

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA MORRIS

**APPLICATION
FOR ADMISSION
AND
COMPETITIVE
SCHOLARSHIPS**



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If you are an international student (non-United States (U.S.) citizen who is not a U.S. permanent resident) or are applying to transfer from another campus of the University of Minnesota (Crookston, Rochester, Duluth, or Twin Cities), please call 1-888-866-3382 or visit morris.umn.edu to request the appropriate Application for Admission.

First-Year, Transfer, and MN PSEO Application for Admission

We are pleased you are applying for admission to the University of Minnesota, Morris. This application allows you to present yourself and express your individuality. Admission to Morris is a competitive process and every application is carefully reviewed. Take the time to tell us about you, your life, and your goals.

Enrolling an academically qualified, diverse student body is essential to the University's mission. The academic and social environment of the campus is greatly enhanced by a diverse student body, and students are better prepared to thrive in a global, multiracial, and multicultural world.

The University of Minnesota, Morris reserves the right to deny admission to an otherwise admissible applicant if the University determines that the applicant's enrollment would not be in the applicant's and/or the University's best interests.

In reviewing your Application for Admission, we will use the following factors.

Primary Review Factors

- Successful school performance including high school or college coursework chosen, grades earned, high school rank percentile (if calculated), and grade point average
- Standardized test scores including ACT and/or SAT Reasoning
- Successful completion of a college preparatory curriculum
- Strength of the curriculum through high school graduation, including courses that exceed the core subject requirements and any advanced courses (e.g., honors, AP, IB, college level)

Secondary Review Factors

- ACT/SAT writing test results
- Letters of recommendation
- Personal interview
- Evidence of exceptional achievement, aptitude, or personal accomplishment not reflected in the academic record or standardized test scores
- Participation in extracurricular college preparatory programs (e.g., MEP, PSEO, Talent Search, Upward Bound, and other programs)
- Evidence of exceptional talent or ability in artistic, scholarly, leadership, or athletic performance
- Evidence that enrollment would enhance the cultural, gender, age, economic, racial, or geographic diversity of the student body
- Evidence of exceptional motivation, maturity, or responsibility
- Outstanding high school or community involvement
- Work experience, paid or unpaid
- Size of graduating class
- Evidence of having overcome social, economic, or physical barriers to educational attainment
- Extenuating circumstances

First-Year Applicants

Applications submitted to Morris are reviewed on a rolling basis beginning September 15.

Priority Deadline for Admission and competitive scholarships: December 15

Complete applications postmarked by December 15 will be considered for admission, University of Minnesota, Morris competitive scholarships, and achievement scholarships (for details see: admissions.morris.umn.edu/costsaid/scholarships/). **You must apply by December 15 to be considered for all available University of Minnesota, Morris competitive scholarships.**

Final Admission Deadline: March 15

Applications postmarked after December 15 will be considered for admission and Morris campus achievement scholarships. Applications postmarked after December 15 are no longer eligible for the University of Minnesota, Morris competitive scholarships.

A \$150 nonrefundable confirmation fee is required of all admitted students by May 1 to confirm your intent to enroll. Campus housing assignments and class registration begin in April and are open only to students who have paid their confirmation fee.

Application Checklist for First-Year Students

- Complete the Application for Admission and Competitive Scholarships or apply online at admissions.morris.umn.edu.
- Attach a check or money order payable to the University of Minnesota, Morris for the \$35 nonrefundable application fee (MN PSEO applicants do not pay this fee).
- Provide an official copy of your high school transcripts with high school rank (if applicable). If you have enrolled in coursework for college credit, an official transcript from the college(s) should also be submitted. Official examination results from Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate should also be submitted if applicable/available. If you have received a General Equivalency Diploma (GED), an official score report should be sent in addition to any available high school transcripts.
- Submit an official score report of your ACT (including writing portion) and/or SAT Reasoning scores to Morris. These scores need not be sent separately if they appear on your official high school transcript. The Morris ACT code is 2155 and the SAT code is 6890.
- Send your Application for Admission and Competitive Scholarships and supporting materials to: Office of Admissions, University of Minnesota, Morris, 600 East 4th Street, Morris, MN 56267-2132.

Note to current PSEO students: If you are currently a student in the Minnesota Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) Program, regardless of the total number of college credits you have earned, you will be considered a new first-year student for admission, scholarship, financial aid, housing, and orientation purposes. Please follow all first-year application procedures and deadlines.

Transfer Applicants

Applications submitted to Morris are reviewed on a rolling basis beginning September 15.

	Priority Date	Confirmation Reply Date
Spring Admission	November 1	* Within 30 days of notification
Fall Admission	June 1	* Within 30 days of notification

* All admitted applicants are asked to confirm their intent to enroll with a **\$150 nonrefundable confirmation fee on or before the confirmation reply date deadline for the chosen admission option. Campus housing assignments and class registration are open only to students who have paid their confirmation fee.**

Application Checklist for Transfer Applicants

- Complete the Application for Admission or apply online at admissions.morris.umn.edu.
- Attach a check or money order payable to the University of Minnesota, Morris for the \$35 nonrefundable application fee.
- Have official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended sent to Morris at the address below.
- If you have completed fewer than 30 transferable credits of college coursework, provide a copy of your official high school transcripts with high school rank (if applicable), and an official copy of your ACT and/or SAT scores. These scores need not be sent separately if they appear on your official high school transcript. If you were a home-schooled student, please submit a listing of subjects studied and grades obtained (if applicable). If you have received a General Equivalency Diploma (GED), an official score report should be sent in addition to any available high school transcripts.
- Send your Application for Admission and supporting materials to: Office of Admissions, University of Minnesota, Morris, 600 East 4th Street, Morris, MN 56267-2132.

Application for Admission

All information on this form is private. It will be used for identification, to determine admission, and to establish your University of Minnesota, Morris academic record if you are admitted. Your date of birth (if over age 25) and Social Security number are voluntary and will be used for positive identification, advising and counseling, course placement, and institutional research. Not providing this information will have no effect on the admission decision. Information will be shared with University offices for the uses described above and may be released outside the University to organizations conducting studies on its behalf.

Admission Option / Start Term

I will be a:

- Freshman
 Transfer
 PSEO (On-Campus): Full-Time _____ Part-Time _____
 PSEO (Online)

I wish to begin classes:

- Fall 20 _____
 Spring 20 _____

Personal Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Former Name: _____ Preferred Name/Nickname: _____

Social Security Number: (optional) _____ Birth Date: (optional) _____ / _____ / _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

{All mail will be sent to this address}

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Other Mailing Address: _____

{If different from permanent address}

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone Number: (_____) _____

Other Telephone Number: Cell Phone Other (please specify type) _____ (_____) _____

Applicant's E-mail Address: _____ Parent's E-mail Address: _____

Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No

If 'no':

Country of Citizenship: _____

Country of Birth: _____

I am a: Permanent resident of the U.S.

Temporary or nonimmigrant visa holder

Please list type of visa (e.g., F-1, J-1, H-4, L-2): _____

Please note: If you are in the U.S. on a temporary visa, the name listed on this application and on your passport must match. You must also include your permanent home country address.

Refugee/political asylee

Other: _____

State in which you claim legal residence: _____

How long have you lived in that state? Lived there all my life OR: _____ Years _____ Months

Is English your native language? Yes No

If 'no', indicate the number of years you have attended school in the U.S. : Years _____

Do you plan to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? Yes No

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High School Record

High School Name: _____

Address: _____

High School Counselor's Name: _____

High School Phone Number:(_____) _____ High School Fax Number:(_____) _____

This high school is: Public Private

I have taken PSEO/College in the High School coursework (please provide college information in College Record section): Yes No

Expected date of high school graduation: _____

High School GPA: _____ out of _____ Weighted grades: Yes No

High School Rank: _____ out of _____ My high school does not rank students. There are _____ students in my class.

Test Scores (please include all you have taken or date when test will be taken):

ACT: Composite _____ SAT Reasoning: Verbal _____ Math _____ Writing _____

Please list all courses to be completed during your senior year of high school, including those for which you are currently registered.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

College Record

To be completed by all transfer applicants and freshman applicants with PSEO or College in the High School coursework.

Name of College/University	Location (City, State, Zip Code)	Dates Attended: Month/Year
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

If you are a transfer student, are you currently attending college? Yes No

Additional Information

The University of Minnesota is committed to maintaining an educational environment characterized by safety, respect, and integrity. Answering yes to either question below does not automatically preclude admission to the University, but it may require further review. The University requires applicants to disclose this information as a mandatory step in the application process.

1. Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense (felony, misdemeanor, or juvenile offense) other than a minor traffic violation, or is any such charge now pending against you?

No Yes If 'yes', attach a description of the incident(s), including the date(s) and location(s).

If your answer changes prior to enrollment, you must promptly contact the Office of Admissions to provide an explanation.

2. Have you ever been expelled from, suspended from, or placed on probation at any high school or college for reasons of academic dishonesty, academic performance, or because of an offense that harmed or had the potential to harm others, or are you ineligible to return to any high school or college you have attended?

No Yes If 'yes', attach a detailed statement of your explanation.

3. If you would like to provide additional information or have any special circumstances that may have affected your academic performance (e.g., family, work, personal, economic), please include an explanation with your application on a separate sheet.

4. Check this box if you are an active-duty U.S. military service member currently deployed overseas. If you checked this box, you do not need to pay the application fee. We will contact you to obtain a copy of your deployment papers.

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Academic Information

Possible/Intended Major(s): 1. _____ 2. _____

Do you plan to pursue teaching? Yes No If yes, will it be in: Elementary Education or Secondary Education

If 'yes' to Secondary Education, which subject would you like to teach? _____

Possible career choice: _____

Have you ever registered for classes at any University of Minnesota campus? Yes No

If 'yes', what is your University of Minnesota ID#? _____

Check appropriate boxes for any honors you have received (please send documentation for future scholarship opportunities).

- National Merit Scholar Winner National Merit Commended
- National Merit Finalist Valedictorian of Class
- National Merit Semifinalist Salutatorian of Class

To which other colleges/universities are you applying? (optional)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

If you are not presently attending school, please explain your circumstances: _____

Who or what influenced your decision to apply to Morris? _____

Activities and Involvement

Please list your extracurricular, community and family activities, academic honors, and other relevant information. The information will be used for admission and scholarship consideration. If you have an activities résumé, feel free to submit it in place of this section. Clearly mark all additional sheets with your full name.

Arts (music, fine arts, theatre, forensics, etc.)	Number of years involved	Positions held, honors won, or letters earned
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Athletics	Number of years involved	Positions held, honors won, or letters earned
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School and Community (clubs, organizations, activities, and volunteer or paid work)	Number of years involved	Positions held, honors won, or letters earned
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Other

Family Information

A. Parent 1:

Full Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
College Attended (if any) _____
Occupation/Employer _____

B. Parent 2:

Full Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
College Attended (if any) _____
Occupation/Employer _____

Has either of your parents received a four-year undergraduate degree from a college or university? Yes No

Has any member of your family been employed by the University of Minnesota? Yes No

If 'yes,' list their names and relationship to you: _____

C. Sisters and Brothers:

Name	Age	School/College Attending
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

D. Family Members who attend or have attended the University of Minnesota, Morris or the West Central School of Agriculture and their relationship to you:

Name	Relationship
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

E. Access to Your File

I authorize the University of Minnesota, Morris to give information about my application file, admission, or scholarship status to the following person(s) (e.g., parent, relative, friend):

Request for Confidential Information (Optional)

Submission of this information is voluntary. The information may be used to support affirmative action efforts in the admissions process and will be used for summary reports required by federal and state laws and regulations. You will not be penalized if you choose not to provide this information.

Gender: Male Female

Ethnicity and Race: These questions comply with the U.S. Department of Education's new standards for ethnic and racial data collection.

Ethnicity: Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No

Race: Please check one or more that apply

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

Ethnicity definition:

Hispanic or Latino: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Racial definitions:

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains a tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

All information on this application form is private. The information will be used for identification, to determine admission and scholarship awards, and to establish your University academic record if you are admitted. Nothing is sold to any third parties. Failure to provide the information may delay or affect the admission or scholarship decision. Social Security number is voluntary and will be used for positive identification, institutional statistics, institutional research, and required state and federal reporting. Failure to provide your Social Security number will have no effect on the admission or scholarship decision. Information will be shared with offices within the University and scholarship donors for the uses described above and may be released to outside organizations and government bodies in limited circumstances as authorized by state or federal law. The University of Minnesota, Morris may request that University staff, faculty, scholarship donors, alumni, and/or students assist you with questions concerning the University and to provide you with additional information. This would be done under the direction of Office of Admissions staff. The type of information that might be released includes name, address, phone number, classification (freshman or transfer), major, and most recent educational institution attended. If you do not wish to receive this particular service, please attach a letter to your application indicating your wishes in this matter.

I certify that the information I have provided on this application and on all other application materials is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that it is my responsibility to request that the official transcripts from each academic institution I have attended be submitted directly to the University. I understand that withholding pertinent information requested on this application or providing false information will make me ineligible for admission, or subject to cancellation of registration if admission has occurred or dismissal from the U of M if already enrolled. I agree to notify the Office of Admissions if there are any changes to the information provided in my application. Additionally, I authorize the release of information provided in my application, as well as my admission, honors, and scholarship status to my high school and to scholarship donors. I also authorize the University of Minnesota to release the information provided by me, as well as other University of Minnesota information regarding my academic progress and status, to scholarship donors and the U of M Foundation for the purpose of providing them with information concerning my eligibility as a scholarship recipient. (Note: You must sign and date your application.)

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please note that individuals arrested, charged, or convicted of criminal offenses may have limited employment opportunities in specific careers and occupations and may have limited ability to receive federal, state, and other forms of financial aid. Individuals are encouraged to investigate these possibilities further. (Minnesota Statutes, Section 135A.157)

If you have any difficulty with this application, please contact the Office of Admissions at:

Phone: 888-866-3382 **Fax:** 320-589-6051 **Internet:** morris.umn.edu **Email:** admissions@morris.umn.edu

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Supplement: Competitive Scholarship Application

Students interested in being considered for competitive merit scholarships at the University of Minnesota, Morris must complete this supplemental form and essay. To be eligible for consideration, students must submit a completed Application for Admission and complete this Competitive Scholarship Application, postmarked by December 15 to: Office of Admissions, University of Minnesota, Morris, 600 East 4th Street, Morris, MN 56267-2132.

Competitive Merit Scholar Awards: Due December 15

First-year students with an outstanding academic and leadership record are invited to compete for the distinction of becoming a Prairie Scholar or Morris Scholar. Although there are no minimum qualifications, recipients are typically selected from the top 10 percent of their senior class and have achieved an above-average standardized test score (ACT or SAT Reasoning). To be eligible for consideration, students must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S., accepted to Morris, and submit their scholarship essay by the December 15 deadline. Recipients for these prestigious awards will be selected through an on-campus competition in early February.

Prairie Scholars

Amount: A renewable scholarship package equivalent to full tuition; renewable for up to four years.

Morris Scholars

Amount: A \$24,000 scholarship package, dispersed evenly over four years, plus a one-time \$2,500 scholarly stipend. The stipend may be used during the second, third, or fourth year at Morris to engage in an eligible scholarly experience (e.g., to study abroad, to participate in a research or artistic project, or to travel to academic conferences).

Essay

On a separate sheet, write an essay (minimum 500 words) on one of the following topics. Please include your first and last name including high school on each page of your essay.

- You've just completed a study abroad trip or service-learning experience during your sophomore year at Morris. You browse through the pictures on your camera and look for a new profile picture. Describe the picture you choose, why you select this particular one, and the caption you include.
- In one of your first year classes at Morris, you are asked to select a news article of local, national, or international significance and respond by writing a letter to the editor. In your letter, share your reaction to the article, advocating your stance using humor, outrage, or food for thought. Please choose an actual article from a current publication and include the source and date that the article appeared.

Other Academic Scholarships

You will be considered for most of the University's competitive scholarships based on a review of your Application for Admission and Competitive Scholarships. Some of these scholarships, funded by private donation, give preference to students who display strong academic performance and who meet certain criteria, some of which may already be reflected in your application materials and some of which are listed below.

Please indicate whether you meet any of the following scholarship criteria:

- I have an agricultural and/or rural background.
- I wish to live and work in a rural community in the future.
- I have been active in community, church, and/or extra-curricular activities.
- I have held an officer position and have participated in volunteer or service-oriented roles.
- I am, or my family is, a Bank of the West customer.
- I am, or my family is, an Otter Tail Power Company customer.
- I am interested in creative writing.
- I currently live on a farm.

I understand that in accepting a scholarship from the University of Minnesota, Morris I give you permission to announce my receipt of this scholarship in newspapers, college brochures, newsletters, website, and other publications. The information contained within this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation or fraudulent information may be grounds for loss of future scholarship funds and repayment of previously awarded funds may be required.

Print Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Scholarships awarded at the University of Minnesota, Morris cannot be transferred to other campuses of the University of Minnesota. Renewable scholarships are awarded on a per-semester basis and renewed based on continuous enrollment at Morris and maintenance of the required grade point average. Students who have been awarded an Achievement Scholarship and are selected for the Prairie or Morris Scholars Award will have their Achievement Scholarship replaced with the larger Prairie or Morris Scholars Award.



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