



# GROVE CITY COLLEGE

Freedom *for* excellence

# 2012 Application for Admission

**PLEASE SEND ALL DOCUMENTS WITH APPLICATION**

(\$50.00 Application Fee, Transcript, Recommendations and Essays)

### PHOTOGRAPH

A recent full face photograph is necessary for use in the Student Affairs Office. You may attach this photograph now, or you may submit it after you have been accepted for admission.

**Please do not paste.  
Use scotch tape.**

Please put your name on back of photo.

### Freshman (check one)

- Early Decision – November 15 Postmark Deadline
- Regular Decision – February 1 Postmark Deadline
- January Freshman – December 15 Postmark Deadline

### Transfer (check one)

- Fall – August 15 Postmark Deadline
- Spring – December 15 Postmark Deadline

### Other Special (Non-Degree)

### Interession January May

### Housing (check one) Dorm Commuter

Have you previously applied for admission?  Yes  No Year 20\_\_\_\_\_

### Citizenship

U.S. Citizen? (check one)  Yes  No If no, Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-U.S. Citizens: Are you a permanent resident?  Yes  No

### Ethnicity

Hispanic/Latino  Yes  No If no, please check all that apply below:

American Indian or Alaska Native  Asian  Black or African American

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander  White

### PERSONAL DATA (Please print or type)

Name in full: Miss \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ Last First Middle

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Birth place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Male  Female  Single  Married Birth date \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)

Permanent home address:  
 Number and street \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address (if different from home address):  
 Number and street \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Have you worked while attending school?  Yes  No Time Spent \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type of work \_\_\_\_\_  
 Describe any summer work experience you have had \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY DATA**

Full name: father/guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
Title (Mr., Dr., Rev., etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Living?  Yes  No  
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_  
College attended \_\_\_\_\_  
Degrees earned & year graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Full name: mother/guardian \_\_\_\_\_  
Title (Miss, Ms. Mrs., Dr., Rev., etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Living?  Yes  No  
Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_  
College attended \_\_\_\_\_  
Degrees earned & year graduated \_\_\_\_\_

Are you living with both parents? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, state with whom \_\_\_\_\_ (Address if different from applicant's permanent home address) \_\_\_\_\_  
Names and ages of other children in your family \_\_\_\_\_

Relatives who have attended or are attending Grove City College:  
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Class \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Class \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Give the names of any Grove City College Trustees, Alumni, students, or faculty members whom you know:

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**ACADEMIC DATA (TO BE COMPLETED BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR) OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT REQUIRED**  
(College transcript also required if participating in a post secondary option program.)

**TRANSFERS:** Official final high school transcript required. Please complete name of high school, city, state and graduation year.

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Guidance Office Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ ACT/CEEB code number \_\_\_\_\_

Is your school:  Public  Private  Parochial  Homeschool  
Percentage of Class Attending: Four-Year \_\_\_\_\_ Two-Year \_\_\_\_\_ institutions.  
Grading Scale:  4.0  5.0  10  100 Other \_\_\_\_\_

Student's GPA: weighted \_\_\_\_\_ unweighted \_\_\_\_\_ Student ranks \_\_\_\_\_ in a class of \_\_\_\_\_

Is the student's course selection, among those available at your school:  
 most demanding  demanding  average  below average

Guidance Counselor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT/ACT) is required**

SAT  will be taken Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Verbal/Critical Reading \_\_\_\_\_ Math \_\_\_\_\_ Writing \_\_\_\_\_  
ACT  will be taken Date: \_\_\_\_\_ E \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ Composite \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all other high schools the student has attended **or colleges or universities attending while in high school** (list number of credits)

Name of school	Location (City, State, Zip)	Dates attended	Credits
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What first encouraged you to look for more info about GCC?  Introductory mail piece  High School visit  
 Magazine ad (which one?) \_\_\_\_\_  Friend  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please give the names of any other colleges or universities where you are submitting an application for admission. \_\_\_\_\_

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**SELECTING A MAJOR:** Grove City College recommends that all applicants declare a major, since this is one of the many methods the College chooses to shape the freshman class. There are limited openings for each of the majors offered at the College, and each applicant may be considered for only one major.

**UNDECIDED APPLICANTS:** Students who are undecided about choosing a major may select either "Undecided – Liberal Arts" or "Undecided – Science and Engineering."

Secondary Education majors must choose a subject area (English, Math, Biology, etc.) Engineering majors must choose Electrical or Mechanical.

Desired Major \_\_\_\_\_



**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

	YEARS INVOLVED	INSTRUMENT
Concert Band		
Jazz Band		
Marching Band		
Orchestra		

	YEARS INVOLVED		YEARS INVOLVED
4-H Activities		Mission Trips	
Bible Club		Model UN	
Cheerleading		National Honors Society	
Choir		Newspaper	
Class Officer		Peer Mediation	
Community Service		Photography	
Dance		Scouting	
Debate / Forensics		Senior Class President	
Drama		Ski Club	
Eagle Scout		Student Body President	
Entrepreneur (describe)		Student Council	
Fellowship of Christian Athletes		Students Against Drunk Driving	
Flag Corps		Yearbook	
Future Business Leaders		Young Life	
Governor's School		Youth Group	
Habitat for Humanity		Other	
Key Club			

Varsity Sport	9	10	11	12	NO. OF VARSITY LETTERS	VARSIY CAPTAIN	POSITION / SPECIAL RECOGNITION	DO YOU PLAN TO PARTICIPATE IN COLLEGE?

Describe in more detail the activity in which you are most involved.

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Describe any community/volunteer work.

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List your hobbies.

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**TRANSFER STUDENT DATA TO GROVE CITY COLLEGE**

Please list below any colleges or universities you have attended. Transcripts from each institution must be sent directly from the institution to Grove City College.

Name of college	Location (city, state, zip)	Degree candidate?	Dates attended

If you are not attending school at the present time, please describe your present activity:

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Are you a student in good standing?  Yes  No    Academically?  Yes  No    Socially?  Yes  No

What are your reasons for desiring to Transfer? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Accounting**

Accounting (B.S.)

**Biblical and Religious Studies**

Biblical and Religious Studies (B.A.)

**Biology**

Biology (B.S.)

Molecular Biology (B.S.)

**Business**

Business Management (B.S.)

Finance (B.S.)

Industrial Management (B.S.)

International Business (B.S.)

Marketing Management (B.S.)

**Chemistry**

Biochemistry (B.S.)

Chemistry (B.S.)

**Communication Studies**

Communication (B.A.)

**Computer Science**

Computer Information Systems (B.S.)

Computer Science (B.S.)

**Economics**

Business Economics (B.S.)

Economics (B.A.)

**Education**

PreK-4 Elementary Education (B.S.)

PreK-8 Special Education and PreK-4 Elementary Edu. (B.S.)

Middle Level Math/English Education (B.S.)

Middle Level Math/History Education (B.S.)

Middle Level Science/English Education (B.S.)

Middle Level Science/History Education (B.S.)

Middle Level Science/Math Education (B.S.)

Grades K-12 Certifications:

Biology/General Science/Environmental Education (B.S.)

French (B.A.)

Music (B.M.)

Spanish (B.A.)

Grades 7-12 Certifications:

Biology/General Science (B.S.)

Mathematics (B.S.)

Chemistry (B.S.)

Physics (B.S.)

Chemistry/General Science (B.S.)

Physics/General Science (B.S.)

English (B.A.)

Social Studies (B.A.)

English/Communication (B.A.)

**Electrical Engineering**

Electrical and Computer Engineering (B.S.E.E.)

**English**

English (B.A.)

**Entrepreneurship**

Entrepreneurship (B.S.)

**History**

History (B.A.)

**Mathematics**

Mathematics (B.S.)

**Mechanical Engineering**

Mechanical Engineering (B.S.M.E.)

**Modern Languages**

French (B.A.)

Spanish (B.A.)

**Music and Fine Arts\***

Music (B.M.)

Music/Business (B.M.)

Music/Education (B.M.)

Music/Performing Arts (B.M.)

Music/Religion (B.M.)

**Philosophy**

Philosophy (B.A.)

**Physical Education**

Exercise Science (B.S.)

**Physics**

Applied Physics (B.S.)

Applied Physics/Computer (B.S.)

**Political Science**

Political Science (B.A.)

**Psychology**

Psychology (B.A.; B.S.)

**Sociology**

Sociology (B.A.)

**Pre-Professional Programs**

Pre-Dental	Pre-Medicine	Pre-Physician Asst.
Pre-Health	Pre-Nursing	Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Law	Pre-Pharmacy	Pre-Veterinarian

\* Prospective students wishing to pursue a degree in music must complete an audition prior to the deadline for which they are applying. Please contact the Department of Music and Fine Arts (724-458-2084 or [eparnold@gcc.edu](mailto:eparnold@gcc.edu)) for an audition in person or via audiotape.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT CREDIT:** The College may grant academic credit to incoming freshmen who have successfully completed Advanced Placement courses and achieved a score of 4 or 5 on the accompanying Advanced Placement Tests. The appropriate department chairman will determine whether a student with a score of 3 should be given advanced credit and placement. Credit is not given for scores of 1 or 2. Students who receive Advanced Placement credit in a subject will only receive credit at Grove City College if that same course is not taken here or at another college or university.

**INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM:** Grove City College recognizes the International Baccalaureate as a rigorous college preparatory program, and welcomes applications for admission from all interested students. Credit is generally awarded for the IB Higher level examination passed with grades of 5, 6 or 7. No credit is awarded for IB Standard examinations. IB credit may be applied to major programs with the approval of the appropriate academic department but may not be used to satisfy the Civilization Series requirements.

PLEASE REMOVE AND KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS.

# Grove City College

## Instructions for Application

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST:** The completed application **MUST** include the following items (**an incomplete application will cause a delay in processing and may affect a positive decision**):

\_\_\_ Signed Application Form    \_\_\_ \$50.00 Application Fee    \_\_\_ 2 Essays    \_\_\_ Personal Interview\*\*  
\_\_\_ SAT/ACT Scores\*    \_\_\_ 2 Letters of Recommendation    \_\_\_ Official H.S. Transcript    \_\_\_ Official College Transcript

\* May be sent separately by the College Board or included on the official high school transcript

\*\* **An interview is HIGHLY recommended for serious applicants who live within a day's drive of the campus. The half hour on-campus interview is conducted by an Admissions Counselor and becomes a significant portion of your application.**

**APPLICATION FEE:** A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00 must accompany the application. The application will not be processed until the fee is received.

**ESSAYS:** Applicants must complete the two essays listed on the back of the application.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** All applicants should submit one academic letter of recommendation (ex: teacher or counselor) and one spiritual/character letter of recommendation (ex: pastor or youth pastor). Additional letters may be submitted; however, the number of recommendations received does not factor into the decision-making process. The College does not provide specific forms for the recommendation letters.

**HOMESCHOOLING STUDENTS:** Homeschoolers must follow the application instructions as outlined above, including the submission of some form of a transcript and an outline of extracurricular activities. The transcript should include the student's courses of study and grades. Standardized test scores (SAT or ACT) must be sent from College Board. The required letters of recommendation should come from individuals outside the home. Small portfolios are welcome, but not required. An interview is strongly recommended. A homeschooled student who has enrolled full-time in college (12 or more credits in a semester) should apply as a transfer student.

### FRESHMAN APPLICANTS:

**Early Decision Program:** Students who are prepared to make a binding commitment to Grove City College as their first choice school should apply under the Early Decision program. A student should not apply for Early Decision unless the student **fully** expects to accept an admission offer from GCC. This program requires the submission of the application and all supporting documents by a **postmark deadline of November 15**; decisions will be mailed on December 15. Students applying to Grove City under the Early Decision program should not apply to any other institution through its Early Decision program, although they are welcome to submit applications to other schools under the early action or Regular Decision programs. A student who has applied Early Decision agrees, upon acceptance, to withdraw applications to all other institutions and submit no additional applications. Students who require a financial aid estimate should contact our Financial Aid Office at (724) 458-3300 during the application process. Those who are not accepted for admission at Early Decision may be considered again with the Regular Decision applicant group, unless the student is denied admission. **Accepted students should reply by a postmark deadline of January 15, with the non-refundable payment of \$250.00.**

**Regular Decision Program:** For those students who are considering several colleges, or for students who are not prepared to make a commitment to Grove City at Early Decision, we recommend the Regular Decision program. Applicants seeking Regular Decision must submit the application and all supporting documents by a **postmark deadline of February 1** of the senior year; admissions decisions will be mailed on **March 15**. **Accepted students should reply by a postmark deadline of May 1, with the non-refundable payment of \$250.00. Applications received after the February 1 deadline will be considered late, and if acceptable, will be placed on a waiting list.**

**TRANSFER APPLICANTS: The Mechanical Engineering program is not available to transfer students.** A student who has attended another regionally accredited college or university, whether he/she is a candidate for freshman or upper-level standing, must present all official college transcripts and high school transcript. The prospective student must have a minimum college cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale in order to be considered for enrollment. Transfer credits do not enter into the computation of a student's quality point average at Grove City College, and may not exceed fifty percent of the total credits counted toward graduation. College credit is awarded to those students who have earned a "C" or better in courses that have been completed at a regionally accredited institution and approved by Grove City College. Transfer credit requests to apply toward the 18 hour "Civilization Series" (humanities core) will be reviewed on an individual basis by the Registrar. Spring semester applicants will be notified shortly after January 1 and fall semester applicants will be notified in mid-summer. Transfer students are accepted based upon available space in the residence halls and we recommend students apply to transfer in the spring semester.

**ACCEPTANCE DEPOSIT:** A payment of \$250.00 is required of all applicants at the time they accept admission to the College. This deposit is **non-refundable** if the applicant later decides not to enroll at the College during the year for which he/she was accepted.

## Essay 1

Please answer the following question in a one page essay, double spaced. Include essay with your completed application.

**What experiences and/or relationships have helped to develop your moral values?**

## Essay 2

Please read the following mission statement of Grove City College. Write your reaction to this mission statement and why you would want to attend a college that defines its purpose and identity in this manner. (Please write or type this response in a half-page double-spaced essay).

### **Purpose and Identity of Grove City College**

Since its founding in 1876, Grove City College, committed to Christian principles, has striven to be equal in academic quality to the finest four-year colleges. It seeks to provide liberal and professional education of the highest excellence in the reach of families with modest means who desire a college which will strengthen their children's spiritual and moral character.

When the college was chartered, a broad, Christian-based cultural consensus prevailed in America. By charter, the doors of the college were open to qualified students "without regard to religious test or belief."

The founders of Grove City College, consciously avoiding narrow sectarianism, held a vision of Christian society transcending denomination, creeds, and confessions. They were committed to the advancement of free enterprise, civil and religious liberty, representative government, arts and letters, and science and technology. Believing that the fruits of civilization would be destroyed if the religious and ethical roots were allowed to wither, the founders intended that the claims of Christ as God and Savior and of inspired Scripture be presented to all.

They hoped that through its program of intellectual, moral, and

spiritual education, Grove City College would produce young leaders, whatever their creed or confession, capable of pushing civilization forward on every frontier.

Grove City College remains true to the vision of its founders. Rejecting relativism and secularism, it fosters intellectual, moral, spiritual, and social development consistent with a commitment to Christian truth, morals, and freedom. Rather than political, ideological, or philosophical agendas, objective truth continues as the goal of liberal learning.

The core of the curriculum, particularly in the humanities, consists of books, thinkers, and ideas proven across the ages to be of value in the quest for knowledge. Intellectual inquiry remains open to the questions religion raises and affirms the answers Christianity offers.

The ethical absolutes of the Ten Commandments and Christ's moral teaching guide the effort to develop intellect and character in the classroom, chapel, and co-curricular activities. And while many points of view are examined, the college unapologetically advocates preservation of America's religious, political, and economic heritage of individual freedom and responsibility.

### **Regular Decision, Transfer and Non-degree Applicants:**

Grove City College welcomes students seeking to become disciplined, useful citizens equipped to make a contribution to society. College regulations are designed to promote a Christian atmosphere in which such self-development can occur. A student's enrollment involves an agreement with the College that he/she will obey the academic and non-academic regulations of the College. If accepted by Grove City College, I agree to observe the standards of the College.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### **Early Decision Applicants:**

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I also understand that, by applying at the Early Decision deadline, I have committed to attend Grove City College if I am accepted. Upon my acceptance, I agree to withdraw all applications to other institutions, make my non-refundable deposit to Grove City College, and submit no additional applications to other institutions.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Grove City College, a private educational institution, admits students of any race, color, sex, religion, and national or ethnic origin to all of the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the College. Grove City College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, and national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational programs, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletics, co-curricular activities or other College-administered programs.*

Mail completed application to:  
OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS  
GROVE CITY COLLEGE  
100 CAMPUS DR  
GROVE CITY, PA 16127-2104  
Office of Admissions: 724-458-2100  
admissions@gcc.edu