

This guide displays the sections and pages within The Common Application. It is designed to familiarize students with the information they will be asked to report and is not intended to be a comprehensive collection of all questions within the application.

PROFILE	<p>Contacts <i>Email address, phone number, mailing address</i></p> <p>Demographics <i>Religion, military service, race/ethnicity (all optional)</i></p> <p>Geography <i>Birthplace, countries lived in, language proficiency, citizenship</i></p>
FAMILY	<p>Household <i>Parent marital status, parent(s) with whom you reside</i></p> <p>Parent and/or Guardian <i>Name, birthplace, occupation, education, stepparent information</i></p> <p>Siblings <i>Age, grade, education</i></p>
EDUCATION	<p>School <i>Current school, dates attended; counselor name, phone, and email</i></p> <p>History <i>Previous schools, dates attended, past/pending education interruptions (e.g. time off, early graduation, gap year, etc.), college courses, college assistance programs</i></p> <p>Academic Information <i>GPA, class rank, current year courses, honors and awards</i></p>
TESTING	<p>College Entrance <i>ACT and SAT</i></p> <p>English For Non-Native Speakers <i>TOEFL, IELTS, PTE Academic</i></p> <p>Academic Subjects <i>AP, IB, SAT Subject Tests, A-Levels</i></p> <p>Other <i>Optional reporting for other relevant 9-12 testing</i></p>
ACTIVITIES	<p>Principal Activities/Work <i>Years of participation, hours per week, weeks per year, position/leadership held (50 characters), brief description (150 characters). 10 activities maximum.</i></p>

ESSAY	<p>Select One, 650 Words Maximum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Some students have a background or story that is so central to their identity that they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.</i> • <i>Recount an incident or time when you experienced failure. How did it affect you, and what lessons did you learn?</i> • <i>Reflect on a time when you challenged a belief or idea. What prompted you to act? Would you make the same decision again?</i> • <i>Describe a place or environment where you are perfectly content. What do you do or experience there, and why is it meaningful to you?</i> • <i>Discuss an accomplishment or event, formal or informal, that marked your transition from childhood to adulthood within your culture, community, or family.</i>
EXPLANATIONS	<p>Required Responses <i>Explanations regarding school discipline¹, criminal history², education interruption, veteran discharge status</i></p>
ADDITIONAL INFO	<p>Optional Responses <i>Relevant circumstances or qualifications not reflected elsewhere in the application</i></p>
COLLEGE PAGE 1	<p>General <i>Entry term, degree status, housing preference, test-optional preference, scholarship and financial aid preference</i></p> <p>Academics <i>Academic interest, program(s) applying to</i></p> <p>Contacts <i>Interactions with the institution (campus visit, off-campus interview, etc.)</i></p> <p>Family <i>Family members who have attended or been employed by the institution</i></p> <p>Evaluations <i>Names of classroom teachers, coaches, other recommenders</i></p> <p>Residence <i>Required by some public institutions to determine in-state status</i></p> <p>Signature <i>Acknowledgments and affirmations</i></p> <p><i>(Not all member colleges will ask all questions.)</i></p>
COLLEGE PAGE 2	<p>Writing Supplement <i>Additional short answer or essay responses if requested by institution</i></p>

1. Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at any educational institution you have attended from the 9th grade (or the international equivalent) forward, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in a disciplinary action? These actions could include, but are not limited to: probation, suspension, removal, dismissal, or expulsion from the institution.

2. Have you ever been adjudicated guilty or convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime? Note that you are not required to answer "yes" to this question, or provide an explanation, if the criminal adjudication or conviction has been expunged, sealed, annulled, pardoned, destroyed, erased, impounded, or otherwise ordered by a court to be kept confidential.