As you go through your college search and application process, we want you to know that at Muhlenberg, we are here to help you through what promises to be an uncertain and exciting time.

We understand that you may be conducting your college search in different or virtual ways, but how we review applications at Muhlenberg and what we value has not changed. We assure you that your application will be read on an individual basis and with sincere interest and care. As a prospective student, you can be certain that the Muhlenberg Admissions team supports and is committed to the following guidelines. These guidelines prioritize self-care and students' need for physical and mental health; contextual assessment of academic progress, with a commitment that no student will be at a disadvantage based on how their school delivered or supported coursework; a standardized-test-optional admissions process; recognition of service to others, within families and communities; and an understanding of limited abilities to participate in extracurricular and summer activities due to pandemic restrictions.

We wish you and your family good health and safety. We look forward to learning more about you through your application.

Melissa W. Falk '92
Dean of Admissions & Financial Aid
Commitment to Diversity

While Muhlenberg has always been a community proud of our welcoming and inclusive culture, unrest across the country has prompted us to look inward and reflect on how we can continue our commitment to be a safe college for all, to strengthen our anti-racist environment and empower our students to be agents of change on campus and beyond. We also recognize that students may have had heightened emotional responses to the national unrest and we seek to be understanding of this in learning about you through your application.
Muhlenberg College is a top-tier, residential liberal arts college located in the city of Allentown, the third-largest city in Pennsylvania, USA.

Our students enjoy both the warmth of a small campus community and the opportunities provided by our close proximity to Philadelphia (95km) and New York City (140km). Muhlenberg opens doors to hands-on learning, global perspectives and lifelong friendships. The inclusive and vibrant community provides an extraordinary network and a strong foundation for powerful outcomes.

89% AVERAGE NUMBER OF GRADUATES WHO ANNUALLY REPORT BEING EMPLOYED, ATTENDING GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL, VOLUNTEERING OR SERVING IN THE MILITARY WITHIN A YEAR OF GRADUATION
APPLICATION DEADLINES

Early Decision I - November 15

Early Decision II - February 1

Candidates for Early Decision can begin their applications in August as soon as the Common Application is available. Candidates must complete and submit the Common Application by November 15 for Early Decision (ED I), or by February 1 for Early Decision (ED II). Be sure to select either ED I or ED II as the preferred admission plan in the Muhlenberg specific questions. Admissions decisions will be sent online to ED I candidates by December 15 and to ED II candidates between February 15-28.

Regular Decision - February 1

Candidates must complete and submit the Common Application by February 1. Be sure to select Regular Decision (RD) as the preferred admission plan in the Muhlenberg specific questions. Admissions decisions will be sent online to RD applicants in mid-March.

Regular decision applicants may change their application to ED II by submitting the Early Decision Agreement (PDF) through March 1. This option is designed for students who decide Muhlenberg is their top choice after February 1 to be able to indicate their strong desire to enroll.

Students applying to one of Muhlenberg’s academic partnerships should refer online for special admission requirements and deadlines.

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

To be considered for admission to Muhlenberg, you must submit the following information by your preferred admission plan deadline:

☐ Common Application
☐ $50 application fee, paid online through Common Application website. If this fee creates an undue financial hardship, please reach out to us.
☐ School report with a counselor recommendation
☐ Official high school transcript and exam scores for the equivalent of grades 9 through 12
☐ When applicable, senior mid-year grades, sent from your high school
☐ One teacher evaluation, from a core academic subject
☐ Standardized test scores from one of the following: ACT, SAT, IELTS, TOEFL, or Duolingo English Test. Scores can be self-reported on your Common Application or you may submit a copy of score reports via email to international@muhlenberg.edu. If you ultimately enroll at Muhlenberg and you have self-reported your test scores, then you will be required to submit official test scores from either the test agency or from your counselor. You may also apply as a test-optional candidate, in which case you are required to complete an admissions interview with a member of our team or through InitialView.
☐ A copy of your passport photo page
☐ Certification of Finances form (this is required whether or not you are applying for financial aid.)
☐ If you’re applying Early Decision I or Early Decision II, you must also submit the Early Decision agreement form with all required signatures, or you may indicate your preferred admission plan on your Common Application with all required signatures.

Admissions Interviews

Admissions interviews are required of students who apply through our test-optional policy. Generally, we strongly encourage all international applicants to interview so we can get to know you better. We offer online appointments via Skype, Zoom, and WeChat, as well as in-person interviews in our travel regions and on our campus. Interviews are required for transfer students and for students applying to one of Muhlenberg’s academic partnerships.

To schedule your interview, please contact a member of our admissions team.

International applicants are also welcome to provide us with an InitialView interview if you are planning to participate in one as part of your college application plans. If you are going to participate in an InitialView interview, please do so by February 1, 2021.
Majors
Accounting
American Studies
Anthropology*
Art History*
Biochemistry
Biology
Business Administration*
Chemistry*
Computer Science*
Dance*
Economics*
English*
Environmental Science*
Film Studies*
Finance
French*
History*
International Studies
Jewish Studies*
Mathematics*
Media & Communication
Music*
Neuroscience
Philosophy*
Philosophy/Political Thought
Physical Science
Physics*
Political Economy & Public Policy
Political Science*
Psychology
Public Health*
Religion Studies*
Russian Studies*
Sociology*
Spanish*
Studio Art*
Sustainability Studies*
Theatre

Minors
Africana Studies
Analytics
Asian Studies
Creative Writing
Documentary Storymaking
German Studies
Innovation & Entrepreneurship
Italian Studies
Latin American & Caribbean Studies
Statistics
Women’s & Gender Studies

PreProfessional Programs
Prehealth (including Predental, Premed, Prevet and others)
Prelaw
Pretheological Studies

Education Certification
Pre K-Grade 4
Grades 4-8
Secondary (7-12)

Academic Partnerships
American University Preferential Access, Master of Finance Program
Boston University Early Conditional Admission Program, Master of Public Health Select Scholars Program
Boston University Master of Management Studies
Boston University School of Medicine Early Decision Pathway Program
Lehigh University MS in Management
Penn State College of Medicine, Master of Public Health Program
3/4 SUNY College of Optometry Program
Temple University School of Medicine Early Assurance Program
3/4 University of Pennsylvania Dental Program
3/3 Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law Program

29% OF STUDENTS GRADUATE WITH A DOUBLE MAJOR
*designates majors that are also available as minors
Muhlenberg’s Merit Scholarships and Honors Programs represent a special invitation to academically talented students. In recent years, about one in three students in the entering class have received merit or honors scholarships. These awards open doors to lifetime opportunity.

**$40,000**

*Henry Melchior Muhlenberg Scholarships*
Awarded on the basis of superb academic performance, extracurricular commitment and positive character.
The goal is to award five scholarships in the entering class. Total amount for four years: $160,000.

**$30,000 to $10,000**

*Presidential Merit Scholarships*
Awarded on the basis of outstanding academic performance, extracurricular commitments and positive character.

**$9,000 to $2,500**

*Commitment to Excellence Scholarships*
Awarded on the basis of strong academic performance, extracurricular commitments emphasizing leadership and service and positive character.

**$4,000 to $1,000**

*Talent Awards in the Performing and Visual Arts*
Awarded to arts majors and non-majors on the basis of audition or portfolio review in Art, Dance, Film Studies, Music and Theatre.

**$5,000**

*Honors Program Scholarships*
Students considered for an honors program must have at least a 3.6 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) in a challenging high school curriculum with meaningful extracurricular engagement. Students may be selected to participate in only one of Muhlenberg’s four honors programs:

- **Muhlenberg Scholars** nurtures talented students by providing a rich and stimulating community of inquiry where the free exchange of ideas and interdisciplinary learning lead to new insight into one’s self and one’s world.
- **Dana Scholars** focus on the link between the classical liberal arts and real-world applications in the classroom and in an internship experience.
- **RJ Fellows** examine change and decision-making: the impact of change, causes of change, how to manage change and how to make good decisions in times of change. Small seminars, research and independent study are part of this program.
- **Shankweiler Scholars** enjoy special seminars that focus on medicine as a human endeavor for students pursuing an MD degree.

*Merit and honors program scholarships are renewable for a maximum of eight semesters provided that students are enrolled full-time at Muhlenberg, meet the award GPA requirements and are in good standing as campus citizens. It is Muhlenberg College’s policy that merit and honors program scholarships do not increase.*

For more information, please go to: [muhlenberg.edu/main/aboutus/finaid/prospectivestudents/merit.html](http://muhlenberg.edu/main/aboutus/finaid/prospectivestudents/merit.html)

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In addition to merit funding, Muhlenberg offers a limited amount of need-based financial aid to international students.

All funding is intended to supplement the difference between the cost of a Muhlenberg education and the amount that a family is able to pay.

To be considered for need-based aid, you must:
- Submit the International [Student Financial Aid Application](http://example.com) and a copy of a bank statement in your name or a parent’s name by the admissions deadline.
- Scan and send all documents in PDF format to international@muhlenberg.edu.

More information is available on our [website](http://example.com).
Allentown, PA. Our hometown is Pennsylvania’s third-largest and fastest-growing city, and it’s only 90 minutes from New York City and 60 minutes from Philadelphia.

Muhlenberg College does not discriminate against any person based on age, ancestry, color, disability, gender, gender identity, national or ethnic origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, veteran status or any other basis protected by applicable federal, state or local laws, in its education programs and activities, including admissions, and in employment. Muhlenberg College does not discriminate on the basis of sex as required by Title IX. Inquiries about Title IX or this nondiscrimination statement may be directed to Lin-Chi Wang, Director of Equity & Title IX Coordinator, 2400 Chew Street, Allentown, PA 18104, lin-chiwang@muhlenberg.edu, 484-664-3562. Inquiries about Title IX may also be made to the U.S. Department of Education’s Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202, OCR@ed.gov, 800-421-3481.

As provided by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998, prospective students of Muhlenberg College are entitled to request and receive a copy of the College Annual Security Report (ASR). The ASR can be accessed at muhlenberg.edu/annualsecurityreport.

This report includes crime statistics on certain reportable crimes, as well as Muhlenberg College Safety Policies. The report also includes institutional policies concerning campus safety and police, such as policies concerning alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault and other matters.

Anyone wishing a paper copy of the ASR may contact the Campus Safety Office at 484-664-3112.