



# **Evaluation Criteria – Other Factors**

2022-23

#### Context

Some 20,000 students competed for approximately 2,000 places in the incoming First Year class. Most of the students who apply to Notre Dame will be ranked at or near the top of their high school class, will have performed well on standardized tests, and will be highly active in their local and high school communities. As our admissions committee evaluates applications and makes decisions regarding them we make difficult choices among an extraordinary group of students. We assess the following factors and admit students who excel, not just in terms of their personal achievement, but also within the context of our highly competitive applicant pool. Although we are very proud of the class we enroll every year, we also realize that we are unable to admit all of the excellent young people who apply.

## **High School Academic Requirements**

The most competitive of our applicants are very involved, dedicating time outside the classroom to various clubs, teams, organizations, community service activities, and part-time employment.

#### **Evaluations**

- We require one letter of evaluation for every applicant.
- A student may choose any high school teacher to write their letter, as long as he or she has taught them in a core academic subject area (math, science, English, social science, or foreign language) and knows the student well.
- Guidance counselors may also complete a counselor evaluation. The counselor evaluation is recommended but not required.

### **Essay**

Common Application or Coalition Application essay

# **Notre Dame Writing Supplement**

- Supplement is in addition to the Common Application or the Coalition Application
- One (1) essay response to a required question
- One (1) essay responses to questions selected from the options provided

Supplemental essay questions for 2022-2023 can be found here.

### **Interviews**

- Interviews are not offered as part of the admissions process

