

BACKGROUND/FAMILY

DEMOGRAPHICS

What is your gender? Female Male

Note: This is important information that helps us anticipate and plan for housing needs and arrangements.

Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No

Note: This question is federally mandated by the U.S. Department of Education for statistical purposes. It is not a factor in Ball State's admission decision.

What is your race/ethnicity? (Select all that apply.)

- American Indian or Alaska Native Native Hawaiian or
 Asian Other Pacific Islander
 Black or African American White

Note: Ethnicity is requested in order to fulfill reporting obligations to the federal government. Ball State is committed to fostering a diverse campus community in which people from a wide variety of backgrounds, cultures, and perspectives respect and learn from one another. View our equal opportunity and affirmative action policy at www.bsu.edu/legal.

Where is your citizenship?

- United States citizen
 Immigrant, permanent resident of the following country:

Note: If you are an immigrant, you must provide a copy of your I551 card. Nonresident foreign students must apply for admission through the Rinker Center for International Programs at www.bsu.edu/international.

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? No Yes

Note: If yes, please attach a letter of explanation. Applicants will not be denied admission based solely on their admittance of conviction. In addition to complying with federal safety requirements, Ball State is committed to maintaining a healthy and safe campus environment that supports and protects students in their quest for educational and personal achievement.

FATHER/STEPFATHER/LEGAL GUARDIAN/SPOUSE

Last name _____ First name _____

Middle name _____ Suffix (Jr., etc.) _____

Please complete the following if different from your personal information on page A1:

Permanent home address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone, with area code (_____) _____ Cell phone, with area code (_____) _____

E-mail address _____ Cell company _____

MOTHER/STEPMOTHER/LEGAL GUARDIAN

Last name _____ First name _____

Middle name _____ Suffix (Jr., etc.) _____

Please complete the following if different from your personal information on page A1:

Permanent home address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home phone, with area code (_____) _____ Cell phone, with area code (_____) _____

E-mail address _____ Cell company _____

YOUR FAMILY

Who is/are your legal guardian(s), or with whom do you reside?

- Father and mother (including stepparents)
 Father/stepfather
 Mother/stepmother
 Spouse
 Independent*
 Other guardian*

* If you indicate "independent" or "other guardian," you may be classified as an out-of-state resident. For information regarding residency, visit www.bsu.edu/bursar/residency or call the bursar's office at 765-285-1643.

FAMILY ALUMNI

Do you have a parent, legal guardian, stepparent, or grandparent who graduated from Ball State?

- Yes No

Note: This information is requested for scholarship consideration only.

SIGN APPLICATION

YOUR CERTIFICATION

Please read and agree to the following statement:

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the information given in this application is complete and accurate. I understand that any falsification or omission is grounds for immediate disqualification from further consideration for admission, withdrawal of any offer of admission, or dismissal from Ball State University. I understand that all credentials submitted in support of this application become the property of the university and will not be returned.

Further, I accept responsibility for requesting that official transcripts from all other schools I have attended be forwarded to the Office of Admissions. I also understand that admission to the university does not guarantee admission to a particular academic program or major.

By signing my name below, I accept the terms of this agreement and wish for my application to be considered for admission.

Applicant signature (required) _____ Date _____

Social Security number _____

Submit this application in the enclosed envelope to: **Office of Admissions, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306-0855.**

OTHER MATERIALS

PROGRAM APPLICATIONS

Complete the relevant program application(s) on pages **A5–A11** if you indicated an interest in the Honors College or majors in architecture, art, dance, landscape architecture, music, theatre, or urban planning and development.

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR FORM

Give the form on page **A13** to your high school guidance counselor to complete and return to us. Be sure to fill out the Applicant Section yourself. Also ask your guidance counselor to send us your official high school transcript. If you earned a GED, request your GED score report from the testing agency and send it to us.

TEST SCORES

Request that your SAT and/or ACT scores be sent to Ball State. We accept both tests; please provide both scores if you have taken both tests. Students taking the ACT need to complete the writing portion for English placement and advanced credit consideration.

APPLICANT STATEMENT

Submit a one-page statement describing your special circumstances and academic credentials if you have been homeschooled, graduated from a nonaccredited high school, or have not completed the required course work or admission requirements. Use page **A12** or attach an additional sheet.

APPLICATION FEE

Your \$55 nonrefundable application fee (payable to Ball State University) must accompany this application. You will not be considered for admission to Ball State until this fee is paid.

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Admission to the **Honors College** is based on academic achievement and potential. High school students earning an Indiana Academic Honors Diploma or completing an advanced college preparatory curriculum in another state are encouraged to apply for the Honors College using this form. Your Honors College application will be reviewed after you are admitted to the university. Admission requirements are listed on page 3 of this booklet and at www.bsu.edu/honors/admission.

Please answer the questions below in the space provided, use page A6 of this booklet, or attach additional sheets as needed.

ABOUT YOU

Provide examples of your creative, artistic, or other noteworthy talents. _____

Describe your most positive academic experience in high school. _____

Describe your goals and aspirations for your college years and the years immediately following. _____

What do you hope to gain from membership in the Honors College, and what do you think you can contribute? _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

One or more letters of recommendation addressing your potential for advanced college academic work should be submitted directly by the recommender(s) or enclosed in a sealed envelope (signed across the seal by the recommender) on official letterhead. Letters from teachers are preferred. Recommendations must be sent to the Office of Admissions, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306-0855 (attn: Honors College Admissions).

HONORS SCHOLARSHIPS

Students admitted to the Honors College are eligible for several scholarships sponsored by Ball State and its benefactors and awarded by the Honors College. Some scholarships require a separate application form, while others do not. Admission to the Honors College does not guarantee scholarships. For more information and a scholarship application, visit www.bsu.edu/honors/freshscholars.

DEADLINES

To be considered for admission to the Honors College, you must complete and submit this form to: Office of Admissions, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306-0855 (attn: Honors College Admissions).

The Honors College has a competitive, rolling admission review process. Students are strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible. The priority deadline for fullest consideration, including scholarships, is **January 13, 2012**. The Honors College class will close **May 1, 2012**. The dean of the Honors College will notify students of their admission to the program about three weeks after receiving complete application materials.

The application and admission process for **transfer students** differs from the one for new freshmen. Transfer students should contact the Honors College directly by e-mail (honors@bsu.edu) or phone (765-285-1024).

Applicant signature (required) _____ Date _____

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Students interested in studying **architecture, landscape architecture, or urban planning and development** must be admitted to the College of Architecture and Planning (CAP) First-Year Program. Applicants must first be admitted to the university before they will be considered for this program. However, admission to the First-Year Program does not guarantee admission to one of these majors in the second year. Review the CAP admission criteria at www.bsu.edu/cap/admissions/ugcriteria.

ADMISSION PREFERENCE

The College of Architecture and Planning admits new students and more advanced applicants into different studio tracks. Learn more about these tracks at www.bsu.edu/cap/firstyear/firstyrtracks.

What is your CAP admission preference?

- Fall Studio Track or Spring Studio Track
- Accelerated Studio Track—Summer Semester
(Applicants must have completed at least 48 hours of college-level work before enrollment.)
- Predeclaration into landscape architecture or urban planning
(Applicants must have completed at least 30 hours of college-level work before enrollment. Students still must complete the First-Year Program.)
- Advanced placement at the second-year level or higher, transferring from an accredited architecture, landscape architecture, or urban planning program

MAJOR PREFERENCE

Although students are not asked to declare majors until completion of the First-Year Program, please indicate your current area(s) of interest.

- Architecture Landscape architecture Urban planning and development

What majors are you considering other than architecture, landscape architecture, or urban planning? _____

PREVIEW EVENTS

Please indicate your participation in the following events:

- Ball State Preview Day or CAP appointment (month/year) _____
- CAP Summer Workshop (month/year) _____

EXPERIENCES

Provide the information below about your background and experiences. Use page A12 of this booklet or attach additional sheets.

- Describe any experiences that have stimulated or enhanced your interest in architecture, landscape architecture, or urban planning.
- Describe any foreign travel experience you've had.
- List books you have read (other than assigned novels or textbooks) during the past 12 months.

DEADLINES

To be considered for admission to the College of Architecture and Planning, you must complete and submit this form to: Office of Admissions, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306-0855 (attn: Architecture and Planning Admissions).

The college has a competitive, rolling admission review process. Students are strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible. First-priority consideration will be given to applications received by **December 16, 2011**. Second priority will be given to applications received by **February 17, 2012**. Third priority will be given to applications received by **March 30, 2012**.

Students with outstanding academic records may be offered early admission and will be notified immediately following the review of their application materials.

REQUIRED ESSAY

Please submit a brief, typed essay (500 words maximum) addressing the following topic:

In your own words, please introduce the Admissions Committee to a place in your community of which you are fond and would routinely take a visitor to experience. In contrast, discuss another place in the same community that you find unacceptable and would like to change. Please explain how you would preserve the character of the place you are fond of, and what you would change to the place you find unacceptable. Please describe explicitly what your proposal would be and your assessment of its effect on your chosen places.

Your essay will be read for its ideas, style, organization, and language use. Attach the essay to this form; your application will not be considered without it. Please sign your name to certify the authenticity of your essay.

PORTFOLIO

A portfolio is not required, but applicants are strongly encouraged to submit photographs or copies of a few examples of artwork or other creative projects such as drawings, paintings, photography, or sculpture (do not send slides). Please mount these on no more than 12 sheets, sized 8.5 x 11 inches. These materials cannot be returned. Portfolio guidelines are available at www.bsu.edu/cap/admissions/ugportfolio. Portfolios should be sent to: College of Architecture and Planning, Architecture Building Room 104, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Admissions).

Do you plan to submit a portfolio? Yes No

RECOMMENDATION

Although optional, a letter of recommendation from someone who knows your skills and potential may strengthen your application. Recommendations on official letterhead should be sent by the recommender or enclosed in a sealed envelope (signed across the seal by the recommender) to the College of Architecture and Planning, Architecture Building, Room 104, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Admissions).

Do you plan to submit a letter of recommendation? Yes No

Applicant signature (required) _____ Date _____

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

Students interested in a **major in art** in the Department of Art must be admitted to the program on the basis of their academic record and a portfolio of current artwork. Before final acceptance into the art program, applicants must first be admitted to the university. Review the art admission requirements at www.bsu.edu/art/admission.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

The Department of Art offers several specializations in a variety of media. Find program descriptions, degree requirements, and our virtual gallery of student work at www.bsu.edu/art/programareas. Please indicate your area(s) of interest below.

- Art history
- Ceramics
- Drawing
- Electronic art (animation and video)
- Glass
- Metal/jewelry design
- Painting
- Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Visual arts education (teacher education)
- Visual communication (graphic design)

FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Consideration for art scholarships is contingent upon your acceptance as a Ball State student and your enrollment as an art major for the upcoming academic year. Review guidelines at www.bsu.edu/art/scholarships. The following materials must be submitted by the **postmark deadline of February 24, 2012**:

- Portfolio submitted on a CD as a PowerPoint presentation
- Inventory sheet of portfolio items
- Essay
- Résumé
- Recommendation form

I affirm that the information on this application is true, accurate, and complete. The portfolio submitted with this application represents original work created by me.

Applicant signature (required) _____ Date _____

DEADLINES

Key dates for admission and freshman scholarship consideration include:

February 18, 2012: Open House and Portfolio Review. On this day, students bring actual artwork to be reviewed for admission consideration. Advance registration is required. Learn more at www.bsu.edu/art/openhouse.

February 24, 2012: Priority deadline for admission and freshman scholarship consideration. The program application and scholarship materials must be **postmarked** by this date to receive full consideration.

April 2, 2012: Deadline for regular admission (no scholarship consideration). Applications received after this date will be considered on a space-available basis. We encourage you to apply early.

ADMISSION MATERIALS

Art admission requirements include:

- Portfolio of 10–15 original works of art. Students who do not attend the Open House or are applying for scholarships must submit the portfolio on a CD as a PowerPoint presentation. Learn more at www.bsu.edu/art/digitportfolio.
- Inventory sheet of portfolio items.
- Transcripts and test scores submitted to Ball State will be reviewed as part of the scholarship and art program application.

The art program application and scholarship materials must be mailed to:

Department of Art
Art and Journalism Building, Room 401
Ball State University
2000 West University Avenue
Muncie, IN 47306-0405

Students considering a major in art are encouraged to apply early in order to meet the deadlines for admission and scholarship consideration. When enrollment goals are met, admission will close.

TRANSFER APPLICANTS

Please review the transfer applicant guidelines at www.bsu.edu/art/transfer.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Students interested in the bachelor of fine arts (BFA) programs in **acting** and **musical theatre** in the Department of Theatre and Dance must audition for admission into these majors and for scholarship consideration. Before final acceptance into the theatre program, applicants must first be admitted to the university. Review the theatre and dance admission requirements at www.bsu.edu/theatre/admissions. Applicants admitted to the university but not admitted to the acting or musical theatre programs may declare the theatrical studies major and reaudition after completing a semester on campus.

Students interested in **nonperformance options in theatre** do not need to audition for admission, but they are strongly encouraged to schedule an interview for scholarships.

AUDITIONS/INTERVIEWS

Applicants need to attend only one of the available audition/interview dates; an audition schedule will be e-mailed to you. Review the theatre audition and interview guidelines at www.bsu.edu/theatre/auditions.

Please indicate the **performance program(s)** for which you want to audition for admission and scholarships.

- Acting
- Musical theatre
- None

Please indicate the **nonperformance program(s)** for which you want to interview for scholarship consideration.

- Stage management
- Theatre education
- Costume design
- Lighting design
- Scene design
- Sound design
- Technical direction
- Directing
- Theatrical studies
- Other: _____

Which audition/interview date do you prefer?

On-campus auditions:

- November 12, 2011 (deadline: October 31, 2011)
- February 11, 2012 (deadline: January 30, 2012)
- February 25, 2012 (deadline: February 13, 2012)

National Unified Auditions (for BFA options only):

- February 4, 2012—New York
- February 5, 2012—New York
- February 6, 2012—Chicago
- February 7, 2012—Chicago
- February 8, 2012—Chicago
- February 12, 2012—Los Angeles

Deadline for all unified auditions:
January 23, 2012

Note: If all dates or deadlines are past, please contact the Department of Theatre and Dance at 765-285-8740 for further information.

DEADLINES

To be considered for admission to the theatre program as well as scholarships, you must complete and submit this form along with the required materials listed below **at least two weeks** before your audition/interview date to: Department of Theatre and Dance, Arts and Communications Building, Room 306, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Programs).

AUDITION MATERIALS

Performance audition requirements:

- Theatre résumé
- Head shot photo
- Letter of recommendation
- Two music selections of contrasting styles, 16 bars each (if auditioning for musical theatre)
- This completed audition request form

Nonperformance interview requirements:

- Theatre résumé
- Letter of recommendation
- This completed audition request form
- Examples of your work (bring to the interview)
- Snapshot of your face (optional)

All performance and nonperformance materials must be mailed to the Department of Theatre and Dance **no later than two weeks** before your audition/interview date. Send materials to:

Department of Theatre and Dance
Arts and Communications Building, Room 306
Ball State University
2000 West University Avenue
Muncie, IN 47306
Attn: Undergraduate Programs

MUSICAL THEATRE

Answer the following questions only if you want to study musical theatre.

Do you read music? Yes No

Have you studied voice? Yes No If yes, how long? _____

Have you studied piano? Yes No If yes, how long? _____

Do you play any other instrument? Yes No

If yes, please specify. _____

Have you had any formal dance training (classes)? Yes No

If yes, please list types and years of study on your résumé.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicants auditioning for the **acting** and **musical theatre** programs will be automatically considered for scholarships; no additional audition is needed. Any scholarship offer is contingent upon your acceptance as a Ball State student and your enrollment as a theatre major for the upcoming academic year.

Applicant signature (required) _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Students interested in the **dance major or minor** in the Department of Theatre and Dance must audition for admission into these programs and for scholarship consideration. Before final acceptance into the dance program, applicants must first be admitted to the university. Review the theatre and dance admission requirements at www.bsu.edu/theatre/admissions.

AUDITIONS

Applicants need to attend only one of the available audition dates; an audition schedule will be e-mailed to you. Review the dance audition guidelines at www.bsu.edu/theatre/auditions. The audition is also used for placement in dance technique classes.

Please indicate the dance program(s) for which you want to audition.

Dance major Dance minor

Which on-campus audition date do you prefer?

November 12, 2011 (deadline: October 31, 2011)

February 11, 2012 (deadline: January 30, 2012)

February 25, 2012 (deadline: February 13, 2012)

Note: If all dates or deadlines are past, please contact the Department of Theatre and Dance at 765-285-8740 for further information.

BACKGROUND

Summarize the dance training you've had (list master classes, dance workshops, dance festivals, etc.).

	Place (studio)	Type of dance	Hours per week	Number of years
1.	_____	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Do you read music? Yes No

Do you play a musical instrument? Yes No If yes, please specify. _____

Applicant signature (required) _____ **Date** _____

DEADLINES

To be considered for admission to the dance program and scholarships, you must complete and submit this form along with the required materials **at least two weeks** before your audition date to: Department of Theatre and Dance, Arts and Communications Building, Room 306, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Programs).

AUDITION MATERIALS

Dance audition requirements:

- Dance résumé
- Full body photograph
- Letter of recommendation
- This completed audition request form

All materials must be mailed to the Department of Theatre and Dance **no later than two weeks** before your audition date. Send materials to:

Department of Theatre and Dance
 Arts and Communications Building, Room 306
 Ball State University
 2000 West University Avenue
 Muncie, IN 47306
 Attn: Undergraduate Programs

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applicants auditioning for the **dance major** will be automatically considered for scholarships; no additional audition is needed. Dance minors are not eligible for scholarships. Any scholarship offer is contingent upon your acceptance as a Ball State student and your enrollment as a dance major for the upcoming academic year.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Students interested in a **music major or minor** in the School of Music must audition for admission to these programs as well as scholarship consideration. Before final acceptance into the program, applicants must first be admitted to the university. Review the music audition guidelines and admission requirements at www.bsu.edu/music/auditions.

EXPERIENCE

Your principal instrument/voice: _____

Your high school music instructor: _____

Private instructor: _____

Number of years of musical study: _____

How long have you studied privately? _____

Repertoire you have studied: _____

Ensemble experience (list years, directors' names, chair or position): _____

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Please indicate the music program for which you want to audition.

- Major in music composition Major in music media production
 Major in music education A music minor program
 Major in music performance

MUSIC COMPOSITION

Music composition applicants with prior composition/arranging experience should submit two or three examples of original compositions and/or arrangements in notation format. Applicants without prior experience should submit a one-page statement explaining their musical background and interests in composition. Use page A12 or an attached sheet.

MUSIC EDUCATION

Answer the following questions only if you want to study music education.

Which teaching license are you interested in? (Note: Additional years of study are required for multiple licenses.)

- Instrumental and general music education
 Vocal and general music education

On page A12 of this booklet or an attached sheet, answer these questions:

- List/describe your teaching experiences and leadership opportunities with youth/children (i.e., cadet teaching, summer camp counselor).
- In a brief paragraph, address your reasons for wanting to pursue a career in music education and your long-term goals.

MUSIC MEDIA PRODUCTION

Answer the following questions only if you want to study music media production. Use page A12 of this booklet or attach additional sheets.

- Please list the most advanced math and science classes you have taken (or will take).
- Describe your previous experience in music media production.
- Why do you want to study music media production at Ball State?

Applicant signature (required) _____

Date _____

DEADLINES

To be considered for music admission and scholarships, you must complete and submit this form along with the required materials listed below **at least three weeks** before your audition date to: School of Music, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Programs). See audition dates below.

AUDITIONS

Applicants must audition on a primary instrument with faculty from that area, demonstrating proficiency in keyboard, symphonic instruments (strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion), guitar, voice, or harp. Review the music audition and interview guidelines at www.bsu.edu/music/auditions.

Voice auditions require an accompanist. You may bring your own or be accompanied by a Ball State staff member or student for a \$35 fee. This fee is due at your audition. Please send in your music three weeks before your audition to: School of Music, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Programs).

On what instrument/voice part will you audition? _____

If you plan to audition on a second instrument/voice part, list it here:

Voice applicants: Will you need a Ball State accompanist? Yes No

Please indicate your first preference for your audition date below.

- January 27, 2012, 2–8 p.m. (deadline: January 6, 2012)
 February 11, 2012, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (deadline: January 23, 2012)
The above date is for voice and keyboard only.
 February 12, 2012, 1–8 p.m. (deadline: January 23, 2012)
The above date is for winds, percussion, and strings only.
 February 20, 2012, noon–8 p.m. (deadline: January 30, 2012)

If all dates or deadlines are past, please contact us at music@bsu.edu.**PIANO TEST**

If you have had prior piano instruction, you will be asked to take a piano proficiency test on the day of your audition. Be prepared to perform a short repertoire selection that demonstrates your current piano ability level.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Music scholarships are awarded to prospective music majors on the basis of their performance at auditions.

THEORY EXAM

At your audition, you'll be required to take a music theory exam in order to determine your readiness for college-level music theory. This test includes pitch identification, scales (major, harmonic minor, melodic minor, natural minor), key signatures (major and their relative minor), intervals (identify and notate), rests, note values, and simple melodic notation.

RECOMMENDATION

Please provide at least one recommendation from someone in the music profession (band director, choral director, or private teacher). Download the recommendation form at www.bsu.edu/music/auditions. Recommendations should be sent to: School of Music, Ball State University, 2000 West University Avenue, Muncie, IN 47306 (attn: Undergraduate Programs).

PARENT E-MAIL

All communication regarding the audition process will be via e-mail. Please provide a parent's e-mail address in addition to your own.

Parent e-mail _____

2012-13 GUIDANCE COUNSELOR FORM

APPLICANT SECTION

To be completed by a currently enrolled high school senior. Please fill in the information below about yourself; then carefully detach this form and give it to your high school guidance counselor to complete. Your counselor must send the completed form directly to Ball State's Office of Admissions.

Last name _____ First name _____
Middle name _____ Suffix (Jr., etc.) _____
Address _____

COUNSELOR SECTION

To be completed by the applicant's high school guidance counselor. The named student is applying for admission to Ball State University. This form is part of the university's application requirements. Please fill in the requested information and send this document directly to Ball State's Office of Admissions.

High school name _____ HS CEEB Code _____
Student's graduation date (month/year) _____ Indiana student test number (STN) _____

Will this student be awarded a high school diploma? Yes No
For Indiana students only:
Is this student on track to complete Core 40? Yes No
Has this student passed the ISTEP+ exam? Yes No
Is this student pursuing an Indiana Academic Honors Diploma? Yes No N/A

TRANSCRIPT AND PROFILE
The student's official transcript and a list of his or her courses in progress are **required**. If available, please also include a high school profile.

COURSES IN PROGRESS

Please list the student's academic courses currently in progress, or attach a list to this form.

7th semester or equivalent:

8th semester or equivalent:

COUNSELOR COMMENTS

Counselor name _____ Phone, with area code (_____) _____ ext. _____
E-mail address _____

Counselor signature _____ Date _____

MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Counselor: Upon completion of this form, please mail it with all supporting credentials to the address below.

Office of Admissions
Ball State University
2000 West University Avenue
Muncie, IN 47306-0855

EXCELLENCE BEGINS WITH STUDENTS

Dear Guidance Counselor,

Thank you for taking the time to complete the form on the other side and send it to us on behalf of your student. The information you provide will allow us to fully evaluate the student's academic ability, motivation, and potential to accomplish college-level work.

As part of our strategic plan, Ball State is committed to enrolling **bright, creative, and well-prepared students** who can thrive in an **intellectually challenging environment** and graduate with the skills and experience to become productive leaders in the global economy. We're looking for students who exhibit solid **problem-solving capabilities**, exceptional **skill and craftsmanship** in their assignments and work, strong oral and written **communication skills**, and the **motivation** to accomplish personal goals.

To help these students succeed, we're committed to providing:

Academics: A wide variety of academic programs, a number of them nationally ranked and recognized, and an excellent Honors College to stretch and inspire the brightest students.

Challenge: Intense, collaborative, immersive learning experiences that provide life-changing, innovative educational opportunities beyond the classroom with tangible results.

Faculty: Exceptional access to faculty through a low student-to-faculty ratio, small class sizes, and flexible office hours. Nearly all of our classes are taught by professors, rather than graduate students.

Community: Award-winning first-year programs and living-learning communities that help freshmen get connected on campus and make a successful transition to college.

Diversity: A vibrant, supportive campus environment that fosters diversity, wellness, and access, plus an extensive network of study abroad and cultural immersion opportunities to broaden students' perspectives.

Activities: Hundreds of student organizations and extracurricular activities that offer countless opportunities for building relationships, life skills, and leadership abilities.

Technology: Leading-edge wired and wireless technology resources and emerging media applications that are made available to all students from their first semester on.

Affordability: Relatively low costs and substantial financial aid packages that make an excellent education affordable for more students.

Connections: Valuable connections with business and industry professionals that give students an advantage in the job market after graduation.

It's no coincidence that The Princeton Review has named Ball State one of the **best universities in the Midwest**—the top 25 percent—the past six years. For seven straight years, *U.S. News & World Report* has listed Ball State among the nation's **first-year "programs to look for,"** recognizing our innovative efforts to help students make a successful transition from high school to college. *U.S. News & World Report* also has ranked Ball State 20th among "up-and-coming" colleges and universities, placing us among institutions "that recently made the most promising and innovative changes in the areas of academics, faculty, student life, campus, or facilities."

I appreciate your assistance and support of your students who are considering admission to our university.

Sincerely,



Chris Munchel
Director of Admissions
Ball State University
cmunchel@bsu.edu



P.S. If your student is completing an advanced college preparatory curriculum such as the Indiana Academic Honors Diploma, shows exceptional academic and leadership potential, and would thrive in a highly selective and intellectually stimulating small-college environment, you might want to recommend applying to our **Honors College**. Information about this special program is available at www.bsu.edu/honors.

CONGRATULATIONS!

By filling out this application, you've taken a significant step toward becoming a Ball State University student and beginning to prepare for a prosperous and rewarding career. This application is your key to the exciting, challenging, and innovative opportunities and experiences that define a Ball State education.

Please take a moment to make sure you have completed all pertinent parts of the application and have prepared the additional information and materials requested in the application.

DID YOU REMEMBER TO...

- Fill out all of the relevant blanks and check all of the appropriate boxes on the **university application** for admission and housing (pages A1–A4)?
- List current **addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails** for you and for your parents or legal guardians (pages A1 and A3)?
- Jot down a couple of **intended majors or areas of study** that interest you, or indicate that you're "still deciding" (page A1)?
- List all **advanced credit courses or tests** you've taken so far or plan to take soon (page A2)?
- Write down all of your **extracurricular activities** plus awards and honors you've received (page A2) and attach a résumé, if you'd like?
- Complete the **Honors College application** (page A5) if you desire extra academic challenges and opportunities?
- Completely fill out the appropriate **program applications** on pages A7–A11 if you intend to major in architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning, art, theatre, dance, or music?
- Fill out the Applicant Section of the **Guidance Counselor Form** (page A13)?
- Sign and date** each application you completed?

QUESTIONS? NEED HELP?

If you need assistance with the application and admission process, please feel free to call, e-mail, or visit us online.

Office of Admissions

800-482-4BSU (4278) toll-free
765-285-8300
TTY only 765-285-2205
E-mail: askus@bsu.edu
www.bsu.edu/admissions

For disability access:

Office of Disabled Student Development

765-285-5293
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E-mail: dsd@bsu.edu
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DON'T FORGET TO...

- Detach the **Guidance Counselor Form** (page A13) along the perforation and ask your high school guidance counselor to fill it out and send it to us. A list of your courses in progress is required.
- Ask your guidance counselor to send us your **official high school transcript**. If you earned a GED, request your **GED score report** from the testing agency and send it to us.
- Make sure your **SAT and/or ACT scores** have been or will be sent to Ball State. We accept both tests; please provide both scores if you have taken both tests.
- Prepare a **one-page applicant statement** detailing special circumstances if you have been homeschooled, graduated from a nonaccredited high school, or have not completed the required course work or admission requirements (see the checklist on page 5 of this packet for details).
- Make a photocopy** of your completed application and accompanying materials for your records.
- Make a note of any **additional information or materials** you'll need to provide for the Honors College or majors in architecture, landscape architecture, urban planning, art, theatre, dance, or music if you completed any of the program applications on pages A5–A11.
- Include the **\$55 nonrefundable application fee** (payable by check or money order to Ball State University) with your completed application.
- Use the **enclosed, postage-paid envelope** to send us your completed application, fee, and related materials. Carefully pull this application (pages A1–A16) out of the booklet, and remove and discard any unused forms or pages. If you are applying to the **art, theatre, dance, or music** programs, remove those applications and mail them separately to the departmental addresses listed on the forms. Mail the rest of your materials—including the **Honors College** and/or **architecture and planning** program applications, if completed—to the Office of Admissions.

COSTS AND FINANCIAL AID

Ball State has been named one of the best values among the nation’s most academically outstanding colleges by The Princeton Review, as well as one of the best universities in the Midwest the past six years. Excellent academics, generous financial aid packages, and relatively low costs have helped us earn these accolades.

At Ball State, you’ll find the exceptional resources, opportunities, and affordability of a larger public university, along with the personal attention, support, and access typical of a smaller private college.

ESTIMATED 2012–13 ACADEMIC YEAR COSTS FOR NEW STUDENTS

	Indiana resident	Out-of-state resident
Tuition (12–18 hours per semester)	\$8,318	\$22,988
Room and board (starts at)*	\$7,630	\$7,630
University technology fee	\$336	\$336
Recreation center fee	\$174	\$174
Health center fee	\$152	\$152
Residence hall technology fee*	\$120	\$120
TOTAL COST	\$16,730	\$31,400

Additional expenses:

Books/supplies, \$1,000 (estimated); personal expenses/transportation, \$2,600 to \$3,000 (estimated).

Cost notes:

*The residence hall rates and fees shown here are for 2011–12. Rates for 2012–13 will be set in spring 2012. Actual room and board cost may vary depending on the type of room and meal plan requested. Detailed rates and options are available at www.bsu.edu/housing/rates.

Cost information is based on full-time enrollment for the fall and spring semesters. The Board of Trustees reserves the right to change the fees or charges for any semester or session. The most current rates are always available at www.bsu.edu/bursar.

UNIVERSITY DISCLOSURES

Campus Security Report/Crime Statistics [668.46]

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 U.S.C. 1092), Ball State University provides the required information to all faculty, staff, and students at www.bsu.edu/securityreport. The Annual Security Report contains crime statistics for the three most recent calendar years and campus policy regarding reporting of on- and off-campus criminal activity; facility safety and access; law enforcement; and the sale, possession, and use of alcohol and illegal drugs, including sanctions. It also includes information regarding availability of drug and alcohol education programs, safety and crime prevention programs, and sexual assault prevention programs and procedures to follow when sex offenses occur. The Campus Security Report is available in printed form upon request. Call the Office of Student Rights and Community Standards at 765-285-5036.

Report on Athletic Program Participation Rates and Financial Support Data [668.47]

The Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act Report provides data on athletic participation rates and data on financial support for athletic teams. Call Intercollegiate Athletics at 765-285-1671.

More federally required disclosures for Ball State University are at www.bsu.edu/consumerdisclosures.

Ball State University provides equal opportunity in



FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Ball State awards more than \$200 million in financial aid each year, including scholarships, grants, loans, and work programs. About four of every five students receive merit- and/or need-based financial awards. Make sure you fill out and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is required for consideration for financial aid. For more information about FAFSA and financial aid, visit www.bsu.edu/finaid. To learn more about Ball State’s scholarship programs, including those open to freshmen, go to www.bsu.edu/admissions/scholarships.

employment and in its education programs, activities, and facilities without regard to race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, disability, national origin, ancestry, or age. It also takes affirmative action to employ and advance minorities, women, Vietnam-era veterans, disabled veterans, and other disabled persons. For further information, visit www.bsu.edu/legal or contact the Office of University Compliance, Ball State University, Muncie, IN 47306; telephone: 765-285-5162; TTY: 765-285-2639.

Ball State wants its programs and services (including provision of alternative media) to be accessible to people with disabilities. For information on access, adaptations, or accommodations, please contact us in person, by mail, or call the Office of Disabled Student Development at 765-285-5293 or TTY users only 765-285-2206.

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