ADMISSION APPLICATION

To complete an application as a prospective freshman, Mines must receive an electronically-submitted admission application and a current high school transcript.

- A student’s unweighted GPA (4.00 scale) will be used in the admission evaluation. Mines does not participate in the Common Application.

- The application typically opens in early-mid August and the priority application file completion deadline is Nov. 1. An application file is complete when an application and official transcript(s) are received and processed. Applications completed after Nov. 1 will be reviewed after a student's file is complete, but the decision timeline will be extended and the decision could be impacted by the volume of applications and the space available in the class.

- The $45 application fee is waived for students who use the online Freshman Admission Application or the Freshman Golden Admission Application.

- Interviews are not required, but we do encourage students to visit Mines.

TRANSCRIPTS

Please send transcripts directly to Colorado School of Mines via the following methods:

- Electronically: through SENDedu, Docufide, Naviance or Parchment
- FAX: 303.273.3509
- Email: admissions@mines.edu
- Postal mail: Mines Admissions Office, 1812 Illinois St. Golden, CO 80401

ACT and/or SAT Scores

We accept self-reported scores on the admissions application. We will review students for admission based on this score and will request official test scores if they are accepted and choose to enroll at Mines.

Letters of Recommendation

Letters of recommendation are not required. If your student has an extenuating circumstance that is not reflected on the transcript and an explanation is beneficial, we welcome letters of recommendation.
MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS
Students are automatically considered for our merit scholarships (no separate scholarship application is required). Merit scholarships are determined by a combination of the unweighted GPA (4.00 scale) and the highest composite test score received in the Admissions Office before Feb. 1 of the senior year.
Students may retake the ACT or SAT and submit updated scores to increase their chance of earning a merit scholarship as long as Mines receives these additional test scores by Feb. 1.

AP/IB CREDIT
- Credits granted for AP courses are listed here: inside.mines.edu/Advanced-Placement-Credit
- Credits granted for IB courses are listed here: inside.mines.edu/International-Baccalaureate-Credit
- Credits granted for A-Level curriculum courses are listed here: inside.mines.edu/Advanced-Levels-Credit

MAJOR DECLARATION
Students are encouraged to indicate their major of interest on their application. Students formally declare their major in the spring semester of their freshman year or in their sophomore year with guidance from our Center for Academic Services and Advising (CASA) and our academic divisions.

EVENTS
Preview Mines (for prospective students and families): September 28 and October 26, 2019
Meet Me @ Mines (for accepted first generation students and families): November 23, 2019 and February 22, 2020
Making the Connection (for accepted women and families): November 22, 2019, March 13 and April 3, 2020
Discover Mines (for all accepted students and families): March 14 and April 4, 2020

Recommended High School Courses
We recommend students take the most challenging courses available and earn a grade of A or B.

4 years of English
4 years of college prep/advanced math (including trigonometry and pre-calculus)
3 years of history or social studies
3 years of lab science (one year must be chemistry or physics, both are recommended if available)
2 years of academic electives (i.e. computer science, STEM, engineering or other college prep electives, per student choice)
1 year of foreign language