

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS AND ORIENTATION

Non-degree Seeking Students

How to Apply as a Non-degree Seeking Student

Non-degree admission is designed to meet the needs of students who do not wish to pursue a degree at NMSU. Courses taken in this status may not be used to meet university admission requirements. Students interested in using non-degree credit for initial teacher certification or certification in a new field must contact the College of Health, Education, and Social Transformation.

Non-degree students are ineligible to:

- Receive financial aid or student employment
- Participate in student government or intercollegiate athletics
- Receive benefits from military, veteran, and dependent financial assistance programs.

Transcripts may be required for non-degree seeking students who have not completed a bachelor's degree to assure readiness for university-level courses. A \$25 one-time, nonrefundable application fee is required.

Non-degree students are subject to the same university regulations as degree-seeking students.

Changing from Nondegree Status

A non-degree student in good academic standing at NMSU must submit an application for admission as a degree-seeking student. Requirements for regular admission must be met. Non-degree students may not transfer more than 30 credits from this status to any undergraduate degree program except for students participating in a high school concurrent enrollment program. If a student has graduated from NMSU, they will automatically be switched to a non-degree status. If that student intends to pursue another degree from NMSU, they will need to submit an application for admission as a degree-seeking student.

How to Apply for Readmission

Former students of the NMSU system, who have been out of school for more than two consecutive semesters, are required to apply for readmission. Applications should be submitted to Undergraduate Admissions before the start date of the semester for which the student plans to enroll.

A student who has attended other post-secondary institutions during an absence must have official transcripts from those other post-secondary institutions sent directly to Undergraduate Admissions. They must be eligible to return to the institution they last attended. Transcripts must be received before the date of registration. Academic standing at the time of readmission will generally be determined by previous NMSU academic standing. However, academic performance at other institutions attended during the applicant's absence from NMSU may be considered when determining the student's admission status.