



FALL 2016 FRESHMAN GUARANTEES FOR GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS THROUGH PITT'S REGIONAL CAMPUSES

- Business Administration
- Communication Science
(Speech Pathology/Audiology)
- Education
- Engineering
- Health Information Systems
- Information Sciences
- Law
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Public Health
- Public and International Affairs
- Social Work

The University of Pittsburgh is a member of the Association of American Universities, which includes the top 62 research institutions in North America. It is also one of the top recipients of National Institutes of Health research dollars and is affiliated with the internationally renowned University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC). For outstanding freshman applicants, the University offers a limited number of freshman guarantees to some of its most competitive graduate and professional programs.

During your undergraduate career at one of Pitt's regional campuses, as you complete the academic course work related to your guarantee program, there also will be plenty of out-of-the-classroom learning opportunities available to you that will allow you to complement your course work with experiential learning in the form of volunteer work, internships, and/or undergraduate research. The cities where our regional campuses are located offer many such opportunities. You are encouraged to take full advantage of them as you plan your undergraduate career.

To be considered for a graduate/professional school guarantee, as a prospective freshman you must apply to one of our regional campuses at Bradford, Greensburg, Johnstown, or Titusville and indicate the pre-professional field of study on your admissions application unless otherwise noted, below. Note that these are guidelines for guarantee consideration, as competition may vary from year to year. Application early in the senior year of high school is recommended.

Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA) Guarantee

- Apply to a regional campus.
- Be in top 10 percent of high school graduating class with a 1300 SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 29 ACT result.
- Maintain a minimum 3.5 grade point average in arts and sciences while satisfying the minimum course work requirements.
- Achieve minimum scores of 154 each on verbal and quantitative sections and a scores of 4.0 or above on the analytical writing section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- Demonstrate a commitment to public service through internships, volunteer, and/or work experience in the fields of public and international affairs.
- Apply to the Master of Public Administration, Master of Public and International Affairs, or Master of International Development programs. The offer of guaranteed admission remains in effect for three years after graduation from one of the regional campuses with a bachelor's degree.
- For information about GSPIA, go to www.gspia.pitt.edu.

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Graduate School of Public Health (Pitt Public Health) Guarantee

- Apply to a regional campus.
- Maintain a minimum 3.3 grade point average while satisfying the minimum course work requirements.
- Complete an undergraduate degree at a regional campus.
- Achieve minimum scores of 155 (70th percentile) on the Verbal section, 152 (60th percentile) on the Quantitative section, and a score of 3.5 or better on the Analytical Writing section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- For information about Pitt Public Health, go to www.publichealth.pitt.edu.

Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Specialized Master of Science Guarantees Katz Graduate School of Business

- Apply for freshman admission to a regional campus as a business major.
- Be in top 10% of high school graduating class and score 1350 or higher on SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 31 ACT (Math and English subscores average).
- Students who do not attend high schools that rank but who have an "A" average in high school, and who score 1350 or higher on the SAT, will be considered.
- Earn a business degree as a full-time undergraduate student at a University of Pittsburgh regional campus.
- Earn a cumulative GPA at the University of Pittsburgh of at least 3.50.
- For enrollment in the MBA program, you must achieve a score of 640 on the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) within three years prior to enrollment, have a minimum of two years of relevant work experience, and participate in a successful interview by the MBA admissions team. Students must apply to the full-time or part-time MBA program after graduation from a regional campus.
- The GMAT is waived for the MS programs in Accounting, Customer Insights, Finance, and Supply Chain Management. Students must apply to one of these MS programs during their senior year in business at a regional campus or after graduation as a business major.
- The offer of guaranteed admission for the MBA or one of the specialized MS programs remains in effect for five years after graduation as a business major from a regional campus.
- For information about the Katz Graduate School of Business, go to www.katz.pitt.edu.

School of Education Guarantee for Admission into The Master of Education (M.Ed.) or the Master of Teaching (MAT) Programs

- Indicate Pre-Education on admissions application.
- Earn a 3.5 grade point average in high school and a minimum 1250 SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 28 ACT.
- Maintain a 3.25 grade point average as a full-time undergraduate student at a regional campus (individual instances where a student's grade point average falls below 3.25 will be reviewed by the Dean of the School of Education).
- Attend a School of Education Teacher Education Information Session.
- Declare the specific teacher education program by the end of the junior year.
- Complete all prerequisite courses for the teacher education specialty area.
- Candidates in foreign language must also attain a rating of at least Advanced Low on the OPI examination administered by ACTFL.
- Show evidence of substantial experience working or volunteering with children or adolescents as a teacher, tutor, camp counselor, etc.
- For information about the Graduate School of Education, go to <http://www.education.pitt.edu/FutureStudents/TeacherCertification.aspx>.

School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences

Communication Science Disorders (speech pathology/audiology) Guarantee

- Indicate Pre-Communication Science on admissions application.
- Achieve a minimum SAT score of 1300 (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 29 ACT (Math and English subscores average).
- Have an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.6 when applying to the Communication Science major at the beginning of the spring semester of sophomore year.
- While completing the undergraduate degree in Communication Science at Pitt, maintain an overall GPA of 3.6 or higher, as well as a GPA of 3.6 or higher in the core communication science and disorders (CSD) courses.
- Achieve minimum scores at the 50th percentile on the verbal and quantitative sections and a score of 3.5 or better on the analytical writing section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- Complete the CSD Centralized Application Service (CSDCAS) process as required.
- For information about the CSD graduate program, go to: www.shrs.pitt.edu/macsd

Health Information Systems Guarantee

- Indicate pre-HIM on admissions application.
- Complete an undergraduate degree at Pitt with an overall QPA of 3.5 or higher.
- Completion of prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of C.
- Students offered the guarantee will be given the options of pursuing either the MS-HIS or MS-HIS RHIA Options.
- For information about the Health Information Systems graduate program go to www.shrs.pitt.edu/mshis.

Occupational Therapy Guarantee

- Indicate Pre-Occupational Therapy on admissions application.
- Complete an undergraduate degree at a regional campus with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher; completion of the prerequisite courses with a minimum grade of C and prerequisite GPA of 3.5.
- Achieve minimum scores at the 50th percentile on the verbal and quantitative sections and a score of 3.5 or better on the analytical writing section of the GRE General Test.
- Complete the OT Centralized Application Service (OTCAS) process as required.
- For information about the OT program, go to www.shrs.pitt.edu/mot.

Physical Therapy Guarantee

- Indicate Pre-Physical Therapy on admissions application.
- Rank in the top 10 percent of high school graduating class and achieve a 1350 SAT I (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 30 ACT score.
- Maintain a 3.5 or better science and overall grade point average (GPA) while enrolled in an undergraduate program at a regional campus.
- Complete all prerequisite coursework required for admission to the DPT program.
- Achieve minimum scores at the 50th percentile on the verbal and quantitative sections and a score of 3.5 or better on the analytical writing section of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- Demonstrate evidence of adequate exposure to the field of physical therapy.
- Complete the PT Centralized Application Service (PTCAS) process as required.
- For information about the DPT program, go to www.shrs.pitt.edu/dpt.

School of Information Sciences Guarantee

- A bachelor's degree from a Pitt campus earned in a STEM Field.
- An undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Complete at least one undergraduate programming course.
- Complete at least one undergraduate calculus course.
- Complete at least one undergraduate statistics course.
- For more information about the School of Information Sciences, go to www.ischool.pitt.edu.

School of Law Guarantee

- Indicate Pre-Law on admissions application.
- Be in top 10 percent of high school graduating class with a 1300 SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 29 ACT test result.
- While enrolled full-time at a regional campus, maintain a 3.5 grade point average.
- Complete an undergraduate degree at a regional campus.
- At point of application to law school, satisfy a standard character review and attain a 162 LSAT result.
- Note: For students not eligible for a freshman guarantee, working toward early admission to the School of Law after three years of study in arts and sciences or applying through our early decision program may be a desirable alternative.
- For information about the School of Law, go to www.law.pitt.edu.

School of Nursing Guarantee

- Indicate Nursing on admissions application for the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford or Johnstown.
- Be in the top 10% of high school graduating class with a minimum 1400 SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math) score or 32 ACT.
- Participate in scholarly or research opportunities in addition to curricular requirements.
- Establish a relationship with a faculty member (for mentoring) in area of interest by first term of sophomore year.
- Complete the Bachelor of Science in nursing degree at a Pitt campus with an overall sciences general grade point average (gpa) of 3.5 or higher as a nursing student.
- Attain a competitive score in Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
- Fulfill all specific requirements for selected graduate program.
- Note: Students offered the guarantee and meet the admission criteria will be given the option of pursuing either the master's, DNP, or PhD program in nursing.
- For information about the graduate programs in the School of Nursing, go to www.nursing.pitt.edu/academics.

School of Social Work Guarantee

- Apply to a regional campus.
- Indicate Pre-Social Work on the admissions application.
- Earn a 3.5 grade point average in high school with a 1200 SAT combined Critical Reading and Math) or 26 ACT result.
- For information about the School of Social Work, go to www.socialwork.pitt.edu.

Students have two options

Option 1

- Complete the requirements for admission to the Bachelor of Arts in Social Work (BASW) in the School of Social Work with a 3.5 or higher quality point average (QPA). The BASW program is an upper division program beginning in the junior year offered at the Oakland Campus only.
- Complete the BASW program with an overall 3.0 QPA.
- Complete the application to the Masters of Social Work program.

Option 2

- Complete your undergraduate degree at a regional campus with a minimum of a 3.0 QPA
- Have completed no less than 30 credits in both liberal arts and social sciences and a 3-credit course in statistics.
- Complete the application to the Masters of Social Work program.
- For information about the School of Social Work go to www.socialwork.pitt.edu.

Swanson School of Engineering Guarantee

- Indicate Pre-Engineering as your intended field of study on the admissions application.
- Achieve a minimum SAT score of 1470 (combined Critical Reading and Math) or 32 ACT.
- Be in the top 5 percent of your high school graduating class or have an equivalent grade point average (GPA).
- Complete relocation to the Pittsburgh campus Swanson School of Engineering after accruing 34 credits at a regional campus in the required prerequisite courses with a 2.75 GPA for all graduate programs except Bioengineering; for Bioengineering, a 3.5 is required.
- Complete an undergraduate degree in the Swanson School of Engineering at the University of Pittsburgh with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better.
- For more information about graduate engineering programs, go to www.engr.pitt.edu.