



# H A M P S H I R E C O L L E G E

## APPLICATION CATEGORIES AND 2010 DEADLINES

### APPLICATION CATEGORIES

#### First-Year Students

This category includes students who have completed some college work prior to enrollment at Hampshire (fewer than 15 transferable semester college credits).

#### Early Entrance

Students who possess exceptional academic ability and personal maturity may apply to enter Hampshire after the junior year or midway through the senior year in high school. An interview is required. If you wish to apply for financial aid and will not have a high school diploma by the time you enter Hampshire, federal regulations require an equivalent. For more information on this requirement, please contact admissions. Early Entrance candidates may not apply under the Early Decision or Early Action plan.

*Note: Students who will graduate early from high school are not considered Early Entrance candidates.*

#### James Baldwin Scholars Program

This program provides talented students from underserved communities an opportunity to develop and improve skills necessary for rigorous college study in a one-year transition program. Scholarships cover tuition, room, board, and books. Baldwin Scholars should follow the application instructions for the Regular Decision program. An interview is required. Please request the Baldwin supplement from the admissions office or download it from our website: <http://apply.hampshire.edu>.

#### Transfer Students

Applicants who will have completed at least 15 transferable semester college credits are considered for admission as transfer students. For courses to transfer they must be from a regionally accredited college or university, be comparable in academic demands and disciplines offered at Hampshire, carry at least a grade of "C", and not have been recorded as high school credit.

#### Visiting Students

If you are enrolled at another college or university and wish to spend a semester or year at Hampshire, you will be considered a visiting student. To qualify, you should have completed two to five semesters of college work, and must submit written permission from your home institution. No financial aid is available.

#### International Students

Students who are not United States citizens or permanent residents are considered international students. All international students applying for fall admission (first-year and transfer students) must apply by January 1. *If you are an international student who will be applying for financial aid, you must use the January 1 regular admission application deadline. No financial aid is available to international students applying for spring semester.*

### WHEN TO APPLY

#### SPRING (FEBRUARY) ADMISSION

*First-Year, Transfer, and Visiting students*

Application deadline      November 15, 2009

Notification mailed by      December 15, 2009

*International students not applying for financial aid*

Application deadline      November 1, 2009

Notification mailed by      November 10, 2009

#### FALL (SEPTEMBER) ADMISSION

There are three admission plans available for first-year candidates: Early Decision, Early Action, and Regular Admission.

##### Early Decision

*First-Year students. International students not applying for financial aid*

If accepted, you must withdraw your applications to other colleges and attend Hampshire. If you need to explore multiple colleges' aid offers, we recommend that you apply under the Early Action plan. Early Decision candidates who submit timely applications for will receive tentative awards with the letter of admission.

Application deadline      November 15, 2009

Notification mailed by      December 15, 2009

##### Early Action

*First-Year students. International students not applying for financial aid*

Early Action candidates who apply for financial aid will be mailed their aid awards by April 1.

Application deadline      December 1, 2009

Notification mailed by      February 1, 2010

##### Regular Admission

*First-Year students, James Baldwin Program, and all International students*

Application deadline      January 1, 2010

Notification mailed by      April 1, 2010

##### Transfer & Visiting Students

Transfer students must have 15 or more transferable semester credits prior to enrollment at Hampshire. There are no early application plans for Transfer or Visiting students.

Application deadline      March 1, 2010

Notification mailed by      April 15, 2010

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### REQUIRED AND OPTIONAL APPLICATION MATERIALS

#### ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT:

- The Common Application (*including the personal essay*)
- Hampshire's Supplement (*including the analytical essay*)
- Teacher recommendation
- High school transcript
- Transcript(s) from all colleges attended
- \$60 application fee (waived if submitted online)

#### FIRST YEAR APPLICANTS

In addition to the materials listed above, you must also submit:

- School Report Form from the Common Application

#### HOME SCHOOLED APPLICANTS

Applicants who have been homeschooled must submit the Common Application's Home School Supplement. While not required, it is strongly suggested that applicants who do not have grades or detailed narrative evaluations from the last two years of high school submit results from one or more standardized tests such as SAT, ACT, SAT II, or AP. Applicants who have taken the GED must submit official test results in addition to the secondary records.

#### TRANSFER APPLICANTS

As part of Hampshire's Common Application Supplement, transfer students must submit a general proposed program of study. Transfer students who are currently enrolled in college must submit a list of currently enrolled courses and courses they plan to take prior to matriculation at Hampshire. Progress reports must be submitted by each faculty member from all currently enrolled courses with original signatures. Transfer students who have earned 60 or more transferable semester credits are not required to submit a high school transcript.

#### INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

Records must be official and be in English or official, signed translations. We ask that you submit evidence of current academic achievement, even if your school ordinarily solely provides end-of-the-year results. Provide copies of any national-examination results, such as the British GCSE or GCE A-levels, IB, or Abitur. In addition to the materials indicated above, you must also submit:

- Official TOEFL test results. Optional if your native language is English or you have completed grades 11 and 12 in the U.S.
- Certification of Finances. All applicants who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents must submit this form.

#### OPTIONAL APPLICATION MATERIALS

##### Interviews

Interviews are strongly encouraged. If you are unable to interview on campus, we will make every effort to arrange a local interview with a graduate of the college or an admissions counselor visiting your area. To schedule an interview, call the admissions office at 877.937.4267 at least two weeks in advance. Interviews must be completed by the admissions deadline.

**Test Scores** (*College Board number: 3447; ACT number: 1842*).

Although Hampshire does not require submission of standardized tests, SAT or ACT scores can sometimes help assess your abilities more fully. Please forward exam results directly to the admissions office.

##### Sample of Creative Work

Although submissions of creative work rarely determine an admissions decision, it can add another dimension to your application and give a fuller picture of your interests and talents. **Please note that we can only review items that are no larger than three sheets of letter size (8 1/2" x 11") pieces of paper.** Following are examples of creative work that can be submitted on up to three separate sheets of letter size paper:

- Creative writing
- Slides of paintings, drawings, sculpture, or craft work (Mounted and labeled in a letter size slide sleeve)
- Photographs
- CD or DVD (no longer than fifteen minutes), or multimedia portfolio (please use a thin CD sleeve)

*Due to the volume of mail that we receive, we regret that we cannot return samples of creative work.*

#### MAIL ALL APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO:

ADMISSIONS OFFICE  
HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE  
893 WEST STREET  
AMHERST, MA 01002  
U.S.A.

#### NONDISCRIMINATION

Hampshire College affirms publicly its moral and legal commitment to equal opportunity in education. Hampshire does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, age, national or ethnic origin, or sexual preference in the admission of students or administration of its educational policies, scholarships, and loan programs, or athletic and other college programs. No qualified disabled person shall be excluded from participation in any activity or program of the college on the basis of his or her disability. This school is authorized under Federal law to enroll nonimmigrant alien students.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

Should you enroll at Hampshire, your faculty advisor and deans of advising will have access to all materials you submit as part of your admission application.