



## Miami University 2011 Update for Counselors

### Admission Cycle 2010-11

- Miami received **record numbers of applications** for first-year, transfer, and international students for Fall 2011. The number of first-year applications grew by 9% to nearly 18,500.
- For the third year in a row, Miami enrolled its **most diverse entering class in history** this fall, including: 12% domestic students of color, 5% international students, and 19% first-generation students.
- 62% of first-year students enrolling on Miami's campus this fall are Ohioans, 38% are non-Ohio residents, hailing from 40 states across the US (including the District of Columbia).
- 98% of applicants submitted their Common Application electronically in 2010-11.

### Admission Programs/News 2011-12

- The **Bridges overnight hosting program continues to grow**. This year's program will host three sessions inviting 450 diverse students to participate from around the nation. Priority will be given to Ohio students for Sessions I and II. Students who successfully complete the program, are accepted for Fall 2012 admission, and enroll at Miami University (Oxford campus) will receive a \$2,500, four-year renewable scholarship.
- Qualifying Ohio residents admitted as new first-year, full-time Oxford campus students will be awarded the following minimum merit scholarship amounts:

30 or higher ACT composite or 1330 or higher SAT CR+M <u>and</u> 3.70 or above GPA*	\$26,000 (\$6,500/year)
28 or 29 ACT composite or 1250-1320 SAT CR+M <u>and</u> 3.70 or above GPA*	\$18,000 (\$4,500/year)
26 or 27 ACT composite or 1170-1240 SAT CR+M <u>and</u> 3.70 or above GPA*	\$8,000 (\$2,000/year)

\*Based on a 4.00 scale

- Admission staff will be holding **evening programs for prospective students** and their parents/families throughout Ohio this fall. Check [muohio.edu/inmytown](http://muohio.edu/inmytown) for a complete list of events.
- Similarly, **counselor breakfasts and other events** will be held in Akron, Athens, Canton, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, Lima, Portsmouth, and Toledo beginning next week. Visit [muohio.edu/rsvp/counselor](http://muohio.edu/rsvp/counselor) to register for the event nearest you.
- A fall on-campus visit program, open to all prospective students and their families, will take place on Saturday, October 8.

### Application Information for Spring/Fall 2012 Applicants

- Miami will continue to **image all documents and review all files electronically**. Counselors are encouraged to use the Common Application system to submit school materials electronically and for free. Miami will no longer accept transcripts from ConnectEDU. We will continue to accept materials from Docufide and eSCRIP-SAFE.
- We no longer require the ACT writing score as part of the admission application process.
- **Only official scores from the testing agencies will be accepted**; please note that we will continue to only use a student's highest score in our review process. For ACT, the student's highest composite score will be considered in the review process; for SAT, Miami will superscore the highest Critical Reading and Mathematics scores. Students who are concerned about Score Choice should not hesitate to send all of their scores as they come in. For admission and review purposes, no preference is given for ACT or SAT.

- The **Farmer School of Business will directly admit the majority** of students for its Class of 2016 cohort with the Fall 2012 first-year application. Students interested in pursuing a business major at Miami should indicate that field of study on the application. Students will learn of their direct entry into the Farmer School of Business in conjunction with their admission decision. Students interested in studying business, but not admitted directly into the Farmer School of Business (FSB) at the time of admission to the University, can apply to FSB with a 3.3 Miami GPA and at least 30 graded credit hours. For more information visit [www.fsb.muohio.edu](http://www.fsb.muohio.edu).
- **New majors** offered for Spring/Fall 2012 – **Biological Physics, Chemistry Education, Engineering Management: Electronics & Computing, Life Science/Chemistry Education, Social Justice Studies.**

### Important Dates

- There continues to be **three application deadlines** for Miami University:
  - **Early Decision** (binding) – November 1, 2011
  - **Early Action** (non-binding) – December 1, 2011
  - **Regular Decision** (non-binding) – February 1, 2012
- Students interested in Miami's Honors Program must submit a **separate Honors application** to be considered for Honors. To be considered for the Harrison Scholarship, they must submit both the admission application and Honors application by November 3.
  - November 3, 2011 – Honors I and consideration for Harrison Scholarship
  - December 1, 2011 – Honors II
  - February 1, 2012 – Honors III
- **FAFSA priority filing deadline** is February 15, 2012.
- **Junior Scholars** is a program for outstanding rising seniors who spend six weeks during the summer on Miami's campus and take two Miami courses for credit. Applications will be available in January 2012.
- The **Miami University/University of Dayton Counselor Visit** will take place March 25-27, 2012.

### News from Campus

- On October 6, Miami University will break ground on its new Armstrong Student Center. Scheduled for first-phase completion in 2014, the 200,000 square foot structure has been designed for student use and utilization and includes a two-story Center for Student Engagement and Leadership.
- Miami University is recognized as the best public university in Ohio in Forbes magazine's *America's Top Colleges 2011* list which features 650 private and public colleges and universities across the country. Miami also appears as the 5th ranked public university in Forbes' "Best in the Midwest" list and 33rd among publics on the "Best Research Universities" list.
- Miami University ranks ninth in the nation, and first in Ohio, for return on tuition investment according to a recent SmartMoney magazine survey. The magazine ranked 50 universities, recognizing schools at which alumni received the best salary return for what they paid in tuition.
- Miami University ranked 13th in Washington Monthly's 2011 national university college rankings for social mobility — recruiting and graduating low-income students. Miami has ranked in the magazine's top 20 for the second year in a row. The publication also recognized Miami in the service category, ranking Miami 26th in community service, participation and hours, as well as a high producer of Peace Corps volunteers.
- In the *Fiske Guide to Colleges 2011*, Miami is noted for a "picture perfect campus and high-caliber student body." Miami is also described as "the honors public university in one of the nation's largest states," where undergraduate research gets a lot of attention and "professors are lauded for their knowledge and willingness to help."

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