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2012-2013 **Application**



Begin your journey
to learn at a place
that puts your
education **First!**

Admissions

Fairmont State University is a student-centered institution of first choice among students who desire a flexible and relevant learning experience. The University provides a well-rounded education, enabling students to gain the knowledge and skills needed for self-fulfilling, responsible citizenship and employability in a rapidly changing global environment.

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ADDRESS: 1201 Locust Avenue
Fairmont, WV 26554

TESTING CODES: ACT Code: 4520
SAT Code: 5211
TOEFL Code: 5211

Housing

Please visit the Residence Life web site for additional information on housing requirements and options.

www.fairmontstate.edu/stulife/residence-life

Apply or Schedule a Visit Online

www.fairmontstate.edu/futurestudents

How to Apply

First-Time Freshmen

- *Application for Admission
- *Official high school transcript or GED (sent by high school or Department of Education)
- *ACT or SAT Scores (for students who graduated high school less than 5 years prior to enrollment term)
- College transcript (if college credit was earned during high school)
- Immunization record - Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR) (if born after January 1, 1957)
- At least a 2.0 high school GPA and an 18 ACT composite or 870 SAT composite (SAT combined Critical Reading and Math scores)
- or -
At least a 3.0 high school GPA and SAT or ACT composite regardless

of score (Fairmont State may conditionally admit students who do not meet the basic admissions standards.)

Transfers

- *Application for Admission
- *Official college transcripts (from accredited institution(s); must have 2.0)
- Official high school transcript and ACT/SAT scores if there are fewer than 26 earned credit hours being transferred
- Immunization record - Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR) (if born after January 1, 1957)

Post-Baccalaureate Students

(seeking another degree)

- *Application for Admission
- *Official college transcript(s)
- Immunization record - Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR) (if born after January 1, 1957)

Non Degree Seeking Students *(not eligible for federal financial aid)*

- *Application for Admission
- Proof of pre-requisite (see catalog)

High School Student

(current high school students; not eligible for federal financial aid)

Must meet the following criteria:

- *Application for Admission
- *Completed his/her junior year of high school curriculum
- *Current high school transcript (must have a grade point average of 3.0)
- *Permission letter from parent
- *Recommendation letter from the high school principal or counselor
- Proof of pre-requisite (see catalog)

Post-Baccalaureate Student

(not seeking a degree; not eligible for federal financial aid)

- *Application for Admission
- Proof of pre-requisite (see catalog)

Transient Student

(students enrolled at another school and returning to that institution)

- *Application for Admission
- *Course Approval Form (from your Registrar's Office)
- or - Official transcript (must have "C" average)
- Proof of pre-requisite (see catalog)

International Students

- *Application for Admission (Must be received at least six weeks prior to semester start date)
- *Official high school transcript
- *Certified English translation of your high school transcript
- *Official English proficiency scores (TOEFL of 61 or IELTS of 6.0) if your native language is not English
- *ACT or SAT Scores
- *Official college transcript(s)
- *Certified English translation (by WES or SpanTran) of your college or university transcript(s)
- Health form signed by a physician approved by U.S. Consular Authority (proof of immunization against measles, mumps and rubella (MMR))
- *Proof of financial support for the period of expected attendance
- *Proof of health insurance coverage
- *Meet general admissions requirements of the institution

** Required prior to admission*

Competitive Program (Nursing)

A competitive program has a specific application deadline and limited admission. You must have a completed file to be considered. A completed file includes:

- Application for Admission
- Program Application
- Non-refundable program application fee
- Official TEAS test scores
- Official high school transcript or official GED scores
- Official college transcript from each institution attended
- Seventh semester grades for high school applicants
- Pre-requisites (see catalog)
- LPN transcript and copy of license if applicable



Programs of Study

School of Business

- 4101 Accounting
- Business Administration
 - 410B *Entrepreneurial Studies*
 - 410D *Finance*
 - 410A *General Business*
 - 410I ****Hospitality Management*
 - 410F *Management*
 - 410G *Marketing*
 - 410H *Sports Management*
- 4115 Information Systems Management

School of Education, Health & Human Performance Non Teaching

- 4300 Exercise Science
- Family & Consumer Science
 - 430B ****Child Development Specialization*
 - 430C ****Fashion Merchandising Specialization*
 - 430D ****Interior Design Specialization*
 - 430A *Family & Consumer Specialist*
- 4302 Health Science

Teaching

****Education** (all students admitted into pre-programs)

Pre Elementary Education

- 4420 Elementary Education (includes Computer Science Pre K-Adult; Elementary Education K-6; School Library Media Pre K-Adult; Spanish Pre K-Adult)

Pre Secondary Education

- 440E Business (Business Education)
- 4809 Art
- 4810 Communication
- 4811 Music
- 4812 Theatre
- 440D Health/Consumer Science (Computer Science; Family & Consumer Science; Health; Physical Education; School Library Media)
- 440B Math/Science (Biology; Chemistry; General Mathematics; General Science; Physics; Technology Education)
- 446F Social Studies
- 446E Language and Literature (English; French; Journalism; Spanish)

**School of Fine Arts

- (all students admitted into pre-programs)
- 4809 ***Contemporary Fine Arts Technology
 - 4809 Studio Art
 - 4810 Communication
 - 4812 Theatre
 - 4811 Music

College of Liberal Arts

- Criminal Justice
 - 490A *Corrections Concentration*
 - 490B *Law Enforcement Concentration*
- 4908 English
- 4909 French
- 4910 History (BA)
- 4902 History (BS)
- 4927 **National Security & Intelligence
- 4905 Political Science
- 4906 Psychology
- 4907 Sociology
 - 490I *Population Studies*
- 4912 Spanish
- 4002 Undecided

School of Nursing & Allied Health Administration

- 5301 ***Allied Health Administration
- 5300 ***Nursing (BSN)

College of Science & Technology

- 5633 ***Architecture
- Aviation Technology
 - 560V *Aviation Maintenance Management*
 - 560A *Aviation Administration - No Flight Option*
 - 560B *Aviation Administration - Flight Option*
- 5604 Biology
 - 560X *Biotechnology*
- 5605 Chemistry
 - 560X *Biotechnology*
- ***Civil Engineering Technology
 - 560E *Non-Environmental Option*
 - 560F *Environmental Option*
- 5607 Computer Science
 - 560W *Computer Security*
- 5613 ***Electronics Engineering Tech.
 - 4901 *Forensics*
 - 560X *Biotechnology*
- 5610 ***Graphics Technology
 - 560C *Electronic Publishing/Imaging Specialization*
- 5611 Mathematics
- 5614 ***Mechanical Engineering Tech.
- 5638 ***Occupational Safety

Pre-Professional

- 4003 Pre-Dentistry
- 4004 Pre-Engineering
- 4005 Pre-Journalism
- 4007 Pre-Medical Technology
- 4008 Pre-Medicine
- 4010 Pre-Pharmacy
- 4011 Pre-Physical Therapy

Associate Degree Programs

- 4009 *Nursing (RN) (Must submit program application and all required documents by December 1 to be considered. Applicants who are LPNs must submit by November 1 for the accelerated LPN to ASN program.)
- 5616 Architectural Engineering Technology
- 5617 Civil Engineering Technology
- 5618 Electronics Engineering Technology
- 5619 Mechanical Engineering Technology
- 5620 Safety Engineering Technology
 - * Programs are competitive (limited enrollment)
 - ** Programs are selective
 - *** 2 + 2 Programs: Applicant may complete the associate degree component before entering the bachelor's program. See catalog for details.

Tuition and Fees

Tuition, residence charges, and fees change on a yearly basis. The costs in this chart are estimated expenses for the 2012-2013 academic year. Your actual costs may vary. For example, your personal expenses may be higher or lower than our estimated cost. Room and board fees in the chart are based on double occupancy rate and a 15 meal per week plan. We attempt to estimate realistic costs to allow our students to receive the maximum amount of financial aid available.

WV Students

	Living On Campus	Living Off Campus
DIRECT COSTS		
* Tuition & Fees.....	\$5,326	\$5,326
Room / Board.....	7,132	8,247
TOTAL	\$12,458	\$13,573
* Based on full-time (12 hrs.) per credit hour cost: \$223		
INDIRECT COST (Estimates)		
Books & Supplies	1,000	1,000
Transportation	1,000	1,900
Personal.....	1,500	1,600
TOTAL	\$3,500	\$4,500
TOTAL	\$15,958	\$18,073
(estimated cost of attendance)		

Out-of-State Students

	Living On Campus	Living Off Campus
DIRECT COSTS		
* Tuition & Fees.....	\$11,230	\$11,230
Room / Board.....	7,132	8,247
TOTAL	\$18,362	\$19,477
* Based on full-time (12 hrs.) per credit hour cost: \$468		
INDIRECT COSTS (Estimates)		
Books & Supplies	1,000	1,000
Transportation	1,300	2,200
Personal.....	1,500	1,600
TOTAL	\$3,800	\$4,800
TOTAL	\$22,162	\$24,277
(estimated cost of attendance)		

Financial Aid

Fairmont State University participates in all Federal Student Aid programs. For more information on deadlines, scholarship opportunities, and our new Net Price Calculator, which will assist you in estimating your costs to attend Fairmont State, please visit www.fairmontstate.edu/finaid.

FSU Federal Student Aid Code – 003812

Scholarships

It is our intent to promote and foster the highest degree of success for our students. To assist students in this effort, we award scholarships primarily on talent, merit, and need. The objective of our scholarship programs are to foster the recruitment and retention of a diverse student body with special talents.

Scholarships for talent and academic merit are very competitive. Each applicant is judged against all others applying for the same scholarship. So, be outstanding! Some scholarships are based solely on academic achievement, leadership and/or other contributions without reference to financial need. Others are earmarked for those who present strong academic and leadership potential and have demonstrated need.

There are over 100 scholarships available for our students. Some are available for renewal for up to four years but you may need to submit an application each year. Others may only be available for freshmen or sophomores. Whatever the requirements, be sure you apply on time and submit complete application packets.

To Apply

There are two sources for scholarships. Admissions Scholarships simply require that the admissions file be complete by December 15 for priority consideration. Departmental and Foundation Scholarships require a completed scholarship application by the first Monday in February for priority consideration. All scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until funds are exhausted. More information about scholarships may be found online at www.fairmontstate.edu/finaid/funding-scholarships.

Admissions Scholarships

Listed below are scholarships for new students available through the Office of

Admissions and Recruitment. For more information on these scholarships feel free to contact an Admissions Counselor at admit@fairmontstate.edu.

Falcon Scholarships: Renewable – First Time Freshmen; apply by Dec. 15 for next year

Pepsi Scholarship: 4 year award

Aladdin Scholarship: Renewable – Must have Meal Plan

Charles J. McClain Scholarship: (WV students only) Tuition and fees, housing, book stipend; must be PROMISE eligible 4 year competitive scholarship, requires separate application, essay, and interview (amount varies based on other aid and student status)

Campus Life Scholarship: First Time Freshmen and Transfer Students

William White Scholarship: Renewable

Neighborhood Investment Program Scholarship: (WV students only) Total family income must be at or below 125% of National Poverty Guidelines (available online at school's web site); must have GPA of 2.5 for renewal consideration

Out-of-State Neighbors Scholarship: (out of state students only) Renewable for 3 years, First Time Freshmen

Departmental and Foundation Scholarships

Through the fundraising efforts of the Fairmont State Foundation, Inc., Fairmont State University is able to offer generous scholarship support to students. Potential and current students may apply for more Departmental and Foundation scholarship opportunities by completing the scholarship application on page 7. A list of these scholarships and their awarding criteria may be found online at www.fairmontstate.edu/finaid/funding/foundation-scholarships.

Financial Aid Time Line

October — Last opportunity to take the ACT for Falcon Scholarship consideration. FAFSA4caster available. Fall Campus Visitation Day is Saturday, October 29, 2011. FSU Scholarship Application available.

November — Last opportunity to take the SAT for Falcon Scholarship consideration. FAFSA4caster available.

December — To be eligible for an Admissions Scholarship, you must

have a completed admission file by December 15. To be eligible for others, you must complete a scholarship application. The December test date is the last opportunity to take the ACT for PROMISE Scholarship consideration (WV students only). FAFSA4caster available.

January — Complete the FAFSA and include the FSU school code – 003812 Submit the FAFSA to the federal processor by March 1 for priority consideration for need-based aid. Applications received after March 1 will be considered for Federal Pell Grants and Federal Direct loans only. FAFSA on the Web is available at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The January test date is the last opportunity to take the SAT for PROMISE scholarship consideration (WV student only).

February — The first Monday in February is the priority consideration deadline for the Departmental and Foundation Scholarship Application. First letter requesting verification documents mailed (ongoing).

March — Submit the FAFSA to the federal processor by March 1 for priority consideration for need-based aid. Spring Campus Visitation Day is held in late March. Financial aid award letters are sent by postal mail and/or e-mail to FSU.

April — Notifications of West Virginia Higher Education Grants & PROMISE Scholarships are mailed from the respective agencies (WV students only). Financial aid award letters continue to be sent by postal mail and/or e-mail to FSU applicants. WV Higher Education Grant Award Letter mailings from Higher Education Policy Commission (WV students only).

May / June — Promissory notes for all accepted loans can be completed, as well as Entrance Counseling. Notifications are sent to students' FSU e-mail accounts if aid packages are revised. On-campus Orientation Days begin.

July — Student invoices for the fall term are available online at <https://epay.fairmontstate.edu>. The first payment in the Financial Installment Plan Service (FIPS) is due. On-campus Orientation Days continue.

August — Payment for fall term is due before the first day of classes. The second payment in the (FIPS) payment plan is due. Financial aid disbursed approximately 10 days prior to beginning of classes, refunds mailed, and classes begin. On-campus Orientation Days continue.

Application for Admission

Office of Admissions and Recruitment
1201 Locust Avenue
Fairmont, WV 26554-2470
(800) 641-5678 (304) 367-4892
admit@fairmontstate.edu

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Territory Recruiter Code: _____

Contact Code #1 : _____

Contact Code #2 : _____

Date of Event: _____



PLEASE PRINT. Complete this form in ink and sign.

An online application is available at www.fairmontstate.edu

1. Name: _____
Last First Middle

List any former last name(s) you have used for work or school: _____

2. Social Security Number: _____

3. When do you plan to begin classes? Year _____ Term: (Select One) Fall (August) Spring (January)
 Summer (May-June)

4. Address: _____
Street or P.O. Box

City County State/Province ZIP/Postal Code Country

5. Are you a West Virginia resident? (Proof of residency may be required) Yes No

6. Have you resided in West Virginia (other than as a college student) for the entire past 12 months? Yes No

7. How long have you resided in West Virginia? _____
Years / Months

8. Telephone: Home: () _____ Cell: () _____ Other: () _____

9. E-mail: _____

10. Birthdate: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ 11. Gender: Male (1) Female (2)

12. What is your ethnicity? Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

13. Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please select one or more of the following races that best describe you:

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

*Required for federal reports by Civil Rights Act of 1964. Not used for admission decision.

14. Are you a United States citizen? Yes No

15. Are you a veteran? Yes No

16. Are you eligible for disability services? Yes No

International Students Only

17. Type of visa _____ Are you in status? Yes No Are you currently in the U.S.? Yes No

Country of Citizenship: _____ Country of Birth: _____

Have you taken TOEFL or IELTS? Yes No If so, when? _____

— Application continues on next page —

18. Student Type (select one)

- First Time Freshman (New) (use major codes from page 3)
- Returning (Readmitted) (use major codes from page 3)
- Transfer (use major codes from page 3)
- Transient (use major code of 4000)
- Teacher Certificate Renewal (use major code 4000)
- Teacher Certification (use major code 4000)
- School Nurse Certification (use major code 4000)
- Non Degree Seeking (use major code 4000)

19. Educational Goal

Major _____

Code # _____ (see page 3 for code)

If selecting Pre Secondary Education please enter specific area from list (i.e. biology, English, etc.) (use major list from page 3) _____

20. When did or will you take ACT/SAT? _____

I do not plan on taking ACT/SAT

21. Education

Names of Schools	City/State	Dates Attended		Diploma		Graduation Date	Total Credits
		FROM	TO	Yes	No		
a) From what high school or GED center did or will you graduate?							XXXX
				Yes	No		XXXX

Names of Schools	City/State	Dates Attended		Degree Earned	Graduation Date	Total Credits
		FROM	TO			
b) List all colleges and universities you attend or have attended.						

22. Are you a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)? Yes No

23. Name of Parent Guardian Spouse Other: _____
(may be used in case of emergency)

Address: _____
Street City State ZIP Code

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

I certify that all statements in this application are complete and true. I understand that any false information may be grounds for denial of admission or for dismissal. I also understand that any future unpaid account balance for tuition and fees or other balances will be turned over to a collection agency after 60 (sixty) days delinquent.

Signature

Date



Fairmont State University is an equal opportunity, affirmative action institution.

Scholarship Application

Financial Aid and Scholarship
1201 Locust Avenue
Fairmont, WV 26554-2470
(800) 641-5678 (304) 367-4584
financialaid@fairmontstate.edu
financialaid@pierpont.edu

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High School Grade Point Average: _____ First Time Freshman: _____

College Grade Point Average: _____ Returning Student Level: _____

Major: _____ Transfer Student Level: _____

Returning/Transfer Student Attempting/Completed Hours: _____ / _____

PLEASE PRINT. Complete this form in ink and sign. An online application is available at www.fairmontstate.edu or www.pierpont.edu

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Number and Street City State Zip

Permanent Phone: (____)____-____ Home County: _____

Social Security Number: _____ OR Student ID F _____ Male / Female (circle one)

High School Name: _____ High School Phone: (____)____-_____

High School Address: _____
City County State Zip

Date of High School Graduation: _____ OR GED Yes Date _____ No

College Plans:

Major Fall 2012 _____ Projected Graduation Date: _____

Planned Enrollment _____ 0-5 hrs. _____ 6-8 hrs. _____ 9-11 hrs. _____ 12 hrs. and up

Are Your Parents Alumni of FSU or Pierpont? If so, please complete parental information.

Parents' Full Name(s) _____ and/or _____
Father Class of Mother Class of

Many scholarships awarded through FSU and Pierpont require that you have financial need. As a result, the 2012-2013 Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed before need is assessed. I will / will not (circle one) file a 2012-2013 FAFSA.

Required documents:

1. Fairmont State University or Pierpont Community & Technical College 2012-2013 Scholarship Application
2. Well-written essay describing your educational goals and how they will benefit society
3. Statement of Community Service Activities, Civic Activities, Clubs, etc. for the last two years

All high school transcripts (partial for 2012 graduates) and college transcripts should be on file with Fairmont State University or Pierpont Community & Technical College or submitted before application submission date.

I authorize the Financial Aid Office to disclose pertinent information to scholarship selection committees as deemed necessary.

Student Signature

Date

The Financial Aid Office may also be asked to provide information to the Fairmont State Foundation and their donors (relative to the donor's scholarship). If you wish to opt out of this release please initial _____.

Priority Submission Date: February 6, 2012

Applications will continue to be accepted after this date for re-awards and other scholarships that become available.

Return to: FSU and Pierpont Financial Aid Office, 1201 Locust Ave., Fairmont, WV 26554



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FSUFAQs

Where is Fairmont State located?

The main campus, which is shared with Pierpont Community & Technical College, is located in Fairmont, WV. Classes are also taught in Clarksburg, Bridgeport, and other regional locations.

How do I visit campus?

You may register for a campus visit online at www.fairmontstate.edu/visitsfu. You will have a personal appointment with an admissions counselor and a tour of our beautiful campus. Your visit can also be customized to include appointments with an academic representative, financial aid, or other administrative offices.

How many students attend Fairmont State?

We have approximately 4,700 students enrolled from 25 states and 19 countries.

How big are the classes?

The average class size is 22 students, and our student-to-faculty ratio of 18-to-1 allows the institution to provide individual attention for every student.

How many majors does FSU offer?

Over 80 Baccalaureate Degree programs, six Associate Degree programs, and four Graduate Degree programs.

How many student organizations do you offer?

More than 80 clubs, organizations, and fraternities/sororities.

Do you offer Intercollegiate athletics?

Yes. Fairmont State University is a member of NCAA Division II and the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. We offer 15 men's and women's sports.

Are freshmen allowed to have cars on campus?

Yes. Student parking decals are included in tuition and must be displayed in the vehicle while parked on campus.

What is the FAFSA?

This is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. This application will help determine if you are eligible for federally funded financial assistance and may be obtained on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Do I have to live on campus?

Students younger than 21 who are attending at least one class on the main campus, are required to live on campus for four semesters, unless they apply for and receive off-campus approval from the Office of Residence Life.

When is the best time to apply?

Students must apply by December 15 for priority consideration for academic scholarships.

I am a transfer student with college credits that are more than 20 years old. Will they still transfer?

Yes. Generally undergraduate credit hours do not have a time restriction for transferring. It is important for the college hours to be on a transcript from an accredited college or university.

What are placement tests?

The COMPASS placement test is an online un-timed assessment that measures a student's current skill level in English, Math and/or Reading. Students who meet certain criteria are required to complete the COMPASS. For more information, please visit www.fairmontstate.edu/CompassTest.

Do you accommodate students with disabilities?

Yes. Our campus is handicapped accessible and the Office of Disability Services can make various arrangements for students who need special accommodations. The office may be reached by calling (304) 367-4686.

I am hearing impaired. Do you provide TTY or VP?

Yes. You can call (304) 367-4906 for answers to your questions through TTY or call (304) 367-4072 for VP.

How much out of class study and preparation time should I expect?

To best answer this question, think back to when you took traditional classes. The average student studies two hours for every class hour. Therefore, if you were registered for six hours, you would study 12 hours per week.

