

College Prep: A Look at Standardized Testing

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Average annual starting salary
of our 2021 baccalaureate graduates

\$80,225

—that's **36%** higher than the
national average

72



**countries
represented**

43



**states
represented**

ADELPHI
UNIVERSITY
NEW YORK

5,055 
undergraduate students

Ranked a 2023 **Best College**
nationwide and **Best Value School**
by *U.S. News & World Report*

Listed as one of The Princeton
Review's **Best Regional Colleges**
for 2023

Named a **Top U.S. College** in the
2023 *Wall Street Journal/Times Higher
Education* college rankings

97%



of our 2021
baccalaureate grads
who received **job offers**
had them either prior to
graduation or three months
after graduation

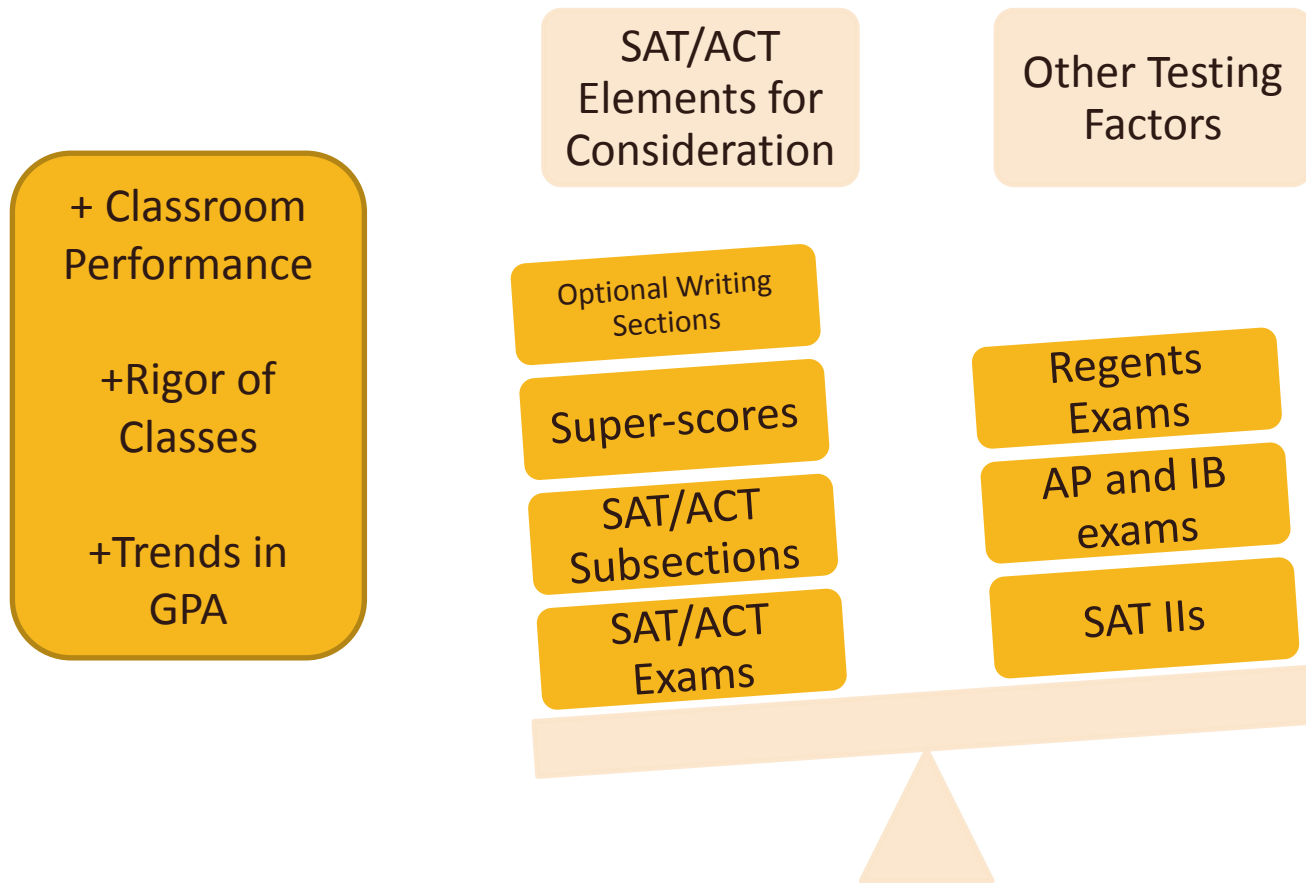
ABOUT ADELPHI

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ADMISSIONS DECISIONS?***

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Admissions Decisions

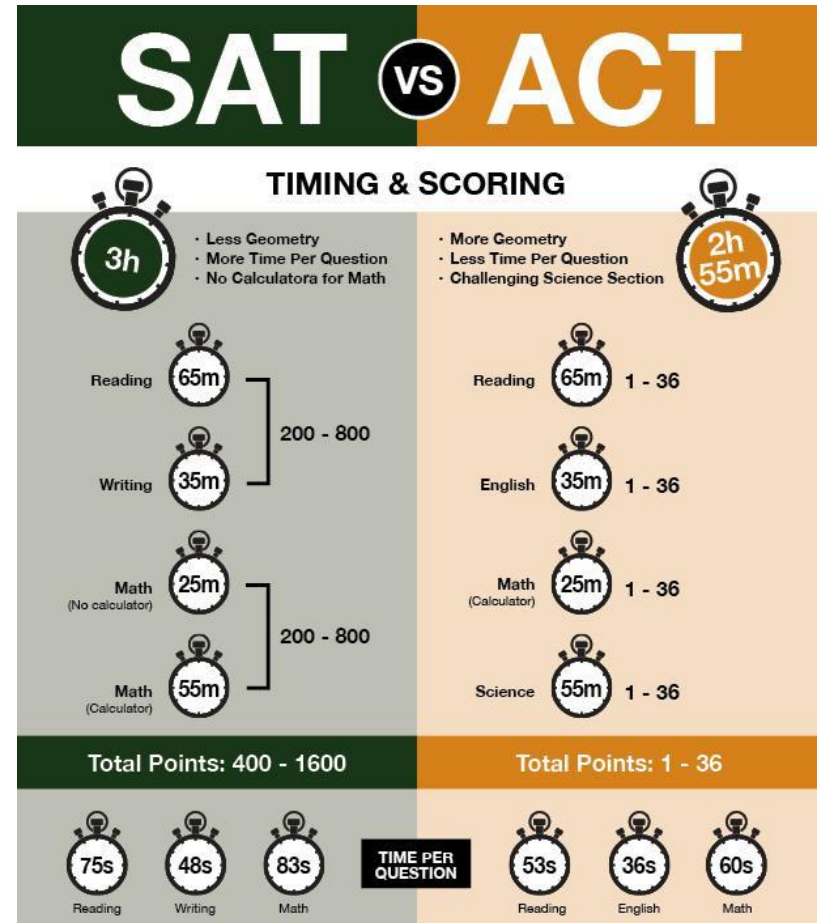


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Admissions Decisions

*Is there a preference?
What's the difference?*

Most (if not all!)
schools do not have a
preference between
SAT and ACT exams.



DO I REALLY NEED TO TAKE A TEST?

FairTest

The National Center for Fair & Open Testing

2000

Accredited, Bachelor's Degree Granting Colleges & Universities with
ACT/SAT Optional or Test-Free Admission Policies for Students
Seeking to Enroll in Fall 2024 or Beyond

1900+

ACT/SAT Optional institutions

80+

Test-Free Institutions

But... do your research by school, by program, and by scholarship requirements!

***WHAT ARE TEST OPTIONAL
POLICIES?***

Test Optional Policies

What does it mean for me?

Does it
make it
easier for
acceptance?

Am I
required to
submit test
scores for a
particular
program?

How do I
indicate if I
want my
scores
considered?

Can I be
considered
for a merit
scholarship
without
scores?

Why do
schools go
test
optional?

...what about test flexible policies?

Test Optional Policies

Where can I find information on test optional schools?

The screenshot shows the Niche website's search results for '2024 Best Test Optional Colleges in America'. The page features a dark green header with the Niche logo and the title. Below the header is a navigation bar with options like 'Best colleges', 'Direct Admissions', 'College Quiz', 'Best value', 'Best student life', 'Top party schools', and 'More'. A green button labeled 'View on map' is visible. On the left, there is a 'College type' filter section with checkboxes for '4-year', 'Private', 'Public', '2-year', and 'Community'. The main content area displays the top result, Yale University, with its name, location, and a 5-star rating. A snippet of a student review is provided, along with the overall Niche grade (A+), acceptance rate (5%), net price (\$20,605), and SAT range (1480-1580). At the bottom of the result card are buttons for 'Will you get in?', 'Compare', 'Virtual tour', and 'Add to List'.

2024 Best Test Optional Colleges in America

Best colleges | Direct Admissions | College Quiz | Best value | Best student life | Top party schools | More

View on map

1-25 of 3,057 results

#1 BEST TEST OPTIONAL COLLEGES IN AMERICA

Yale University ✓

📍 New Haven, CT • 4 Year • ★★★★★ 1,032 reviews

Sophomore: Yale has been a fun and enjoyable experience overall. I would definitely choose Yale again if I had to re-do my college application. Academics: some departments are better taught than other departments. Yale can't ... [Read 1,032 reviews](#)

A+ Overall Niche Grade • Acceptance rate 5% • Net price \$20,605 • SAT range 1480-1580

[Will you get in?](#) | [Compare](#) | [Virtual tour](#) | [Add to List](#)

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SCHOLARSHIP CONSIDERATION?***

How Do Test Scores Factor Into...

Scholarship Consideration

USING TEST SCORES IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Effective with applicants for the fall 2021 freshman class, the University of Oregon has become a “test-optional” school, allowing applicants for freshman admission the option to be considered for admission without submission of ACT or SAT scores.

Especially during a time of adjustments and test date cancellations due to COVID-19, we have also chosen to be “test-blind” for scholarship consideration. This means that even if you were to provide us with scores from a past sitting, it will not be considered in any merit- or need-based awards.

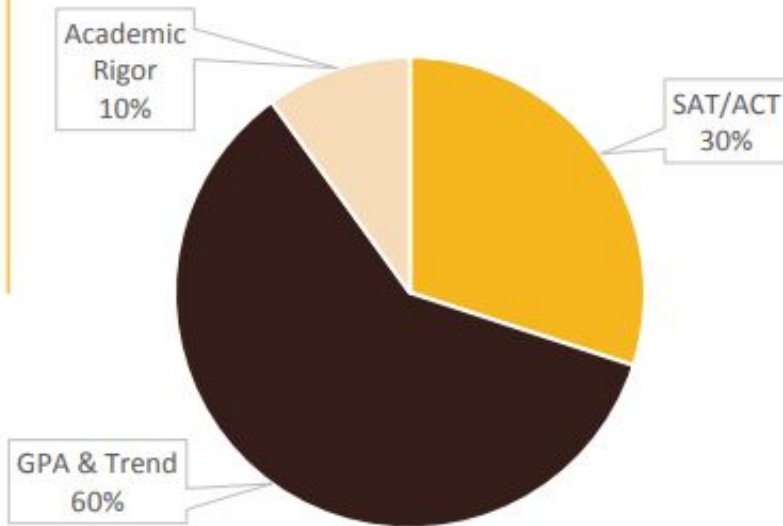
Scholarship	Basis for Award	Additional Application?	Deadlines
Stamps	3.85 GPA or higher on a 4.00 scale; academic and extracurricular	Yes	Apply for admission to UO by November 1 . Stamps Scholarship application due November 15 . All admission application materials must be received by the Office of Admissions by November 15 .
Presidential	3.85 GPA or higher on a 4.00 scale; academic and extracurricular	Yes	Apply for admission to UO by January 15 . Presidential Scholarship application due February 1 . All admission application materials must be received by the Office of Admissions by February 15 .

Example:
University of
Oregon
Scholarships

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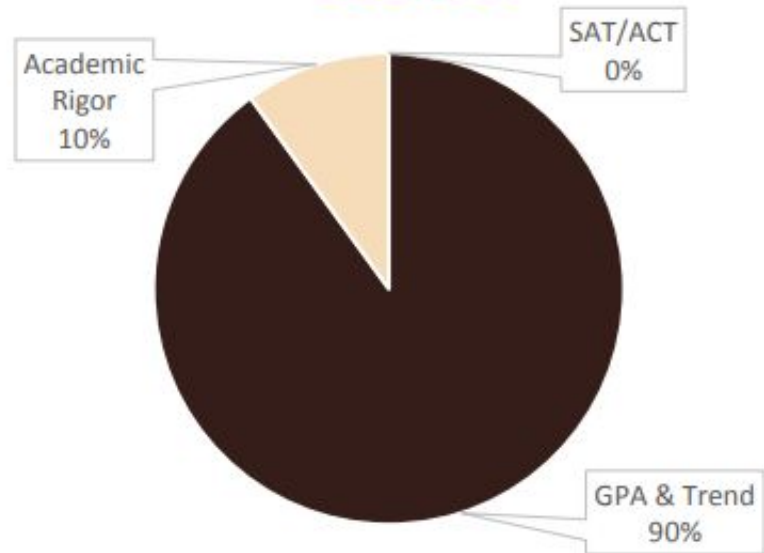
Scholarship Consideration at Adelphi University

Example: With Test Scores



- SAT/ACT
- GPA & Trend
- Academic Rigor

Example: Without Test Scores



- SAT/ACT
- GPA & Trend
- Academic Rigor

***IF I PLAN TO TAKE THE SAT OR ACT,
HOW SHOULD I PREPARE?***

How Should I Prepare?

High School Timeline

Sophomore Year:

- **Take the preliminary Scholastic Aptitude test (PSAT).** Taking the PSAT now is practice for the PSAT test in junior year which allows you to be considered for a National Merit Scholarship. Find out dates and more information through guidance office.
- **Polish your study skills.** Improve upon subject areas and identify areas of weakness in order to be proactive.
- **Begin early research phase of college search process.**

Junior Year:

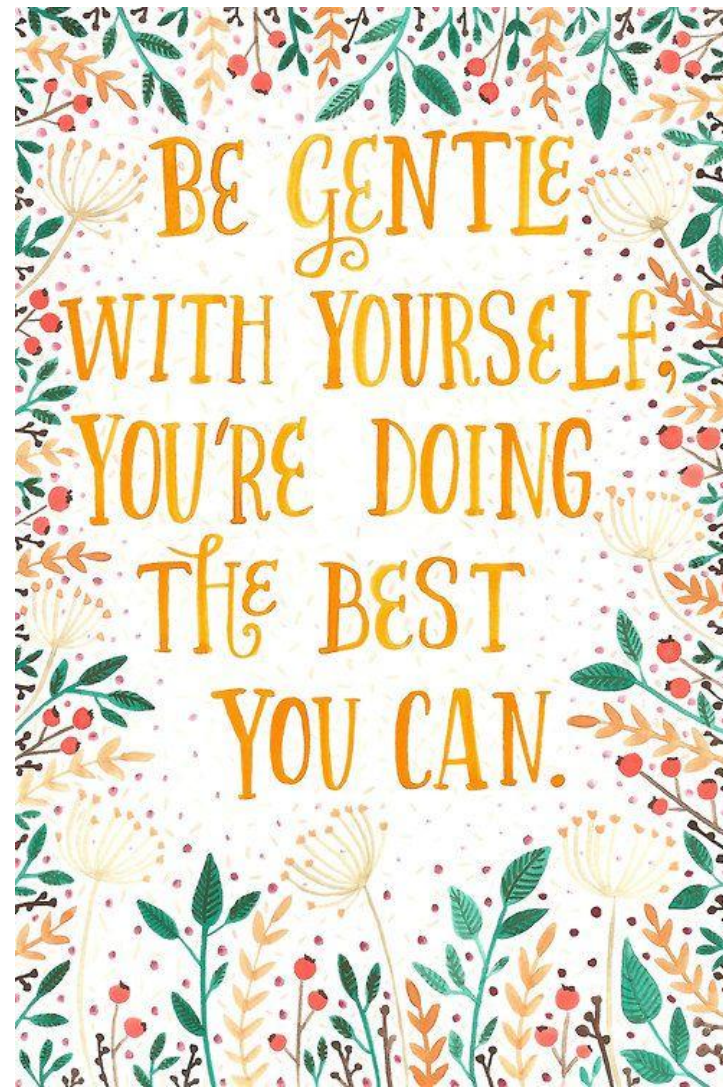
- **Take the preliminary Scholastic Aptitude test (PSAT).** Ask your guidance office about test dates for the PSAT, ACT and SAT. You'll need to register weeks ahead of time.
- **Dive deeper into the college search process.** Plan college visits, identify schools of interest, and consider attending programs of interest.
- **Sign up for/Access ACT and SAT prep.** Identify free or inexpensive resources available to you.
- **Discuss Advanced Placement options, and adding rigor to your course load.**

How Should I Prepare?

Are AP classes and exams worth it?

AP Course	Minimum Score	Credit Equivalent	Credits	General Education
Art History	3	ARH	6	Arts (2)
Art (Studio)	3	ART	3	Arts
Art Drawing	3	ART	3	Arts
Art 2D Design	3	ART	3	Arts
Art 3D Design	3	ART	3	Arts
Biology	4	BIO111, BIO112	8	Natural Sciences (2), Quantitative Reasoning (2)
Calculus AB	4	MTH141	4	Formal Sciences, Quantitative Reasoning
Calculus BC	4	MTH141, MTH142	8	Formal Sciences (2), Quantitative Reasoning (2)

Added
Rigor
+
Possible
Credit



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We hope to see you on campus soon!

