

# What is Common App



Common App is a non-profit college access organization that helps students apply to college every year. Common App's free college application tool is designed to make applying to college faster and easier. With Common App you only need to use one system to apply to multiple colleges and universities. There are two main parts you fill out: a set of common questions and each college's own specific questions. The best part is you only have to fill out the common questions one time!

## Common App at a glance

- Almost 900 colleges and universities use Common App
- 204 public colleges and universities
- 62 international universities in 18 countries
- 12 HBCUs
- More than 325 without app fee
- Nearly 250 test optional/flexible

Common App is a place for you to learn about the college admissions process, understand how to plan and apply to college, and discover all that different colleges have to offer. It's a hub of information that can guide you through each step of the application journey. It's a resource that connects you with financial aid and scholarship opportunities.

## Whatever questions you might have, we're here to help

**Application guides** to give you step-by-step instructions on completing your application.

A **college roadmap** designed to guide you toward your next destination — no matter where you start.

An **application dictionary** to help you understand the terminology related to college applications.

A **library of FAQs and video tutorials** to answer any question you may have, and a support team that's available **24/7/365**.

## What's Next

Visit [commonapp.org](https://commonapp.org) to create your Common App account and start exploring colleges.