

# **Amherst College**

#### **General Information**

- Y Common / Coalition Application
- N Additional Requirements by Major
- Y Application Fee (waived for veterans/service members see notes)
- N JST/CLEP/ DSST Accepted
- N Online Credit Accepted (some leniency in pandemic see notes)
- Y Yellow Ribbon
- Y Veteran Center / Military Web Page

#### **Application Deadlines -**

Fall –	First-Y	Year – I	Earl	y - N	loveml	ber 1

Fall – First-Year – Regular – January 1

Fall – Transfer – March 1

Spring - Transfer – November 1

# **College Admission Policy - Freshman**

### **Optional** SAT / ACT N Required GPA –minimum Y Personal Statement / Essay Y Supplemental Application **Questions** Y Official High School Transcripts Y LORs – see notes Y School Report N Senior Grade Report N Personal Interview -Y Mid-Year School Report / Transcript (only applies if a current high school senior)

#### **College Admission Policy – Transfer**

# **Credit Required to Transfer – see notes**

Optional	SAT / ACT –				
N	Required GPA – minimum				
Y	Personal Statement / Essay				
Y	Official College Transcripts				
Y	Official High School Transcripts				
Y	LORs – see notes				
Y	JST Required				
N	Personal Interview – not offered				
Y	Transfer College Report				
Y	Mid-Term Report				
	-				

### College Notes - Special consideration for Active Duty and Military noted below

 Please review Amherst Admission's U.S. Veteran/Service Member Applicant webpage: https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/veterans

- Application Deadlines Please review the first-year application website
   (<a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/firstyear">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/firstyear</a>) and transfer application website for application deadlines (<a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/transfer">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/transfer</a>)
- Application Advice When filling out the admission application, please complete all sections even those which may not seem directly relevant to your personal, academic, and military experiences to the best of your ability. For example, the application asks about your extracurricular activities, awards, and honors. Veteran applicants should feel free to include military experiences and distinctions, community and family obligations, work experience, and any other post-secondary experiences in these sections. At times, some schools welcome you to attach /upload/copy and paste a résumé or CV to explain your non-academic experiences more thoroughly.
- Warrior Scholar Project Amherst and LSP recommend that Marines consider attending this free, academic preparation course See: http://warrior-scholar.org/courses.html
- Amherst's advice for active duty U.S. military/veterans same admission requirements as traditional first-year or transfer candidate highly suggest that Marines apply while attending community college full-time. Please review the following website: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/veterans">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/veterans</a>.
  - Transfers successful transfers usually come from a community college and have excellent academic credentials. Successful candidates follow the guidelines outlined in the Amherst Community College Collaboration Agreement. See: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/media/view/780634">https://www.amherst.edu/media/view/780634</a>
  - o **First-Year** applicants may apply as first-year students at any time (even after accumulated college credits but must be willing to spend four-years at Amherst as a student).
  - o Amherst does not award second Bachelor's Degrees
  - Any LSP applicant who is interested in applying to Amherst is encouraged to contact the Amherst College Office of Admission via the recommended method given on their veteran webpage: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/veterans">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/veterans</a>
- Special Consideration for Active Duty and Veteran Candidates Amherst has provided some relief regarding admission requirements
  - Academic LORs academic letters of recommendation are required; however, active duty can seek
    assistance from Associate Dean of Admissions, Ms. Alexandra Hurd, to discuss alternatives if cannot
    obtain the required letters
- Application Fee / Waiver for Veterans <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/financial\_aid/quickpass">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/financial\_aid/quickpass</a> fill out online form
- Essay / Personal Statement— Must submit two required essays; prompts are provided to first-year and transfer candidates through Common Application and Coalition Application
- SAT / ACT –SAT Exam Means CR722 +M 726 +WR 719; ACT Composite + Writing 32 Mean. SAT/ACT scores are optional for all candidates. For more information regarding Amherst's SAT/ACT test-optional policy: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/firstyear/testing">https://www.amherst.edu/admission/apply/firstyear/testing</a>.
- Transferable Credit / Online Credit generally means liberal arts / science / math credit (e.g. general education) from a regionally accredited 2-year or 4-year, traditional institution; subject to strict review by university; online credit is not accepted with some flexibility provided on this during the pandemic; Amherst looks for traditional, in-seat coursework focusing on general education no credit is awarded for coursework completed in a major e.g. business or criminal justice nor for math courses below calculus. For more

- information, please visit: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/media/view/811975">https://www.amherst.edu/media/view/811975</a>. An official credit evaluation including graduation date and class year is provided at point of admission.
- Financial Aid: All applicants are encouraged to apply for Amherst College institutional need-based and need-blind financial aid even if the applicant will be eligible to use education benefits from the VA. Many U.S. service members/veterans find that they qualify for significant need-based financial aid from Amherst and, as a result, may not need to use their benefits toward their bachelor's degree. For more information: <a href="https://www.amherst.edu/offices/financialaid/firstyear\_transfer">https://www.amherst.edu/offices/financialaid/firstyear\_transfer</a>
- **JST/DSST/CLEP credit** none accepted
- Transfer College Report / Freshman School Report available through Common Application
- Mid-Year School Report / Transcript Marines request waiver through Dean's office