

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY®

COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM NOVEMBER 2021



DATES & DEADLINES

Early Action Decisions

Decisions will be released no later than
mid-January

Regular Decision: January 15

Scholarship recipient notification
in mid February

Honors College: February 2

Decisions are typically released two weeks
after admissions decisions are posted

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FALL TRAVEL REPORT

We have had an absolute blast getting back on the road this year and getting to see many of you and your students in person! With our fall recruitment travel winding down, we wanted to share some data with you from our very productive season.

Between both in-person and virtual travel, our team attended 144 college fairs, completed 518 high school visits, hosted multiple receptions, and participated on several panels. In total, we saw 4,245 students over the last three months!

INVITE US TO YOUR SPRING EVENTS

Keep us in mind as you plan your spring events!

Like the fall, our plan is to travel both in person and virtually this spring. We hope to be able to visit your school however you will host us.

Feel free to reach out to our travel coordinator, Jamie Didawick (via e-mail at richarjf@jmu.edu) to request participation in a school visit, panel, or college fair.



FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Greetings from Harrisonburg!

The Early Action deadline has passed, and I wanted to take a moment to say thank you for supporting students who applied to JMU. I appreciate the hard work and care you have put into helping students throughout the application process, and I hope you will have time to relax in the coming weeks!

As you may recall, JMU joined the Common Application this year. As predicted, we experienced an increase in the number of Early Action applicants for fall 2022. Even though there are more applications for the admissions team to review, I want to assure you that JMU plans to maintain a similar admission and academic profile approach that you've come to expect from us. **We remain committed to identifying the students that we believe will be successful at JMU.**

Whether your students applied Early Action or plan to apply Regular Deadline in January, we want to make sure each applicant is considered for admission. You can help us achieve this goal by checking the status of your applicants and sending any missing items. JMU's Counselor Companion portal is updated daily and is the easiest way to track the status of your applicants.

Again, on behalf of the JMU admissions team, thank you for all you do to support students and the college application process. We couldn't do it without you!

Go Dukes!

Melinda J. Wood
Associate Vice President for Access and Enrollment Management
Director of Admissions



COLLEGE OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

At JMU, our visual and performing arts feature traditional training and so much more. Our graduates shine because they are trained as critical thinkers and problem-solvers. Students tell us that they are attracted to JMU because of our commitment to balancing a rigorous professional program of visual and performing arts study with a liberal-arts curriculum renowned for its academic excellence.

Visual and performing arts at JMU are all about expression, knowledge, creativity, and the unique fulfillment that comes with a well-rounded academic experience.

School of Art, Design, and Art History

- Art History*
- Architectural Design
- Graphic Design
- Industrial Design
- Studio Art
 - BS/BA degree*
 - BFA degree

School of Music

- Concentrations:
 - Music Performance
 - Music Education
 - Music Industry
 - Jazz Studies
 - Composition

School of Theatre and Dance

- Dance
 - Dance Education
- Musical Theatre
- Theatre, w. concentrations:
 - Performance
 - Design
 - Education
 - Theatre Studies

**Majors that do not require a separate application or portfolio review process.*

Most majors within the College of Visual and Performing Arts have additional application requirements. These include a portfolio review or audition, personal interview, and letters of recommendation. These are the only programs at JMU that applicants are directly admitted into. Learn more about their admissions process and see portfolio review and virtual audition dates [here](#).

We require students to apply for undergraduate admission prior to applying to the College of Visual and Performing Arts. Students wishing to pursue these majors must be admitted to both the university and their desired program. It is possible that a student will be admitted to JMU but not into a visual or performing arts program.

If your students have any questions about the application, audition, or portfolio review process, have them contact their [regional counselor](#) or admissionscvpa@jmu.edu.

UPCOMING WEBINAR: VIRTUAL FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday, November 17th, 4-5 PM

[Register Here](#)

During this presentation, a walk-through of financial aid information will be given with an emphasis on JMU scholarships and the applications needed. There will be an open session after the presentation where a financial aid representative will answer any financial aid questions. Counselors: please register through the link above and have interested students register [here](#).

WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

Check out our updated [counselor website](#), including the [downloadable resources section](#). This is a great place to find additional information on various academic programs, our admissions process, and other topics of interest.

We invite you and your students to follow us on Instagram [@JMUadmissions](#), too. If you have not already, please consider joining our counselor [mailing list](#) to stay up to date on all things JMU!

Please feel free to email the Counselor Education Program at counselored@jmu.edu or reach out to your [regional admissions counselor](#) with any questions or concerns.

HAVE WE MISSED ANYTHING?

Do you have ideas for new content, questions, or concerns?

Please let us know!

We are always looking for ways to improve and to provide the most current and helpful information possible.

Your opinions and ideas are valuable to us.