

The College Visit Minute

A written account of college recruiting visits to Cambridge High School Campus for those that can't attend by *The CHS College Center*

School: Berry College

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Is the Rep a school Alum? Yes

Is the Rep involved in the admissions process? Yes

Codes: ACT 798, SAT 5059, FAFSA 001554

Last year's Freshman Profile: GPA - 3.6

SAT - 1250

ACT - 26

GPA -How is it calculated? Core vs. Cumulative? Core Weighted vs. unweighted? Weighted; holistic review; no minimums for admittance, don't automatically disqualify anyone based on numbers.

ACT/SAT – Written Portion? Super score? Yes

Rigor - What are the average AP requirements? No set numbers; avg. 2 out of 5 applicants have AP credits

Extra-Curricular Activities –What does the school look for? Holistic review. Commitment demonstrated in area of pursuit.

Most popular majors at this school: Animal Science, Early Childhood Education, Business, Biology, Exercise Mgmt. Professional Tracks - Pre-Med., Pre-Pharmacy, Pre Vet, Pre Dental, Pre-Law

Does chosen major affect decision process? No

Study Abroad Programs? Available in every major typically without additional costs for tuition. Summer Programs, Semester-Long Programs, Foreign Language Programs?

Internships / Co-Op Opportunities? Yes, especially in Healthcare

Research Opportunities? Work Program - partner with faculty as paid Research Assistant and get published.

Special successes the school is known for: 95% of faculty has PhDs; 90+ percent get jobs after graduation or go to grad school; 84 percent freshman retention rate; in the top 10 percent nationally for faculty engagement; 95% pre-law students accepted to Law School; 97% Pre Med students accepted into Med School; 98% of all student participate in the work program – guaranteed paid job for every student on campus averaging 8-10 hours, opt in and out as needed – 300 different jobs to choose from, such as working in elementary/middle schools on campus, in admissions, the library, the dairy, research assistant, tech in lab;

Scholarships: Are there any specific to our area or for Georgia students?

2018 Merit Based Scholarship Range \$7,00-\$21,000 * \$15,000-30,000 based on higher test scores and GPA

Hope applies \$4,100 towards tuition

Zell applies \$4,500 towards tuition

2018 Need-Based Grant Range \$3,000-10,000.

Equalization Grant \$950.00 per year

Numerous scholarships available to Freshman with demonstrated Community Service; Talent Based and Performing Arts Scholarship in Art, Music, Theatre, Forensics, Model United Nation

When are scholarship deadlines? January 7th - Early Action November 1st

What is the Total cost of Attendance?

Tuition & Fees \$ 36,556

Room & Board \$12,770

Total per Year (Two Semesters) \$ 49,326

Upcoming On-Campus visit dates not to be missed? "Discover Berry" Fall Open Houses on Saturdays in September, October and November; set up online at www.berry.edu/visit. Tours/class audits M-F

Is there a "Scholar Day" for Honors bound students? www.berry.edu/academics/honors.prospective/

Applications - www.berry.edu/apply

When are application deadlines? Early Action, **11/1**, Early Decision*, **11/1** Regular Decision, **1/15**
November 1st, non-binding; get decision by end of December; apply for scholarships in the Spring.

5 things required for admissions:

- 1) Complete the Common App, or the Berry App - *ED students must also submit ED Agreement & FAFSA
- 2) transcript from high school
- 3) SAT or ACT
- 4) High school counselor recommendation form; it is suggested that your high school counselor write about who you are apart from the numbers on your GPA and test scores; also, need letters of recommendation from teachers, coaches, etc.
- 5) Personal essay "Why Berry?" - Suggested

Is an essay required for all decision options? "Why Berry" essay is optional.

Are letters of recommendation required or suggested? Yes – High school counselor recommendation form suggested; also, letters of recommendations from teachers, coaches, etc.

Is an in-person interview required or suggested? **Recommended**

What does the school look for in each "round" of decisions? "holistic" approach; well-rounded individuals.

Does the school use the Common App? **Yes** How many applicants are received per year? **4,000**

How much is the application fee? **N/A** Are there quotas for applicant acceptance? **60%**

Campus Life

NCAA Criteria, (Division I, II, etc.)? **Division III** - **Great School Spirit**

Are sporting events free? **Free for students** Is there a ticket lottery?

Do freshmen live on campus? **Yes*** Are cars allowed? **Yes/ample parking available**

*Residential Community/Students are required to live on campus all four years.

What are the dorms like: hall-style, suite-style, or apartment-style? **Living & Learning Dorms?**

Hall-style; share a bathroom on a hallway. Apartment-style complexes and townhouses on campus for upperclassmen; cottages available for upperclassmen with volunteer/group community service project required.

Campus Life (requirements, restaurants/cafeterias, clubs/activities, etc.)

1 Dining Hall & Food Court includes Asian Bistro, Chick Fil A, and Subway, 80+ Student Clubs

50+ Fine Arts performances and art exhibits annually

What is the undergraduate enrollment? **2,070**

Total enrollment? **2100 students**

Small graduate program **20-30 students**

Percentage of male: female- **40/60**

Percentage of in-state: out-of-state students – **35%**

Percentage of students participating in Greek Life – **No Greek Life**

Where is the school located? **Rome, Georgia**

How far is it from Milton? **90 minutes**

Other:

- **11:1 student to faculty ratio; average class size = 18. Max class size = 35**
- **4 year Graduation Rates = 68%**
- **27,000 acres of space with 88 miles of trails = largest campus in acreage**
- **Animal Science Program - Equestrian - 60 Berry owned horses, student's private horses also allowed.**
- **Battle on the Mountain event each Spring with a Rodeo.**
- **3/2 Programs available in Engineering, Astronomy & Nursing**