



SELDEN COLLEGE

Admissions Policy AYE28

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How has this policy changed from v.1.1?

No substantive changes. Minor textual improvements including the fact that the confirmation of place deposit (£250) is deducted from year 1 tuition fees. Links have been updated throughout.

Mission:

Selden College exists to graduate faithful Christian men and women who are prepared to act justly, skilfully and magnanimously in each and every office, private and public, in peace and war.

What is this policy document about?

This policy applies to the admission of students to Selden College commencing October 2027. Students may apply from September 30th 2026.

Context:

Selden College is a company and charity offering undergraduate and potentially postgraduate [awards](#). The Academic Dean of Selden College has overall responsibility for the admissions policy and process. Selden College uses its own admissions procedure, therefore, is not partnered with the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). Information provided by students for admission should be honest and accurate.

Aim:

Selden College's admissions policy and process aims to be mission-aligned, student-focused, fair and clear. Therefore, Selden College will:

1. ask prospective students to agree with a statement of faith and code of conduct derived from historic statements and moral convictions of the Christian faith;
2. ask prospective students to confirm they have read a number of key policy documents;
3. take a personal approach to the application process, including the application form, interview and entrance exam;
4. ensure that all applications are processed using the same method;
5. provide admissions information that is easy to understand.

1. Statement of Faith and Code of Conduct:

As a prospective student of Selden College you will be asked to agree with the [Student Statement of Faith, Code of Conduct and Academic Integrity](#) as part of the application process.

2. Application form:

The application form requires, among other things, personal details, a 250-word letter of intent (why you want to study at Selden), one page Curriculum Vitae (CV), details of three referees (two academic, one pastoral), a recent (within the last 12 months) sample of academic work and confirmation that you have read a number of Selden College policy documents.

3. Criteria for Assessing Applicants to Selden College:

Selden College seeks to admit students who:

1. are mission-aligned (committed to the worship of God, growing in virtue, and advancing in learning), and in agreement with, and committed to, the Christian ethos and character of the College.
2. will not only contribute to the educational experience at the college, but will also shape the student culture of the college in keeping with its Christian identity.
3. are intellectually able to undertake the rigorous three-year course of study that is broad in scope as well as specific with regards to the intellectual habits required to succeed.

4. Recognition of Prior Learning:

Selden College will assess a student's prior learning if seeking to transfer from another institution of higher education, however, the unique nature of the Christian liberal arts curriculum and the assessment policy by examination at the end of the student's final year make traditional transfer of credit arrangements impossible. Thus any transfer request will be assessed on an individual basis at the time of application by the Academic Dean in good faith and the student will be informed of any reduction in course length or requirements as part of any offer the College makes.

5. Frequently Asked Questions:

When can students apply for October 2027 entry?

Students may apply from 30th September 2026.

Do I need to complete A levels to study at Selden?

No. We are conscious that some students will not have taken traditional examinations. This is why admission to Selden College is based on successful completion of application form, interview and entrance exam.

When are the visitor days, interviews and entrance exams?

Qualified students will be invited to attend an entrance exam and interview after successful submission of the application form. Visitor days, application deadline and exam and interview dates are advertised on the website.

Who will interview me?

The Academic Dean or his representative and one other member of personnel/faculty will interview you.

What should I write in the letter of intent?

Explain to us why you want to study at Selden College? What is it that attracts you to us? How are you a good fit for the college with regard to its mission?

What type of questions will the entrance exam ask?

The entrance exam will test your academic readiness for the course of study at Selden College to include:

- a language aptitude test (this will not test knowledge of a specific language, rather, the student's ability to understand how language works);
- reading comprehension;
- reasoning capacity with regards to both ideas and ethics;
- a musical aptitude test; and
- writing ability.

How long is the entrance exam?

3 hours.

How do I complete a one page CV?

Although there is plenty of available advice on the internet, our advice is that you tailor your CV to the Selden College audience - and be creative. Include details about yourself that you think will be important for us to know, including academic achievements and work experience.

What sample of academic work should I upload?

Any recent, ideally graded, piece of work that best shows your academic ability. It should not be so short that no real information can be gleaned from it, nor so long as to test the patience of those reading it.

When will you let me know the outcome of my application?

The College will communicate the outcome of your application within 20 working days of the entrance exam/interview. If an offer is made, it will make clear that it is an offer for a place to study at Selden College.

If I am offered a place, what happens next?

You will have 30 days to accept the offer. Acceptance requires:

1. Signing the appropriate forms.
2. Payment of a £250.00 non-refundable deposit.

Once the college has received the forms and the deposit, the student has accepted the offer of a place and is a confirmed student for the forthcoming academic year. Please note that the *confirmation of place* deposit (£250) is deducted from year 1 tuition fees.

The deposit may be paid by electronic bank transfer using the student's name as a reference to:

Metro Bank

Account Name: Selden College Limited

Account Number: 54442785
Sort Code: 23-05-80

If your payment is arriving from an international account:
IBAN: GB62MYMB23058054442785
SWIFT: MYMBGB2L

If I am offered a place, can I defer entry?

All requests for deferred entry will be considered but not necessarily granted.

If I am not offered a place, can I appeal the decision?

One review of the admissions decision may be requested within 7 days of receiving the rejection. A final email response will be issued by the Principal within 10 working days. There is no opportunity to appeal after this response.

How can I apply?

The application form is available on the website..

How much will it cost to study at Selden College?

Please find a link to [Fees](#) information.

I have a disability or long-term condition - how will that affect my application?

An individual's long-term condition or disability will have no influence on an admission decision. However, it is important that we are made aware of your specific needs.

When are the term dates?

Term dates are available on the [website](#).