

Northwestern State University Admissions Guide

Minimum Admission Standards for Non-Traditional First-Time First-Year Students Fall 2023 and Beyond

Who is a Non-Traditional First-Time First-Year Student (Ages 25 & Older)?

Non-Traditional Freshmen are those who are 25 years or older and have never attended a college, university or post-secondary institution after graduation from high school or receiving a GED or HiSET.

What Do You Need to Be Admitted to NSU as a Non-Traditional First-Time First-Year Student (Ages 25 & Older)?

NSU is a 4-year regional public university. You must meet one of the following:

- Must have a high school diploma or equivalency diploma AND
- 18 or Higher ACT English (25-33 NEW SAT Writing & Language or 86+ ACCUPLACER) Sentence Skills) OR 19 or Higher ACT Math (500-510 or 25-25.5 New SAT Math or 240 Quantitive Reasoning, Algebra and Statistics ACCUPLACER)

We will need your immunization records unless you were born before 1957 or are taking all classes online as indicated on your application for admission.

Please be advised that if you have ever attended another college or university, either while in high school or after graduation from high school - you are required to disclose this information to NSU. Failure to disclose past attendance at any post-secondary institution can result in denial of admission and student disciplinary actions.