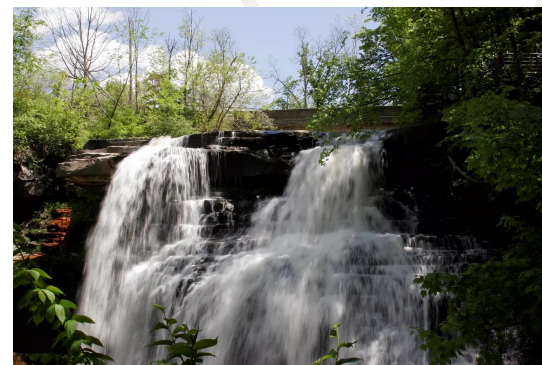


Welcome
to The University
of Akron,
About UA, Admission
Processes, COA etc

October 29, 2024



AKRON, OH – CONNECTING THE CITY WITH NATURE



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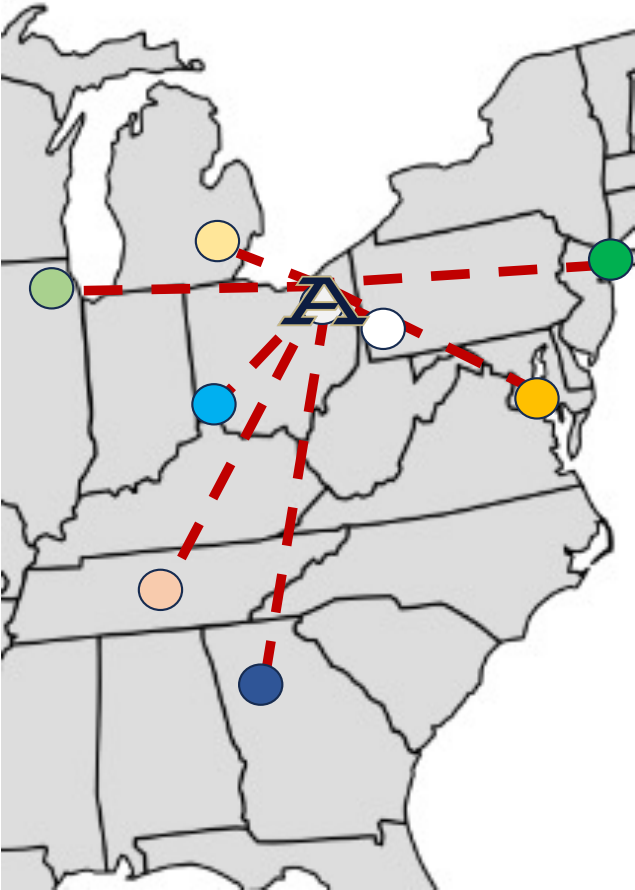


Have your meals from one of the campus dining halls delivered by robot



Zippy, our (female) mascot!

- Atlanta, GA: 700 miles
- Chicago, IL: 375 miles
- Cincinnati, OH: 250 miles
- Cleveland, OH: 50 miles
- Detroit, MI: 200 miles
- Nashville, TN: 500 miles
- New York, NY: 450 miles
- Pittsburgh, PA: 125 miles
- Washington, DC: 350 miles



AKRON, OH – OUR CAMPUS

Beautiful in all seasons!



UA DEMOGRAPHICS

- University Enrollment (F24):
 - UGRD: 12,641
 - GRAD: 1,746
 - LAW: 426
 - Total: 14,813
 - 67% full-time; 33% part-time
 - 49% male; 50% female; 1% non specified
- Proportion by Residency
 - In-State: 88%
 - Out-of-State: 12% (70+ countries)
- Faculty Student Ratio: 17:1
- Faculty with Doctoral Degrees: 67.8%
- 5 Academic Colleges/1 Graduate School
 - Arts and Sciences
 - Business
 - Engineering & Polymer Science
 - Health and Human Sciences
 - Law School
- 175+ GRAD programs (MA/MS through PhD)
- Successful Student Outcomes
 - Placement Rate: 95% after 6 months.
 - Ave. Starting Salary: \$63,806
- Graduate Assistants: ~375



UA DEMOGRAPHICS - ACCOLADES

- #1 in the USA for Polymer Science and Plastics Engineering.
 - EduRank
- #1 Undergraduate Business School in NE OH.
 - Poets and Quants
- Best Regional Colleges (Midwest).
 - The Princeton Review
- Top 10 Best Colleges/Universities in OH.
 - Academic Influence
- Only aerospace engineering BA program outside the USAF. *
- #2 University E-Sports program in US.
 - Daily game
- First accredited emergency management and homeland security BA (only one in OH).
- 3x National School of the Year.
 - National Association of College and University Residence Halls
- Zippy: Kangaroo Mascot
 - 1 of 6 mascots in US to identify as female
 - College Mascot of the Year - 2008
- Non-Resident Enrollment Reach
 - 46 US States/Territories
 - 70+ Foreign Countries

* international students must major in mechanical engineering but can take electives in aerospace.

WHY STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON?

- World leader in higher education with opportunities to participate in research, co-ops, and internships at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
 - 89% of students participate in experiential learning.
- OPT/CPT, and STEM OPT opportunities, coupled with our career and alumni networks, help students find employment after graduation.
 - Strong international diversity within our enrollment and across the Akron community.
- Beautiful and Safe Campus with Convenient Location
 - 80 buildings across 218 acres with a 5-minute walk to the downtown.
- Exciting campus living options, student organizations for every interests, easy of travel within the US, affordable cost of living, lower tuition rates.
 - NCAA Division I sports, 300+ student organizations, 9 residence halls

THE UA STUDENT EXPERIENCE

- Amazing Student Organizations

- International Student Organization; National Greek Organizations, UGRD Student Government, National Society of Black engineers, E-Sports (Varsity, Club, & Intramural), Marching Band, A Capella Groups, Zips Programming Network, WZIP & Z-TV, the AK-Rowdies, spiritual/cultural organizations, investment club, ballroom dance club, community service groups, and about 280 more...



- Living On/Off Campus

- Multiple floorplan designs for comfort and independence
- Many options near campus



- Fitness/Exercise/Sports

- Nationally-ranked Student Recreation and Wellness center
- Intramurals and Club Sports
- Free Admission to UA home games

APPLICATION PROCESS - UNDERGRADUATE

1 Complete the application for admission. No application fee.

Visit: www.uakron.edu/apply and select “Undergraduate UA App.”

2 Submit supplemental materials online.

No Essay!

NACES Verification and evaluation for secondary school transcript (sent to NACES who send to us).

For a faster response from the NACES agency, apply using the links on our website, in the Evaluation of Foreign Credentials section: <https://www.uakron.edu/international/apply/>

\$300 scholarship at add/drop deadline of first semester to cover cost of NACES

English Proficiency: TOEFL (71), IELTS (6.0), Duolingo (95), PET (48). Other ESOL options and waiver info online.

3 Receive acceptance packet (online).

Check email and application portal for information updates.

4 Confirm enrollment. No enrollment fee.

Tell us that you plan to come to UA to start the I-20 process, by clicking the “intent to enroll” link

5 Submit supplemental materials for the I-20. No I-20 fee/deposit.

IMPROVING AFFORDABILITY – UNDERGRADUATES

- UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS
 - Merit-Based scholarships are available for qualified candidates, are included in admission letters
 - Between \$1,000/year to \$5,000/year
- WILLIAMS HONOURS COLLEGE
 - Separate Honors Application, online
 - Additional Perks
 - Honors Scholarship
 - Priority Registration
 - Honors Advisor
 - Honors Courses
 - Deadlines for Fall Candidates:
 - February 1- Early Deadline
 - April 1- Regular Deadline
 - May 1- WHC Confirmation Deadline



APPLICATION PROCESS - GRADUATE

1 Complete the application for admission. No application fee.

Visit: www.uakron.edu/apply and select “Graduate UA App.”

2 Submit supplemental materials.

NACES Verification & evaluation for transcripts and/or diplomas (sent to NACES who send to us)

For a faster response apply using the links online: <https://www.uakron.edu/international/apply/>

\$300 scholarship at add/drop deadline of first semester to cover cost of NACES(Scholarship)

GRE/GMAT, Letters of Recommendation/personal statement – if necessary.

(Check portal for requirements. Many programs have waived GRE./GMAT)

English Proficiency: TOEFL (79), IELTS (6.5), Duolingo (115) (DET only for admission. Assistantships require TOEFL or IELTS)

3 Receive your acceptance packet (online).

Check your email and application portal for information updates.

4 Confirm your enrollment. No enrollment fee.

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IMPROVING AFFORDABILITY – GRAD STUDENTS

- APPLY FOR A GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP
 - Very competitive. Apply early.
 - Awards vary by program
 - Check departmental websites for deadlines and requirements
 - Must have admission to The University of Akron before applying for an assistantship.
 - Depending on the program, could be a research or a teaching assistantship
 - Additional language requirements may be needed for teaching assistants.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE (ELI)

- The English Language Institute has reopened.
 - Operating out of the English Department; Powered by TESL faculty.
- Provides noncredit academic English language instruction to international students applying to UA & support services to students in the academic program.
 - Develops speaking, reading, writing, and comprehension.
- **Conditional Admission available.**



TUITION AND FEES

Estimated Costs For Students Starting Fall 2025 (I-20 estimate)

International Student (UG)

12-18 CREDIT HOURS PER SEMESTER

Tuition & general fees	\$22,585
Room and Board	\$13,317
Health Insurance, books, personal expenses	\$3,887

Total **\$38,789**

International student (Grad)

9 CREDIT HOURS PER SEMESTER

Tuition & general fees	\$16,828
Room and Board	\$13,317
Health Insurance, books, personal expenses	\$3,887

Total **\$34,032**

APPLICATION PROCESS – DEADLINES ETC

- Deadline for Fall 2025 applications – June 1, 2025
- Due to immigration regulations concerning a full course of study, we are currently not able to admit international students for a summer-start (with some very specific exceptions).
- We offer Visa Interview Assistance Workshops, with a visa company staffed by ex-visa officers. Workshops are available to any student with an I20 with a future start date from Akron. Sign up instructions are sent periodically to students over email. These group workshops are free to students.
 - Additionally, students can sign up for 1:1 counseling time with an ex-visa officer using the Akron discount code. The code is given out at the workshop, or students can email us directly to request it.
 - Students can access the ex-visa officers' blogs at any time for useful information about the visa process from the Consular perspective: <https://udetivisa.com/category/f1-j1-visas/>

CENTERS AND INSTITUTES: SOME EXAMPLES

Our unique Centers and Institutes support professional development with hands on learning opportunities

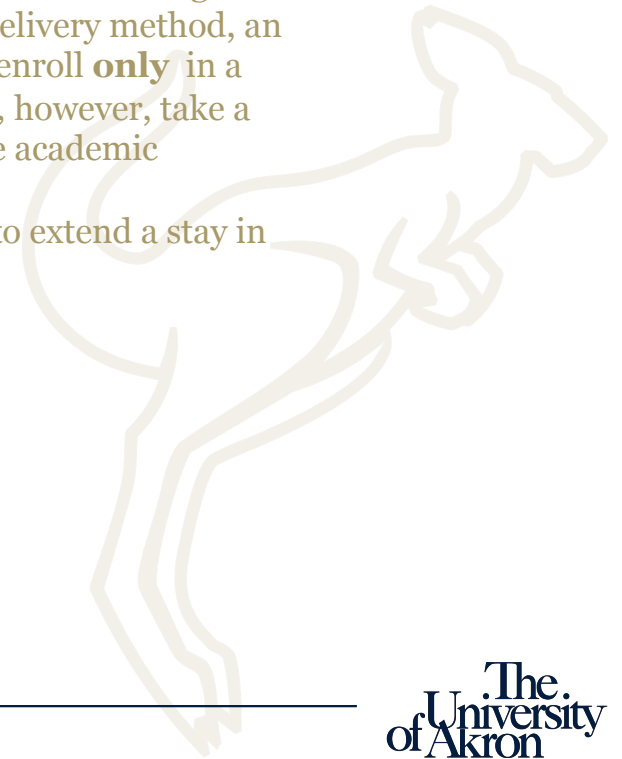
- Cummings Center for the History of Psychology (affiliated with the Smithsonian Institute):
 - Collects, preserves, provides access to and interprets the historical record of psychology and related human sciences)
- Ray C Bliss Institute of Applied Politics:
 - Bipartisan research, teaching & experiential learning... dedicated to increasing understanding of the political process
- Fisher Institute for Professional Selling:
 - Learn how to properly diagnose a prospect's business challenges & professional prescribe your produce as the solution.
- Institute for Global Business:
 - Connects students to hands-on practical experience in an increasing global marketplace
- Biomimicry Research and Innovation Center (BRIC):
 - A leader in the field of Biomimicry.
- National Polymer Innovation Center (NPIC)
- Institute for Leadership Advancement:
 - Offers comprehensive leadership programs to students from all academic majors and interests



UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATES: SOME EXAMPLES

- Environmental Studies
- Women's Studies
- Artificial Intelligence
- Corrosion Technology
- Software Development
- Surveying
- Entrepreneurship
- International Business
- Esports Business
- Cyber Forensics
- Sport/Exercise Science

Due to immigration regulations concerning full time enrollment and course delivery method, an international student cannot enroll **only** in a certificate program. They can, however, take a certificate **in addition to** the academic program.
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- Risk Management and Insurance (Finance)
- Business Analytics (Management)
- Predictive Analytics and Machine Learning (Management)
- Strategic Leadership (Management)
- Global Marketing (Marketing)
- Environmental Studies (Geosciences)
- Gerontology (Psychology)
- Applied Politics (Political Science)
- Environmental Engineering (Engineering)
- Structural Engineering (Engineering)
- Chemical Engineering/Polymer Engineering





Questions?
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