Greetings from the Yale Admissions Office. On behalf of my entire staff, I write to thank you for the important and valuable work you do as educators. I also write to ask you to continue encouraging your strongest students from all backgrounds to consider Yale. This August my colleagues and I welcomed 1,364 extraordinary members of the freshman Class of 2019 to campus, and we look forward to meeting the members of the Yale Class of 2020.

Our current freshman class is, in many ways, the most diverse in Yale’s history. Students in the class graduated from nearly 1,000 high schools in 49 states and 61 countries. More than 40% of the members of the class are US citizens and permanent residents who identify as members of a minority ethnic group, including the largest ever groups of African American and Latino students to matriculate at Yale. Fourteen percent of the class will be the first members of their families to graduate from college and 19% of American students in the class received a Pell Grant. A record 88 freshmen were named QuestBridge College Match Finalists. More than 40% of the members of the class intend to major in one of Yale’s STEM disciplines.

It is an exciting time to be at Yale, and I encourage you and your students to take a close look at the unique undergraduate experience we offer. You will find a dedicated web page for counselors at http://admissions.yale.edu/counselors, and important information about applying in this newsletter. Interested students can explore Yale by visiting campus, meeting with one of our traveling admissions officers or student ambassadors, and taking our online virtual tour. I look forward to working with you this year and beyond.

Yale News

> Yale recently announced the largest expansion of the Department of Computer Science in more than 30 years. A $20 million donation will fund new faculty positions, a new 10,000 square foot research space, and the merger of Computer Science with the Yale School of Engineering and Applied Science.

> Yale’s iconic Commons Dining Hall will transform into a university-wide student center with state-of-the-art technology integrated into new performance, exhibition, meeting and dining spaces.

> 2 new Residential Colleges are scheduled to open in fall 2017. With the additions, Yale’s undergraduate enrollment will eventually increase from 5,400 to 6,000 students.

Yale College by the numbers

80+ majors
2000+ courses
53 foreign languages offered
14% students who are the first in their family to attend a four-year college
66% of undergraduates pursue an international experience
95%+ of science majors conduct research with faculty
800+ labs for undergraduate research
100+ science research fellowships awarded to freshmen
76% of classes enroll fewer than 20 students
2 weeks to "shop" for courses before registering each semester
3:1 student-to-faculty ratio in the sciences
3:1 student-to-faculty ratio
6:1 student-to-faculty ratio
3 distinct advisors guide each incoming freshman
A world-class education, without loans.

Yale is one of the most affordable colleges in the country for families with under $200,000 in annual income—significantly less expensive on average than attending a top public university, even for in-state students. Families who have annual incomes below $65,000 and typical household assets are not asked to pay anything toward the cost of a Yale education. Yale meets 100% of every admitted student’s financial need, with an aid package that does not require taking out loans.

To apply for financial aid, applicants should submit:

- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov)
- The CSS PROFILE - [student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile](http://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile)
- A signed copy of the family’s most recent tax returns

The table below shows average parental contributions and average scholarship grants for Yale families receiving financial aid. Students also make a modest financial contribution from summer and term-time job earnings. Yale’s Net Price Calculator, available at [finaid.yale.edu](http://finaid.yale.edu), allows families to receive a more precise estimate of their cost of attendance. More information, including Yale’s criteria for granting Common Application fee waivers, is available at [admissions.yale.edu/price](http://admissions.yale.edu/price).

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<th>Annual Income Range</th>
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1 “All sources” includes Yale’s need-based scholarship and other need-based aid sources such as Pell Grants, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants, and state grants.

2 Due to either extraordinary assets or university policies related to the calculation of incomes earned in currencies other than US dollars, an additional 220 families who had estimated incomes below $65,000 did not qualify for a $0 parental contribution. These families’ unique circumstances resulted in significantly varied parental contributions.

**Class of 2019 Profile**

**ACT ranges**

*for freshmen who submitted ACT scores*

- 32–36: 74.9%
- 27–31: 23.5%
- below 27: 1.6%

**SAT ranges**

*% of freshmen submitting SAT who scored in listed range*

- 760–800: 50.8%
- 700–750: 29.2%
- below 700: 1.6%

- Critical Reading: 76.1%
- Math: 74.9%
- Writing: 76.1%

**High school class rank**

*for students whose schools report class rank*

- Top 10%: 95%

**High schools attended**

U.S. schools only. “Private” includes independent, boarding, and religious schools.

- Public: 61%
- Private: 39%

**Background**

The following is based on self-reported information solicited from all students once they arrived on campus. A total of 41.1% of freshmen are US citizens or Permanent Residents from minority groups. Categories do not add up to 100% because 19% of freshmen indicated two or more ethnicities and are therefore counted in more than one category.

- African American: 10.0%
- Asian American: 21.8%
- Hispanic: 13.3%
- Native American: 2.3%
- White: 59.6%
- International Students: 11.0%

For detailed information about admissions and financial aid, please visit our Web site: [http://admissions.yale.edu](http://admissions.yale.edu)