Entrance Examinations

SAT/ACT: Each candidate for admission to the first-year class is required to take either the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) with the writing component or the American College Test (ACT) with the writing component. Students are required to submit their scores directly to Lehigh through the College Board (CEEB code 2365). It is not the responsibility of the high school guidance office to forward the results. If, during the evaluation process, it is discovered that the test results are missing, the student will be notified by e-mail. Delays in the decision-making process can result if the Committee on Admissions does not have the scores.

The Committee on Admissions recommends that students take the exam in the junior year and again as early as possible in the senior year. In the evaluation process, the highest score in each category for the SAT and/or ACT will be used regardless of the test date.

It is recommended that students who plan to study a foreign language take the SAT Subject Test or Advanced Placement Test for the language they intend to study. Students interested in advanced placement and/or receiving college credit in Chemistry, English, or a Foreign Language should take the SAT Subject Tests. Please read the Advanced Placement section (http://catalog.lehigh.edu/informationofgeneralinterest/advancedplacement) for specific requirements.

Test information and applications may be secured from high school guidance offices or the College Board: College Board SAT Program, 45 Columbus Ave., New York, NY 10023-6917. Additional information can be found online at www.collegeboard.com (http://www.collegeboard.com).

Candidates should register for the tests no later than one month prior to the test date (two months for candidates who will be tested in Europe, Asia, Africa, Central and South America, and Australia).

For applicants whose first language is not English, Lehigh additionally requires the results of the TOEFL IBT (Test of English as a Foreign Language Internet-Based exam) or the IELTS (International English Language Testing System). The Committee on Admissions looks for a minimum composite score of 90 on the TOEFL IBT or a minimum of 7.0 on the IELTS. Students whose composite score or sub-scores are lower than Lehigh’s minimums are still considered for admission but may be required to take additional English courses during their first-year and/or during the summer semester prior to fall matriculation. Emailed, faxed, or photocopied scores are not official and will not be accepted. The most up-to-date information on requirements for non-US citizens can be found on the Lehigh Admissions website: http://www4.lehigh.edu/admissions/undergrad/intl