Denison University’s mission is to inspire and educate its students to become autonomous thinkers, discerning moral agents, and active citizens of a democratic society. In accordance with these values, all offers of admission to Denison University are conditional and may be rescinded at the sole discretion of the Office of Admission.

Reasons that an offer of admission may be rescinded include, but are not limited to, the following:

- If any information submitted or statements made as part of or in support of a student’s application are found, in the sole judgment of the Office of Admission, to be inaccurate, misleading, incomplete, false, or fraudulent
- If there has been a decline in the student’s academic performance after the application was submitted, as judged by grade point average or other similar measure
- If any grade lower than a C (or equivalent) is earned in any course after the application was submitted
- If a student, in the sole judgement of the Office of Admission, demonstrated questionable personal behavior or social conduct that was not disclosed by the student in the application or that occurred after the time of application submission
- If a student holds a confirmed place at both Denison University and another institution after May 1 of the academic year in which the offer of admission was made
- If a student was admitted to another college through a binding process, such as Early Decision
- If a student who was admitted to Denison through a binding process, such as Early Decision, applies to another college, maintains an active application at another college, or maintains an admission or waitlist offer at another college
- If a student fails to complete any required enrollment task by its stated deadline, including, but not limited to, submitting any requested proof of vaccination (or obtaining an approved exemption) and payment of any outstanding university charges

Additionally, prior to matriculating at Denison, students will be required to disclose if they have any past or pending academic or behavioral misconduct charges, felonies, or misdemeanors. Providing this information is mandatory, but it does not automatically bar enrollment. Denison seeks to understand the context behind any disclosures and reviews all cases holistically. While rescinding an offer of admission is extremely rare, Denison reserves the right to do so after evaluating these disclosures. Students with any potential disclosures who would like to discuss their circumstances with the Office of Admission prior to submitting their deposit should email the Director of Admission at admission@denison.edu.

The decision to rescind an offer of admission rests with Denison University’s Director of Admission, or other designee identified by the Vice President for Enrollment Management. Such decisions may be appealed to the Vice President for Enrollment Management, who maintains the final and unappealable authority to rescind an offer of admission.

This policy wholly supersedes any previous policy statements related to the conditions of an offer of admission issued prior to November 15, 2021.