



MCKENDREE
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Transitions to McKendree University
2009-2010 Transfer Guide



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McKendree University, Illinois' first college, is located in Lebanon, Illinois, just 23 miles from downtown St. Louis. McKendree students enjoy the serenity and security of a small town along with all of the advantages of a large metropolitan area—career opportunities, cultural events and institutions, shopping, professional sports and entertainment.

McKendree University wants to make your transition to our campus as smooth as possible. *Transitions to McKendree* will provide you with more information about McKendree and help to assist you in getting your transfer-related questions answered. We have scholarship opportunities for transfer students and two admission counselors dedicated to helping you along the way!

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Campus Visits and Important Dates

Preview Days

Saturday, October 10	9:00—1:00	Monday, January 18	10:00—2:00
Saturday, October 31	9:00—1:00	Saturday, April 17	9:00—1:00

Please RSVP on-line at www.mckendree.edu.

Campus Tours

Counselors are available Monday through Friday and on select Saturdays for personalized campus visits. In addition to a campus tour, students will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with an admission counselor and design a visit to meet their needs. Please contact the Office of Admission arrange your visit.

Registration Dates

Spring and Summer 2010 registration will start Monday, November 16, 2009.
Fall 2010 registration will start in April, 2010.

McKendree University Admission

You are encouraged to complete the transfer application for admission any time prior to the semester in which you plan to enroll. The on-line application is available at www.mckendree.edu. A printable application is also available on the website.

Application Procedure

Students seeking admission to McKendree University must complete the following:

1. Submit an application for transfer admission
2. Send official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions you have attended
3. Send an official high school or GED transcript along with your ACT or SAT test records. If you have been out of high school for longer than five years, you will not need to submit this information.

To be considered for admission as a transfer student, a student must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 for post secondary course work.

Official transcripts and other supporting documents can be mailed to the Office of Admission at 701 College Road, Lebanon, IL, 62254.

Academic Information

McKendree University is a traditional, private, liberal arts school comprised of the Undergraduate College of Arts and Sciences (McKendree College) and the Schools of Education, Business, and Health Professions. McKendree offers 39 undergraduate and 4 graduate academic programs. Our students benefit from a student to faculty ratio of 15 to 1. Over 90% of the faculty have the highest degrees in their fields and classes are taught by professors, not graduate students or teaching assistants.

McKendree students can use experience gained through our internship programs for course credit. Our unique location in the St. Louis metro area provides students with boundless opportunities.

Academic Majors

Accounting	History	Secondary Education	Minors
Art	Interactive Media	Social Science	Actuarial Sciences
Athletic Training	International Relations	Sociology	Anthropology
Biology	Management	Social Work	Biochemistry
Business Administration	Marketing	Speech Communications	Coaching
Chemistry	Mathematics	Theater	Dance
Computer Information Systems	Music		Ethnic Studies
Computational Science	Music Business	Pre-Professional Programs	French
Computer Science	Music Education	Dentistry	Gender Studies
Criminal Justice	Music Performance	Law	German
Economics/Finance	Occupational Therapy	Medicine	Journalism
Educational Studies	Organizational Communication	Optometry	Spanish
Elementary Education	Philosophy	Pharmacy	Sports Psychology
English	Political Science	Veterinary	
Finance/Actuary	Psychology		
Health Promotion and Wellness	Religious Studies		



Co-curricular Activities

McKendree University students are involved in every aspect of campus life. More than 90% of the undergraduate student population is involved in at least one co-curricular activity. McKendree has something for everyone. Just a few examples...

Music Ensembles and Bands	Greek Life	Concert Choir
Intramural and Club Sports	Debate and Forensics	Dance Team
Student Government Association	Campus Activities Board	ROTC (Army and Airforce)
Residence Life Association	Model United Nations	Green Team
Professional and Honorary Organizations	Service Groups	Bearcat Rotoract
Newspaper and Yearbook	Campus Ministries	Anime club (ACME)
Theater	Study Abroad	Fitness Club

McKendree is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Our students participate in over 20 different athletic programs.

Men's

Baseball	Hockey
Basketball	Soccer
Bowling	Tennis
Cross Country	Track & Field
Football	Wrestling
Golf	

Women's

Basketball	Soccer
Bowling	Softball
Cheerleading	Tennis
Cross Country	Track & Field
Golf	Volleyball

Noteworthy

- McKendree is ranked in the top 10% of "Baccalaureate Colleges" in the nation by *US News and World Report's "America's Best Colleges 2010"*.
- The only "Baccalaureate College" in Illinois and the St. Louis region named to the "Great School, Great Prices" list by *US News and World Report*.
- McKendree University was selected to the Honor Roll of Great Colleges to Work For® by The Chronicle of Higher Education.
- Engaged students, great teaching, a vibrant community and successful outcomes have earned McKendree University the designation "College of Distinction."
- Recognized as a "Military Friendly School" in *G.I. Jobs* magazine's newly-released list of Military Friendly Schools for 2010.
- Parliamentary Debate Team ranked 7th in the nation.
- NAIA Division 1 athletic teams claimed the President's Cup for best overall performance in the American Midwest Conference for the 8th consecutive year. McKendree athletics have also finished in the top 20 in the nation for eight of the past nine years.
- McKendree has partnered with the Institute for Study Abroad to offer students study abroad opportunities at over 50 schools in 12 different countries.
- Through the Tanaka Foundation, students and faculty are given the opportunity to participate in a fully funded two-week cultural exchange in Tokyo, Japan.
- New campus construction in the past 15 years has lead to new academic buildings, fitness center, residence life facilities, intramural and varsity sports complexes, and has culminated in the opening of a \$10 million Center for the Arts.
- McKendree has campuses in Lebanon and Scott Air Force Base, IL, and Louisville and Radcliff, KY. Off-campus programs with accelerated instruction are offered throughout Illinois.
- McKendree offers a unique Bachelor's completion program in nursing at numerous off-campus sites.

McKendree University Scholarships

Academic Scholarships

McKendree University is excited to provide academically talented transfer students with scholarship opportunities. Students must be enrolled full time at McKendree to be eligible for the following:

McKendree University/Illinois Community College System Foundation (ICCSF)

Scholarships are valued at \$11,500 (\$9,500 transfer scholarship/ \$2,000 PTK) per year and are awarded to two outstanding students from every community college in Illinois.

Students must meet the following criteria:

- 3.6 GPA or higher
- Complete the equivalent of four semesters at the community college
- Phi Theta Kappa Membership
- State of Illinois resident

To be considered, students must complete and submit the McKendree University/Illinois Community College System Foundation scholarship application and submit a community college recommendation form. Both the application and recommendation form can be found on the McKendree website.

Illinois Community College Scholarship

Scholarships are valued at \$10,000 per year and students must meet the following criteria:

- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Complete the equivalent of four semesters at the community college
- State of Illinois resident
- Reside in McKendree University Housing

Illinois Community College Scholarships are awarded at the time of acceptance. This scholarship cannot be paired with the ICCSF, Transfer, or Phi Theta Kappa scholarships.

Transfer Scholarship

Transfer scholarships are awarded to academically talented transfer students from any institution based on the following criteria:

GPA	Annual Award
4.0-3.00	\$5,500
2.99-2.75	\$3,000

Transfer scholarships are awarded at the time of acceptance. This scholarship cannot be paired with the Illinois Community College scholarship.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship

All Phi Theta Kappa members who enroll at McKendree University will receive an annual \$2,000 PTK scholarship upon receipt of copy of membership card. This scholarship can not be paired with the *Illinois Community College Scholarship*.



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Athletic Scholarships

Students participating in most of the intercollegiate athletic programs at McKendree University may be eligible for athletic scholarships. Scholarship amount and eligibility is determined by the coach of each individual sport. For more information, check out the McKendree University Athletics website: athletics.mckendree.edu.

Debate (Forensics) Scholarships

Students planning to participate with McKendree University's Debate and Individual Events program may be eligible for scholarship. For more information, please contact Coach Joe Blasdel at jebblasdel@mckendree.edu.

Endowed Scholarships

Endowed scholarships are awarded to selected students based on pre-existing criteria set forth by the generous alumni and donors of McKendree University. Award amounts and availability vary from year to year.

Music Provost Scholarships

Students with demonstrated excellence in vocal, keyboard, or instrumental performance that plan to major or minor in any of McKendree's music programs are eligible for a Music Provost Scholarship. Scholarships are awarded based on a student's academic success as well as musical talent. For more information or to set up an audition, please contact Lester McQuaid at lamcquaid@mckendree.edu.

Band Scholarships

Awarded for co-curricular participation in marching/pep band and/or jazz ensemble/combo. Scholarships are awarded based on a student's musical talent. Auditions for these awards may take place within a scheduled campus visit. Please contact Lester McQuaid at lamcquaid@mckendree.edu for more information.

John Wesley/Methodist Scholarships

Students that have been awarded a \$500 or \$1000 scholarship from their church may be eligible for an additional \$250 or \$500, respectively, scholarship from McKendree. Please contact your local church for more information.

United Methodist Higher Education Foundation (UMHEF)

Provides scholarship aid for United Methodist students attending the 123 United Methodist-related schools, colleges, universities, and seminaries in the United States. Our scholarship programs include Foundation Merit Scholars, United Methodist Dollars for Scholars, and a number of other scholarship funds established by private donors, most notably the Bass, Morton, and Dickey scholarships. For further information about UMHEF's programs, please visit the Scholarships page on the website www.umhef.org. Applications may be downloaded from the website's Resource Library.

Financial Aid Opportunities

McKendree provides an educational experience of the highest caliber at costs that are significantly less than most private, liberal arts colleges in the United States. Our national “best buy” status (a barometer comparing cost and quality) for several years running is testament to the value of a McKendree education. Given that each family’s financial circumstances are different, we explore options with you and put together advice and assistance that will meet your particular needs. We take genuine pride in knowing that we review every family’s situation on an individual basis. In the end, our simple mission is to make a McKendree education financially possible for every student we admit.

Need Based Financial Aid

All students that complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be evaluated for need based aid available through McKendree, federal, and state agencies. By listing McKendree on the FAFSA (school code: 001722), you are applying for following grant and loan opportunities:

- McK Grant
- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Opportunity Grant
- ISAC Monetary Award Program
- Federal Work Study
- Federal Perkins Loan
- Federal Stafford Loan (Subsidized and Unsubsidized)

Military Benefits

McKendree POST-9/11 Veterans Award (Yellow Ribbon Program)

This award is available to veterans who are enrolled full-time and who are eligible for and elect to receive full educational benefits under the Post-911 GI Bill.

McKendree also accepts the following military benefits administered by the VA:

- Post 9-11 GI Bill (Ch. 33)
- Montgomery GI Bill- Active Duty (Ch. 30)
- Montgomery GI Bill- Selected Reserve (Ch. 1606)
- Veterans Educational Assistance Program (Ch. 32)
- Survivors’ and Dependents’ Educational Assistance Program (Ch. 35)
- Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Ch. 31)

Transfer Credit Evaluation

McKendree University will give careful consideration to your previous course work and transfer in as many credits as possible. Courses are individually evaluated to determine which are transferable and what requirements have been met. In most cases, credit is issued for courses that have an equivalency to those that are offered at McKendree. Our academic division chairpersons determine which courses will meet a specific degree requirement.

Official transcript evaluations are completed once you have been accepted to McKendree. Transfer admission counselors can provide you with an unofficial evaluation at your request. Please note the following:

- Only courses with a letter grade of 'C' or better may be accepted in transfer. Pass/fail courses will not be accepted.
- Proficiencies earned at other institutions are not accepted.
- You may receive a maximum of 64 credit hours in transfer from a junior or community college.
- 96 credit hours in total may be accepted in transfer from an accredited 4-year institution or from a combination of hours from a 4-year institution and a junior or community college.
- At least 128 credit hours are required for graduation, with a minimum of 64 hours in residency at McKendree.
- All students must pass a writing proficiency examination before graduating from McKendree University.



*McKendree University...
Providing a high quality educational experience to outstanding students.
Responsible Citizenship-Engagement-Academic Excellence-Lifelong Learning*



Notes



Facebook, Blogs, Profiles, and E-communication



We'd love to be your friend! You can find us on Facebook: McKendree Transfer

Find out what McKendree students are doing and learn more about the McKendree experience — check out blogs and profiles from the Mck homepage: www.mckendree.edu

Check your e-mail! In an effort to be **green**, we are using e-mail as our main communication tool. Make sure you get our e-updates by providing us with an active e-mail address!

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