Baylor University

# UNDERGRADUATE

# **APPLICATION** HIGHLIGHTS

We are excited to work with you and your students this year! Below are some notable items about our application process.

Regardless of your student's application choice, their goBAYLOR account will be important for tracking their application status and any next steps they might have. They can access their account at **baylor.edu/gobaylor**.

Baylor will continue to be test optional for 2021-2022. Overall, we are looking for students who can gain the most from a Baylor experience with a demonstrated interest in becoming a Baylor Bear and who are a fit spiritually, academically and financially. For some students, that might be best reflected with a test score, and for others, a test score does not fully reflect their potential. Some students are required to submit test scores and are not eligible to opt out. For more details, visit **baylor.edu/test-optional**.

We changed our process! New this year, students will receive an admissions decision before they receive their scholarship and financial aid information from Baylor. (International students and some students who apply Regular Admission will receive their admissions decision and scholarship/financial aid information on the same date.) More information to come in our monthly newsletter: baylor.edu/admissions/newsletter.

The **CSS Profile** and **FAFSA application** require significant time and attention to complete. Encourage your student to start early and be consistent with the information submitted.

As a reminder: **an essay is required** as part of the application process. If students are applying via the Baylor Online Application, the essay will be in their goBAYLOR account. For CommonApp and ApplyTexas applicants, the essay is part of the application.

Accelerate students who completed at least nine hours of course credit with a 3.0 GPA or higher can jump to the front of the line for admission into Baylor's Fall 2022 entering class. Please encourage these students to apply and complete their application early.

# WAYS TO CONNECT

Visit Baylor: baylor.edu/waystoconnect

Meet Your Counselor: baylor.edu/meet If you haven't already, stay up-to-date on Baylor news and sign up for our monthly newsletter: **baylor.edu/admissions/ newsletter**.

Join the hundreds of counselors signing up for **Slate.org** to stay better connected to the college admissions process.



# 2021-2022 KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

#### **Admission File Deadlines:**

- **Nov. 1:** Early Decision 1 and Early Action
- Feb. 1: Early Decision 2 and Regular Admission

#### **FAFSA and CSS Profile:**

- Oct. 1: Applications Open
- **Nov. 1:** Early Decision 1 and Early Action priority deadline
- Feb. 1: Early Decision 2 and Regular Admission priority deadline

#### **Admissions Decisions:**

- Dec. 15: Early Decision 1
- Jan. 15: Early Action
- Mar. 1: Early Decision 2
- Apr. 10: Regular Admission

#### Scholarship/Aid Notification:

- Jan. 15: Early Decision 1
- Feb. 1: Early Action
- Mar. 15: Early Decision 2
- Apr. 10: Regular Admission

### **ELITE** ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Our elite academic opportunities are devoted to helping students achieve their ambitious academic, career and research goals. Including programs in business, computer science, honors, humanities and science, students have several opportunities to tailor their academic career, go more in-depth in their studies and receive customized support. For more information, visit **baylor.edu/admissions/eliteopportunities**.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS**

A student's comprehensive academic record and a full review of their completed Baylor application file determine their eligibility for a Baylor academic scholarship. No additional application is required. All applicants are considered for academic scholarships when they apply, including students who apply as test optional. Baylor also offers a variety of "specialty" scholarships for students who meet specific qualifications. Learn more at **baylor.edu/typesofaid**.

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Each year, Baylor University awards more than \$7.5 million of generous scholarships to high-achieving attendees of our scholarship programs. For the 2021-2022 year, we will offer a hybrid of virtual and in-person offerings to accommodate all prospective students interested in a scholarship program. Fall events will be primarily virtual, with a few exceptions. Spring events will primarily be in-person, with a few exceptions. Baylor's scholarship programs offer an in-depth, high-quality experience and the same amount of scholarship offerings as years past, but with added safety and flexibility for students and families. More details at **baylor.edu/scholarshipprograms**.

# GET AHEAD WITH THESE PROGRAMS

Students can jump start their college careers with any of our innovative programs!

- High school juniors and seniors experience the Baylor difference while earning college credit through our year-round Accelerate pre-college program, which offers courses during the fall, spring and summer: baylor.edu/accelerate.
- Accepted freshmen can begin classes during the summer before their fall semester with our discounted Summer of Discovery courses while getting ahead in their core course requirements and moving more quickly into their selected major: baylor.edu/discovery.
- Incoming freshman can spend their fall semester abroad with our partner, Verto, a unique study abroad program that allows students to experience a different culture and earn credit that will keep them on track for graduation before coming to Baylor's Waco campus in spring: vertoeducation.org/school/ baylor-university.