

Admissions

Statement of Principle

The University of Maine at Presque Isle (UMPI) invites applications for admission from academically qualified students of all ages and backgrounds. The academic credentials and life experience of each applicant are considered on an individual basis. The University prefers that all applicants have a college preparatory background and show other indications of ability to succeed in college.

The Way It Should Be

Tuition Guarantee Program

The University of Maine at Presque Isle is committed to reducing the cost of tuition and fees for Maine Students. First-time, full-time Maine residents who are Pell Grant eligible and who commit to finishing a Bachelor's degree in four years, or an Associate's degree in two years, will be guaranteed sufficient grants, scholarships, waivers to offset the cost of the standard tuition and fees.

First-time, full-time Maine residents who are Non-Pell Grant eligible who meet the same criteria and have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$20,000 or less may be eligible for grants and scholarships as part of their financial aid package which will reduce the cost of the standard tuition and fees to approximately \$4,800.

Priority will be given to students who apply by the March 31 application deadline. If applying after March 31st, please contact the admissions office for details and availability.

Campus Visits

The Admissions Office strongly encourages applicants to visit the campus. During the visit, the student will have an opportunity to speak with an admissions staff member, tour the campus, meet with currently enrolled students, talk with a faculty member and talk with a financial aid staff member. Visits can be scheduled through the website (<https://www.umpi.edu/admissions/schedule-a-visit/>) or by calling the Admissions Office at 207.768-9532.

Application Procedures for all Students

✓ Each applicant for admission is required to submit a completed University of Maine System Application Form or the Common APP. Applicants should apply electronically on-line at www.umpi.edu. Each applicant must arrange for the forwarding of secondary school transcripts to the Admissions Office.

✓ Applicants with a record or attendance at a post-secondary institution must request the forwarding of their official transcripts from each institution attended for all work undertaken. This requirement does not apply to coursework taken within the University of Maine system.

✓ Letters of recommendation from a school counselor or teacher are required from traditional age students just graduating from high school. Recommendations and an essay may be required from all other students.

Required Deposits

Upon acceptance, all students are required to pay a \$100 tuition deposit. The tuition deposit is credited to the student's first semester bill. This deposit is refundable until May 1st.

Readmission

Degree students who have withdrawn from UMPI and who have not attended any post-secondary school since withdrawing may return to degree study by using the online application, or contacting the Admissions Office for a Readmit application. Students seeking readmission to the University must be in good academic standing and not have any holds on their account at the time of application.

Students who have taken a course or courses from another post-secondary school following withdrawal must apply for regular admission through the Admissions Office.

Application of Credits from Prior Enrollment

Upon re-admittance, courses that are more than seven years old will not automatically be applied to the major. A course-by-course analysis will be made by the appropriate department to determine whether the course content is still appropriate and meets program requirements.

The Admission Decision

✓ Applicants are evaluated for admission on the following criteria: strength of high school academic curriculum and grades achieved; and academic and personal recommendations.

✓ UMPI operates on a rolling admission policy. Applicants are notified of the admission decision a short time after it has been made.

✓ Admission to the University is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of all secondary school and post-secondary school courses in progress when the acceptance is given.

✓ The University reserves the right to rescind the acceptance of any applicant.

✓ Freshmen, transfer and readmitted students are accepted by the University for either the fall or spring semester.

✓ Students transferring into the PTA, MLT or YourPace programs may be accepted into the summer semester.

Regular Admission Standards for Two-Year and Four-Year Programs

Candidates must be graduates of approved secondary schools or hold a High School Equivalency Diploma.

The following program at the secondary school level is *recommended* for regular admission:

High School Preparation (college track)

	<u>Units</u>
English	4
Mathematics	3
Science with lab	2
Social Studies	3
Electives	2
Foreign Language	2
TOTAL	16

Admission Standards for Selected Programs

The Medical Laboratory Technology, Physical Therapist Assistant, and Nursing Programs are governed by enrollment limitations. Applicants are selected on an individual basis, and specific requirements must be met to be considered for admission.

A high school diploma or its equivalent is required of all applicants. The following college preparatory curriculum is the minimum requirement:

High School Preparation

	<u>Units</u>
English	4
Biology includes lab component . . .	1
Chemistry and Lab	1
Mathematics college prep	2
Social Studies minimum	1
Electives	6
TOTAL	15

Persons interested in applying for these programs who do not meet the above listed entrance requirements are invited to contact the Admissions Office. Assistance will be provided in identifying methods to obtain the necessary courses required for application.

Interviews

Students whose previous work does not qualify them for regular admission may be asked to complete an interview. This interview consists of meeting with a representative from the Admissions Office, Student Support Services, and a faculty member in the student’s area of interest. The interview will give the student an opportunity to discuss his or her overall academic record and why he or she is ready for the college experience. The faculty and staff members involved in the interview will ask questions pertaining to the student’s record for the purpose of making a decision on admissibility. If admitted, certain requirements may be added to the student’s program or certain restrictions placed upon it.

Transfer Policy

From within the University of Maine System

An internal transfer student is defined as a transfer student whose most recent collegiate work has been within the University of Maine System.

Internal transfer students who are in good standing at another school within the University of Maine System will be accepted at UMPI.

Students who have completed the ‘General Education Block’ at another UMS institution at the time they transfer to UMPI will be considered to have met all the requirements of the UMPI General Education Curriculum.

In general, the following guidelines are used. Students whose transcripts indicate they are not in good standing (i.e., on probation, suspension, or dismissal) will not be admitted to a degree program at UMPI, but may attend as a non-degree student. Non-degree students may be accepted for admission after taking three to nine credits at UMPI and achieving a 2.00 grade point average.

From outside the University of Maine System

UMPI encourages the admission of qualified transfer students from regionally accredited two-year and four-year colleges. Applicants must have a minimum of a 2.00 grade point average (on a 4.00 scale). Transfer credit is generally awarded for courses in which a grade of C– or above has been earned.

Transfer applicants must submit official transcripts from all colleges attended, along with an official transcript from the high school from which they graduated. An official evaluation of transfer credits will be given to students after they have been accepted.

Applicants will not be considered for admission to UMPI for the semester immediately following their dismissal from another institution. Such students can, however, enroll as non-degree students for one semester.

Evaluation of Transfer Credit

Transfer students receive an official transcript analysis from the Registrar after the receipt of final official transcripts. Students will receive information so that arrangements can be made for the review and planning of their programs with their academic advisor.

International Students

Students who are citizens of other countries are welcomed at UMPI and are encouraged to apply for admission. In order to comply with University admission policies and regulations of the Immigration & Naturalization Service of the United States, students from other countries need to fulfill the following requirements:

- 1) Completed Application for Admission;
- 2) Official high school and non-United States college transcripts need to be evaluated and translated into English equivalency at one of the following agencies: a.) Center for Educational Documentation, PO Box 199, Boston, MA 02117, 617. 338.7171; b.) World Education Services, Inc., PO Box 5087, New York, NY 10113-0745, 212.966.6311; or agencies endorsed by the Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE) or the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES).

3) Take TOEFL exam in home country. A minimum score of 197 computer-based/530 paper-based, and 71 internet-based is required in order to be considered for admission. Students may be admitted with a TOEFL lower than 530 if acceptable proficiency in English can be demonstrated. UMPI also accepts IELTS with a score of 6.0. Students who come from English-speaking countries can have this requirement waived.

Early Admission Program

Early Admission allows students of junior or senior status who have exhibited the requisite proficiencies and achievements in high school to enter University programs prior to their completion

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of secondary school. Exceptions of class status may be made for exceptionally qualified students at the discretion of the University and its partnering institutions. Students may be admitted individually or under specific institutional memorandums of understanding; courses may be delivered at UMPI or approved external sites. Letters of recommendation into the Early Admission Program should be made by appropriate institutional representatives (e.g., guidance counselors, principals, superintendents). Assurance is also required that a high school diploma will be awarded prior to the fall semester of the student's sophomore year or concurrently with an associate degree.

Early College Experience Program

High school juniors and seniors with written recommendations from their guidance counselor, principal, and parent or guardian, may enroll for a maximum of six credit hours per semester on a "space available" basis. The courses should be applicable for high school credit. All applicants for the Early College Experience program must have the written approval of the Director of Early College Partnerships prior to enrolling in the courses. The program does not apply to non-credit courses or Continuing Education Unit (CEU) courses.

Students who are enrolled in their last semester of high school, and who have already applied and been accepted to UMPI or another UMS institution for the fall semester, may be granted permission to enroll in up to two courses (6 credit hours) at the 100 or 200 level during the summer 1 session that starts before they graduate from high school. This assumes that the high school student has not already taken 6 credit hours of free tuition during the Spring semester. Summer 2 coursework (which starts after high school graduation) will not be subsidized and any coursework taken will be the full responsibility of the student. Continued enrollment after the summer semester will be contingent upon the stu-

dent receiving a high school diploma, and providing evidence of high school graduation to UMPI.

YourPace Admissions Procedures

✓ Each applicant for admission is required to submit a complete YourPace application. Applicants should apply electronically at no cost on-line at www.online.umpi.edu.

✓ Each applicant must arrange for the forwarding of high school transcript, high school equivalency test (HiSet), or GED to the YourPace Admissions Office.

✓ Applicants should request the forwarding of their official college and university transcripts from each institution they attended.

The Admissions Decision

Prior college and/or work experience is required for admission into the YourPace programs, as follows:

✓ If you have 0-11 earned credit hours of college/university coursework, you will need to have 3 years of post-high school work experience

✓ If you have 12+ earned credit hours of college/university coursework, you will need to have 2 years of post-high school work experience

Non-Degree Admission

UMPI is committed also to serving the educational interests and aspirations of academically qualified individuals interested in taking courses for personal enrichment, job advancement, and expanded awareness.

Non-matriculated study is arranged through the Registrar's Office in Preble Hall.

Enrollment in credit-bearing courses requires a high school diploma or its equivalent, and evidence of such may be required. The University may require additional evidence that the non-matriculated student is qualified to study at the 200 level and above. Permission to study full-time (12 or more hours in a semester) in a non-matriculated status may be granted in exceptional cases.

Testing

All students admitted or re-admitted to UMPI with no prior course work from a regionally accredited institution or no transferable college level credits in reading, writing and/or mathematics will be coded for a placement test in any or all of those subject areas. The placement tests are optional. Students may choose to be placed into the courses, which align with their test code, some of which may be developmental in nature. If appropriate, students may choose to test to determine if they can be placed into a full array of college-level courses. Tests can be waived by SAT/ACT scores; cumulative high school grade point average, individual high school grades; or developmental or foundational level course work with grades of C- or higher. For a complete guide to placement testing, please see page 32. Students may retest once in any or all subject areas. Students receiving a grade in any developmental and/or foundational course, including a grade of W, will not be allowed to re-test in that subject. Re-tests are free of charge and study materials are available upon request.

Advanced Placement Exam

It is the policy of UMPI to grant credit for the introductory course in a subject field to an enrolled student who scores three (qualified), four (well qualified), or five (extremely well qualified) on the Advanced Placement Exam of the CEEB.

Information related to Advanced Placement can be found at: www.umpi.edu/offices/registrar-office/advanced-placement.

College Level Exam Program (CLEP)

UMPI accepts certain general and subject area CLEP tests and is also an approved test center for the CLEP examinations.

Information on the administration of CLEP and on UM-Presque Isle policies for the CLEP examinations can be found at: <http://www.umpi.edu/offices/testing-services/clep>

International Baccalaureate

UMPI recognizes IB and is committed to supporting students who have achieved a 5 or better on the highest level of the IB exam.

Information related to the International Baccalaureate can be found at: www.umpi.edu/offices/registrars-office/intl-bacc.

Veterans Information

UMPI welcomes the applications of veterans of the armed forces. In considering applicants, it is the policy of the University to recognize the advantages of the training and maturing aspects of the military. UMPI is an authorized institution for use of the Veterans Educational Assistance Program benefits.

For more information contact the Veteran’s Certifying Officer located

in the Registrar’s Office, Preble Hall, 207.768.9540.

Statement of compliance with United States Code section 3679 of title 38

Any individual who is entitled to educational assistance under chapter 31, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment, or chapter 33, Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits will be permitted to attend or participate in the course of education during the period beginning on the date on which the individual provides to the educational institution a certificate of eligibility for entitlement to educational assistance. A certificate of eligibility can also include a “Statement of Benefits” obtained from the Department of Veterans Affairs’ eBenefits website, or a VA form 28-1905 form for chapter 31 authorization purposes.

UMPI will not impose any penalty, including the assessment of late fees, the denial of access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities, or the requirement that a covered individual borrow additional funds, on any covered individual because of the individual’s inability to meet his or her financial obligations to the institution due to the delayed disbursement funding from the VA under chapter 31 or 33.

This agreement will terminate on the date on which payment from the VA is made to the institution or 90 days after the date the institution certified tuition and fees following the receipt of the certificate of eligibility, whichever date is most beneficial to the covered individual. ★

Financial Information

Estimated Cost of Attendance

2019-2020 Tuition, Fees, Room & Board

Annual cost based on a typical full-time load of 30 credit hours per year, a double room, and a 14-meal plan per week:

Charge	Maine Resident	Non-Resident/ Out-of-State
Tuition	\$7,170	\$11,460
Mandatory Fees	\$1,194	\$1,194
Room and Board	\$8,496	\$8,496
Books and Supplies ¹	\$900	\$900
Student Health Insurance ²	\$2,157	\$2,157
Yearly Total	\$19,917	\$24,207

¹ The cost for books and supplies is an estimate. Your costs may vary.

² Students who have health insurance coverage may request a waiver by providing proof of insurance.

Deposits

Upon acceptance, all students are required to pay a \$100.00 advance tuition deposit. The advance deposit is credited to the student’s account and is applied as a payment toward the student’s first semester bill. Advance Tuition deposits are not refundable after May 1 (January 1 for Spring semester).

Residency Guidelines

There are many factors which will be considered in determining residency for in-state tuition purposes. No one factor can be used to establish domicile, rather all factors and circumstances must be considered on a case-by-case basis. A domicile or residency classification assigned by a public or private authority neither qualifies nor disqualifies a student for University in-state status.

A student applying for admission to a degree program is classified as eligible, or not eligible, for in-state tuition at the time of acceptance to the University. A non-matriculated (non-degree) student is classified as eligible, or not eligible, for in-state tuition at the time of registration. The decision is made based on information and documentation furnished by the student and other information available to the University. No student is eligible for in-state tuition classification until he or she has become domiciled in Maine, in accordance with University guidelines, before such registration. If the student is enrolled full-time in an academic program, as defined by the University, it will be presumed that the student is in Maine for educational purposes, and that the student is not in Maine to establish a domicile. A residence established for the purpose of attending the University shall not by itself constitute domicile. The burden will be on the student to prove that he or she has established a Maine domicile for other than educational purposes.