Make yourself known

Transfer to Lake Forest College

- Guaranteed Admission Program
- Pathway Scholar Programs
- Dual Enrollment Agreement
- Honors Program Scholarship
- Forester Flagship Program
**Make your own way.** Lake Forest College supports the academic growth and personal success of all of our students. You will be welcomed into a friendly and inclusive community of students from nearly every state and over 96 countries.

Lake Forest College is located 30 miles north of Chicago in the historic North Shore community of Lake Forest, Illinois. The beautiful 107-acre campus is within walking distance of the train to Chicago and the shore of Lake Michigan.

You will have access to top professors, career counselors, alumni, internships, and research. Classes are small—the average class size is 19—and faculty do all the teaching and advising—you won’t find teaching assistants here.

**Guaranteed Admission**

A Guaranteed Transfer Admission Agreement provides Oakton students seamless transfer to earn their bachelor’s degree at Lake Forest College. Oakton students will benefit from personalized academic planning from both institutions early in their college career. Students must complete a minimum of 30 transferrable semester hours at Oakton.

*Who is eligible?* Oakton students who have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Students must submit the Guaranteed Admission form at least one year prior to enrollment.

**Dual Enrollment Agreement**

This agreement provides Oakton Community College students Dual Enrollment during the summer terms at Lake Forest College prior to earning their associate’s degree at Oakton.

*Who is eligible?* Oakton students who maintain a 3.25 GPA on all transferable coursework and who take up to two classes during Lake Forest College’s summer terms. Initial courses at Lake Forest College must be taken within the first year of enrollment at Oakton Community College.

For more information, visit [lakeforest.edu/oakton](http://lakeforest.edu/oakton)
Throughout high school and community college, I always kept my grades up. When I came to Lake Forest, I earned a Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship for my good grades. It was important to me to be recognized for that.

Ervina Ajkic  
CLASS OF 2020

MAJOR: Psychology
MINORS: Sociology and Anthropology; Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies
TRANSFERRED FROM: Oakton Community College

Read more about Ervina at lakeforest.edu/ervina

Lake Forest At A Glance

- 1,585 students from 43 states and 96 countries
- 14% of students are international
- 31% of students are domestic students of color
- More than 80 clubs and organizations
- 25 Division III varsity sports
- New Health Professions Program in partnership with local Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science
- Pursue up to 3 for-credit internships
- Top 6 degrees awarded: biology, business, communication, economics, finance, psychology
- 96% of graduates get jobs or continue their education within 6 to 9 months of graduation
- Broke ground on a renovation and expansion of Brown Hall, which is the largest academic building and future home of our Career Advancement Center
DEPARTMENTS AND AREAS OF STUDY:

African American Studies
American Studies
Area Studies
Art
• Art History
• Studio Art
Asian Studies
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Biology
Business
• Accounting
• Marketing
Chemistry
Chinese
Cinema Studies
Classical Studies
Communication
Computer Science
Data Science
Digital Media Design
Economics
Education
• Educational Studies
• Elementary
Music
Music Education
Neuroscience
Philosophy
Physics
Politics
Pre-Health
Pre-Law
Print and Digital Publishing
Psychology
Religion
Self-Designed Major
Social Justice
Sociology and Anthropology
Spanish
Theater
Urban Studies
Pre-Professional Programs
Law
Health
• Biomedical Sciences
• Clinical Counseling
• Dentistry
• Medicine
• Nursing
• Optometry
• Pharmacy
• Physical Therapy
• Physician Assistant
• Podiatry
• Veterinary

Health Professions Program with Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

Graduate Programs
Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)
Master of Liberal Studies (MLS)

Lake Forest accepts the Lake Forest Transfer Application and the Transfer Common Application. There is no application fee.

lakeforest.edu/transfer

Application Deadlines: Spring: January 15 • Fall: August 1
Pathway Scholar Programs
in Business; Economics; Finance; Environmental Studies; Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies; Arts; and Humanities

Pathway Scholar programs offer a seamless 2+2 transfer with a prescribed curriculum. 

Who is eligible? Students with a minimum 3.25 GPA in a Pathway Scholar major who meet curriculum requirements.

Benefits include:
• Students will receive up to a $25,000 Presidential scholarship OR
• Guaranteed $25,000 Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship ($30,000 with a 3.75+ GPA) if they are PTK members.
• All Pathway Humanities Scholars are eligible for a Guaranteed Internship.
• Pre-advising during your time at Oakton by Lake Forest College faculty on course selection.
• Advising from our Career Advancement Center staff on internship and career opportunities.
• Students earning a 3.6 GPA or higher in their first semester will have the option of selecting a fifth course for free in the second semester.
• Pathway Scholar recognition on their Lake Forest College transcript.

“...The pre-health program at Lake Forest College is one of the best. The percent of Foresters who are accepted into medical school is well above the national average. I want to be a dentist, so that’s why I chose this school. I knew I would get the preparation I needed.”

Mark Kim  CLASS OF 2021
MAJOR: Biology
MINORS: Chemistry and Business
TRANSFERRED FROM: Oakton Community College

Read more about Mark at lakeforest.edu/mark
The best thing about Lake Forest is the community. I have been guided in the right direction by every professor, career counselor, and fellow student. The generous scholarship and financial assistance I received enabled me to attend the College, and I am grateful for that.

Farhad Ladhani  CLASS OF 2018
CURRENT JOB: Account Executive, Sonny & Ash Creative Agency
MAJOR: Finance  MINOR: Entrepreneurship and Innovation
TRANSFERRED FROM: Oakton Community College

I chose to attend Lake Forest College for practical reasons—the proximity to home and a short commute. Once I arrived, I realized professors were a step above every other college that I interviewed with and the career preparation was second to none.

Alex Kajcic  CLASS OF 2017
CURRENT JOB: Financial Analyst at Ingram Micro
MAJOR: Finance
TRANSFERRED FROM: Oakton Community College

Read more about Farhad at lakeforest.edu/Farhad

Read more about Alex at lakeforest.edu/Alex
Make it personal. Transfer Admission Process.

We have an individual admissions process where we take the time to get to know you—not just your GPA and test scores. We even offer on-site admission virtually, on our campus, and at Oakton.

APPLICATION
You may apply online for free using the Lake Forest Transfer Application or the Transfer Common Application. Visit lakeforest.edu/transfer.

TRANSCRIPTS
Submit your official transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended, as well as your high school transcript. In most cases, you should have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for consideration. Applicants wishing to major in Business, Economics, Finance, Education, or Communication are required to have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for consideration, and require approval by the chair of the department.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
If you have more than 30 semester hours (44 quarter hours), you are required to submit a letter of recommendation from a professor at your most recent college. If you have completed fewer than 30 semester hours, you may submit a secondary school teacher recommendation.

INTERVIEW
We see the interview as a conversation about your goals and what you value in an education. It serves as an opportunity to “lift yourself off the page” and get beyond the admission statistics.

STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES
Lake Forest College is test-optional. You may choose not to submit your scores as part of our test-optional admissions policy. If you choose to submit your test scores, we accept both the ACT and the SAT and take the best sub-scores to compile a composite score.

Find our Transfer Guides at lakeforest.edu/transfer-guides.
The Career Advancement Center offers exceptional career counseling as well as a host of networking opportunities with alumni and employers. Students are encouraged to pursue for-credit internships, which are abundant in the Chicago area. Every student is assigned a career advisor when they begin at the College.

96% of recent graduates had secured jobs or enrolled in grad school within six to nine months of graduation.

“We are intentional in our approach to career preparation so as not to leave it to chance whether or not our students do well after graduation.”

—Colleen Monks, director
Career Advancement Center

Lake Forest was recently ranked #2 in the nation as a Top Performer for Social Mobility by U.S. News & World Report. The Princeton Review also featured Lake Forest among its top 25 Best Schools for Internships.

How Lake Forest College stacks up against the rest


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“We prepare our students for, and help them attain, productive and rewarding careers.”

—from the Lake Forest College Mission Statement
The College offers generous financial aid packages for all admitted transfer students, including international students. In fact, 95% of transfer students receive some type of financial aid. We are committed to making Lake Forest College as affordable as possible and offer generous scholarships to Oakton students who have distinguished themselves through academic achievement.

**PHI THETA KAPPA (PTK) SCHOLARSHIP**
Students will receive a guaranteed $25,000 scholarship ($30,000 with a 3.75+ GPA) if they are PTK members.

**Who is eligible?** Students must have or will have earned an applicable Associate of Arts degree, Associate of Science degree, or 60 transferable credit hours and hold current membership in Phi Theta Kappa prior to enrolling at the College.

**HONORS PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP**
Honors Program Scholarships are available to community college students who are members of their institution’s honors program. The scholarship of $2,000 is stackable on top of the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship or the Presidential Scholarship and is renewable.

**FINE ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS**
Lake Forest College offers talent-based scholarships in music, studio art, and theater. Scholarships require an application for admission, the scholarship application, and either an audition for music or theater, or portfolio review for studio art. Scholarships are available to both majors and non-majors. Scholarship is up to $5,000.

**Who is eligible?** Any student who is interested in art, music, or theater. You do not have to be a major in one of these areas.

**FORESTER FLAGSHIP PROGRAM**
For Illinois students who qualify for a Federal Pell Grant, 100% of the College’s tuition is covered in grants and scholarships. Students must complete the FAFSA by the State-established deadline for MAP grant consideration and live on campus to qualify for the Forester Flagship Program.

**STUDENTS ENTERING WITH OVER 26 HOURS OF COURSEWORK**
Applicants entering with over 26 hours of completed coursework will be evaluated through a holistic review process. Using your transcript, letters of recommendation, interview, and test scores (optional), we will offer a scholarship of up to $32,000 annually in recognition of your achievements.

**STUDENTS ENTERING WITH UP TO 26 HOURS OF COURSEWORK**
Applicants entering with up to 26 hours of completed course work will be evaluated for a scholarship of up to $30,000 using a scholarship grid. Use your weighted high school GPA or your ACT score or your SAT score (optional) to see where you fall on the scholarship grid at lakeforest.edu/transfer-scholarships.
HAVEN'T BEEN TO CAMPUS YET?
Visit campus virtually or in-person prior to enrolling and receive $2,000 annually toward the cost of tuition.

Bring us your talents and passions, your curiosity and your drive, and we’ll show you how to make those into your ideal career.

Make yourself known.
Make your own way.
Make it personal.
Make it happen.

#MakeItLakeForest