**Admissions**

The selection process at MIT is holistic and student-centered; each application is evaluated within its unique context. Selection is based on outstanding academic achievement as well as a strong match between the applicant and the Institute.

Undergraduate applicants do not apply to a particular school, department, or program. Although the application asks about a preferred field of study, admitted undergraduates are not required to choose a major until their sophomore year. Admissions information for regular and transfer applicants ([https://catalog.mit.edu/mit/undergraduate-education/admissions](https://catalog.mit.edu/mit/undergraduate-education/admissions)) is provided in the Undergraduate section ([https://catalog.mit.edu/mit/undergraduate-education](https://catalog.mit.edu/mit/undergraduate-education)), as well as on the undergraduate admissions website ([https://mitadmissions.org](https://mitadmissions.org)).

Applicants for graduate study apply directly to their particular department or program of interest. See the individual department and program descriptions for specific requirements.