COUNSELOR’S GUIDE

FALL 2020

The University of Akron
SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID

• The Akron Guarantee Scholarship (AGS) ranges from $8,000-$34,000 in total over four years and renews and increases each year. uakron.edu/guarantee

• May 1 is the deadline for Akron Guarantee Scholarship consideration.

• Out-of-state AGS recipients automatically receive the $3,000 Akron Advantage Award (AAA), renewable for up to four years and $12,000 in total. uakron.edu/go

• Students can apply separately for other scholarships — including underrepresented, private/endowed and academic awards. uakron.edu/scholarships

• Students can apply for state and federal financial aid — grants, loans and work-study — by completing the FAFSA at studentaid.gov by the Dec. 1 priority deadline. The title IV code for UA is 003123. Visit uakron.edu/finaid for more details.

• For information about paying for college, please direct students/parents to uakron.edu/here-to-help.

HOW TO APPLY

1. COMPLETE THE APPLICATION at uakron.edu/apply or commonapp.org.
   a. UA operates on a rolling admissions basis and takes a holistic — or “whole student” — approach in reviewing applications.

   NOTE: The application fee is waived for the 2021 cycle.

2. SUBMIT TRANSCRIPTS, including senior coursework in progress.
   a. Mail hard copies to Admissions Office, or
   b. Send as PDFs to admissions@uakron.edu or through:
      • Naviance/Parchment
      • Scoir
      • Overgrad
      • eScrip-Safe
      • Scribbles Software

   NOTE: We are test-optional for the 2021 cycle. Students who apply test optional will be given full consideration for admission and merit scholarships. uakron.edu/test-optional

81% of first-time students receive University-awarded scholarships.

$34,000 maximum four-year AGS scholarship

$37 million+ in scholarships offered annually by UA.
TUITION AND FEES

**Full-time, annual tuition and fees** (bachelor’s degree) can be found at uakron.edu/tuition.

Ohio Resident* .................... $11,880  
Non-Ohio Resident .......... $15,500

*The UA Tuition Guarantee ensures that tuition, select fees, and room and board rates will not increase for four academic years for Ohio resident, full-time, bachelor’s-degree-seeking students — allowing them to better predict and plan for the cost of education. uakron.edu/tuition-guarantee

**Housing options and costs** can be found at uakron.edu/reslife.

**Meal plan options and costs** can be found at uakron.edu/dining.

Students with **questions** should call 330-972-7032 or 1-800-621-3847, or visit uakron.edu/finaid/support.

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WILLIAMS HONORS COLLEGE  uakron.edu/honors

**Benefits** include priority class selection; colloquium courses; research with faculty; additional scholarships, student organizations and study abroad opportunities; leadership training; community of high-achieving peers; access to Honors Complex; etc. uakron.edu/honors/benefits

**Application** information can be found at uakron.edu/honors/admission.

**NOTE:** Test scores are not required for admission and scholarship consideration for the Williams Honors College.

**DEADLINES:** JAN. 4 (EARLY) AND APRIL 1 (REGULAR)

Every student admitted to the WHC is awarded an **Honors Scholarship** and is considered for additional Honors and UA scholarships. uakron.edu/honors-scholarships

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HOW STUDENTS CAN ENGAGE WITH UA

Students can go to uakron.edu/visit to schedule a **visit** to campus and learn about academics, student life, the application process, financial aid and scholarships, and more.

**We offer campus tours and in-person and virtual information sessions.**

Students can ask **questions**, request more information or schedule a **virtual appointment** with an Admissions Counselor by emailing admissions@uakron.edu or calling 1-800-655-4884 or 330-972-7100.
UA offers in-demand and highly ranked academic programs.

List of majors can be found at uakron.edu/academics.

**BIOLOGY**

uakron.edu/biology

- Research in labs with world-class faculty to prepare for a career, postgraduate research or medical school
- 96% of biology bachelor’s degree recipients are employed or continuing education within six months (spring 2018 graduates)
- Explore 411 acres of flora and fauna at the UA Field Station at Bath Nature Preserve — and travel to coral reefs, jungles and other exotic locales

**BUSINESS**

uakron.edu/cba

- Among the approximately 1% of schools (with business degrees) worldwide holding dual AACSB accreditation in business and accounting
- Top 100 undergraduate business school (Poets&Quants, 2020)
- EDGE program provides internships, mentoring, leadership training, study abroad and more
- 96% of business bachelor’s degree recipients are employed or continuing education within six months (spring 2018 graduates)

**ENGINEERING**

uakron.edu/engineering

- 84% of engineering students participate in experiential learning, including renowned co-op program — with 2,000+ participating employers
- 93% of engineering bachelor’s degree recipients are employed or continuing education within six months (spring 2018 graduates)
- Student design teams rank among best in the country and world
- $600,000 in engineering scholarships awarded annually

**COMPUTER-RELATED PROGRAMS**

uakron.edu/computer-related

- 99.5% combined average overall placement rate (employed or continuing education) within six months for bachelor’s degree recipients in computer engineering (with co-op), computer science, information systems, and computer information systems (spring 2018 graduates)

**HEALTH CARE (NURSING) AND PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH**

uakron.edu/health

- Nationally renowned hospitals nearby for clinical experiences
- 93% pass rate on National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (2019) — above state and national average
- Early Assurance Pathway (EAP) program lets students secure an early seat at Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) or Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM)
- UA students who applied to medical, dental, pharmacy, optometry, veterinary, and physician assistant schools had an acceptance rate above the national average in 2019
UA launches careers

1st

• bachelor’s degree in computer information systems with a focus in cybersecurity among public universities in Ohio
• accredited bachelor’s degree in emergency management and homeland security in the world
• bachelor’s degree in corrosion engineering in the country
• bachelor’s degree in food and environmental nutrition in Ohio

AN UNFORGETTABLE CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

uakron.edu/campus-life

• Award-winning residence halls — 2019 National School of the Year award from National Association of College and University Residence Halls — uakron.edu/reslife
• 340+ student clubs and organizations — bands and choirs, student government, Greek life and more
• Jean Hower Taber Student Union — popular restaurants, bowling and billiards, esports and a full-sized movie theatre — uakron.edu/studentunion
• Highly ranked Student Recreation and Wellness Center — weights and cardio equipment, basketball courts, track, swimming pool and 53-foot climbing rock wall — uakron.edu/rec
• AK-ROWDIES cheer on Zips sports teams — enjoy free admission to home games with Zip Card

A BEAUTIFUL CAMPUS IN A CITY BRIMMING WITH OPPORTUNITY
downtownakron.com

• Vibrant downtown with museums, stores, restaurants, music and sports venues
• Thousands of businesses, including Fortune 500 companies, providing access to internships, co-ops and careers
• Cuyahoga Valley National Park — explore miles of nature trails and wild habitats

UA launches careers

20,000+
employers recruit UA students and alumni through Career Services uakron.edu/career

92%
overall placement rate (employed or continuing education) within six months of graduation (spring 2018 recipients of undergraduate degrees) uakron.edu/career/outcomes

1st

FIRST-OF-THEIR-KIND PROGRAMS

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HELPFUL STUDENT RESOURCES

Office of Accessibility:  
[uaakron.edu/access](http://uaakron.edu/access)

Office of New Student Orientation:  
[uaakron.edu/nso](http://uaakron.edu/nso)

Residence Life & Housing:  
[uaakron.edu/reslife](http://uaakron.edu/reslife)

ZipAssist:  
[uaakron.edu/zipassist](http://uaakron.edu/zipassist)

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Call the Office of Admissions  
at [330-972-7100](tel:330-972-7100), or  
email [admissions@uaakron.edu](mailto:admissions@uaakron.edu)

For more resources for  
school counselors, please visit  
[uaakron.edu/counselors](http://uaakron.edu/counselors)