

application for admission



Eckerd

College

on Florida's Gulf Coast

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General Application Instructions

There are 3 ways to apply to Eckerd College: 1) complete this Application for Admission; 2) apply online at www.eckerd.edu/apply; 3) complete the Common Application at www.commonapp.org.

Additional Materials for **FIRST-YEAR APPLICANTS**

- ___ 1. \$40 Application Fee
- ___ 2. Official SAT I or ACT scores (codes: SAT, 5223/ ACT, 0731). Test scores on official high school transcripts are acceptable.
- ___ 3. Official High School Transcript and/or G.E.D. results
- ___ 4. Admission Recommendation Letter
- ___ 5. Personal Essay

Additional Materials for **TRANSFER APPLICANTS**

You should apply to Eckerd College as a transfer student if you have graduated from high school (or the equivalent) and have completed any college credit since finishing high school.

- ___ 1. \$40 Application Fee
- ___ 2. **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL COLLEGE WORK** attempted or completed
- ___ 3. Letter of recommendation from a college professor or teaching assistant (you may use the enclosed form)
- ___ 4. Proof of High School graduation or equivalent. **Students who have completed fewer than two full-time terms at a college or university must submit a final high school transcript.**
- ___ 5. Students who have completed fewer than two full-time terms at a college or university must submit SAT I or ACT scores (codes: SAT, 5223/ ACT, 0731).
- ___ 6. Personal Essay (must address “transfer student” topic, see page 5)
- ___ 7. A letter from your current/previous institution’s Dean of Students (or other official school representative) reflecting good academic and social standing. The Dean’s Report is available upon request, or can be downloaded from the admission website.

All **INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS** must submit:

- ___ 1. \$40 Application Fee
- ___ 2. English Proficiency Requirement (students whose first language is not English, are not completing/have not completed their secondary school coursework in English, or transfer students who have less than two semesters of college coursework in English)*
 - a. TOEFL or IELTS score (Official results must be sent directly from testing agency)
 - b. Official documentation of successful completion of ELS Level 112 at an ELS Language Center
 * Students whose first language is English, are completing/have completed their secondary school coursework in English, or transfer students who have less than two semesters of college coursework in English must submit a graded essay in English of at least 3000 words.
- ___ 3. Certified true copies of your secondary school records. If not in English, a certified, English translation must be submitted in addition to the original record.
- ___ 4. Admission recommendation letter
- ___ 5. Personal Essay
- ___ 6. International Student Visa Applicants:
 - a. Statement of Financial Responsibility and I-20 Verification Form (available online) AND
 - b. Original bank statement or letter certifying amount available to pay for your education

Additional Materials for **INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER APPLICANTS**

- ___ 1. Official transcripts of all college work completed or attempted.
- ___ 2. A letter from your current/previous institution’s Dean of Students (or other official school representative) reflecting good academic and social standing. The Dean’s Report is available upon request, or can be downloaded from the admission website.

Important Dates	November 15	Early action deadline
	December 15	Begin reviewing applications (rolling admission)
	January 1	Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available (code: 001487)
	February 15	Deadline for Artistic Achievement, Church and Campus, and First-Year Research scholarship applications
	March 1	Priority date to file FAFSA
	Mid-March	Financial Aid Awards sent
	May 1	Tuition deposit deadline (first-year students)



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Biographical Information

Legal name: _____ Female Male
Last/Family First Middle

Permanent home address: _____
Number and Street

City/Town County/Parish State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

Email: _____ Telephone: () _____
Area/Country/City Code

AOL Instant Messenger Name (if applicable): _____

If different from above, please give your present mailing address for all admission correspondence until date: _____

Mailing address: _____ Telephone: () _____
Number and Street Area/Country/City Code

City/Town County/Parish State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

If Florida resident, when did you begin living in Florida? _____ Month _____ Year

I am applying as a first-year student for term beginning: August 20 _____ January 20 _____

I am applying as a transfer for term beginning: September 20 _____ January 20 _____

Are you applying as a: on-campus student? commuting student?

Have you ever made prior application to Eckerd College? Yes/year _____ No

Possible areas of academic concentration/major: _____ or undecided

To what other colleges have you applied for admission? _____

Will you be applying for financial aid based on your demonstrated need? Yes No _____

Have you talked to a representative of our Admission Office? No Yes if yes, Name: _____

Have you visited the Eckerd campus? No Yes if yes, Date: _____

The following information is necessary for our records; however, it will not be used for the purpose of evaluating your application for admission.

Birthdate _____/_____/_____ Social Security Number _____-_____-_____

Place of Birth: _____ Country of citizenship: _____ Type of visa: _____
City, State or Country

Marital Status: Single Married (Spouse's name: _____)

Religious Preference: _____ What is your first language, if other than English? _____

Ethnic Origin: Are you Hispanic/Latino? Yes No

Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please select one or more of the following ethnicities that best describe you:

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian (including Indian subcontinent and Philippines)
- Black or African American (including Africa and Caribbean)
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White (including Middle Eastern)

Educational Data

School you attend now: _____ ACT/CEEB code number: _____

Address: _____ Date of graduation: _____
City State Zip

Dates of attendance: _____ to _____ homeschool? public? private?
Month and Year

Counselor's Name: _____ Counselor's phone: () _____

Counselor's email: _____

List all secondary schools, including summer schools and programs you have attended beginning with ninth grade.

Name of School City, State, Zip Dates Attended

List all colleges at which you have taken courses for credit. Please have an official transcript sent from each institution.

Name of College Location (City, State, Zip) Degree Candidate? Dates Attended

Will you have received an AA degree by the time you would enroll at Eckerd? Yes No

Are you currently attending school? Yes No - Describe in detail, on a separate sheet, your activities since last enrolled.

If you received a GED, list date: _____ (Official scores must be sent to Office of Admission from testing agency.)

Family Information

Parent/Guardian's full name: _____ Is he/she living? _____
Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss First Last/Family

Home address if different from yours: _____

Occupation: _____
(Describe briefly) (Name of business or organization)

Name of college (if any): _____ Degree: _____ Year: _____

Name of professional or graduate school (if any): _____ Degree: _____ Year: _____

Parent/Guardian's full name: _____ Is he/she living? _____
Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss First Last/Family

Home address if different from yours: _____

Occupation: _____
(Describe briefly) (Name of business or organization)

Name of college (if any): _____ Degree: _____ Year: _____

Name of professional or graduate school (if any): _____ Degree: _____ Year: _____

Please check if parents are: never married married separated divorced Date: _____

With whom do you make your permanent home? _____

Please give names and ages of your brothers or sisters. If they have attended college, give the names of the institutions attended, degrees, and approximate dates: _____

Names of relatives who have attended or are presently attending Eckerd College (indicate relationship and dates of attendance): _____

Academic Honors

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have won in grades 9-12 or college.

Extracurricular and Personal Activities

Please list your extracurricular, community, and family activities and hobbies in order of their importance to you. Feel free to attach additional pages or submit an activities resume.

ACTIVITY	GRADE LEVELS OR POST-SECONDARY (PS)	NO. HOURS/WEEK	POSITIONS HELD/HONORS OR LETTERS EARNED	PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGE?

Work Experience

Please list any jobs (including summer employment) you have held during the past three years.

JOB TITLE/EMPLOYER	RESPONSIBILITIES/NATURE OF WORK	APPROXIMATE DATES OF EMPLOYMENT	APPROXIMATE NO. OF HOURS SPENT PER WEEK

Personal Statement - First-Year Student (Required)

Please prepare an essay on ONE of the following topics. Please type this essay (approximately 250-500 words) and submit it with your application.

- Describe in some detail an experience of great significance to you and its impact on you.
- What book or author has made an important impact on you, and how? (You can also address a film, play, or piece of art or music).
- Discuss an issue of personal, local, national or international concern and its importance to you.

Personal Statement – Transfers (Required)

Please prepare an essay on the following topic. Please type this essay (approximately 250-500 words) and submit it with your application.

- Describe your important college experiences to date and your reasons for seeking to transfer to Eckerd College. You may also include any other information that you would like our Admission Staff to know about yourself.

Legal Questions, Authorizations, and Signature

At Eckerd College we value our students' character and work to build a community founded on respect and honor; please answer the following questions fully and honestly.

Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at an educational institution you have attended from the 9th grade forward (or the international equivalent), whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in your probation, suspension, removal, dismissal, or expulsion from the institution? Yes No

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime? Yes No

If you answered yes to either or both of these questions, please provide a detailed explanation giving the date of violation, specifics of the situation, what consequences were given and what lessons have been learned.

Your signature on this application authorizes Eckerd College to inquire about any matters referenced above, and authorizes those contacted to release information. If your answer to either question changes to 'yes' following submission of the application you must notify Eckerd College immediately.

I understand that once I sign and submit my application and supporting materials they become property of Eckerd College and I agree to relinquish ownership and waive my right to view them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18 years of age): _____ Date: _____

Eckerd College Equal Opportunity Policy prohibits acts of discrimination and harassment against any member of the Eckerd College community which inappropriately limit employment opportunities, access to residential facilities of the College, or participation in educational, athletic, social, cultural, or other College activities on the basis of race, color national origin, religion, gender, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or based upon any other characteristic protected by law. Complaints under this policy should be submitted to the Eckerd College Title IX Coordinator, Dr. James Annarelli, Dean of Students, Eckerd College, 4200 54th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33711, or by telephone at 727.864.8421.



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ADMISSION RECOMMENDATION

Please give to your recommender and have it forwarded to our address below:

Applicant's name: _____
First Middle Last/Family

Student's address: _____
Address City/Town County/Parish State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

School currently attending: _____

FRESHMAN ONLY

To School Official:

Please indicate course title, level (AP, IB, advanced honors, etc.) and credit value of all courses for senior year:

First Semester/Trimester	Second Semester/Trimester	Final Trimester
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

FRESHMAN AND TRANSFERS – Letter of Recommendation

To The Recommender: As part of the admissions procedure, students are asked to obtain a **letter of recommendation** from a guidance counselor, high school teacher, or faculty member.

Please attach a letter of recommendation highlighting the applicant within the following areas:

- Demonstration of Personal Character
- Maturity
- Motivation
- Academic performance
- Potential for growth
- Conduct record

Feel free to include any other information that will help the admission staff evaluate this applicant. Your honest appraisal is greatly appreciated.

In addition to your letter of recommendation, do you have a specific recommendation?

- Recommended highly
- Recommended
- Recommended, but with reservation
- Not recommended
- No basis for judgment
- Please call me for my summary recommendation

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____

School: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____
Address City/Town County/Parish State/Province Country Zip/Postal Code

Please include this form with your written letter of recommendation and return to:



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International Students* Financial Information and I-20 Verification

Definition of an International Student -- Those students who are citizens of any country other than the United States

All International applicants must meet Eckerd College's financial documentation requirements to receive a Certificate of Eligibility (I-20), and to apply for your F-1 visa (if applicable). Full review of your application will not commence until after this paperwork is received.

U.S. immigration regulations require that ALL International Students demonstrate that they have sufficient funds to cover living and educational expenses for study on a full-time basis. The estimated amounts below include funding needed to cover living expenses and mandatory health insurance for 9 months, but not the cost of travel to the United States or optional study period tuition. These amounts are reviewed annually and are subject to change. For up-to-date estimated expenses, visit our web site at <http://www.eckerd.edu/admissions/finaid/cost.php>.

To receive an I-20, you must document sufficient funds are available to cover all estimated expenses for one academic year (9 months), along with a funding plan for the remainder of your intended study. This is the same standard that U.S. visa officers will use to determine your financial ability during your visa interview.

How to Document Your Funding

Please read both sides of this form. Complete the Statement of Financial Responsibility & I-20 Verification, and attach documentation of funds, as follows:

1. Bank statements or letters (from financial institutions where the sponsor holds an account) must show the actual amount of currency available. To qualify for I-20 issuance, this amount must be equal to or greater than the **total cost based on 9 months** listed below. If you qualify for scholarship, we will consider this in determining your eligibility. Please keep in mind the **maximum** scholarship and aid award is set at \$18,000 per year.
2. Your sponsor(s) must complete the **"Statement of Financial Responsibility & I-20 Verification Form"**.
3. Documents must be dated within one year of the start of your first term at Eckerd College.
4. Documents must be in English; translations must be verified by an appropriate bank or government official.

The Eckerd College Office of Admission reserves the right to request additional documentation of funding.

Funding from sponsor other than applicant (Family, Friends and/or Organization Funds):

All financial sponsors must complete the Statement of Financial Responsibility & I-20 Verification information on the reverse (page 2) of this form or provide an equivalent formal statement of sponsorship. Total sponsor support must cover the entire duration of your studies at Eckerd College.

Sponsor (Family or Friend): Each sponsor must provide evidence of sufficient funds for at least the first year of the applicant's study plus verification of income as evidence of sufficient funding to cover the remaining year(s) of promised support.

Sponsor (Organization): A promise of sponsorship can be stated on the sponsoring organization's letterhead. The statement should include the duration of sponsorship including the guaranteed dollar amount for a specified period of years or for the duration of study, or the specific type of support provided.

Funding from applicant's personal finances (Self):

As the applicant, you must complete the Financial Support Agreement on the reverse (page 2) of this form. If providing bank statements that are in your own name only, you must show:

- funds on deposit to cover "Total Cost" for the first year of study

AND

- a reasonable plan for how you will fund the duration of your studies beyond the first year. For example, you may submit a letter from an employer or other sponsor that promises funding for your remaining study. Sponsor support agreements must meet the guidelines described in the box to the left.

Estimated Annual Expenses*

Tuition and fees for 2 semesters.....	\$34,546
Books and supplies for 2 semesters.....	\$1,200
Health insurance	\$575
Living expenses for 9 months*	\$12,742
Total Cost per Calendar Year.....	\$49,063

***If you will not travel home for the summer, be sure to plan accordingly.**

Explanation of living expenses

The estimate for living expenses for 9 months is determined as follows:

Housing	\$4,858
Food	\$4,794
Personal Expenses	\$1,440
Transportation.....	\$1,650
Estimated Total	\$12,742

Please return completed form to:
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 Fax - 727.866.2304

International Students Statement of Financial Responsibility & I-20 Verification

Applicant's Personal Information *(Student Information as it appears in passport)*

Last or Family Name: _____ First or Given Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____
(month/day/year): _____ / _____ / _____ (country): _____ Gender: Male Female

Native Language: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

Permanent Address: *(Please note: This address cannot be a P.O. Box. You must provide an accurate and valid residential address.)*

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State/ Country: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____ (country code-area code-local number): _____

Please check all that apply regarding your visa status:

Initial I-20: I **do not** currently have an I-20 (New admission) or F-1 Visa Change of Status

Transfer: I **have** a valid F-1 Visa and an I-20 from another institution. Reinstatement

Other: _____

Directions: If you anticipate sponsoring your own studies, you must complete the box(es) below and submit the required documentation. If you will receive financial support from a sponsor, your sponsor must complete one of the box(es) below. If multiple sponsors will be offering support, copy both sides of this form for each sponsor, each sponsor must complete one of the box(es) below. **A commitment to full or partial support does not exclude you from consideration for scholarship awards.**

Applicant's Declaration

I, _____ (applicant's printed name), hereby promise that the information provided is correct.
I understand that I am ultimately responsible for my expenses for the length of my stay in the United States.

FULL FINANCIAL SUPPORT: I will provide full financial support for **Total Costs** (educational & living expenses) for the entire length of the applicant's study at Eckerd College. **Attached are original bank statement(s)** in my name of adequate funding for the duration of studies.

PARTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT: I will provide partial financial support in the amount of \$ _____
(Please provide the duration of this support by checking the appropriate box below)

All study years 1 year 2 years 3 years Other: _____

I have **attached bank statements** for at least the first year of the applicant's study plus verification of income as evidence that I have sufficient funds to cover the remaining year(s) of promised support.

Sponsor Name: _____
Last or Family Name/Surname First or Given

Sponsor's Relationship to applicant: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____ / _____ / _____

*****REMEMBER TO SUBMIT ORIGINAL BANK STATEMENTS WITH THIS PAPER WORK**** Month Day Year