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## STANDARDS FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION WEST VIRGINIA PUBLIC FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

### Basic Admission Standards

- Bluefield State College, Concord University, Fairmont State University, Glenville State College, Shepherd University, West Liberty State College, West Virginia State University, and West Virginia University Institute of Technology  
At least a 2.0 high school GPA and an ACT\* composite score of 18
  - Marshall University and West Virginia University  
At least a 2.0 high school GPA and an ACT\* composite score of 19
- OR
- All institutions  
At least a 3.0 high school GPA, regardless of ACT\* composite score

*Note: The above are minimum standards for regular admission to a West Virginia four-year public college or university. Some institutions may establish more rigorous standards than the state basic admission standards. Also, standards for entry into certain academic programs may be higher. Additionally, institutions may admit conditionally some students who do not meet the basic admission standards. Please contact the institution you plan to attend for more specific information.*

#### ACT Writing Exam

Completion of the optional writing component of the ACT\* exam is not a requirement for regular baccalaureate admission.

*\*SAT I scores may be substituted for ACT composite scores. SAT I scores will be converted to ACT equivalents.*

### Required Curricular Units

For regular undergraduate admission beginning in August 2008, students must successfully complete the following core high school units:

- English—4 units (including courses in grammar, composition and literature)
- Social Studies—3 units (including U.S. history)
- Mathematics—4 units (three units must be algebra I and higher)
- Science—3 units (all courses to be college preparatory lab science, preferably including units from biology, chemistry and physics)
- Arts—1 unit
- Foreign Language—2 units (two courses of the same foreign language)

#### Curricular Deficiencies

In some instances, a college or university may waive the core unit requirement for a student seeking admission. Any student who has not completed a required course(s) must complete commensurate college coursework in the deficiency area(s) no later than the academic term in which sixty hours are completed (sophomore year).



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