ADMISSION APPLICATION
To complete an application as a prospective student we must receive an electronically-submitted admission application and a current high school transcript.

- A student’s unweighted GPA (4.00 scale) will be used in the admission evaluation.
- The application typically opens in early-mid August. After August, the priority application file completion deadline is Nov. 1 and the regular application file completion deadline is Jan. 15. An application file is complete when an application and official transcript(s) are received and processed. Applications completed after Nov. 1 will be reviewed after a student’s file is complete, but the decision timeline will be extended and the decision could be impacted by the volume of applications and the space available in the class.
- The $45 application fee is waived for students who use the online First-Year Admission Application or the First-Year Golden Admission Application. Mines does not use the Common Application.
- Interviews are not required, but we do encourage students to join us for a virtual or in-person information session or event.

TRANSCRIPTS
Please send transcripts directly to Colorado School of Mines via the following methods:

- Electronically: through SENDedu, Docufide, Naviance or Parchment
- FAX: 303.273.3509
- Email: admissions@mines.edu
- Postal mail: Mines Office of Admissions, 1812 Illinois St. Golden, CO 80401

ACT and/or SAT Scores
For 2021 Admissions, we are waiving the ACT/SAT score requirement given the challenges with testing availability and COVID-19. However, if students have taken either or both of these exams, we encourage them to submit their scores as it is among a variety of important indicators that help us understand a student’s preparedness for college. Please note that students will not be penalized in the admissions and merit scholarship review process if they are unable to provide test scores.

We accept self-reported scores on the admissions application and we super score request official test scores from students who are accepted and choose to enroll at Mines.

Admitted First-Year Profile (middle 50th percentile)
1330-1470
SAT Composite (CR+M)
29-33
ACT Composite
3.75-4.00
Unweighted GPA

2020 Admissions Facts
-12,000 applicants
-6,500 accepted students
-1,200 first-year enrolled
92% returned sophomore year
Letters of Recommendation
Letters of recommendation are not required. If your student has an extenuating circumstance that is not reflected on the transcript and an explanation is beneficial, we welcome letters of recommendation.

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS
Students are automatically considered for our merit scholarships (no separate scholarship application is required).

AP/IB CREDIT
- Credits granted for AP courses are listed here: mines.edu/registrar/advanced-placement
- Credits granted for IB courses are listed here: mines.edu/registrar/international-baccalaureate-credit
- Credits granted for A-Level curriculum courses are listed here: mines.edu/registrar/advanced-credits

MAJOR DECLARATION
Students are encouraged to indicate their major of interest on their application. Students formally declare their major in the spring semester of their first-year or in their sophomore year with guidance from our Center for Academic Services and Advising (CASA) and our academic divisions.

EVENTS
**Meet Me @ Mines dates:**
November 21, 2020
February 20, 2021
March 13, 2021

**Preview Mines dates:**
September 26, 2020
October 31, 2020

**Discover Mines dates:**
February 27, 2021
March 20, 2021

**Making the Connection dates:**
November 20, 2020
February 26, 2021
March 19, 2021

**Recommended High School Courses**
We recommend students take the most challenging courses available and earn a grade of A or B.

- 4 years of English
- 4 years of college prep/advanced math (including trigonometry and pre-calculus)
- 3 years of history or social studies
- 3 years of lab science (one year must be chemistry or physics, both are recommended if available)
- 2 years of academic electives (i.e. computer science, STEM, engineering or other college prep electives, per student choice)
- 1 year of foreign language