



College and Career Timelines

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Timelines for university applications in some countries.



Admissions Timeline	Deadline	Notification	Binding	Number of Applications	Decision Day
Early Action	November	December	No	No Limit	May 1
Single Choice Early Action	November	December	No	1	May 1
Early Decision	November	December	Yes	1	Automatic
Regular Decision	January, February	March, April	No	No Limit	May 1

CANADIAN Universities - March 15th

UK Universities - January 15th

South Africa - Applications starts from April

Europe most of them January like Belgium, many different deadlines

Categorizing Universities



“Reach,” “safety,” and “target” are common terms used in college applications to describe the odds a student has of getting accepted at a particular institution

Reach schools are universities/colleges where you have less than a 25% chance of admission (this is your personal chance of acceptance, not the school’s acceptance rate). Very Competitive

Target schools

A target university is where you have a 25-75% chance of admission.

Safety Schools

Safety schools are universities/colleges where you have a greater than 75% chance of acceptance.

Parents should

- Choose universities with students
- Choose at least **FIVE UNIVERSITIES** for university applications
- Get students to be involved in **extra curricular activities**
- Know that students attending US universities must write the **SAT**
- Know that English B students should take the **SAT (USA), IELTS (Canada), UK (IELTS)** to demonstrate proof of English Proficiency
- Students wishing to study in Quebec should take the **French Test**
- **PARENTS SHOULD MAKE SURE STUDENTS ATTEND THE COLLEGE AND CAREER VIRTUAL FAIR EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 6PM**

CIALFO is a platform with more than 500,000 universities. Students can apply directly on CIALFO depending on the universities which is termed as “Direct Apply”.

On this platform **By the 25th of May** , students must have :

- Completed their profile information for universities to have a look at.
- Written many universities on their long list
- Chosen **five universities** and placed them in their short list
- Started writing their essays for university application



There are different types of scholarships. Some major categories include:

MERIT- Academic achievement, leadership qualities, and potential to contribute to the scholarly community

FINANCIAL NEED- Family's financial record and most of them require applicants to fill out a: **Free Application for Federal Student Aid - FAFSA** (Free application for federal student aid – US Citizens and **CSS Profile** (**College Scholarship Services for International Students**))

COMMUNITY SERVICE / INVOLVEMENT- School, church Youth organization or Non-profit facility



THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS