HOBART AND WILLIAM SMITH COLLEGES

HWS Application Instructions

International Applicant 2011-2012

DOCUMENTS AND DEADLINES

To apply for admission, you must submit:

1. the Common Application or the Universal College Application (online or on paper).
2. the application must be accompanied by a US $45 non-refundable application fee by **February 1**, if applying Regular Decision. Please make sure that the check is payable in U.S. dollars and that the bank from which the check is drawn has a branch office in the United States. (Please Note: The $45 application fee is waived for applications submitted online through the Common Application or the Universal College Application.)
3. an official transcript from each secondary school and post-secondary institution you have attended. If these documents are not in English, you must provide a certified translation.
4. one letter of recommendation on your school's stationery, or the appropriate form, from a current teacher or professor.
5. if English is not your native language, TOEFL or IELTS scores should be sent directly to the Office of Admissions by the testing services.The College Board code number for Hobart and William Smith Colleges is **2294**. (Minimum IBT 83, IELT 6.5)
6. Certification of Finances.

International students must demonstrate their ability to finance their education by submitting the College Board form, *International Student Certification of Finances, 2011-2012.* In addition, if you are applying for financial aid, you must complete and submit the (CSS Profile). These forms can be downloaded from the HWS website and must be submitted by the appropriate application deadline.

Please note: *Submission of either the SAT Reasoning test or ACT scores is optional.*

The deadlines for Early Decision are November 15 and January 1. Transfer applicants may enter either Fall or Spring Semester. The deadline for transfer applications is **June 1** for Fall, and **November 15** for Spring.

NOTIFICATION

Application decisions will be sent along with financial aid and scholarship awards. Accepted students are required to confirm their intentions to enroll by submitting a non-refundable matriculation fee of US $500 by the due date stated in your acceptance letter.

- Early Decision I- Mid December
- Early Decision II-Mid February
- Regular Decision- Mid April

FINANCIAL AID POLICY

Hobart and William Smith Colleges offer merit scholarships as well as need-based grants to international students. Students who wish to apply for Financial Aid MUST complete the CSS /Financial Aid Profile and the Certification of Finances. We no not offer fee waivers. Students are guaranteed that their scholarships or grants will be maintained at the same level for no more than four years, or the time necessary to complete their degree, if they have entered with advanced standing. Awards based on demonstrated financial need, if it becomes apparent that such need no longer exists, may be reduced. Students must re-submit a financial aid application each year. Financial aid funds are dispersed only after students receive their F-1 visa status.

If you are applying for financial aid, you must compete the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE and the Certification of Finances. The CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE is due by December 1st for Early Decision I, January 1st for Early Decision II, and February 15th for all other applications. The Certification of Finances is due at the time of application deadline.Students with questions or concerns should contact the Office of Financial Aid at finaid@hws.edu or call (315) 781-3315.

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FEES FOR THE 2011-2012 ACADEMIC YEAR

Tuition and Fees	US	$42,014
Room and Board		10,852
Books and personal expenses		1,206
Total	US	$54,072

Students can expect that total costs will increase approximately 3-4 percent each year.

If you have questions or need additional information, please call, write, e-mail, or fax

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ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

As an international student, you are eligible to work up to 20 hours per week on campus, if your visa status permits. However, the demand for such employment exceeds the number of jobs available therefore students must be proactive in pursuit of campus employment opportunities.

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Student Orientation. All new international students are required to participate in a three-day orientation program. Details of the program will be sent by the International Student Services Coordinator to all accepted students in late July.

Host Family Program. It has been the tradition of the Colleges to arrange local host families for international students who wish to have them. The program provides an excellent opportunity to become better acquainted with an American family and its life-style. Host families have proven to be wonderful sources of information, and also offer an informal place for students to spend time away from campus.

International Baccalaureate. Hobart and William Smith Colleges recognize the IB program as an academically challenging program of study and welcome applications from students enrolled in IB courses. Students may be awarded advanced standing and/or credit for higher-level coursework as determined by the Dean of each College. Credit is awarded on an individual course-by-course basis.