

HOW TO APPLY

You should apply to Taylor University if something you have read, seen, heard or experienced about Taylor matches your personal goals for higher education. Taylor University desires a diverse student body to enhance the educational environment. We invite you to apply!

We encourage you to start the application process early. You may apply after completing your junior year of high school. All applications postmarked by December 1 will NOT require an application fee. After December 1, please attach a check or money order for \$25 payable to Taylor University.

Follow These Easy Steps:

- ☐ Read Taylor's **Life Together Covenant** thoughtfully. Your signature under "affirmation" indicates your desire to comply with its requirements. It stands as a covenant between you and Taylor.
- ☐ Complete a required **personal interview** during or after the spring semester of your junior year of high school.
- ☐ **Simultaneously distribute the guidance counselor and pastor recommendation forms** by filling out the top portion of each recommendation and giving it to the appropriate persons for completion and mailing.
- ☐ Your **guidance counselor** MUST attach your **official high school transcript** containing grades through your junior year and your **senior schedule** of classes.
- ☐ Complete the **application form** and return it to Taylor: **(Always make a photocopy of your application.) We will evaluate your application when ALL materials have been received.**
- ☐ If you plan to become involved in Taylor's music program or in intercollegiate athletics, please complete the **Extracurricular Information form** (included with the application). The admissions office will forward this information to the appropriate department(s) for consideration.
- ☐ Send **official SAT I or ACT Scores** to Taylor. Indicate code #1802 (SAT I) or code #1248 (ACT) when you register for the tests in order to have the scores sent directly to Taylor's Upland campus, or you may have your guidance counselor **affix the test score strip** on the high school transcript.

Interview

You will meet informally, one-on-one with an admissions counselor. This is not a time for us to sell you on Taylor. Rather, it's a time for us to get to know you better and an opportunity for you to get a better understanding of Taylor. Don't stress about the interview! Just be prepared to share about your high school academics, activities you are involved in (school, church, community service, etc.) as well as how you see God actively at work in your life. It really is quite painless!

Recommendations

A high school guidance counselor must fill out the **Guidance Counselor Form**.

Please give the **Pastor's Recommendation** to a person in church leadership (other than a relative) who knows you very well (i.e. youth pastor, pastor, small group leader, etc.). If you have just moved to a new town or your youth pastor has recently moved to a different church, feel free to contact someone from your former church or your former youth pastor to complete the Pastor Recommendation form. These recommendations provide an opportunity for us to learn more about you from individuals who know you well!

You may ask a teacher, coach, community leader, etc. to write a **personal letter of recommendation** for you. This is optional and would be included only if the individual writing the letter can share additional information about you that is not already covered in the Guidance Counselor and Pastor Recommendations. If you have asked someone to write the optional letter of recommendation, please give them a resume of your activities and achievements. This will assist them in crafting their letter.

Make sure you **follow-up on the recommendation forms** you distributed. You may want to have your guidance counselor and pastor (or person you chose) notify you when they have mailed the completed forms to Taylor. Encourage them to make a photocopy of their recommendation for their file in case the forms are lost in the mail.

Student With Disabilities

Students with disabilities should contact the Coordinator of Academic Support Services (765-998-5523) for information regarding facilities and services available at Taylor.

International or Transfer Students

If you are an international or transfer student, please complete the INTERNATIONAL or TRANSFER application online at www.taylor.edu/apply or call 800-882-3456 ext. 5511 to request the appropriate application.

Application Plans and Decisions

Early Action: Students who have completed their application (including an interview) by the Early Action deadlines for the fall will be considered for fall acceptances, and will receive one of three decisions:

- Acceptance: Unlike "Early Decision" models, the Early Action plan is "non-binding" and does not require a student to commit to Taylor until May 1.
- Deferred Decision: Students not accepted at the Early Action deadline will have their application considered for the Regular Application deadline.
- Denial: The review committee may feel that a student's success at Taylor is in question and that a denial is in the best interest of the student. In these cases, we will notify the student by mail of the committee's decision. Please contact the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Services regarding this policy.

Regular Application: Students who complete their application by January 15 (including an interview) will be notified of an admissions decision by February 5. Students who complete their application after the January 15 deadline will be considered for admission as space permits.

Application Plan	Fee	Application and Interview Completed by:*	Notification by:
Early Action I	Waived	November 1	November 20
Early Action II	Waived	December 1	December 20
Regular Application	\$25.00	January 15	February 5
Ongoing Application	\$25.00	After January 15	After February 15

* Taylor University must have all application materials completed and received by noted date.