORD:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?

- Yes*
- No

*If yes, please submit, on a separate sheet, an explanation of the circumstances.

Have you ever been placed on probation or suspended from your high school or previous college for any reason?

- Yes*
- No

*If yes, a letter explaining the circumstances signed by your high school guidance counselor or the college's dean of students is required.



TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM

Freshman Applicants Only

To the guidance counselor:
Please attach this form to the student's transcript and return it to the **Office of Admission, Bridgewater State College, Bridgewater, MA 02325**, no later than **February 15**.

To be filled out by the applicant

Name _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Date of Birth _____
Month Day Year

Address _____
Number and Street

_____ City State Zip

Name of School _____ Start Date _____
Month / Year

Expected Graduation Date _____
Month / Year

