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# Visiting Student Application

# Information on Visiting Student Status

## Application Information

Each year Smith College admits a limited number of visiting women students who wish to spend a semester or a year as non-matriculating students at the college. Though entering as non-degree candidates, visiting students may use their Smith course work for credit at their own college or university. Visiting students enroll in Smith's courses, live in college residence halls and become involved with a wide range of extracurricular activities.

Applications are welcome from well-qualified students with strong academic records who are enrolled in accredited colleges and universities. To apply to Smith College, an applicant needs to submit the attached application form for visiting students. In addition, an official college transcript, two letters of recommendation from professors who have taught the applicant, and an Adviser's/Dean's/Registrar's Form must be submitted.

International students are invited to apply for Visiting Student status. Applicants must be in their final year of studies leading to university entrance in their own country or currently enrolled in a university program abroad. If accepted, candidates will be expected to present examination results—Baccalaureate, Arbitur or GCSE, for example—before enrolling. TOEFL or IELTS scores are required of all students whose first language is not English.

Students studying at colleges participating in the Twelve College Exchange (Amherst, Bowdoin, Connecticut College, Dartmouth, Mount Holyoke, Trinity, Vassar, Wellesley, Wesleyan, Wheaton and Williams) as well as the Pomona-Smith Exchange must apply through the Exchange Program and *not* as visiting students.

## Filing Dates

The filing dates for submission of all application materials are July 1 for September entrance and December 15 for January entrance. (Applications for September entrance will be considered after the published filing date on the basis of available space.)

## Costs

Visiting students normally live on campus in a college house. Current tuition and room and board rates are listed in the college catalogue.

## Financial Aid

Financial aid is only available for the Junior Year Visiting Program for the Study of Mathematics.

## Curriculum

### Majors

You may concentrate your studies in any of these major fields, combine two for a double major or create your own with

the help of a faculty adviser: Afro-American studies, American studies, anthropology, architecture, art, astronomy, biochemistry, biological sciences, chemistry, classical studies, classics, comparative literature, computer science, dance, East Asian languages and cultures, East Asian studies, economics, education and child study, engineering, English language and literature, environmental science and policy, film studies, French studies, geosciences, German studies, government, history, Italian language and literature, Italian studies, Jewish studies, Latin American and Latino/a studies, mathematics and statistics, Medieval studies, music, neuroscience, philosophy, physics, Portuguese-Brazilian studies, psychology, religion, Russian civilization, Russian literature, sociology, Spanish, theatre, study of women and gender.

### Interdepartmental Minors

In addition to minors in many programs and departments offering majors, Smith offers interdepartmental minors in the following areas: African studies, ancient studies, archaeology, arts and technology, arts and urbanism, astrophysics, digital art, digital music, East Asian languages and literatures, ethics, exercise and sports studies, graphic art, history of science and technology, landscape studies, linguistics, logic, marine science and policy, mathematical foundations of computer science, Middle East studies, public policy, statistics, systems analysis (computer science), third world development studies, urban studies.

## Application Checklist

- Return attached application form, with \$60 non-refundable application fee, no later than July 1 for September entrance and December 15 for January entrance.
- Request two letters of recommendation from faculty members who have taught you in college-level courses. If you have declared a major, a letter from a faculty member in that area of study is desirable. Letters must be submitted by July 1 for September entrance and December 15 for January entrance.
- Request that your class dean, college adviser or registrar complete the Adviser's/Dean's/Registrar's form.
- Request an official college transcript from your home institution. Students whose first language is not English must request TOEFL or IELTS scores. Material must be submitted by July 1 for September entrance and December 15 for January entrance.

### Notice of Nondiscrimination

Smith College is committed to maintaining a diverse community in an atmosphere of mutual respect and appreciation of differences.

Smith College does not discriminate in its educational and employment policies on the bases of race, color, creed, religion, national/ethnic origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, or with regard to the bases outlined in the Veterans Readjustment Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Smith's admission policies and practices are guided by the same principle, concerning women applying to the undergraduate program and all applicants to the graduate programs.

For more information, please contact the Office of Institutional Diversity, (413) 585-2141. 12/10



Application for Visiting Student Status

TO THE APPLICANT: Return this form promptly to the Office of Admission along with the \$60 non-refundable application fee.

Are you applying for: [ ] September entrance (filing date July 1) [ ] January entrance (filing date December 15)

Name (Last, First, Middle, Preferred name), Home address (Street address, E-mail), City, State, ZIP code, Country, Home telephone

Mailing address (Check here if same as home address; otherwise, complete section below.)

Mailing address (Street address, City, State, ZIP code, Country), Effective until (Month/Day/Year), Telephone

Date of birth, Place of birth

Social Security number (optional) [ ] Check here if you do not have a Social Security number.

Country of citizenship

If not a U.S. citizen, do you have a permanent resident visa? [ ] Yes [ ] No

Alien registration number (if applicable), If you currently have a U.S. visa, give visa type

College or university (Name)

Location (City, State, Country), Year of graduation

Current college major

Secondary school from which you have graduated (Name)

Location, Dates of attendance (From (Month/Year) / To (Month/Year))

Have you applied to Smith before? [ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, for what year?

What area of study do you intend to pursue at Smith? Do you intend to enroll for: [ ] one semester [ ] one year

Mother's full name (Last, First, Maiden), Name of college (if any)

Address (Street address, City, State, ZIP code)

Father's full name (Last, First, Middle), Name of college (if any)

Address (Street address, City, State, ZIP code)

If any of your relatives has attended Smith or has been associated with Smith in some capacity, please indicate.

Name, Maiden/married, Relationship to you, Class at Smith or other association (if deceased, give year of death)

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PLEASE TEAR HERE

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**OPTIONAL:** The items in this section are optional. No information you provide will be used in a discriminatory manner.

1. US Armed Services veteran?  Yes  No

2. Are you Hispanic or Latino/a?

Yes, Hispanic or Latino/a (including Spain)  No

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

3. Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please select one or more of the following ethnicities that best describe you:

American Indian or Alaska Native (including all Original Peoples of the Americas) Are you Enrolled?  Yes  No

If yes, please enter Tribal Enrollment Number \_\_\_\_\_

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

Asian (including Indian subcontinent and Philippines)

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

Black or African American (including Africa and Caribbean)

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (Original Peoples)

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

White (including Middle Eastern)

*Please describe your background* \_\_\_\_\_

We are interested in why you wish to spend a semester or a year on our campus. Explain briefly your reasons for wishing to be a visiting student at Smith. Please be specific about how it will further your educational goals.

PLEASE TEAR HERE

If there are specific courses which you *must* take at Smith, please list them.

I hereby authorize the exchange of my educational records between my home and host institutions.

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

**DATE**



SMITH COLLEGE

# Visiting Student Candidate Faculty Recommendation Form

**Office of Admission**  
Smith College  
Northampton, Massachusetts 01063  
T (413) 585-2500  
F (413) 585-2527  
admission@smith.edu

**Filing dates: July 1 for September entrance, December 15 for January entrance.**

The student named below has applied to Smith College as a non-matriculating visiting student. The selection committee requests your comments on the applicant's academic ability, adaptability and any other factors that may be pertinent to time away from her home institution. This recommendation is to be used only for the purpose of selecting students for the Visiting Student Program and does not become a part of the student's permanent file.

Name of applicant

Major

Comments:

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Signature

Title

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Telephone (       )

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We welcome any further comments you may wish to make about the candidate.

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# Visiting Student Candidate Adviser's/Dean's/Registrar's Form

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admission@smith.edu

**TO THE CANDIDATE:** Please fill out the top portion of this form. The rest should be completed by your college adviser, class dean or registrar and sent to the Office of Admission. Type, or print in ink, and give full information.

Social Security number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Name of candidate \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle  
 in the class of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
Institution

I hereby authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to release the information requested.  
Name of college adviser, class dean or registrar

**CANDIDATE'S SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

**TO THE COLLEGE ADVISER, CLASS DEAN OR REGISTRAR:** The candidate named above has applied to Smith College as a non-matriculating visiting student. The Board of Admission reads this form carefully and considers your comments to be very important. We will protect the confidentiality of your report as permitted by law but suggest you include only information you would be willing for the candidate to see should she request it. Thank you for your cooperation on behalf of this candidate.

**Please return directly to the Office of Admission as promptly as possible.**

PLEASE TEAR HERE

In what quarter of her class does this applicant rank?  
 Top quarter  
 Second quarter  
 Third quarter  
 Last quarter

Is she in good standing?  
 If no, why not?

What proportion of the requirements for graduation will she have completed at the end of this year?

What is your understanding of her reasons for desiring to study at Smith?

Has she ever been under college censure? If yes, why?

Please use the reverse side for more detailed information.

**ADVISER'S, DEAN'S OR REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

Adviser's, Dean's or Registrar's name \_\_\_\_\_

(please print or type)

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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