

General Information

- Y Yale Eli Whitney Application
- N Application Fee waived for veterans
- N JST/CLEP/ DSST Accepted
- Y Online Credit Accepted (see note)
- Y Yellow Ribbon
- Y Veteran Center / Military Web Page

Application Deadlines –

- Fall – March 15
- No Spring or Summer Admissions**

College Admission Policy – Eli Whitney Program

Credit Required to Transfer – any

- N SAT / ACT – see notes
- N Required GPA – 3.8 minimum
- Y Personal Statement / Essay / Short Answers
- Y Official College Transcripts
- Y Official High School Transcripts
- Y LORs – see notes
- Y Out of high school for more than 5 years
- Personal Interview – **see notes**
- Y Résumé
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College Notes –There are three pathways to apply to Yale: as a first-year student; as a transfer candidate; or to the Eli Whitney Students Program (EWSP). Please review the information at <https://admissions.yale.edu/veterans> for more information about these various programs. This information sheet provides details for only the Eli Whitney Students Program, a traditional in-person Yale undergraduate program designed specifically for adult students. This is the pathway that is most popular with veterans. Applicants who left high school at least five years before their intended Yale term of study and who have not yet received their bachelor’s degrees are eligible to apply to the EWSP. Detailed information about the EWSP can be found at <https://admissions.yale.edu/eli-whitney-students-program-details>. The information provided on this sheet pertains to the EWSP only, and not to our first-year or transfer pathways.

- **Application Deadlines** – EWSP application form is available online from November through March at <https://admissions.yale.edu/eli-whitney-students-program-admissions-application-instructions-forms>. The application deadline is March 15.
- **Application Advice** -
 - **Should you apply to Eli Whitney or as a traditional transfer or first-year**
 - **First-Year Candidate** – Students are eligible to apply to the first-year program if they have less than one year’s worth of transferable credits.
 - **Transfer Candidate** – Students are eligible to apply as transfer students if they have between one and two years’ worth of transferable credits.
 - **Eli Whitney Students Program** – Applicants who left high school at least five years before their intended Yale term of study and who have not yet received their bachelor’s degrees are eligible to apply to the EWSP.
 - **Suggest Warrior Scholar Project** – <http://warrior-scholar.org> - one to two week, free, academic emersion program
 - **Suggest Service to School** - <https://service2school.org/>
 - **Recent Academic Performance** – it is not unusual for our student veterans to show softer high school or earlier college records, but the admissions committee does expect to see strong recent academic performance.
 - **NOTE** - Consider taking rigorous liberal arts courses in the humanities, social sciences, foreign languages and natural or physical sciences. Take courses in math (preferably through at least Pre-Calculus) as well as classes that focus on writing skills. Yale recommends taking in-person classes. However, if this is not feasible, synchronous (i.e. in real time) courses are an alternative. Many veterans took college classes at local community colleges before submitting their applications to Yale.
- **Application Fee / Waiver for Veterans** - \$80 waiver for military veterans and active duty service members
- **GPA minimum does not equate to competitive GPA**
- **Essay / Personal Statement / Short Answers** –The application requires two essays and some short answer questions.
- **SAT WITH WRITING / ACT WITH WRITING** – optional - BUT POC states Marines are encouraged to take and submit scores; scores should be as strong as possible; recommend top percentile
- **INTERVIEWS** –
 1. OPTIONAL recorded virtual interviews via the StandOut platform are offered to all Eli Whitney applicants. Candidates will be invited via email in early April to submit StandOut interviews.

2. After a preliminary review of completed applications, the Admissions Office offers virtual live interviews with admissions officers to a small number of Eli Whitney applicants. These interviews usually take place at the end of April or early May. **Transferable Credit / Online Credit** - Please review the information at <https://admissions.yale.edu/eli-whitney-students-program-details> for details regarding the transfer of credit.

- **JST/DSST/CLEP credit** – Not accepted –
 - Note: Ivy League / top universities DO NOT accept non-traditional or Online credit
- **LORs** – 3 letters of recommendation AND it is strongly recommended that at least two of the three must come from teachers or professors who have recently taught the student.
- **Veteran Center / Information** - <http://admissions.yale.edu/veterans> - information on the Eli Whitney program at Yale as well as other opportunities