

	Allegany College of Maryland*	College of Southern Maryland*	Notre Dame of Maryland University*
Basic Information			
Campus Location(s):	Cumberland, MD	La Plata, MD	Baltimore, MD
Application:	Online School Website	Online School Website	Common App Website
Application Fee:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Writing Supplement:	None	None	None
Transcript:	Required	Required	Required
Recommendations:	None	None	1
Testing:	Required for select programs	Not Required	Not Required
College Website:	www.allegany.edu	www.csmd.edu	www.ndm.edu
Deadlines			
Application:	Rolling	Rolling	Rolling (Starts October 1)
Financial Aid:	March 1	March 1 (Priority)	February 15
Note:			
Statistics			
Six-Year Graduation Rate:	-	-	43%
Retention Rate:	-	-	82%
Undergraduate Enrollment:	2,926	7,679	816
Application			
Apply Online:	www.services.allegany.edu/admissions/ application/	www.desu.edu/admissions/apply-now	www.ndm.edu/apply-now

MARYLAND

	Salisbury University	University of Maryland, College Park	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Basic Information			
Campus Location(s):	Salisbury, MD	College Park, MD	Princess Anne, MD
Application:	Common App Website	Online School Website	Online School Website
Application Fee:	\$50	\$75	\$35
Writing Supplement:	None	Required	None
Transcript:	Required	Required	Required
Recommendations:	1	2	1
Testing:	Required for some	Required	Required
College Website:	www.salisbury.edu/	www.umd.edu	www.umes.edu
Deadlines			
Application:	January 15	January 20	June 1
Early Action:	November 15	November 1	
Early Decision:	January 15		
Financial Aid:	April 15 (Priority)	February 15 (Final)	March 1 (Priority)
	July 15 (Final)		April 1 (Final)
Note:			
Statistics			
Six-Year Graduation Rate:	70%	85%	38%
Retention Rate:	83%	96%	65%
Undergraduate Enrollment:	7,782	29,868	2,862
Application			
Apply Online:	http://www.salisbury.edu/admissions/apply/	www. admissions.umd.edu/apply	www.umes.edu/apply/

Helpful Tips

Applications

- Applications typically request very similar information. Print or save your applications in Microsoft Word for future reference.
- The best thing about The Common App is that once you complete your information, it is saved for other schools to which you are applying.

Important Documents

- To have your transcript sent to the school, you must request it from your school counselor as soon as possible. Make sure you give your counselor enough time to complete this task!
- Some schools also require a "School Report" that should be completed and sent by your school counselor. If the school requires it, print the form from the application website and give it to your counselor to submit.
- Ask for recommendations in September to allow individuals enough time to prepare their letters.

Financial Aid

- There are three types of financial aid: federal, state, and school-based.
- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form is available starting October 1 and closes June 30. <u>Visit fafsa.ed.gov/ for more info.</u> The state deadline for applying for financial aid is April 15 by midnight. <u>Visit the delawaregoestocollege.org/step-2-find-state-aid/ for more info.</u>
- Deadlines for financial aid are specific to each college or university.
 Colleges will reply to financial aid requests submitted by their deadlines with financial aid packages regarding tuition and possible scholarships.

Terms Defined

- **Early Action**: An application deadline earlier than the regular deadline in which if you are admitted, you do not have to commit.
- Early Decision: An application deadline earlier than the regular deadline where if you are admitted, you must attend that school.
- Open Door Admissions: Unselective admissions where the only requirement is a high school diploma or a GED Certificate.
- Placement Exams: Tests taken prior to attending college that help to determine the level of coursework that is appropriate for you.
- Priority Deadline: All applications will be considered, but the ones submitted before the priority deadline will have a higher consideration.
- Retention Rate: Number of first-year students who return to the same school in the following year to continue to seek their degrees.
- Rolling Admissions: Applications may be submitted at any time or over the course of a long timeframe (depending on the school).
- Six-Year Graduation Rate: Indicates the percentage of incoming freshman who graduate a four-year program in six years or less.
- Writing Supplement: A piece of writing submitted in addition to your college essay.

* indicates Free Applications