Admissions Procedures

All Applicants

All admission decisions are final, with one exception. If your admission to the Colorado School of Mines is denied based on the information you provided regarding your criminal history, pending criminal charges, or disciplinary history at another academic institution, you have the right to an appeal. Appeals must be in writing and should be submitted to the associate provost for enrollment management at admissions@mines.edu within 14 days of receipt of the admissions decisions. Appeals should include all relevant information you would like the associate provost to consider. You will be notified of the outcome of your appeal within 14 days of receipt.

Please refer to our website for current undergraduate admissions policies, deadlines and processes.

Transfer of Credit by Review

Not all college courses taken at prior institutions are guaranteed to transfer. Requests for transfer credit are processed by the Registrar's Office. Credits must be submitted on an official transcript from a regionally accredited institution or if the institution is international, credit is only considered from institutions that are recognized by the Ministry of Education or other official accrediting or recognition body in the country of origin. See the International Student admissions webpage for additional details.

Visit the Registrar's Office transfer webpage for all current Transfer Articulation Agreements.

Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, A-Levels and concurrent Enrollment

Visit the Registrar's Office transfer webpage for all AP, IB, A-level and concurrent enrollment information.

Undergraduate Non-Degree Students

Our undergraduate non-degree option is designed for students who are interested in taking courses at Mines but do not plan on pursuing a degree at that time. Undergraduate non-degree applicants include individuals who have not completed a bachelor's degree or higher. Individuals who have already completed a bachelor's degree, master's degree, PhD or doctoral-level degree must submit a graduate non-degree application. Registration in the requested courses is based on availability (after all current students have registered for their courses), completion of the non-degree application, and proof of prerequisites through the submission of official transcripts and/or test scores. A non-degree student is one who has not applied to pursue a degree program at Mines but wishes to take courses regularly offered on campus. Non-degree students pay all applicable tuition and student fees. Non-degree students are not eligible for financial aid. Only 12 hours of non-degree-seeking courses may be applied toward a Mines degree. Applicants for admission to undergraduate programs who do not meet admissions requirements may not fulfill deficiencies as a non-degree student.

Returning Mines students

Colorado School of Mines welcomes any previous Mines student who left the University in good standing and wishes to resume their studies at Mines. Students must complete the returning student application and must provide official transcripts from other colleges and universities attended since last attending Mines.

If a student is required to see the Readmissions Committee before returning to Mines, the Undergraduate Admissions Office will not process the returning student application until a decision has been rendered and communicated from the Readmissions Committee. Readmission is granted at the discretion of the University. Factors that may be considered when determining eligibility for readmission include, but are not limited to, registration or transcript holds, previous academic achievement, length of absence, space availability, activities during the period of non-enrollment, and prior disciplinary action.

Health Requirements

Visit the Health Center website for current information on health requirements.