

The
University
of Akron

COUNSELOR'S GUIDE

2024



HOW TO APPLY

1 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION at uakron.edu/apply or commonapp.org.

- a. UA operates on a **rolling admissions** basis and takes a **holistic** — or “whole student” — approach in reviewing applications.

NOTE: No application fee.

2 SUBMIT TRANSCRIPTS, including senior coursework in progress.

- a. Send as PDFs to admissions@uakron.edu or through:
 - Slate.org
 - Naviance/Parchment
 - Scoir
 - ScribForward
 - Overgrad
- b. Mail hard copies to
The University of Akron
Office of Admissions
Akron, OH 44325-2001

NOTE: We are **test-optional**. Students who apply test optional will be given full consideration for admission and merit scholarships. uakron.edu/test-optional

* Students who plan to apply to the Williams Honors College or wish to be considered for direct admission to the School of Nursing must submit their test score.

Dear Counselors,

“Centers of influence”—those are the words I use to describe educational partners, like you, who are instrumental in guiding students toward further studies, professional development and meaningful careers. At The University of Akron, we rely on school counselors to inform and encourage students about higher education, advertise and uplift our offerings, and direct students to rewarding opportunities in Northeast Ohio and throughout the state. As president, I believe in our world-class University of Akron education; even more, as a two-time UA alumnus, I am confident in our ability to transform students into the best version of themselves—academically, professionally and personally. Thank you for being our partner in this important work. I ask you and your colleagues to set up student visits to campus and consistently let our team know how we can best support your students on their educational journey.

With enthusiasm,



R.J. Nemer, President



For the most updated information, please visit uakron.edu/counselors



SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

We’re dedicated to making the cost of earning a degree affordable for your students.

When your students apply for admission, we’ll automatically consider them for our generous merit-based awards.

Students that complete their FAFSA and use our code 003123, will also be considered for additional UA grants to lower the cost of attendance.

TUITION AND FEES

Full-time, annual tuition and fees (bachelor’s degree) can be found at uakron.edu/tuition.

Ohio Resident*.....\$13,135.68
Non-Ohio Resident.....\$20,815.68

UA’s Tuition Guarantee Program

UA’s Tuition Guarantee Program helps our undergraduate students plan and predict the costs of a four-year college education. This program provides fixed rates for tuition, select fees, and room-and-board for four years.

Housing options and costs can be found at uakron.edu/reslife.
Meal plan options and costs can be found at uakron.edu/dining.

If you or your students have **questions** about affordability, please contact the Office of Student Financial Aid at 330-972-7032 or visit uakron.edu/finaid.

HOW STUDENTS CAN ENGAGE WITH UA

Students can go to uakron.edu/visit to schedule a **visit** to campus and learn about academics, student life, the application process, financial aid and scholarships, and more.

\$260 MILLION+

in financial assistance provided to UA students each year.

94%

of first year students receive some form of financial aid.

WHY STUDENTS CHOOSE UA

UA offers in-demand and highly ranked academic programs.

BIOLOGY

uakron.edu/biology

- Research in labs with world-class faculty to prepare for a career, postgraduate research or medical school
- A quarter of our biology faculty rank among the top 2% of the World's Best Scientists
- Explore 411 acres of flora and fauna at the UA Field Station at Bath Nature Preserve — and travel to coral reefs, jungles and other exotic locales

BUSINESS

uakron.edu/cob

- Among the approximately 1% of schools (with business degrees) worldwide holding dual AACSB accreditation in business and accounting
- Seven centers and institutes, each with its own professional advisory board, and each providing mentorship, networking and internship opportunities
- 93% of business bachelor's degree recipients are employed or continuing education within six months of graduation (spring 2021 graduates)

COMPUTER-RELATED PROGRAMS

uakron.edu/computer-related

- In 2020, UA became the first university in Northern Ohio to be designated an Ohio Cyber Range Institute Regional Programming Center by the state of Ohio

PRE-LAW

uakron.edu/law

- The 3+3 program allows students to obtain their bachelor's in business law, history, political science, economics or philosophy and their J.D. in just six years

ENGINEERING

uakron.edu/engineering

- 100% of our engineering students participate in experiential learning, through hands-on curriculum, cooperative education, internships, undergraduate research and student design teams
- Engineering, engineering technology and computing degree recipients enjoy an average starting salary of \$69,000
- Student design teams rank among best in the country and world
- Our students make an average total income of \$43,200 for three co-op rotations while still in school

NURSING

uakron.edu/nursing

- Students will be well prepared to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN)
- Direct from high school students who have a 3.0 GPA combined with a 22 ACT or 1030 SAT may be eligible to be directly admitted into the School of Nursing

PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH

uakron.edu/health

- Early Assurance Pathway (EAP) program lets students secure an early seat at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) or Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)
- UA students who apply to medical, dental, pharmacy, optometry, veterinary, and physician assistant schools consistently have acceptance rates above the national average

FIRST-OF-THEIR-KIND PROGRAMS

1ST

- Bachelor's degree in computer information systems with a focus in cybersecurity among public universities in Ohio
- Accredited bachelor's degree in emergency management and homeland security in the world
- Bachelor's degree in food and environmental nutrition in Ohio
- And only university in Ohio to offer a bachelor's degree in sport analytics
- Public university in Ohio to offer a Bachelor of Science in Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering

AN UNFORGETTABLE CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

uakron.edu/campus-life

- **Award-winning residence halls** — spacious, air-conditioned, living-learning communities and full of amenities
uakron.edu/reslife
- **300+** student clubs and organizations — bands and choirs, student government, Greek life and more
- **Jean Hower Taber Student Union** — popular restaurants, bowling and billiards, esports and a full-sized movie theatre
uakron.edu/studentunion
- **Highly ranked Student Recreation and Wellness Center** — weights and cardio equipment, basketball courts, track, swimming pool and 53-foot climbing rock wall
uakron.edu/rec
- **AK-ROWDIES cheer on Zips sports teams** — enjoy free admission to home games with Zip Card

UA LAUNCHES CAREERS

30,500

employers recruit UA students and alumni through Career Services

94%

of recent graduates were employed or continuing education within six months of graduation

A BEAUTIFUL CAMPUS IN A CITY BRIMMING WITH OPPORTUNITY

downtownakron.com

- Vibrant downtown with museums, stores, restaurants, music and sports venues
- Thousands of businesses, including Fortune 500 companies, providing access to internships, co-ops and careers
- Cuyahoga Valley National Park — explore miles of nature trails and wild habitats

UA is proud to offer **200 undergraduate majors** that lead our Zips to successful careers. We make it possible for students to expand on their interests, find their fit, and reach their goals. After all, we're where passion meets possibility.

Students that are unsure on what they want to study, will be supported with many exploratory resources and learning community to help them discover the program or major that best fits their goals.

Students who wish to continue their education after earning an undergraduate degree, can declare a pre-professional track, including pre-medicine, pre-veterinarian, or pre-law.

Find additional information about our majors, including our fully online programs, by visiting uakron.edu/academics.



Undergraduate Majors

Bachelor's Degrees

Allied Health Care

Administration programs

- Allied Health Care Administration
 - Doctor of Chiropractic Track
 - Ultrasound Sonography Track
- Allied Health Care Administration B.S./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program
- Allied Health Care Administration B.S./Nursing B.S.N. Accelerated Program

Anthropology

Art programs

- Art Education
- Ceramics
- Graphic Design
- Jewelry and Metalsmithing
- Painting and Drawing
- Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Studio Emphasis

Biology programs

- Biology
- Biomedical Science

Business programs

- Accelerated Accounting B.S.A./M.S.A
- Accelerated Accounting B.S.A./M.Tax
- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Business Data Analytics
- Business Law B.B.A./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program
- Business Management
- Economics
- Economics B.A./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program
- Financial Management
- Financial Planning
- Human Resource Management
- Information Systems
- International Business
- Marketing
- Risk Management and Insurance
- Sales Management
- Sport Analytics
- Sport Business
- Supply Chain/Operations Management

Chemistry programs

- Biochemistry
- Chemistry
- Chemistry, Polymer Option

Child and Family Development

Communication programs

- Communication Studies
- Media Studies
- Organizational Supervision
- Public Relations

Community and Workforce Education

Computer Information Systems

- Cybersecurity Option
- Networking Option
- Software Development Option

Computer Science programs

- Computer Science
- Computer Science B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program

Criminal Intelligence Analysis

Criminology and Criminal Justice

Cyber Forensics

Dance programs

- Dance
- Dance with Business Cognate

Education Licensure programs

- Intervention Specialist
- Middle Level Education (Grades 4-9)
- Multi-Age (PK-Grade 12 Art & Music)
- Primary Inclusive Teacher Preparation (PK-Grade 5)
- Secondary Education (Adolescent to Young Adult)

Emergency Management and Homeland Security

Engineering programs

- Aerospace Systems Engineering
- Aerospace Systems Engineering B.S./Mechanical Engineering M.S. Accelerated Program
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Civil Engineering B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program
- Computer Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program

Engineering Technology programs

- Automated Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technology
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Surveying and Mapping

English programs

- English
- English B.A./M.A. Accelerated Program

Exercise Science programs

- Applied Exercise Physiology Concentration
- Pre-Professional Concentration

Food and Environmental Nutrition

Geosciences programs

- Earth Science
- Environmental Science
- Geology

Global Studies

Health Care Leadership and Management



History programs

- History
- History B.A./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program

Mathematics programs

- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Mathematics B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program

Multidisciplinary Studies

Music programs

- Composition
- Jazz Studies
- Music
- Music Education programs
 - Instrumental String (Orchestra)
 - Instrumental Wind/ Percussion (Band)
 - Vocal and Keyboard (Choral)
- Music with Business Cognate
- Performance programs
 - Brass
 - Guitar
 - Percussion
 - Piano
 - Strings
 - Voice
 - Woodwinds



Nursing

Philosophy programs

- Philosophy
- Philosophy B.A./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program

Political Science programs

- Political Science
- Political Science (American Gov./International Politics/Comparative Politics)
- Political Science B.A./Juris Doctor (3+3) Accelerated Program
- Political Science (Intelligence and National Security Studies)

Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering

Psychology

Respiratory Therapy

Social Sciences programs

- Philosophy, Political Science and Economics (PPE)
- Philosophy, Sociology and Psychology (PSP)

Social Work

Sociology programs

- Health and Society track
- Social Justice track
- Sociology

Spanish

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology



Sport Coaching and Athletics Leadership

Statistics programs

- Actuarial Science
- Data Science
- Statistics
- Statistics B.S./M.S. Accelerated Program

Associate Degrees

Associate of Arts programs

- Communication option
- General option

Associate of Science

Associate of Technical Studies

Computer Information Systems

- Networking Option
- Software Development Option

Criminal Justice Studies

Disaster Science and Emergency Services programs

- EMT/Paramedic
- Fire-Medic
- Fire Protection Technology



Engineering Technology programs

- Automated Manufacturing Engineering Technology
- Construction Engineering Technology
- Construction Field Operations
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technology
- Land Surveying
- Mechanical Engineering Technology



Health Services

WILLIAMS HONORS COLLEGE uakron.edu/honors

Benefits include priority class selection; colloquium courses; research with faculty; additional scholarships; student organizations and study abroad opportunities; leadership training; community of high-achieving peers; access to Honors Complex; etc.

uakron.edu/honors/benefits

Application information can be found at uakron.edu/honors/admission.

NOTE: Test scores are required for admission and scholarship consideration for the Williams Honors College.

DEADLINES: FEB. 1 (EARLY) AND APRIL 1 (REGULAR)

Every student admitted to the WHC is awarded an **Honors Scholarship** and is considered for additional Honors and UA scholarships.

uakron.edu/honors-scholarships



HELPFUL STUDENT RESOURCES

Office of Accessibility:
uakron.edu/access

Office of New Student Orientation:
uakron.edu/nso

Office of Student Financial Aid
uakron.edu/finaid

Residence Life & Housing:
uakron.edu/reslife

ZipAssist:
uakron.edu/zipassist

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Call the Office of Admissions
at **330-972-7100**, text **330-574-7727**

or

email admissions@uakron.edu

For more resources for
school counselors, please visit
uakron.edu/counselors

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