Class of 2027 Profile
Combined Data for Entering First-Year Students to Columbia College and Columbia Engineering

Demographic Information for the Class of 2027

1,464
NUMBER OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

46%
OF FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS HAVE AN ANNUAL PARENT CONTRIBUTION THAT IS LESS THAN $5,000

21%
STUDENTS WHO RECEIVE PELL GRANTS

$71,043
AVERAGE GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS RECEIVED

$51+ million
TOTAL GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS IN THE CLASS OF 2027

19%
STUDENTS WHO ARE THE FIRST GENERATION IN THEIR FAMILY TO ATTEND COLLEGE

DOMESTIC RACIAL AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY
(US Citizens and Permanent Residents, as self identified on the application. Total exceeds 100% because students may indicate more than one race/ethnicity. Data points differ from the Common Data Set (CDS), where identification of more than one race/ethnicity is reflected in the “more than one race” category and must total 100%. Distinctions within that category are not possible with CDS reporting.)

- Asian American or Pacific Islander: 30%
- Black/African American: 20%
- Hispanic/Latinx: 22%
- Native/Indigenous: 4%
- Not Reported: 2%
- White: 51%

ACADEMIC AREA OF INTEREST*

- Undecided: <0.5%
- Social Sciences: 25%
- Arts and Humanities: 23%
- Mathematics and Natural/Physical Science: 28%
- Engineering: 24%

SELF-REPORTED GENDER IDENTITY*

- Women: 50%
- Men: 48%
- Non-Binary: 2%

*Data is self-reported by students on the admission application. These figures vary from the Common Data Set.
First-Year Applicant Overview

57,126 TOTAL APPLICATIONS
2,285 TOTAL ADMITS
5,733 APPLICANTS APPLIED THROUGH COLUMBIA’S EARLY DECISION PROGRAM

Academic Statistics

Academic preparation is the primary factor in Columbia’s holistic review. Students’ performance in their secondary school coursework is one indication of readiness, demonstrating the knowledge they have gained and the skills they have developed. Successful applications show strong academic performance across subjects, and from schools that reported rank, 95% of enrolling students were in the top 10% of their graduating class.

Columbia is test-optional, and the score range for the middle 50% of admitted students who chose to submit scores was 1510–1560 on the SAT and 34–35 on the ACT. Students who opt not to submit test scores will not be at a disadvantage in our process.

Geographic Information for the Class of 2027

17% INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
86 NUMBER OF COUNTRIES REPRESENTED (BY HOME OR SCHOOL ADDRESS)
12% DOMESTIC STUDENTS FROM RURAL/SMALL TOWNS (BY HOME ADDRESS)

ALL US STATES REPRESENTED, PLUS DC AND TERRITORIES

- DC and Territories 1%
- West 22%
- Mid-Atlantic 33%
- South 23%
- Midwest 13%
- New England 8%

Top Passports Represented (outside of US)
- United Kingdom
- China
- Canada
- India
- South Korea
- Mexico
- Brazil
- Italy
- Nigeria
- Germany

Top States Represented
- New York
- California
- New Jersey
- Texas
- Florida
- Massachusetts
- Maryland
- Illinois
- Georgia

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Data points differ from the most recent Columbia College and Columbia Engineering Common Data Set because the reporting date is different. Additionally, certain definitions vary as noted. Current as of July 31, 2023.