

Dear Student,

Thank you for applying to Naropa University. A Naropa education is truly unique. Here, the academic, personal and spiritual journey is challenging and transformative. It is also extremely rewarding. The goal of the Admissions Office is to find those students who are a good fit with Naropa's mission and are prepared for the work ahead. Therefore, it is important that you be honest, open and reflective throughout this application process. We, in turn, promise to devote the time and heart to reading and reviewing your application so that your voice may come through and be heard.

We look forward to learning about you!

Sincerely,



Susan Boyle
Dean of Admissions

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- We strongly suggest that you either apply online or send in a **completed** application by the suggested deadline.
- If you apply online, **do not send copies of already-submitted materials in the mail.**
- Do not put your application in a folder, protective sleeves or other materials.
- We also accept the Common Application with one supplemental essay. Please see www.commonapp.org.

SUGGESTED DEADLINES

Naropa University uses a rolling admission policy. Applicants may apply as early as September for summer and fall admission. Applications received between September 1 and the suggested deadline will be given equal consideration. Applications received after the suggested deadline will be reviewed on a space-available basis.

- January 15 for summer and fall admission
- October 15 for spring admission

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1) Parts A and B of the application form.
- 2) \$50 nonrefundable application fee in the form of a check or money order, payable to "Naropa University." The applicant's name must be clearly indicated on the check.
- 3) Part C - Three Essays (all must be typed and double-spaced).
- 4) Official high school transcript for every first-year student and first-year transfer applicant (0–30 college credits).
- 5) Official copy of a GED (if no high school diploma), which must be accompanied by #4 above.
- 6) Official college transcripts for every university attended (must be sent in a sealed envelope from the college registrar).
- 7) Test Scores: Original score reports for the ACT and/or SAT tests are optional. Naropa University's ACT code is 4853; SAT code is 0908.
- 8) Letters of Recommendation: One from a teacher and one from another teacher, guidance counselor or someone who knows you well, other than a family member, significant other or current therapist. These must be on the forms provided. A guidance counselor recommendation should be accompanied by a school profile.
- 9) Transfer Applicants: Supplemental applications are required for the following programs: Environmental Studies, Interdisciplinary Studies, Music, Visual Arts, Writing and Literature, and the BFA in Performance. Supplemental applications are available at www.naropa.edu/ugradapply or through the Admissions Office's departmental fact sheets.
- 10) A phone or in-person interview is optional for undeclared students and required for all transfers into a major with the exception of Writing and Literature.
- 11) Original artwork or other forms of creative expression (optional).
- 12) **For Applicants Educated Outside of the USA.** All transcripts must be accompanied by a professional transcript evaluation and an official TOEFL result with a minimum score of 213/550 (computer-based/paper-based). Native English speakers may be exempt from the TOEFL exam. Please contact our office or visit www.naropa.edu/intlstudents/admissions.cfm for details.

Students may also apply online at www.naropa.edu/ugradapply or at www.commonapp.org.

PART A—BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

ACADEMIC PLANS

Applying for: Fall Spring Year _____

Applying to (check only one of the following): Undergraduate Program as an Undeclared Student
(0–29 credits)

Transfer to _____ Major _____ Certificate Program _____
(30 or more transfer credits) (60 or more prior earned semester credits)

CANDIDATE INFORMATION (please print)

Legal Name:

Last/Family First Middle Initial

US Social Security Number, if any / / Name you prefer to be called:

(Optional, unless you are applying for federal financial aid with the FAFSA form)

Previous name(s) under which your materials may arrive at Naropa University:

Current Mailing Address (number and street):

City: State: Zip: Country:

Home Phone: Cell: Work Phone: Email:

Use This Address Until (month/day/year):

Do we have permission to leave information regarding your application on your voice mail? Yes No

Please list the names of family members or roommates with whom we are allowed to speak regarding your application:

Name: _____ Relation: _____ Name: _____ Relation: _____

Permanent Mailing Address (number and street):

City: State: Zip: Country:

Home Phone: Cell: Work Phone: Email:

Gender: Female Male Transgender Date of Birth: / / Birthplace: _____
M D Y City, Country

U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States: Yes No If not, which country?

Did either of your parents attend college? Yes No Is English the primary language in your home? Yes No If not, what is?

Applying for Financial Aid: Yes No

How did you find out about Naropa University's undergraduate college?

- Naropa University Alumna/us, Name _____ Naropa Faculty/Staff/Trustee (Please specify) _____
 Current Naropa University Student, Name _____ Guide Book (Please specify) _____
 Advertisement (Please specify magazine) _____ Internet (Please specify site or search engine) _____
 College Fair (Please specify location) _____ Other _____

Optional. The items with the shaded background are optional. No information you provide will be used in a discriminatory manner.

US Armed Services veteran? Yes No

1. Are you Hispanic/Latino? Yes, Hispanic or Latino (including Spain) No

Please describe your background _____

2. Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please select one or more of the following ethnicities that best describe you:

American Indian or Alaska Native
(including all Original Peoples of the Americas)

Are you enrolled? Yes No

If yes, please enter Tribal Enrollment Number _____

Please describe your background _____

Asian (including Indian subcontinent and Philippines)

Please describe your background _____

Black or African American (including Africa and the Caribbean)

Please describe your background _____

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (Original Peoples)

Please describe your background _____

White (including Middle Eastern)

Please describe your background _____

DISCIPLINARY HISTORY

1) Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at an educational institution you attended from ninth grade (or the international equivalent) forward, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct, that resulted in your probation, suspension, removal, dismissal or expulsion from the institution? Yes No

If yes, please attach a separate piece of paper that gives the approximate date of each incident and explains the circumstances.

2) Have you ever been served with a restraining order, or a protection order, or been convicted of a misdemeanor, felony or other crime? Yes No

If yes, please visit www.naropa.edu/disciplinaryform and print and fill out a required form that you will need to send directly to Naropa University's Office of Admissions.

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Secondary Schools

GRADE	CEEB CODE	OFFICIAL NAME OF SCHOOL	CITY/STATE OR PROVINCE/COUNTRY	DATES
9				
10				
11				
12				

Check here if home educated

Colleges and Universities

List all colleges/universities at which you have taken or attempted to take courses for credit.

CEEB CODE	OFFICIAL NAME OF SCHOOL	CITY/STATE OR PROVINCE/COUNTRY	# OF EARNED SEMESTER CREDITS	DATES	# OF CREDITS IN PROGRESS

RECOMMENDATIONS

List the people who will be sending your letters of recommendation:

Teacher _____ Teacher/Personal/Counselor _____

TESTING BACKGROUND

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): **Required for nonnative English-speaking applicants.**

Date _____ Score _____ Date to be taken _____

Test Scores (optional):

SAT I

 Date Critical Reading Score Math Score Writing Score TOTAL

ACT

 Date Scores: English Math Reading Science Composite Optional Writing

Advanced Placement Exams

Date	Subject	Score
Date	Subject	Score
Date	Subject	Score

International Baccalaureate

- Seeking International Baccalaureate Diploma
- Taking International Baccalaureate Subject Exams

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent's Name: _____ Is she/he living? Yes No

Last/Family _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Permanent Mailing Address (number and street): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

College Attended (if any): _____

Name _____ Degree _____ Year _____

Graduate/Professional School: _____

Name _____ Degree _____ Year _____

Occupation: _____

Title _____ Name of company or organization _____

Parent's Name: _____ Is she/he living? Yes No

Last/Family _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Permanent Mailing Address (number and street): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Work Phone: _____ Email: _____

College Attended (if any): _____

Name _____ Degree _____ Year _____

Graduate/Professional School: _____

Name _____ Degree _____ Year _____

Occupation: _____

Title _____ Name of company or organization _____

Please indicate if your parents are: Married Separated Divorced Widowed

With whom do you permanently reside? _____

PART B—INVOLVEMENT AND PARTICIPATION

Please list below, in order of significance to you, extracurricular interests, personal activities and/or work experiences in which you have been involved. Feel free to include arts involvement; community, political or environmental activities; spiritual/contemplative practices; employment; summer study; and travel or family activities.

NAME OF ACTIVITY OR POSITION HELD	ORGANIZATION OR EMPLOYMENT	DATES OF INVOLVEMENT	WEEKLY TIME COMMITMENT	INTEND TO CONTINUE AT NAROPA (Y OR N)?

PART C—ESSAYS

All essays should be typed and double-spaced.

- 1) **Involvement Essay:** In 150 words or fewer, describe how one of the items listed in Part B has affected you. How have you changed by being involved with this particular club, organization or activity? Or how has this experience altered your outlook on politics, cultures, economics or education?
- 2) **Statement of Interest Essay:** At Naropa University, students develop critical intellect, engage in service to the world, explore their inner resources, participate in the creative arts and develop an understanding of the richness of human diversity. Given this, please tell us in an essay (minimum of 500 words) how you are prepared to participate in this distinctive community and how your life and educational goals would be reached by attending Naropa University.
- 3) **Transformational Essay:** Naropa University is a place where transformation happens. Our students examine who they are, their roles in the world, and how they want to meet the world and change it for the better. In a minimum of one page, please tell us about a transformational experience you have had and how it enhanced your ability to see another person's view, alter your own view, or engage with the issue or your community in a new way.

The materials written and submitted on this application are my own and are, to the best of my knowledge, truthful and accurate. Falsification of documents could be grounds for dismissal from the university.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

NAROPA UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION—Side 1

Legal Name of Applicant:

Last/Family

First

Middle Initial

US Social Security Number, if any: / /

(Optional, unless you are applying for federal financial aid with the FAFSA form)

TO THE APPLICANT: Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, students who are accepted and who matriculate into the school/college program for which they applied are given the right to inspect their records, including their letters of recommendation, unless they have waived their right of review. You have the option of (1) signing the following waiver; or (2) declining to do so. **Naropa must receive this original signed form. No faxed or emailed letters will be accepted. Letters from family members, significant others or current therapists will not be accepted.**

I expressly waive the rights I might have to access this letter of recommendation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

Signature _____ Date _____

I do not agree to the waiver above.

Signature _____ Date _____

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1) How long have you known the applicant? _____

2) In what capacity? _____

3) Please check the box that most appropriately fits the applicant:

Ability to Engage with Others	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Creative Expression	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Leadership Potential	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Motivation/Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Openness to Diverse Thoughts/Peoples	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
Relative Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/> No Basis	<input type="checkbox"/> Below Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Average	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent
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MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1) Applications and credentials submitted for admission become the property of Naropa University.
- 2) Transcripts and letters of recommendation may be sent under separate cover and may arrive either before or after this application; however, we prefer that they arrive in sealed envelopes along with the application.
- 3) If you applied online, we strongly encourage you to send all supplemental materials in one package.

This application should be returned to:

Office of Admissions
Naropa University
2130 Arapahoe Avenue
Boulder, Colorado 80302

For questions:

Telephone: 303-546-3572 or outside of Colorado 1-800-772-6951
admissions@naropa.edu
www.naropa.edu

Naropa University is committed to equality of educational opportunity. The university does not discriminate in offering access to its educational programs and activities on the basis of race, color, gender, age, national or ethnic origin, religion, disability, veteran's status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression.