Admission Requirements for Students Educated in Australia

Please note: These are minimum requirements. The university reserves the right to enforce higher requirements without notice as needed to meet the university’s enrollment needs.

Freshman Applicants

Minimum high school course preparation
- 4 years of English
- 3 years of mathematics (including beginning algebra, geometry and advance algebra)
- 3 years of science (including one year each of two of the following: biology, chemistry or physics)
- 2 years of social studies [3 years for applicants to our College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)]
- Applicants to majors in the LAS and Engineering colleges must have 2 years of a single foreign language (English may be used).

Minimum Academic requirements
- Applicants must earn his/her state’s or territory’s school leaving certificate (listed below).
- The required cumulative grade averages in academic subjects (not including music, physical education, vocational/technical courses or religion) are also listed below:
  - Australian Capital Territory ACT Year 12 Certificate (B in T courses only);
  - New South Wales HSC (75—middle of Band 4);
  - Northern Territory SACE (B or 13 in Accredited courses only);
  - Queensland Senior Certificate (High Achievement in Board Subjects only);
  - South Australia SACE (B in Accredited courses only);
  - Tasmania TCE (9 in Group C or Level III subjects);
  - Victoria VCE (7 in Common Assessment Tasks); and the
  - Western Australia CSE (B in Accredited courses only)

Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT)
- The SAT is not required for admission to Iowa State for students educated in non-American patterned schools.

Transfer Applicants

Minimum academic requirements
A minimum transfer cumulative grade point average of Credit (5 or C) in all transferable courses is required for engineering applicants; a Pass (4 or D) is the minimum for applicants to other majors.