



# Delaware Military Academy

2019 National Blue Ribbon School



## BIG CHANGES COMING TO UD ADMISSIONS PROCESS

If you are planning to apply to UD, please read this information carefully. This will be a different process than any of your older friends or siblings encountered when they applied to UD.

Here is what is new:

- UD will now offer a non-binding EARLY ACTION deadline of November 1<sup>st</sup>. This means that your application needs to be complete, including the recommendations and the self-report, before the early action deadline. You should plan to have the application submitted no later than one week before the deadline (October 25<sup>th</sup>). If you request a recommendation AFTER October 25<sup>th</sup>, we cannot guarantee that it will be completed before the Nov. 1 deadline. If you select early action you will have a decision by the end of January or be returned back to the decision pool for a later decision. You always still have the option of regular decision as well.
- You will no longer be required to select a “second choice” major when applying to UD. You can select an alternative, if you wish but Nursing and Occupational Therapy cannot be selected as a 2<sup>nd</sup> choice.
- You will now be required to self-report ALL grades and test scores to UD through the SRAR. This is the same tool that is used by Penn State and Rutgers so the good news is that you only have to do it once if you are also applying to those schools. The bad news is that it appears you will be reporting your grades for each class as well as your marking period grades. You will need to track down your old report cards from 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade before starting the SRAR.
- 24-72 hours after you submit your UD application, you will get an email to set up your UD Blue Hen Portal. YOU MUST ACCESS THE PORTAL IMMEDIATELY as this is where you will get to the SRAR and self-report test scores. This is also where you will have the opportunity to explain any grades lower than a C or to apply to special programs including the UD honors program.
- Test scores – the general rule is to go “TEST OPTIONAL” if your SAT score is lower than an 1150. You are required to submit test scores even if you are going test optional as UD requires that you have taken either the SAT or the ACT. Test scores will be self-reported on the Blue Hen Portal.
- Good news! UD will now consider applicants who are TEST OPTIONAL for merit based scholarships. This is new and should be a great benefit to our cadets.
- UD is free for Delaware high school seniors from now until November 30<sup>th</sup>. More information on how to use the fee waiver will be provided as we approach College Application Week.

We hope this information will assist you in completing your UD application. As always, if you need anything, please come and see us!

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