

Early Decision, Early Action and Regular Decision Dates 2017

What is the difference between early decision, early action and regular decision?

Early Decision II: Early decision plans require careful consideration because they are binding. When you choose this option, you are telling a school that they are your top choice. If accepted you will attend, if financial considerations make it possible. You can only make one school this choice.

Early Decision II: When you apply ED II you are also bound to attend the college if accepted. The difference between ED I and ED II is the due date is much closer to (and sometimes the same as) regular decision.

Early Action I & Early Action II: This is a way to apply early, and hear early, without legally binding yourself to a school. You can apply to as many Early Action schools as you like.

Regular Decision: Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time. Non-binding commitment.

Early Decision I - November 1

Babson College	Bard College	Barnard College	Boston University
Brandeis University	Brown University	Carnegie Mellon	Case Western Reserve
Chicago, University of	Claremont McKenna College	Columbia University	Cornell University
Dartmouth University	Drexel University	Duke University	Emory University
John Hopkins	Lewis and Clark College	Loyola Marymount	Loyola (Maryland)
Maryland, University of	Miami, University of	Middlebury College	New York University
Northeastern University	Northwestern University	Pennsylvania, University of	Pomona College
Princeton University	Rensselaer Polytechnic	Rice University	Rochester, University of
Santa Clara University	The College of New Jersey	Tufts University	Tulane University
Vanderbilt University	Washington and Lee	Washington U. in St Louis	Wellesley College
William and Mary			

Early Decision - November 15

Amherst College	Bates College	Bentley College	Bowdoin College
Bryn Mawr College	Bucknell University	Carleton College	Colby College
Colgate University	Connecticut College	Davidson College	Dickinson College
Franklin and Marshall	George Washington	Hamilton College	Harvey Mudd College

Haverford College	Lehigh University	Oberlin College	Occidental College
Pitzer College	Scripps College	Smith College	Swarthmore College
Syracuse University	Union College	Vassar College	Wake Forest University
Wesleyan University	Williams College		

Other Early Decision dates

ED I - November 10 Colorado College American University	ED I - December 1 Cincinnati, University of The Cooper Union	Siena College
ED I - November 16 Stevens Institute Technology	ED II - December 15 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	
ED II - Jan 1 New York University Pomona College Scripps College	ED II - Jan 5 Harvey Mudd College	

Early Action I - November 1

Babson College	Baylor University	Berklee College of Music	Boston College
California Inst of Tech	Case Western Reserve	Chapman University	Chicago, University of
Drexel University	Emerson College	Florida State University	Georgetown University
Harvard College	U. of Illinois (UC)	Lewis and Clark College	Loyola Marymount
MIT	Miami, University of	Michigan, University of	UIUC
Northeastern University	U. of Notre Dame	Oregon, University of	Santa Clara University
Stanford University	Virginia, University of	U. Wisconsin (Madison)	Yale University

Other Early Action dates

EA I - October 15 Georgia Institute of Technology Georgia, University of North Carolina, University of (Chapel Hill)	EA I - November 18 Fordham University
EA I - November 2 Bard College	EA I - November 30 Penn State
EA I - November 10 Colorado College	EA I - December 15 Wellesley College
EA I - November 15 Georgia State University Loyola University (Maryland) Georgia State University Tulane University	EA I - December 1 Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science Dickinson College Texas A&M University
EA II - December 15 New Jersey Institute of Technology	EA II - December 31 Penn State

Regular decision

November 1
[Florida, University of](#)

November 30
[California, University of - Santa Barbara](#)
[California, University of - Santa Cruz](#)
[San Jose State University](#)
[All UCs](#)

Dec 15
[Minnesota, University of \(Twin Cities\)](#)

Jan 1
[Harvard College](#)
[Princeton University](#)
[Brown University](#)
[Dartmouth University](#)
[Columbia University](#)
[University of Chicago](#)
[Carnegie Mellon University](#)
[Georgia Institution of Technology](#)
[Northwestern University](#)
[New York University](#)
[Pomona College](#)
[Scripps College](#)

Jan 3
[Stanford University](#)
[Duke University](#)
[California Inst of Tech](#)

Feb 1
[University of Michigan](#)

November 15
[University of Washington](#)

Dec 1
[UIUC](#)
[Juilliard School](#)
[UT Austin](#)

December 31
[College of the Ozarks](#)

Jan 2
[Cornell University](#)
[Yale University](#)
[Washington University in Saint Louis](#)
[John Hopkins](#)

Jan 5
[Pennsylvania, University of](#)
[Harvey Mudd College](#)

Jan 7
[Santa Clara University](#)

Jan 10
[Georgetown](#)

Jan 15
[University of Southern California](#)

Feb 15
[MIT](#)

