ADULT UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Learning Concept

The goal of the adult undergraduate programs is to link learning directly to a student's present or planned career activities – connecting coursework to life experience. This educational model is designed specifically with adults in mind.

- Prior collegiate and extra-collegiate learning derived from academic, personal, and professional experiences since high school may be evaluated for college credit.
- Past and present work experience will serve as a catalyst in the learning process. At the heart of the education model is a major project, which continues throughout the program, blends study and experiential learning.

Concordia University faculty are devoted to this educational model and fully respects students' prior learning as worthwhile and valuable in the educational setting. Experienced in their respective fields, instructors come from Concordia University faculty ranks or are adjunct faculty who have proven expertise and enjoy working with adult students.

General Admission Information

Candidates for undergraduate admission to Concordia University, Saint Paul, must be graduates of a regionally accredited high school or home school or hold the GED certificate. Applicants must be persons of good moral character. Early application is encouraged.

Academic Requirement and Procedures

1. Submission of Undergraduate Application for Admission
2. Submission of official transcripts from all previously attended institutions
3. Verification of a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.0 or better.
4. Essay describing a life experience (academic or personal) that has shaped them as a person and how this experience will impact their success as a college student at Concordia University, St. Paul.
   a. The essay must fall between 400 and 100 words
   b. Include a beginning (introductions), middle (body), and end (summary/conclusion)
   c. Must be original (no plagiarism) and reflective of the applicant's experiences and traits. No outside work (citations and references) allowed
   d. Submission must be professional with no spelling, grammar, or sentence structure errors.

A partial list of additional requirements includes:

- BS in Pulmonary Science: Program applicants must have earned an associate's degree in Respiratory Therapy (Pulmonary Science) or in Radiologic Technology (Radiologic Science Leadership) to be considered for admission.
- BS in Nursing (RN to BSN): Program applicants must have a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.5 or better. Applicants must be working in the field. Prior to registration for NUR courses, students must meet programmatic specific health and practice requirements as outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook.
- BS in Nursing (Pre-Licensure): Program applicants must have a cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.75 or better. Prior to registration for NUR courses, students must meet the programmatic specific pre-requisite and co-requisite courses as well as the specific program application requirements. Also, prior to registration for NUR courses, students must meet programmatic specific health and practice requirements as outlined in the Nursing Student Handbook.

Students enrolling in an adult undergraduate program must have access to a computer that meets Concordia University's technology requirements.

Upon receipt of official transcripts, transfer credits will be reviewed and the number of transferable credits will be recommended as satisfied. When the above requirements have been met and the university's Admissions Office has received and processed the completed application, the file will be reviewed for acceptance.

Application Contacts

Persons seeking undergraduate admission should direct all correspondence to:

Office of Undergraduate Admission
Concordia University, Saint Paul
1282 Concordia Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55104-5494

Students may also submit an on-line application at www.csp.edu (http://www.csp.edu). Correspondence includes all matters and inquiries connected with admission, such as application forms, letters of recommendation, ACT scores, transcripts and fees. Remittances should be made payable to Concordia University, Saint Paul and sent to the Office of Undergraduate Admission.

Acceptance to Concordia University

All prospective students will be notified by email of the action taken on their application. Materials submitted should demonstrate that applicants satisfactorily meet the admission criteria set by the faculty of Concordia University. Exceptions are considered by the Degree Completion and Graduate Admissions Committee. Appeals may be made to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Re-Admission of Former Students of Concordia University

1. Apply for re-admission through the Office of Undergraduate Admission. No application fee is required
2. Submit information concerning activities since last attending Concordia, and include appropriate letters of recommendation if required
3. Request official transcript of credits earned at other institution(s) be sent to the registrar

Advanced Placement Program

Concordia University will grant credit for most College Board Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations to students with a grade of three, four, or five. Students should have an official score report sent to Concordia University (code number 6114). Concordia University's AP credit policy is posted on www.csp.edu (http://www.csp.edu).

College-Level Examination Program

Concordia University will grant credit for most College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) results to students with a score of 50 or higher. Only those exams listed in the CLEP credit policy will be accepted. Students should have an official score report sent to Concordia University, Saint Paul – code number 6224. Information about the CLEP examinations can be found at www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html (http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/clep/about.html). The CLEP credit policy is posted on www.csp.edu (http://www.csp.edu).