

Name of Unit: ADMISSIONS

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## **Mission Statement:**

Committed in our ministry to serving students and their families with a Christ-centered approach, the mission of Admissions is to recruit traditional undergraduate students to enable them to experience rewarding academic life in fulfillment of Malone University's overall institutional mission.

## **Unit Goals:**

- 1. To help students and their families understand the admissions process from application to orientation.
- 2. To recruit potential, and qualified students who meet the admission standards of Malone University, and adhere to the community agreement.
- 3. To be the central location for all admission inquiries relating to traditional students.
- 4. To improve upon both the quality and quantity of students enrolled at Malone University.

Expected Performance Outcomes	Means of Assessment & Criteria for Success	Summary of Data Collected	Use of Results
GOAL #1			Note: By definition, 2017-2018 data now pertains to Fall 2017 incoming students.
Admissions counselors will conduct personal campus visits, group visit days, and other special events that will include specific information about the admissions process, including a checklist that leads them from application to new student orientation.	For the 2017-2018 cycle, a total of 1400 campus visits per year is expected.  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 80% of visitors will "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "My campus tour guide was friendly and informative."  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 80% of visitors will "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "Overall, I had a positive experience when I visited Malone University".  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 80% of the visitors will indicate they "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "The confirmation letter and directions sent prior to my visit were helpful and clear."	For the 2017-2018 cycle a total of 1,510 campus visits.  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 96% of the visitors will indicate they "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "My campus tour guide was friendly and informative."  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 98% of the visitors will indicate they "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "Overall, I had a positive experience when I visited Malone University".  For the 2017-2018 cycle, more than 92% of the visitors will indicate they "Strongly Agree or Agree" with the statement on the Campus Visit Survey, "The confirmation letter and directions sent prior to my visit were helpful and clear."	Admissions has utilized a campus visit survey form to receive feedback from visiting prospective students. In the 2018-2019 report we will continue to monitor the campus visit survey form. We have emailed surveys to the students this past year and are getting a few more, but still not what we would like. We need to continue to fine tune this process! We are seeing great results by having altered the campus tour route to include the Johnson Center Worship Center for each tour. We have also auto-filled the campus visit sheet this year which has been a huge win. Students now simply review and update any information that needs updated.

	The "Alive Festival" is a special event we attend in order to introduce Malone University to attending families. Last year we did not attend as Liberty was the only academic institution allowed. Our goal is 2000 inquiries for the 2017-2018 cycle.	For the 2017-2018 we were back at Alive in a sponsorship role, but were underwhelmed with the leads received—541. Students are not completing cards. We will continue to be a presence but will have a more realistic expectation of cards moving forward.	Malone will continue sponsoring the Alive Festival for 2018-2019. Malone will attempt think creatively to try and drive up the number of leads.
Applied students will be contacted by admissions counselors and student assistants on a regular basis by telephone, e-mail, texting, newsletters, post cards, and social networking tools to alert them to the next step in the enrollment process and to help build a working relationship with the student and parents.  GOAL #2	For the 2017-2018 cycle, freshmen admissions counselors will maintain at least a 90% attempted contact rate with prospective students during the recruitment cycle.	For the 2017-2018 cycle, the 90% goal was regularly met. Counselors were also requested to have at least 3 attempts each month to drive up completed (two-way) contacts.	The strategy for 2018-2019 will be to drive students to respond to the counselors' calls, texts and/or emails. The counselors will utilize JRM to automate some of the outreaches (text campaigns and email campaigns).  Admissions will include the mailing of bi-monthly newsletters and post cards.
To identify prospective students who are qualified for enrollment at Malone University.	For the 2017-2018 cycle, qualified students will have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.	For the 2017-2018 cycle, the average GPA for incoming freshmen was 3.28.	Admissions has decided to continue to monitor average GPA and ACT/SAT scores for incoming freshmen to ensure enrollment
	For the 2017-2018 cycle, qualified students will have a Composite score of at least 18 on the ACT test or at least a 940 on the New SAT test.	For the 2017-2018 cycle, the average ACT score for incoming freshmen was 22. The average SAT score was 1058.	standards are being met. In the next assessment cycle our target would be to keep the number of students with less than a

Attend college fairs, make high school visits, conduct on-campus recruitment events, utilize outside sources and telemarketing to help build an inquiry pool of students that would be qualified for enrollment at Malone University.

In the 2017-2018 cycle, accepted students will be informed as to the time to begin making their deposits for class registration. At least 391 accepted students will make a registration deposit.

In the 2017-2018 cycle, 391 accepted students made their registration deposit (this number includes freshmen, transfers and readmits).

Our travel evaluation form will continue to be used within our JRM system to rate college fairs, high school visits, church visits, etc. This will enable us to use our travel resources more effectively and to better track what students are coming from what program.

GOAL #3

Keep prospective students informed about important dates (Financial Aid, making their registration deposit, and events).

We will be working hard to have a higher conversion rate from applicant to admit. We will be implementing automated follow emails alerting students what they need to complete their files along with 1-2 mailings indicating the

same each semester.

**NSSE Metrics:** 

14d. Admissions will help future students on campus by encouraging connections among students from different cultures and with **NSSE Survey Data** 

In 2019 the percentage score for first-year students will increase by 2%.

campus staff and departments that will support them.		
14b. Admissions will work with the Center for Student Success to help future students understand the services available to them that will ultimately ensure their academic success.	In 2098 the percentage score for first-year students will increase by 3%.	
14f. Admissions will introduce opportunities to future students that will enhance their overall wellbeing by programmatically including Student Development, Health Services and Counseling Services in sessions for new students and their parents.	In 2019 the percentage score for first-year students will increase by 3%.	