Application Checklist

Applicants must fulfill the following application requirements and submit the appropriate documents to be considered for admission.

- Completed application form, signed and dated by the applicant. Online applications may be printed out or completed online and are available at www.soka.edu/apply or www.commonapp.org.

- Official high school or secondary transcripts showing all academic coursework completed. If possible, request transcripts to be sent to Soka University before your winter holiday. All coursework completed outside of the U.S. must be sent to IERF (www.ierf.org) for conversion to U.S. equivalents.

General Equivalency Diploma (GED) or High School Equivalency (HSE) recipients:
1. You must submit official score reports from the GED or HSE test.
2. You must also submit a copy of the GED or HSE certificate.

- Official transcripts for all college-level coursework completed. All coursework completed outside of the U.S. must be sent to IERF (www.ierf.org) for conversion to U.S. equivalents.

- Two written academic recommendations from your principal, counselor or teacher. Three are recommended, but two are required. Please ask recommenders to use the official form provided in this application.

- Official results of the SAT or the ACT (with the associated writing test) should be sent directly to Soka University by the testing agency.

- Two personal written essays are mandatory that answer the questions put forth in the application.

- A list of extracurricular activities or talents demonstrating outside interests and leadership experience.

- A $45 nonrefundable application fee (paid by check or money order only) must be submitted with the application. If you submit your application online, a reduced fee of $30 must be paid by credit card online.

Applications will be evaluated only when all required materials have been received. It is your responsibility to ensure that all of the required documents that you have requested of your school are submitted by your school on time. Soka University does not accept faxes or copies of official documents. Please note that all documents submitted in support of your application become the property of Soka University.

Admission Timelines

Soka University employs both an Early Action period and a Regular Admission period. Early Action is non-binding and suggested for those applicants who would like to receive an early admission decision. Early Action decision notification letters are mailed on or before December 1, 2012. Applicants who are not admitted in the Early Action period will not be automatically rolled over to the Regular Admission process for that term. At the discretion of the Admission Committee, applicants may be re-assessed with the applicant pool for Regular Admission. Students who are denied admission for Early Action may not re-apply for Regular Admission. Regular Admission decision notification letters are mailed on or before March 1, 2013.

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Admission Criteria

Soka University seeks students of intelligence and commitment who will provide leadership in the promotion of peace and human rights. Soka University is open to highly motivated students of all backgrounds and beliefs who have excelled in a range of academic courses. Admission to Soka University is competitive and selective. Although all successful Soka University applicants will have strong academic records, good grades and test scores are not enough by themselves for an applicant to be accepted. Soka University carefully considers a number of criteria without a rigid emphasis on any one factor.
Academic Preparation

All applicants to Soka University must have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent prior to entering Soka University. Soka strongly recommends that applicants have completed the following college preparation program:

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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>Three years of college preparatory mathematics with significant emphasis on fundamental mathematical skills, including trigonometry, geometry and algebra I and II. Calculus is recommended, but not required.</td>
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<td>History/Social Sciences</td>
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<td>Science</td>
<td>Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in at least two of these three disciplines: biology, chemistry and physics. The appropriate two years of an approved integrated science program may be used.</td>
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<td>Foreign Language</td>
<td>Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading and composition.</td>
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Testing

The SAT or the ACT is required of all applicants. Soka University’s SAT code is 4066. Soka University’s ACT code is 0467.

SAT

All applicants electing to take the SAT must also take the associated SAT writing exam. Soka University’s SAT code is 4066. The SAT is administered throughout the year around the world. To obtain registration materials and test information, write to The College Board, APT, P.O. Box 592, Princeton, NJ 08541, USA, or visit online at www.collegeboard.com.

ACT

All applicants electing to take the ACT must also take the associated writing exam. Because registration and test dates differ by state, please consult the ACT Web site at www.act.org for the dates that apply to your state. Be aware that registration deadlines can occur as early as five weeks before the exam.

Diversity

Soka University is open to students of all backgrounds and beliefs and is committed to diversity – including diversity of opinion – in its academic community. Soka University’s educational objectives are fostered at the University through the commitment to a non-sectarian curriculum, rigorous academic endeavors and free and open dialogue.

Disability Services

Soka University seeks to promote meaningful access to educational opportunities for all students. For information about Soka University’s disability policy and disability-related services, please contact the Office of the Dean of Students at 949.480.4130.

Home-Schooling

Soka University accepts applications from home-schooled students. In addition to receipt of all other admission requirements, applicants must have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent by successfully completing a college preparatory curriculum associated with an institution – such as a college or unified school district – which is accredited by a regional, state or national agency.

Advanced Placement (AP) Credits or International Baccalaureate (IB) Credits

Soka University does not accept AP or IB course credits in lieu of its own course requirements. However, AP and IB coursework are used in determining placement beyond introductory-level coursework at Soka.

Transfer Students

Soka University will only accept applications from first-year students for the fall term. Soka does not employ a traditional transfer admission process. If you are currently a college student, you may still apply as a first-year student, but please be aware that you may not transfer your college credits. However, applicants with completed college coursework must still submit college transcripts to be used as a part of the assessment process should they choose to apply.

Immigration Status

Soka University requires that all undergraduate students participate in our study abroad program during their junior year. Since participation in this program is not optional, students must not have any outstanding issues with U.S. Immigration that would prevent them from going abroad or returning to the U.S. upon completion of their semester abroad. Please review the Internship/Study Abroad section of our academic catalog.
Estimated Cost of Attendance for Academic Year 2013-2014

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Financial Aid
Meeting the costs of an undergraduate education represents a significant investment for most families. At Soka University, however, we are committed to providing comprehensive merit- and need-based financial aid programs that make it possible for admitted students who meet specific requirements and deadlines to attend Soka University. Most importantly, Soka University admits students without regard to their ability to pay. Soka University’s need-blind admission policy means that a student’s financial aid status will not affect his or her possible admission to the University.

How to Apply for Financial Aid
1. Complete the 2013-2014 FAFSA form. The paper version of the FAFSA is available in January 2013 at most high schools, community colleges and four-year institutions. You may also complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Soka’s Title IV school code is 038144.
2. If you are under 24 years of age, please provide copies of your parental Federal Income Tax Return for the 2012 tax year or an officially translated copy of equivalent parental tax forms from your country for the 2012 tax year. Please convert all figures to U.S. dollars.

Financial Aid Deadlines
U.S. applicants for financial aid must submit the completed FAFSA form and have it postmarked or submitted online on or before March 2, 2013. All required forms are available to download at www.soka.edu/financialaid. Applicants are encouraged to apply for financial aid as soon as possible.

March 2, 2013         FAFSA form due to Department of Education
May 1, 2013           IRS tax reports for 2012, verification worksheet and recent bank statements due to Soka University

We recommend not waiting for your admission decision before submitting our financial aid documents.