Admissions Procedure
Normal sequence: Standardized test scores must be received by August 17. No application deadline. Common application form accepted. Notification of admission is sent on a rolling basis beginning in September. No set date by which applicants must accept offer. $100 tuition deposit, non-refundable. $150 room deposit, refundable until May 1. Freshmen may enter only in fall term. Admissions process is need-blind.

Transfers: Transfer students are accepted. Application deadline is rolling for fall, spring, and summer. Minimum 12 semester hours required to apply as a transfer. College transcript and statement of good standing from prior institutions required. Minimum 2.0 college GPA required. Lowest course grade accepted is “C.” Maximum number of transferable semester hours is 66 from two-year schools; 90 from four-year schools. At least 24 semester hours must be completed at the school to earn an associate degree; 32 to earn a bachelor’s degree.

International Students: Minimum 500 TOEFL score required. Advance deposit required. Application deadline is June 1 for fall; October 15 for spring.


Placement Options: Credit may be granted for CLEP general exams, CLEP subject exams, Regents College Exams, home school portfolio, DANTES exams, challenge exams, military experience, life experience, and International Baccalaureate.

Freshman Class Profile
Majority of accepted applicants submitted SAT Reasoning.

Financial Aid
Needs analysis based on federal methodology. FAFSA and state aid form: Priority filing date is March 1. Notification of awards begins March 1. School participates in Federal Work-Study Program.

Scholarships and Grants
Need-based Federal Pell, SEOG, state, college/university, and private scholarships/grants. Non-need-based state, academic merit, and athletic scholarships/grants. Individual scholarship/grant packages range up to full tuition.

Loans
Direct subsidized Stafford, direct unsubsidized Stafford, direct PLUS, and Federal Perkins loans. College Funds Installment Payment Plan. Individual loan packages range from $7,500 to $25,000 (undergraduates); $5,500 to $25,000 (freshmen).

Student Employment
Institutional employment.

ADMISSIONS

Requirements
Graduation from secondary school required; GED accepted. 4 units of English, 3 units of mathematics, 3 units of science, 1 unit of foreign language, and 3 units of social studies required. Minimum combined SAT Reasoning score of 1000 (composite ACT score of 21), rank in top half of secondary school class, and minimum 2.75 GPA required. Conditional admission for applicants not normally admissible. Applicants denied admission may be reconsidered by completing at least 12 transferable semester hours at an accredited community college. SAT Reasoning required; ACT may be substituted. No policy for SAT or ACT writing component. TOEFL required of international applicants. Campus visit and admissions interview recommended. Off-campus interview may be arranged with an admissions representative. Admission may be deferred up to two semesters. No application fee.

Basis for Candidate Selection
Academic: Standardized test scores very important. Secondary school record, class rank, and recommendations important.

Non-academic: Interview and character/personal qualities important. Extracurricular activities, particular talent/ability, alumni/ae relationship, geographical residence, state residence, religious affiliation/commitment, and minority affiliation considered.

FINANCIAL

Expenses
gram (Michigan). Contemporary Music Program (Nashville). Study abroad in Australia, China, England, Latin America, the Middle East, the Netherlands, Northern Ireland, Russia, South Korea, and Uganda.

Facilities
100 microcomputers available to all students. Internet access. E-mail services/accounts. Computer equipment/network access provided in residence halls, library, computer center/labs, and student center. Library of 84,000 titles, 919 current serials, 117,155 microforms, 3,617 audiovisuals, 65,000 e-books. School is a member of library consortium. Art gallery.

Academic Experience
The most popular majors among recent graduates were business administration and Bible/religion. 66% of graduates are employed in major field within six months.

Guidance Facilities/Student Services
Remedial learning services. Non-remedial tutoring. Health service. Health insurance. Career services include interest inventory, on-campus job interviews, resume assistance, alumni network, and interview training. Career, personal, academic, psychological, and religious counseling. International student support services include special counselors/advisors and special orientation. LD student support services include tutors and other testing accommodations; services provided on an individual basis. Handicapped student services include tutors and interpreters for hearing-impaired. 50% of campus is accessible to the physically handicapped.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Athletics
Intercollegiate baseball, basketball, cross-country, golf, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, track and field (indoor/outdoor) for men. Intercollegiate basketball, cross-country, golf, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, track and field (indoor/outdoor), volleyball for women. Intramural/recreational basketball, flag football, floor hockey, softball, ultimate Frisbee, volleyball. 50% of students participate in intercollegiate sports. 15% of students participate in intramural sports. Member of NAIA, Appalachian Athletic Conference.

Student Activities and Organizations
Student government, newspaper (*The Whetstone*, published monthly), literary magazine. Two honor societies. Campus Crusade for Christ, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Young Life. International student club. Chamber orchestra, contemporary ensemble; concert and chamber choirs; photography and computer clubs. No social fraternities or sororities.

GENERAL

Housing
All students must live on campus. Women’s and men’s dormitories; student apartments. 80% of all undergraduates (94% of all freshmen) live in school-owned/operated/affiliated housing.

Regulations and Policies
Alcohol prohibited on campus. Class attendance policies set by individual instructors. Honor code. Hazing and smoking prohibited. Attendance is mandatory for chapel/convocations 20 times for underclassmen, 10 for upperclassmen. All students may have cars on campus; 65% of students have cars.

Environment/Transportation
96-acre, rural campus in Montreat (population: 783), 15 miles east of Asheville; branch campuses in Asheville, Black Mountain, and Charlotte. Major airport and bus serve Asheville.

Calendar
Semester system; classes begin in late August and early January. One summer session; length varies. Orientation for new students held in August and January.