

### **Admissions Requirements**

#### **Traditional Admissions Requirements for Students:**

- Be a graduate or candidate for graduation from an accredited college authorized to operate in Puerto Rico or the United States by the Department of Public Education or through the equivalency exam of the Department of Education.
- Fill out all the boxes of the Unique Application for Admission to the University of Puerto Rico online and submit it on the date established for that academic year. Submit a high school credit transcript and the results of the Academic Aptitude Test (PAA) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) offered by the College Board. Exams taken in February *will not be considered for admission* in August of the same year unless requested by the student. Be clear that the application to take the "college board "tests is not the sole application for admission to the University of Puerto Rico
- Applicants for college entrance, high school graduates in previous years, will fill out the Online Application for Admission. Applicants are responsible to send an official copy of the high school transcript from school they graduated to the unit of their first alternative. The grades must appear in the alphabetical system (A, B, C, D, and F). Applicants must have the manage in the Office of College Board mail the test results to the unit of their first alternative; the test expires 5 years after taking it.
- Graduates through the Equivalence Exam, English version (GED), must work with the Department of Education for the conversion of the results obtained and the send the Report Notes completed and signed to the unit of the first alternative of studies.

# **Requirements for Traditional Admissions from an abroad high school applicant or high school equivalency:**

- Applicants from other countries high school must fill out the online application on the date established for that year and take the admission tests to the university administered by the "College Entrance Examination Board" of Puerto Rico. The Academic Aptitude Test (PAA) in Reading and Writing and Mathematics, in addition to the English test for student placement, can also take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) in English in Reading and Writing and Math. The PAA tests will be offer in June, October, or February of each year; for SAT dates, you must contact the College Board. Exams taken after February *it will not be considered* for admission in August of the same year unless requested by the student.
- Applicants are responsible for sending of the academic record of secondary education in the vernacular language and another in English or Spanish, certified by an official from the Institution of origin and validated by the Ministry of Education of the country of origin and by the American Consulate. Also, process the equivalency in the Office of Studies and Equivalence of the Department of Education.

#### Non Traditional Admissions Requirements for Students:

- Be a graduate or candidate for graduation from an accredited college authorized to operate in Puerto Rico or the United States by the Department of Public Education or through the equivalency exam of the Department of Education.
- Fill out all the boxes of the Unique Application for Admission to the University of Puerto Rico online and submit it on the date established for that academic year. Submit a high school credit transcript.
- The entrance exam will be optional and will be used for placement level purposes for the subjects of Spanish, English, and Mathematics. Each program will design particular admission criteria, such as a placement exam, portfolio, essay, interview, letters of recommendation and other academic criteria that enable evaluation of the student so as to ensure their access to university life. This category includes, but is not limited to, the following populations for consideration:
  - Students with special talents or skills
  - Students participating in the university articulation program
  - Adult population
  - o Athletes
  - Students from specialized schools
  - o Students from marginalized communities or with limited financial resources
  - International students
  - Students applying to the University of Puerto Rico, Utuado Campus

## **Requirements for No Traditional Admissions from an abroad high school applicant or high school equivalency:**

- Applicants from other countries high school must fill out the online application on the date established for that year.
- Applicants are responsible for sending of the academic record of secondary education in the vernacular language and another in English or Spanish, certified by an official from the Institution of origin and validated by the Ministry of Education of the country of origin and by the American Consulate. Also, process the equivalency in the Office of Studies and Equivalence of the Department of Education.

#### Submit official evidence report of degrees or diplomas received:

- The grading system used in the evaluation of academic achievement.
- The content and level of the courses taken.
- The number of hours per week that each subject covers.
- Present evidence of proficiency in English and Spanish.

#### Submit official evidence of financial resources to study in Puerto Rico:

- 1. Applicants from private educational institutions must submit an official certificate indicating that the government of the country of origin officially recognizes the institution.
- 2. Manage the approval of the I-20 form at the Registrar's Office of the preferred unit.

All documents submitted will become the property of the University of Puerto Rico. The criteria and factors used for the admission of students to the University of Puerto Rico in the computation of the general application index (IGS) are:

- The score was obtained in the verbal reasoning part of the Academic Aptitude Test.
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- The high school index scaled to 200,800.
- Applications to start studies in the second and third semesters are not accepted.