

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

PROFILE OF THE CLASS OF 2013

This profile mainly provides information about freshmen who declared intent to enroll in the Fall of 2009. The reporting of these objective data should not be interpreted to mean these are the most important criteria in the selection process. Other factors, such as secondary school curriculum and performance, special talents, extracurricular activities, essays, and interviews (when required) are critical to our decision making as well.

There are seven undergraduate colleges at Cornell: Agriculture and Life Sciences; Architecture, Art and Planning; Arts and Sciences; Engineering; Hotel Administration; Human Ecology; and Industrial and Labor Relations. Freshman and transfer applicants may apply to any one of the seven. For more information on Cornell's programs and the application process, please contact the [Undergraduate Admissions Office](#), 410 Thurston Avenue, Ithaca, New York 14850-2488, 607 255-5241, or send e-mail at admissions@cornell.edu. An admissions officer will be happy to respond to your questions.

Application Options

Fall Early Decision *	Application due November 1	Reply date Mid December
Fall Regular Decision	Application due January 2	<i>Agriculture and Life Sciences; Hotel; and Industrial and Labor Relations:</i> Selected applicants are notified in early March. Other four colleges: Early April
Fall Transfer Decision	Application filing period February 15 to March 15	Rolling until June 15

* If Cornell is your first choice and you are applying for freshman admission, consider applying under the early decision plan [EDP]. Your application will be read in the fall, and you will be notified by mid December of Cornell's decision. Between 30-40 percent of recent freshman classes came to Cornell through EDP. Because enthusiasm for Cornell is considered a plus, early decision applicants stand a slightly better chance of gaining admission---a fact reflected in the statistics.

Remember that an early decision application is a commitment. You can apply under early decision to only one college or university. If you are accepted early decision at Cornell, you must withdraw any applications sent to other schools.

Applicant Group

	Applications	Acceptances	Declared Intent to Enroll **
Early Decision	3,442	1,277	1,238
Regular Decision	30,929	5,286	1,983
Total First-time Freshmen	34,371	6,564	3,221
<i>Transfer Decision</i>	<i>3,244</i>	<i>731</i>	<i>569</i>
<i>University Total*</i>	<i>37,615</i>	<i>7,295</i>	<i>3,790</i>

* Total excludes special admissions students.

** Data as of July 2009 of students who declared intent to enroll with a deposit. This is not to imply they actually enrolled as of the official census date.

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Diversity (%)

Geographic Diversity	Percent of Declared Intent to Enroll **	Race/Ethnicity Diversity	Percent of Declared Intent to Enroll **
New York	28%	Native Indian	< 1%
New England	11%	African-American	7%
Middle Atlantic	21%	Hispanic-American	7%
Southeast	7%	Asian-American	16%
Southwest - Mountain	4%	Bi- or Multi-Racial	7%
Midwest	8%	Caucasian	43%
Far West	11%	No Response/Other	8%
International/U.S. Abroad	10%	International	11%
Total	3,221	Total	3,221

Note: Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
 Geographic diversity reflects the location of the student's high school.

High School Class Rank

	Applications	Acceptances	Declared Intent to Enroll **
Top 10%	9,386	2,398	88% (1,070)
Second 10%	1,874	148	9% (104)
Third and fourth 10%	1,086	44	3% (32)
Fifth to tenth 10%	384	13	1% (10)
<i>No rank reported</i>	<i>21,641</i>	<i>3,961</i>	<i>62% (2,005)</i>

Note: Percentages based on schools that rank their classes and may not add to 100% due to rounding.

SAT Score Distribution

VERBAL	Acceptances	Declared Intent to Enroll **
700 – 800	3,367	42% (1,273)
650 - 699	1,339	25% (748)
600 - 649	919	19% (581)
550 - 599	393	9% (275)
500 - 549	150	4% (111)
400 - 499	44	1% (34)
200 - 399	1	0% (0)
<i>No Report</i>	<i>351</i>	<i>6% (199)</i>

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SAT Score Distribution (continued)

MATH	Acceptances	Declared Intent to Enroll **
700 – 800	4,240	60% (1,820)
650 - 699	1,150	22% (667)
600 - 649	530	11% (336)
550 - 599	210	5% (136)
500 - 549	69	2% (51)
400 - 499	14	1% (12)
200 - 399	0	0% (0)
<i>No Report</i>	351	6% (199)

Note: Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Other Statistics of First-Time Freshmen who Declared Intent to Enroll:

- 50% Men
- 50% Women
- 14% Legacies
- 38% Early Decision
- 36% Students of Color*
- 7% Recruited Athletes
- 50% Awarded need-based scholarship/grant aid

* “Students of color” include Black/African Americans, Asian-Americans, Bi/Multiracial with at least one ‘students of color’ category, Hawaiian/Pacific Islanders, Hispanic Americans, and Native Americans.

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