## JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY.

# COUNSELOR EDUCATION PROGRAM OCTOBER 2022



#### **UPCOMING DEADLINES**

Our non-binding Early Action deadline is **November 1st**.

Students who wish to be considered in the EA pool must have their application submitted and documents postmarked by that date.

The JMU Honors College Early Action application deadline is

November 8th

Please remind your students that an additional application is required to be considered for admission to the Honors College.

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#### **EXPLORE JMU: ACADEMIC OPEN HOUSE**

#### Saturday, November 12th

Our September Academic Open House was a success. We welcomed nearly twenty-five hundred people to campus for our event!

Our Explore JMU: Academic Open Houses are a great forum to learn more about the Madison Experience. Students can attend college-specific information sessions, meet with an admissions counselor, take a campus tour, and more.

We hope you and your students can join us for this exciting and informative event.

#### 'POWER DUKES' LEAD THE WAY IN COMMERCE

Virginia Business magazine recognizes 12 Dukes on its 2022 "Power List" of influential Virginians.



James Madison University is well represented in the Virginia Business 2022 Power List of the 500 most influential Virginians. A dozen Dukes made the magazine's "Virginia 500," which profiles executives across 20 sectors of the commonwealth's economy, from higher education and real estate to manufacturing and government.

Read more here.

## FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID

#### **Madison Scholarships Hub**

Each year we award more than 400 one- to four-year scholarships to incoming students. The primary criterion for merit-based scholarships is **exceptional** academic performance. Some of our scholarships take a more holistic review and also look at a student's leadership experience, service to the community, extra-curricular involvement, and career goals.

The <u>Madison Scholarship Hub</u> is the one-stop-shop for most scholarship opportunities at JMU. After a student applies, they will access the hub through his/her MyMadison account. While we do automatically consider all students for many of our merit-based scholarships, there are additional opportunities that require supplemental information/an additional application to be completed for consideration.

The Hub went live for the year on October 1st, so please encourage your students to explore this year's opportunities there. Please note deadlines vary.

#### **Financial Aid:**

A student's college education is one of the most significant investments a student and his/her family will ever make. The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships will help guide students and their families through the financial aid process by providing clear direction and helpful resources. To determine a student's eligibility for assistance, he/she will need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To receive a financial aid package, our federal school code (003721) must be listed on the form. **The priority filing deadline is March 1st, 2023**.

Financial aid preliminary award notices will be uploaded into admitted students' MyMadison accounts approximately two weeks after admissions decisions are released.

Students can use our **Net Price Calculator** to help plan for future educational costs.

Please reach out to our Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships with any questions.

### ATHLETICS SPOTLIGHT

#### JMU Makes Debut at #25 in AP Top 25 Poll

Following a 5-0 start in its first season at the FBS level, James Madison was ranked #25 in the latest Associated Press Top 25 College Football Poll. This is the first time in school history that the Dukes are nationally-ranked in a major FBS poll after receiving 105 total votes from the poll's 63 voters.

The Dukes become just the third team transitioning from FCS to FBS to begin their first season with a 5-0 mark, joining UTSA in 2012 and Florida Atlantic in 2004. JMU pursues the first 6-0 start by a first-year FBS program this upcoming week.



## UPCOMING WEBINAR: DOCUMENT SUBMISSION AND TRACKING YOUR STUDENTS

Thursday, October 20th, 10-11 AM

#### Register Here

Join Jason Gochenour, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions and a former Director of High School Counseling, as he shares information on submitting transcripts, letters of recommendation, and other documents to JMU. He will also talk through how to track your students' status in our process. Jason looks forward to answering all of your questions!

### WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED

Check out our newly updated <u>counselor website</u>, including the <u>downloadable resources section</u>. 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 <u>@JMUadmissions</u>, too. If you have not already, please consider joining our counselor <u>mailing list</u> 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.