Christian Life Affirmation

Gordon College is a Christian college community, distinguished from other Christian communities by its primary commitment to provide a liberal arts education. As a Christian college community, it seeks to maintain itself by fostering those ideals and standards that are consistent with a Christian worldview. These ideals and standards are broadly moral; they would be characteristic of any community that was self-consciously Christian. This document is an attempt to specify those ideals and standards. Given an atmosphere of free inquiry on a college campus, it is not surprising that the legitimacy of certain standards has been discussed, debated and argued. It is less surprising that such debate is more intense in these days when the orientation of our society is toward freedom and self-determination. Nonetheless, the demands of community life require some mutual understandings; neither the difficulty of the task nor the imperfection of the end result should deter us from attempting to establish reasonable, viable expectations. A Christian approach to life and conduct seeks to promote freedom without becoming antinomian and to promote responsibility without becoming legalistic. Historically it has always been difficult to embrace at the same time both the need for rules and the role of individual freedom under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Nonetheless, this, we believe, is the biblical model and so the course we have chosen.

Gordon College strives to maintain its identity as a Christian college community of students, faculty and staff. We expect that all members of the Gordon community:
1. Call themselves Christian by virtue of the grace of God and their commitment to Jesus Christ.
2. Recognize the Bible as the Word of God, fully authoritative in matters of faith and conduct.
3. Have a sincere desire for that commitment to mature both in insight and behavior.

I certify that the information on this application is complete and correct and that the submission of false information could result in the withdrawal of acceptance, any aid with regard to enrollment and/or any appropriate disciplinary action. I authorize Gordon College to verify the information I have provided.

I also certify that I am familiar with and share the basic principles outlined in the Christian Life Affirmation statement listed above. I also agree to read Gordon College’s Statement of Faith, the Life and Conduct Statement, including Gordon College’s Statement of Faith: http://www.gordon.edu/sof

Gordon College’s Life and Conduct Statement: http://www.gordon.edu/about/life&conduct

About You

Your inspired application to GORDON COLLEGE

Early Decision Deadline: November 15, 2009
Early Action Deadline: December 1, 2009
Regular Decision Deadline: March 1, 2010

Applications will be accepted in three decision options:
- Early Decision
- Early Action
- Regular Decision

Gordon College offers a 3/2 Engineering Program in partnership with the University of Southern California. The program includes tracks in Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, Astronautical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Computer Engineering and Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Industrial and Systems Engineering.

Minor is also available in each of the major programs of study, except Accounting, Art, Art Education, International Affairs, Music, Music Performance, and Social Work.

Quick Decision
You'll be notified by the Office of Admissions in just two weeks.

Priority Scholarship Consideration
You'll be notified of your merit-based aid award as soon as we review your completed application and your need-based aid award upon completion of the FAFSA form.

programs of study

Accounting
Art
Art History
Biology
Business Administration
Chemistry
Communications Arts
Computer Science
Creative Writing
Design
Economics
Elementary Education
Environmental Studies
English
English as a Second Language
English Language and Literature
English Literature
Fashion Design
Film Studies
Fine Arts
Health Professions (Premedical)
Hispanic Studies
Honors
Hispanic Studies
History
Humanities
Japanese Studies
Kinesiology
Korean Studies
Law
Latin American Studies
Library Science
Mathematics
Medical Humanities
Music Education, Music Performance
Music Performance
Music Studies
Music Theory
Nursing
Occupational Therapy
Philosophy
Physical Education
Physics
Political Science
Pre-Law
Public Relations
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About Your Family

**MOTHER’S NAME** (or legal guardian)  **TITLE** (Mrs., Mr., Dr., etc.)  **Maiden Name**  **HOME PHONE**

**EMAIL ADDRESS**

**OCCUPATION**  **EMPLOYER**  **WORK PHONE**

**ADDRESS** (if different from yours):

**CITY**  **STATE**  **ZIP/POSTAL CODE**  **COUNTRY**

**FATHER’S NAME** (or legal guardian)  **TITLE** (Mr., Dr., etc.)  **HOME PHONE**

**EMAIL ADDRESS**

**OCCUPATION**  **EMPLOYER**  **WORK PHONE**

**ADDRESS** (if different from yours):

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TO WHOM SHOULD WE SEND INFORMATION ABOUT GORDON COLLEGE  ○ MOTHER  ○ FATHER  ○ BOTH PARENTS  ○ GUARDIAN

WHAT IS YOUR PARENTS’ MARITAL STATUS  ○ I LIVE WITH

Please list any family members that graduated from Gordon College including their name attended as, relationship to you, and year of graduation.

List names and ages of siblings, and past or projected year of high school graduation for each.

About Your Activities & Honors

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE ACADEMIC AND/OR ATHLETIC HONORS YOU HAVE RECEIVED, BEGINNING WITH THE NINTH GRADE.

1. 

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Please list (in order of importance to you) clubs, activities or sports in which you have participated.

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Essay Questions

The purpose of the essays is for us to understand your Christian commitment and writing ability. Please attach your responses (250 or more words each) to both essays on a separate sheet of paper.

**ESSAY QUESTION #1**
Tell us about your personal faith in Jesus Christ. Discuss some factors and/or life experiences that have been meaningful in your spiritual development.

**ESSAY QUESTION #2**
How do you hope your time at Gordon will build and nurture your Christian faith and academic development? How might you use your gifts, interests and life experiences to contribute to the spiritual and academic community at Gordon?

Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior  ○ YES  ○ NO

Your Plans

I AM APPLYING  ○ Early Decision (binding; deadline November 15; upon acceptance, Early Decision applicants are required to withdraw applications to other colleges.)  ○ Early Action (nonbinding; deadline December 1)  ○ Regular Decision (nonbinding; deadline March 1)

If applying as a transfer student and you have not completed two semesters of undergraduate study, please have your official high school transcript and college transcript sent to Gordon College.

If applying as a transfer student and you have completed two or more semesters of undergraduate study, please have your official college transcript sent to Gordon College.

PLAN TO START:  YEAR  SEMESTER  ○ WILL YOU BE A RESIDENT OR COMMUTER  ○ RESIDENT  ○ COMMUTER