

Expanding your College Search Out of State

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When Considering out of state options...

- Think about location/ distance from home
- Consider size and student:faculty ratio
- Get to know the surrounding area
- Look into Honors programs & requirements
- Freshman living on campus?
- Extracurricular involvements

Admissions specific concerns

- Automatic vs Holistic Admission
- Test Score Optional
- Class rank?
- Admission to specific colleges or majors
- Transfer Course Equivalency
- Early Action/ Decision/ Priority/ Rolling

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Questions to ask & what to consider

Concerning Out of State Scholarships

GPA & Test Scores

- Weighted or unweighted?
- ACT or SAT?
- Superscore?
- When is the last test to submit scores?
- Class rank?
- Do changes in GPA affect scholarship offer?

Different out of state options

AUTOMATIC MERIT BASED AWARDS

- Automatically granted based on ACT/ SAT and GPA
- Non competitive
- Usually do not require applications
- Specific opportunities based on residency
- Required to keep certain GPA

COMPETITIVE ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

- Based on GPA, Test Scores, and holistic review
- Take more time to complete
- Some schools stackable with automatic awards
- Opportunities for upperclassmen awards?
- Required to keep certain GPA

(Automatic Merit
Based Example)



NEW FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

New Arkansan Non-Resident Tuition Award

Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, & Texas

nrtta.uark.edu

90% *award*

\$13,700*

Freshman applicants for
Fall 2018 who have a:

- 3.7 GPA or higher

and

- 30 ACT/1390 SAT

will receive a 90% discount on
the non-resident portion of
tuition

80% *award*

\$12,200*

Freshman applicants for
Fall 2018 who have a:

- 3.5 GPA or higher

and

- 28 ACT/1310 SAT

will receive an 80% discount
on the non-resident portion of
tuition

70% *award*

\$10,600*

Freshman applicants for
Fall 2018 who have a:

- 3.3 GPA or higher

and

- 24 ACT/1160 SAT

will receive a 70% discount on
the non-resident portion of
tuition

All grade point averages are calculated to a standard 4-point grade scale.

**Approximate value based on 30 credit hours*

(Competitive Academic
Scholarships Application
example)



NEW FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Be sure and look for
priority deadlines
!!!

New Freshman Scholarships

- Online Application
 - scholarships.uark.edu
 - Application
 - Academic resume
 - List of 3 works
 - Essay



Apply for scholarships by
November 15

What now?

Looking Out of State

- Plan ahead! Get organized!
- Consider when is last testing date
- Keep in touch with your admissions counselors
- Check in if scholarships are stackable
- Please give counselors plenty of time for requests
- Visit campus! Open houses or campus visits
- Enjoy your time left in high school!