

Question	Answer
What kind of student thrives most at your institution?	The type of student who thrives is someone who is academically curious, interested in others, and enjoys the outdoors. Most of our students enjoy exploring the things they love, and supporting those around them.
How do we engage with an “assigned” college admissions contact from a school?	There's a couple things I'd suggest - first, keep an eye on college visits to your high school via the counseling office. Second, always feel free to find your assigned counselor and reach right out! For UVM, you can find the full admissions team and our assigned territories here: https://www.uvm.edu/admissions/undergraduate/admissions-counselors
What is the honors college like in UVM? Is it detached from the rest of the community or further integrated?	Thank you for the question - students in the Patrick Leahy Honors College are dual enrolled between their home college and the Honors College. It means students are fully integrated but will have options to add on to their experience through the Honors experience.
How many people apply to the nursing program, and how many people do you accept into the program?	This varies year over year; however, what is most important is to continue to advance in your math and science courses and explore relevant experiences to ensure your desire to work in the health care field aligns with studying Nursing. It is a competitive program - however, students who excel in those areas tend to be a great fit!
To qualify for merit aid, do you need to have a FAFSA on file with UVM?	No you will not need to have a FAFSA on file to qualify for merit aid. However, we do encourage families do submit a FAFSA as you never know what else you might qualify for
How many schools should I apply to?	My recommendation is always in the range of 4-9 schools. More, and you'll start to spread yourself thin.
When is the deadline for interviews with UVM?	UVM does not require interviews as part of the admissions process!
Is there a disadvantage to applying as an undeclared major? Are fewer undeclared majors accepted?	Undeclared is one of the the most common "majors" of incoming students! It's such a great benefit for students who are still exploring their desired majors as you are coming in with your eyes wide open to all of your options. It's a great option to apply undecided.

Can freshman bring a car to campus? Thank you	First-Year students are not allowed a car on-campus typically, but students can apply for a parking pass in their second year.
How common are merit-based scholarships and what are the general standards for them at UVM?	Merit scholarships are reviewed at the time you apply - there is no separate application. Scholarships may change year over year, but you can get an ESTIMATE of what you might be eligible for through a Net Price Calculator (super common on university websites). You can find UVM's NPC here: https://www.uvm.edu/studentfinancialservices/net-price-calculator
When would it be a good idea to apply regular decision vs early action?	Sometimes students prefer regular decision to have strong senior fall grades included on their initial application, but I always encourage early action instead of regular decision, as you can always have your updated grades sent in later. Especially at UVM, where we can exercise the option to defer an application, meaning we'll revisit it and review again once springtime grades are made available.
How far in advance do I need to sign up for the SAT?	College Board does set deadlines for when you can sign up for the test. Testing dates for the 2025-2026 are currently live- https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat/dates-deadlines
hi- will students who apply early action be considered for merit based aid at the time of acceptance?	Yes! We automatically consider admitted students for merit scholarships and they are notified of the amount at the time of their acceptance.
How much does Greek life dominate social circles and life on campus? Are there other ways to meet people without being involved in Greek life?	Greek life makes up about 8% of our student body. It certainly does not dominate social circles! Our students are involved in many ways, be that through our 275+ clubs and orgs, 60+ club sports, our Learning Communities our (residential experience), and much more.
Hi, if you apply for Early Decision, get accepted, but then the financial aid package isn't sufficient, what happens then? And would a university offer less merit to a student that is applying ED?	ED is binding so it is important to do your work to understand if the institution is a good financial fit before you apply. While there is technically a way to withdraw from an ED offer if funding is insufficient, I would encourage you to do the work around funding to make sure you can attend if offered a spot. If you do not believe you can afford the university, ED is likely not a good option. As for merit scholarship - generally universities do not reduce merit aid for applicants (because it is based on your academic profile)

How do you make an essay stand out/resonate when admissions counselors are reviewing essays in such volume if this is considered the personal “plug”	We will be answering this live!
Does UVM take demonstrated interest into account?	We do track demonstrated interest. While it's not the be-all-end-all, visiting campus (in person or virtually), connecting with your admissions counselor, completing a supplemental short answer response, and applying early are all great ways to demonstrate your interest.
Does UVM have its own specific essay requirement?	We have an optional short answer question that students can opt to complete. There are 6 prompts to choose from!
I know UVM has a different tuition cost for in-state applicants, does it have a different tuition for New England states? Or is there only in-state tuition and out-of-state tuition?	Its just in-state for Vermont residents and out-of-state for everyone else
Outside of a campus visit and local alumni info session, how does a student best demonstrate interest in a college/university?	Thanks, this will be one of the panelist questions!
What is the average class size?	Our average class size at UVM is about 35!
I know UVM (and many other schools) are test optional. However do test scores actually get considered in the application process.	If a student chooses to submit their standardized test scores, they will be considered during the admission process. If a student applies Test Optional and does not submit scores, they will not be considered.
With the current draw backs in aid and research money. How will this affect students enrolling and in research based courses?	As I type this, federal financial aid has not been impacted. There have been roll backs in some research funding, which has been impacted mostly at the graduate level, but not exclusively. That said, most university have been doing review processes to see how they can continue to fund research - what funds have already been distributed, how far are they through the research, what resources are needed to continue research. What we have found is that teaching hasn't been broadly impacted, but there may be differences in what was available for research.

Applying for a specific Major would help with the acceptance in a university? Thank you	Certain majors do have extra requirements - for example, Engineering majors at UVM require that a student complete a year of math beyond algebra 2 as well as physics in high school. If you haven't completed these requirements, it makes it harder to be admitted - so always do your research on potential extra requirements! Additionally, we'll be looking for strength in specific academic areas that are pertinent to the major listed on your application.
but if you want to do an interview, what is the recommended deadline?	We do not conduct formal interviews as a part of the admission process at UVM. You'll want to check on the requirements and deadlines at any other schools you are applying to.
As a prospective animal sciences student, I have recommendations from my teachers (which I was advised they don't have to be from science and math) but I also have been shadowing at a Veterinary Office (non paid) and wondering if I should also include a recommendation from the Dr I support?.	Hello! How exciting! It's great you are getting such amazing hands-on experiences during your time in high school. I would say if you are able to, getting a letter from the Dr would be a great supplement for Animal Science--shows your extra interest in that field!
are certain colleges inside uvm, such as the animal science one, looking for more admissions or are all generally equal?	Hello! there are certain majors at UVM that are more competitive than others, meaning we are only able to admit a smaller percentage of students, however, we are generally looking for students to challenge themselves, meet and or exceed or entry requirements, and meet the requirements of the major. For a major like Animal Science, we are looking to see that students are performing well in their math and science courses, and challenging themselves in higher level coursework that is provided. You can view college/major specific entry requirements here: https://catalogue.uvm.edu/undergraduate/admissioninfo/admissionsrequirements/?_gl=1*1t7ace5*_gcl_au*MTEyMTQ0OTI2Ny4xNzQ0ODI1NDU2Ljg3MDAwNDc3OC4xNzUxOTg3MzA3LjE3NTE5ODc2MTk.*_ga*MTI0NjcyMzQxNS4xNzQ0ODI1NDU2*_ga_G3S3K4BJ32*cze3NTIxMDY0NDgkbzKzJGcxJHqXNzUyMTA2NDY3JGo0MSRsMCRoMTUyODQ2NTk2Mg..

Does uvm offer any scholarships?	We do! They are awarded on the basis of academic record. Both test-sending and test-optional applicants are considered automatically. You can learn more about our range of merit scholarships here: https://www.uvm.edu/studentfinancialservices/scholarships-prospective-out-state-resident-and-international-students
for test optional schools how much does submitting test scores help your chance of being accepted to the college	It depends on the university! For UVM its another way we can evaluate your candidacy for admisisions but if you don't submit them, you will not be penalized. In our opinion, if you feel your scores do not reflect you as a student do not submit them
If I am a POC, would it be helpful for me to share that in my essays even if it isn't a critical aspect of who I am?	That is up to you! Its your story, your essay- how do you want to express yourself to the person reading your application. We would encourage you to speak with your high school counselor to see what they may suggest
While test scores are "optional," what sort of emphasis is put on those actual results if you've got a good GPA and the rest of the criteria.	Check in with your colleges of interest--Test optional provides some choices.
How does your college prepare students for internships and careers?	UVM has so many internship opportunities, service learning opportunities, research opportunities, study abroad, and more! Your professors are a wealth of knowledge, and can provide insight on research opportunities (40% of students are involved in research alongside professors here!), we also have our amazing Career Center who have advisors that can help with finding internships and research opportunities here in VT and globally. 91% of our students are involved in internships and research, so there is a huge emphasis on experiential learning.
We are slated for a 9am tour in September (thank you for posting those "earlier" than many schools) - as my daughter and I won't have a car from 9-6pm, what else do you recommend we do on campus after the tour? She will meet with Env Sci and ROTC, so beyond that - is there a museum, garden, something unique we should walk to/around while on campus?	You can walk to Downtown Burlington and Lake Champlain from campus if you wanted to check out the town and beautiful scenery! There are a lot of options there as well!

Do UVM and BU give credit for AP courses/take them into consideration during application review?	UVM does award course credit for a high enough AP exam score, but exam scores are not reviewed in our admissions process. However, a strong grade in an AP course will be weighted more heavily in our admissions review than a strong grade in a non-AP course.
If you are an early high school graduate, does that increase your chances into getting into a good college?	Colleges and universities have specific classes they are looking for that you would have completed at the high school level. If you are graduating early, reach out to schools you are interested in to make sure you meet their admissions requirements. You can find ours here https://www.uvm.edu/admissions/undergraduate/how-apply-first-years
What kind of questions can i expect during my interview at UVM?	We do not conduct interviews as a part of our admission process at UVM.
who should I reach out to for an interview, and when along the admissions process would be a good time to schedule one?	We do not conduct formal interviews as a part of the admission process at UVM. You'll want to check on the requirements and deadlines at any other schools you are applying to.
If you apply early action and are rejected, can you reapply for regular decision, and does early action have a better acceptance rate or look better on applications?	A student can only apply for one option - if Early Action results in a denial, there will not be an option to apply Regular Decision later. Typically Early Action gets a lot of interest but it's not better or worse than Regular Decision - it just means you'll hear back from us sooner.
Will you be holding any open houses at UVM this fall for prospective students?	UVM will have Open Houses on October 12 and November 8
Are there any pros to early action aside from hearing back sooner?	Hearing back earlier is a main one, but it does provide you with the ability to have your choices in front of you--and plan to do admitted student visit days, and also enjoying your senior year.
I visited a college although there weren't any official visits that day but no other times worked out, will I be able to let them know that I did visit them?	You can certainly mention that to your admission counselor via email!

For UVM, if a student were to submit their ACT scores when they apply (class of 2026), is there a range of scores that you would suggest their score be within?	Thankfully we post that on our website, but I'll past them here for your reference: Admitted Student Profile GPA: 3.8 (4.0 scale) Test Scores - Middle 50% SAT EBRW: 670-740 SAT MATH: 650-740 ACT: 31-34 https://www.uvm.edu/admissions/undergraduate/how-apply-first-years
Do I have to apply at UVM specifically for pre-med or just as a general student?	Our pre-health advising program is open to all majors! As they'll tell you, med schools are looking for success in a major you're passionate about. So, apply to a major that excites you, and once on campus, get involved with the pre-health advising program!
What is the acceptance rate for nursing at UVM and what is the average class size	The acceptance rate changes based on how many students apply each year. But however, what is most important is to continue to advance in your math and science courses and explore relevant experiences to ensure your desire to work in the health care field aligns with studying Nursing. It is a competitive program - however, students who excel in those areas tend to be a great fit! Most of the classes tend to be small to allow for intential learning; however, some of the core classes that are taught outside of Nursing (think Biology, Chemistry, Organic Chem, math courses) will be larger
My son's high school offers only one year of language and many schools require two years. There are online options that have limitations. We are weighing importance vs. quality of options. Thank you	While the best answer is to reach out to their admissions counselor for each school, most will require two years (barring any learning differences, etc). Generally, you can sign up for a college level course to satisfy the requirement. Just be sure to make sure the institution is accredited (two or four year). Before you sign up (and pay!) for anything, be sure to check with your institution to make sure it will qualify.

How are students aided by advisors throughout their undergraduate experience?	Advisors provide a great resource - in your first couple years, you'll be assigned a professional advisor who will help with course registration, credit transfer, and all the other things that are important to get the hang of. As you progress through a program, you may choose a faculty advisor who can provide major-specific guidance pertaining to research, graduation, internships, and more (this is all program-dependent, reach out if you'd like info on a specific major).
Do students who apply through early decision have the same/more/less chance for merit scholarships as those who apply early action?	Students who apply ED have the same consideration for merit scholarship as those who apply EA (at UVM).
Can you transfer into the honors college at UVM once you get there, or do you have to be accepted into it before your freshman year?	We review all applicants for first-year admission, but if you're not invited for your first year, you can apply for sophomore admission if you earn a 3.4 GPA or higher in your first semester at UVM. About half of all Honors College graduates enter this way!
If I'm not sure what I want to major in, should I choose a major that I'm not entirely sure about or apply undeclared?	We will touch on the idea of applying undeclared live!
How many get admitted to your cybersecurity program?	Unfortunately we don't have a Cybersecurity specific major. You can take course work in it however in our Engineering College. See the link here for more info: https://www.uvm.edu/cems/cs
Does the majority of the students and staff attend the school sports games and activities at UVM?	You'll find our games packed with students and community members, but it's not a majority of students attending each game, the way you may find at a school with a football team. Reason being: our popular sports like hockey, soccer, and basketball simply can't hold the majority of our students in the stands! UVM is a school with lots of school spirit, but also with many other activities to get excited about and involved in. Every student at least dips their toe in the sports scene - catch a hockey game in the Gut arena, listen to the pep band, enjoy the awesome atmosphere! And if you like it, catch some more. My personal favorite sport has been soccer - our men's team won the national championship last year!

with regard to choosing whether or not to submit your SAT score, do you recommend submitting it if one of your scores falls within the college's 50% median but the other one does not?	That is completely up to you. If you feel either of your test scores reflect your academic success as a student, yes you should submit them, and definitely if they are within the median range
Is submitting SAT scores recommended?	It's best to consult each of the colleges you're applying to, getting a sense of their middle 50% scores, and determining where you fall. Consult your school counselor from past years of historical data. Reaching out to your admissions counselors to find out this info if you cannot find it on the school's website.
Are ED applications subject to a deferral option? Or only acceptance or rejection?	ED applications can be deferred in certain instances - if this is the case, the student will be released from the binding agreement when moved to the springtime review. They may elect to be considered in the binding ED2 group, or the Regular Decision group.
If a student receives a merit scholarship, do they usually get a waiver for the out of state tuition difference?	Student who receive a merit scholarship, that amount will come off their overall billable charges. You can see the break down of charges for in-state and out-of-state using this website https://www.uvm.edu/studentfinancialservices/costs-attending
Besides the nursing program, are there any other majors that need to be decided upon in the first year at UVM?	Certain other majors that have seen this trend are: Exercise Science, Medical Radiation Science, and Environmental Science. If any of these are of interest, I'd apply to it - you can always transfer out if you decide you're more passionate about another major.
If you are unsure of a major but have a general idea of what you want to do, would it be difficult at UVM to change majors if you wish to differ slightly from two similar majors?	Changing your major can be an easy process. You will work with your academic adviser to make those changes after your enroll. It gets tricky if you are moving from a social science or liberal arts to like Engineering. But if you are thinking bio and move to chem, not a big deal

What is the faculty-to-student ratio? What is the level of interaction between students and professors?	Hi! Our faculty to student ratio is about 17:1. All professors hold office hours (which we recommend utilizing!), and for those bigger lecture halls, they are also out into smaller groups with a TA to have a direct contact and opportunity to connect outside of the classroom in a smaller setting. But generally, our professors are very available to our students! Interestingly, 40% of students are involved in research alongside their professors--there is a huge emphasis on student/faculty collaboration.
are certain colleges inside of uvm, such as the animal science one, looking for more admissions or are all generally equal?	There are some colleges/schools with additional requirements - you can see them here: https://catalogue.uvm.edu/undergraduate/admissioninfo/admissionsrequirements/
How many colleges should I tour?	It really depends on your personal circumstances. I would recommend to tour the schools you're admitted to at some point during the process as this can help determine "fit". But don't feel like you have to tour every single school you're interested in before you apply. If you have a variety of colleges near where you live (even if you aren't interested in them or want to apply) touring those can be a great way to get a feel for different schools (public v private, big v small, etc.)
How do we decide what activities we should list in the activities section of an application?	The Common App limits how many activities you can list, so start with what is most important to you that you want admissions counselors to know about. This could be something you've done the longest or something you hold a leadership position in. Most schools would allow you to submit a resume or activities list separately if you have more! But note that we are not evaluating you based on the quantity of activities you are involved in.
What is student life like at UVM?	In a word, involved. Students take it all in - they find it's a place where they can pursue academic excellence, but also explore the outdoors, downtown Burlington, and the myriad student organizations on campus. And it's very easy to be involved in all of these things if you'd like!

Hi I was wondering what components weigh most heavily in one's ability to participate in the Honors Program, and are there any steps I or others could take to improve our chances of being admitted?	Each Honors Program reviews things differently and make offers at different rates. However, students who are a good fit tend to challenge themselves with the hardest available curriculum at their school, are academically curious, and are hoping to engage in intensive experiences. It may be best to reach out to the institutions you are considering to understand what they look for and how it differs from a traditional academic path at their institution.
Can you apply as a double major if they are both in the college of arts and sciences?	For the purposes of the admission process, you'll just apply (and be admitted to) one major. Students can work with their academic advisor to declare a second major once they are enrolled.
If you apply through Early Decision, will you receive an admission decision before the New Year?	At UVM, yes. We release decisions in December.
Hi, out of curiosity do you view community college credits to the same level as AP class credits in an application?	To be honest, we are more concerned with your grade in the AP or College Course than the AP score, so yes. Of course, just be sure that the community college you attend is accredited (the college website can tell you that).
How easy/hard is it to find an on-campus job for students at UVM?	The Student Employment Office at UVM is really helpful in helping students know what kind of jobs are available on campus!
Does being in an IB program help when applying to UVM? Do you accept IB classes for credit?	Yes! We will look at strength of curriculum whether it's IB, AP, or Dual Enrollment. Here is everything you need to know about credit transfer: https://www.uvm.edu/registrar/transfer-credit-exam
Does my CTE class carry more weight/consideration than my regular highschool requirements on my college application?	It depends. CTE courses are often really great focused courses that give you an in-depth experience in something you are interested in. That is important. As long as you are ALSO meeting minimum requirements in English, math, science, social studies, and foreign language, then your CTE courses can be a really great value-add. However, if you are taking CTE courses that pull you away from the core classes, that's where you want to be careful
Should I interact with any of the MANY college emails I receive?	If you are interested in a school, I'd say yes! We'll be able to respond, and will also see (and for certain schools, track) this engagement.
What percentage of students get involved in research at UVM?	By the time they get to their senior year, 40% will be participating in research.

For demonstrated interest, does it matter if you do one thing or three or ten?	I usually recommend quality interactions over trying to do all of the things. You want to show genuine interest (and we'll be able to tell!)
What is your Honors College like? What are the requirements?	UVM's Patrick Leahy Honors College offers a heightened degree of academic intensity, but also academic community - these students live together in their first two years, and take an additional Honors College seminar course each of their first four semesters. After that, they engage in a research project alongside an Honors College advisor. We look for strong academic records, and a demonstrated interest in pursuing extracurricular academic endeavors like research! Know that you can also apply for sophomore entry if you are not invited for your first year.
Should you self-report AP scores even if you did not pass? For classes that are not related to what you intend to major in?	I would not as most schools will not accept them for credit, and if they are below our threshold (usually 4 or higher), they won't help you in any way...in fact, they may hurt you.
Is it better to apply as a major that my extracurricular's reflect the most and one that I would possibly be interested in, or the major that I for sure want check out even though I have little-to-no extracurriculars for?	You should apply to the major that suites your academic interest.
On the common app is it possible to submit an SAT score to some schools but not others?	Your extracurricular activities will not make or break your application. I would advise a students to apply to the major that they want to pursue and are most interested in!
If students aren't admitted into the Honors College at UVM as an incoming freshman, how likely is it that they can apply/get in while they are a student there?	There is a second entry point--students can apply into the UVM Patrick Leahy Honors College after their 1st year and need to achieve a gpa and complete an application.
Do students who apply through early decision have the same/more/less chance for merit scholarships as those who apply early action?	They do, but it's a good question to ask as schools may vary!
Are early action applications typically more "competitive" in their stats?	Short answer: yes. You are getting your application in early, demonstrating interest, and getting ahead of the Regular Decision crowd!

What safety measures are in place?	UVM has its own campus police team, who provide around-the-clock services and support so that you feel safe while attending. We also utilize the CatSafe app, which all students are required to have on their phone - this functions as an always-available line of contact to the police team whenever you need it, as well as a means of our safety team getting in touch with our student body any time a safety measure is put in place on or near campus. We also have safety training at orientation so students know their resources
How is financial aid applied to out of state students? As a prospective animal science student, I am looking at going beyond 4 years so aware of cost. Anything you can share?	At UVM, out of state students are automatically considered for merit scholarship. Beyond that, financial aid is determined based on your FAFSA information.
How does one decide if scores are “good” now as the averages in the last few years are quite skewed with those submitting scores are usually very high scores.	You can look at the scores in relation to the college/university to which you're applying. That's really the only way to compare scores in a given environment. So, if you can understand your scores in relation to the places you're applying, that will provide some additional context. Along with that, you can look up where a given score falls on average with each test, and understand how those scores might be viewed in relation to all test takers.
How do Universities and colleges looked at SAT super score?	If you choose to submit your test scores and have them considered with your application, we will look at the highest score for each section (super score) and not your performance on individual tests.
What do you recommend for students at high schools with only one year of college where the requirement at the college is two years?	If there's a reason why you were unable to take two years of a foreign language, you would want to make that known in your application. Otherwise, you would not be meeting the minimum entrance requirements (at UVM) for admission.
in terms of activities, are there any non school related (clubs, sports) that are worthy of inclusion? should they be character based things or resume based things?	Reflecting on how you spend your time is important...and all of it is worthy of sharing. spending time now to bring together the activities you do in a list can help you quicken the process when you get ready to apply!
hi - are your animal science programs, specifically equine science, in need of more admissions or are they about the same as other programs?	Animal science is one of our more competitive programs as it's something we are known for...but don't let that stop you if that is your interest!

If you happen not to submit your tests will it affect your application?	There is no penalty if you don't submit scores.
Does having a parent and/or sibling who is an alum help my application process to the same school?	It depends on the school. Legacy doesn't usually make or break a student's application, but it can be helpful context to help your admission counselor/committee understand a student's interest in the school!
Do admissions counselors know who prospective students can email to ask about specific curricula?	Your admission counselor can help you connect to an academic representative!
If I am applying to UVM ED II (Jan) will my first term senior year grades be evaluated in my application? Thanks.	If they're available, it's always a great idea to submit the most up to date academic information available. Depending on your schools schedule, first semester grades may not be available at the time that supporting documents are required.
When you apply, are you able to choose a minor to go along with your selected major or is that decided later?	You would decide that later, after you are enrolled.
hi - are your animal science programs, specifically equine science, in need of more admissions or are they about the same as other programs?	You would select a minor after you arrive at your college/university!
How are we able to easily estimate the amount of merit scholarships that our application would likely receive?	Each school has a net price calculator on their websites. It won't be your exact award, but will give you an estimate of what to expect!
how do I know if a college email is spam or a real college email I should reply to?	GREAT question! If ever in doubt, reach out to the college. Can't be too careful...and great way to demonstrate your interest (and intuition!)
Is it worth it to submit a 3 on an AP exam or will that hurt the application?	It's worth checking with each school's policy, but for UVM, we won't consider AP exam scores in the review process. They're only used for the purpose of earning credit if you choose to attend - a 3 can earn credit for certain subjects, but not all.
Does uvm offer full ride scholarship? If so how would that work?	Our top scholarship is 25K, but we do offer financial aid as well. That said, it's fair to say that 'full ride' isn't an option here, but many of our students will have reduced cost.

Does applying early action make it more difficult to get accepted due to a more competitive pool of applicants?	This depends upon the school you're applying--at UVM, we've had more students apply EA than regular for the last few years. Consider your trajectory over the 3 yrs you've been in HS and your performance. is it consistent, is it upward, how did your junior year turn out...
I am starting my senior year this fall, and live outside of Vermont. I am seriously considering moving to Vermont in order to establish residency and benefit from in-state tuition. Is there anything I can do, besides waiting and establish residency, that I should do in the application process beforehand?	To be honest, it's incredibly hard to establish residency that quickly. I've attached a link from our Registrars site, but there are multiple layers so unless you are willing to wait a bit, it's not a strategy I'd consider. Link here: https://www.uvm.edu/registrar/residency-policy
The win from the Men's Soccer Team was amazing! Max Murray is from my home town! I wish I could have been able to see the win in person! Do a lot of schools have the spirit and pride that UVM has?	Whether it's the soccer win, the R1 designation, or just being in Burlington, our students by and large are proud of where they are and what they are accomplishing here. And they should be...they make this place what it is!
How do we find out what we should major in and how hard is it to change majors	For UVM, you can drill down into the majors and learn more at www.uvm.edu/academics . Reflect on what you like, where your strengths are, and even, what you don't like! At UVM changing majors is typically pretty easy, with the exception of transferring into the Nursing program.
How important is a student transcript compared to extracurricular activities, recommendation letters, essay, etc. Would a balanced student who has a medium grade average but an extraordinary list of extracurricular activities still have a chance with admissions at a school like UVM?	Absolutely. This is the beauty of the holistic review - we need to see that you can succeed academically at our school, but often we have many applicants who show this based on their transcript - we then choose who to admit from that group based on all the other pieces you mentioned. Students who are engaged in the classroom and in the community tend to like it here, thrive here, graduate from here, and go on to do great things - so it's something we consider quite highly in our review process!

What is the benefit to applying Early Decision rather than early action?	Applying Early Decision is a commitment that you would make (and your family and counselor supports) to say you would absolutely attend if you are admitted. Since ED is binding, it's important that you understand that commitment. Early Action is a great pathway for students to apply early in the process and keep their options open!
Do you use a weighted or unweighted GPA in your admissions process?	This can differ from one school to another. At UVM we convert the courses into a 4 pt scale, but as part of the holistic review we see trends, rigor, etc within the context of the hs and what's been offered.
What would be a good resource to find merit-based scholarships for an out of state student?	Reach out to your admissions counselor at each school you're interested in, as sometimes there are application-based scholarships. At UVM, you'll be automatically considered for our full range of scholarships, without any extra work. Simply apply, and we'll review your academic record for scholarship. If you plan to apply for external scholarships, my advice is to stay local - these are often smaller awards, but much more attainable than the big national scholarships. Your high school counseling office is a great resource in finding these!
is there a different applicaiton or application date for the honors college at uvm?	There is actually no outside application for the Honors College as a first-year applicant. There is also not a separate deadline! All applicants are automatically considered for the HC upon review of your app, and you will receive an invitation within your decision letter.
My school doesn't offer ap classes does that matter?	Not a problem! Admissions counselors know to review you in the context of what your school offers. When we get your high school profile, it will tell us that your school doesn't offer AP. It won't disadvantage you.
What is the average acceptance rate in healthcare/nursing at UVM?	It tends to be a bit lower than our overall admit rate (around 65-70%), largely due to it's additional requirements. Students must have a year of math beyond algebra 2, as well as both chemistry and physics. Always do your research to make sure you're meeting the full requirements for the major you're applying to!

I have an AP question too - does not sending an ap exam score after taking the course hurt an applicant and/or make admissions officers think we did poorly on the exam?	Fun fact - we typically don't see your AP exam results unless you have 1) taken them before your senior year; and 2) list them on your application.
Does dual enrollment during the senior year in high school increase the chances of acceptance?	Yes, depending how you are doing in them! But challenging yourself and overwhelming yourself are two different things...just be careful!
So helpful Thank you for such a great program! As a UVM alum I'm really proud.	Thank you for coming out...always good to reconnect! If I can help, please feel free to contact me directly: christopher.perlongo@uvm.edu
For IB, if I won't have taken the tests before college apps (they're in the spring), will my suggested grade or class grade be used for admission/credit qualification?	This is totally normal - we will get a typical transcript from your school that shows us how you have been performing in your classes. Some schools (especially outside of the US) will provide predicted grades, and that simply gives us a chance to see how you might score. once your final IBO transcript is available, we'll use it to award any college credit that could be earned. No worries.
What if my GPA drops because I'm taking the challenging courses?	Great question! We would recommend staying in touch with your Admissions Counselor to give them context and keep them in the know, as well as connecting with your school counselor. It's important to challenge yourself, but if a course is very challenging, you can always reach out to the college admissions team and your counseling team at your high school to see if changing the level is an option and if the college feels it would be an issue to change. Communication is key!
Are there opportunities for involvement in student organizations or leadership roles?	usually the student can get involved in Student Government, residential hall councils, clubs and organizations!
Is nursing at UVM direct entry? If I'm not sure whether I want to major in nursing, can I go in undeclared and then choose nursing later or do I have to go in as a nursing major?	Our Nursing program is direct entry. If you're interested in pursuing Nursing, I would recommend applying to the program as your first choice. We do ask about a second choice major on the application as well. It's always easy to transfer out of Nursing to another major if you decide it's not the right path for you.
How does housing work? Do students live on campus and how many people to a dorm?	We have a 2 year on-campus housing requirement for all students. Most students will live with one roommate but triples can happen but you will know ahead of time. You can check out housing here https://www.uvm.edu/housingdining

Well, I know but...I did take them junior year and I want to submit some scores but not all so I'm wondering if it will look like a gap if I don't send one or two scores when I send others.	We'll only see what you send! And for AP scores, those aren't typically sent until the summer after senior year, after you've enrolled!
I'm planning on dual enrollment at a local community college, if I apply before first semester completion how can this be considered for admission if I'm applying in September.	So excited for you to be challenging yourself like this. Please make sure you list the courses you are enrolled in within the application (it's a question in the common app, so that's easy). But we won't have your grades in time for an early decision (Early Action or Early Decision). We expect you to uphold the same level of academic success. So if you end up seeing lower grades at the end of your college semester, please let us know so we can guide you around next steps.
What are the classes in high school required for nursing at UVM?	For the general minimum entrance requirements (required of all majors), check here: https://catalogue.uvm.edu/undergraduate/admissioninfo/minimumentrancerequirements/ For the additional requirements by school/college, check here: https://tinyurl.com/3fux8ubz
with regard to APs, if it's possible at your high school to take 4 AP courses junior year but you only took 3, is that viewed negatively? (i.e., that you're not taking the most challenging load possible)	Sounds like you would be taking the most challenging courseload FOR YOU, and that's what we're looking at!
Can students use tuition remission benefits of their UVM employed parents and get scholarships or grants to help with the non tuition expenses?	Scholarships and grants can be used for all bill-able charges tuition, fees, housing, and meal plan. If you qualify for tuition remission that may only be used for tuition costs
Will a transcript of the chat be available after the webinar? Lots of questions with lots of info!	Yes we will share it out!
What are the academic requirements/ranges for acceptance to the UVM Honors College?	The Patrick Leahy Honors College acceptance rate for first-year applicants has ranged from 5-10%. There is also a second-year entry which often ranges from 25-75% acceptance (depending on how many spots are open, and how many second-year applicants come in)

Does uvm offer counseling assistance to their students?	Yes! Both academically, through your advisor, as well as psychologically - mental health is not stigmatized here and our students have the Counseling and Psychiatry Services up front with doors open.
What I weren't able to take the classes required to get into a certain major like nursing or healthcare?	Typically, we're looking to see if a student has the math and science foundation to be successful in those majors. If you do not meet the requirements for the College of Nursing and Health Sciences, you may find a better fit in a different college.
In addition to arranging to take a class or meet with a department on a visit, can a prospective student experience an activity or club thru are interested in?	You might be able to, but that would depend...I'd start by following the club or org on instagram and search them on the college website...often there are contact names on the web that will allow you to reach out directly to them to ask questions.
Is early action application required for certain majors at uvm?	No, all of our majors are open to all of the application types.
If you do moderately well in a couple of APs but well in most of them, how do you indicate to a college if there were greater circumstantial effects affecting your academic performance, such as learning disabilities and mental illness?	We encourage you to use the additional information section of the application - anything you'd like use to know, that can't be known the the transcript alone, can be shared here.
if i were to take agriscience classes would that help me look good for animal science programs?	Taking a class that pertains specifically to your academic interest is a great way to show interest, but also be sure to stay on top of entry requirements! for example for our College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, which houses Animal Science, our specific requirements include the following: REQUIRED: One year of biology and one year of chemistry for animal and life science majors. RECOMMENDED: Applicants are strongly encouraged to take four years of high school math (precalculus / calculus is preferred). Additional science courses beyond chemistry and biology for animal and life science majors.
Are there guaranteed internships available to students?	Most colleges and universities have internships as part of their experiential learning options and they are excited to use their alumni network and employee relations offices to help make these connections happen. The student needs to reach out to their faculty members as well as staff in the Career Center.

Does uvm offer study abroad programs?	Yes! And it's so popular here - check out the options here: https://www.uvm.edu/oie/welcome-study-abroad
Does applying ED increase your chances of being admitted given that you are committing to attend if accepted?	ED is often viewed differently (usually more favorably) since the student is saying this is their TOP choice and they have done the work to understand if it is a good fit institution - academically, socially, and financially.
Is there special support in place for first year students for guidance and course selections?	Yes! Each UVM first-year student is assigned an advisor, who will help with course registration and any other academic needs of the college transition.
Do we get demonstrated interest for this for all the colleges whose representatives are on this panel?	Just for UVM directly...but it's a great reason to reach out to the others!
How welcoming does Burlington feel?	Best answer: that is up to you! Depending on how you identify, where you are coming from, and what you are looking for.