

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

You are responsible for providing all items required with your application, including a \$50 nonrefundable application fee. All records submitted for admission become the property of SPU and are considered a part of your official file and permanent record.

If you want financial aid and scholarship consideration, please file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa/>) (FAFSA) with the federal processor as soon as possible after October 1 and submit all application materials before February 1.

- Need-based financial-aid award decisions (e.g., grants, loans, and Work Study) for students who meet these deadlines are processed December–January for Early Action first year applicants and February–March for Regular first-year applicants and all transfer fall applicants.
- Merit scholarships (not based on need) are awarded at the point of admission.

Find more information and instructions for financial aid applications in Student Financial Services (<http://spu.edu/depts/sfs/>).

When applying for admission, you should apply online (<https://spu.edu/apply/>). Students can apply either through our own SPU Application (<https://admissions.spu.edu/apply/?sr=a2786da0-dc91-4c19-b864-8660d2689c95>), or the Common Application (<http://www.commonapp.org/>).

Application Deadlines

Application materials for admission must meet the following deadlines for each respective quarter:

Autumn Quarter Admittance

- November 1: Early Action Deadline for first-year applicants
- January 15: Regular Deadline for first-year applicants
- April 1: Early Action Deadline for transfer applicants
- July 1: Final Deadline for transfer applicants

Winter Quarter Admittance

- November 15: Deadline for all applicants

Spring Quarter Admittance

- February 1: Deadline for all applicants

English Language Proficiency Requirement

All students, regardless of citizenship status, must have a good command of the English language to be academically successful at SPU. Therefore, if it appears necessary, nonnative English speakers may be asked to prove English language proficiency by one of the means as described in this Catalog under English Language Proficiency (<https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/admissions/applying-international-student/english-proficiency-requirement/>).

You are considered a native English speaker if:

- English is your first language.
- Both your primary and secondary education took place in Australia, Canada (other than Quebec), Great Britain, Ireland, New Zealand, or the U.S. (other than Puerto Rico).

International students (<https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/admissions/applying-international-student/>) are required to demonstrate English proficiency through one of the means listed under English Language Proficiency (<https://catalog.spu.edu/undergraduate/admissions/applying-international-student/english-proficiency-requirement/>) in the International Students section of this catalog, unless they meet one of the criteria listed above for native English speakers.

Professional Licensure Disclosure

If you plan to pursue a degree or certificate program that leads to professional certification or licensure, be aware that each state has different professional licensure and certification requirements. Eligibility for certification/licensure may involve more than degree completion, such as professional examinations, background checks, and fingerprinting. The requirements for certification/licensure can change without notice.

The state professional licensing boards make the ultimate decision as to whether or not an individual will be eligible for certification/licensure based on the rules and regulations in place at the time the individual submits their application for certification/licensure. Find information here (<https://spu.edu/academics/professional-licensure-and-certification/>) about certification/licensure in the state where you intend to work.