

### **Slide 1 - Welcome to Belmont (Overview)**

Hi, I'm [NAME], and we're thrilled to have you on campus today! Here's a quick overview of what your visit will look like:

- First, we'll have a general information session with me.
- After that, you'll go on a campus tour.
- You'll then attend a college information session where you'll dive deeper into your academic program of interest.

*\*If it's Monday or Friday, mention the Honors session at 12:15 PM. If it's a Friday, mention the Pre-Health session at 1 PM.*

We'll kick things off with a short video introduction to Belmont!

### **Slide 2 - Belmont Video**

### **Slide 3 - Why Belmont**

There are all sorts of reasons why students choose Belmont! We hope you get to see this on display during your visit today. On your campus tour, you'll get to hear from our wonderful students about their experiences here!

### **Slide 4 - Quick Facts**

One reason students love Belmont is our size! We're a mid-sized university, which means we offer a wide range of resources while still providing personalized attention. With a student-to-faculty ratio of 12:1, students form strong connections with their professors and peers. Strong professor relationships allow students to take advantage of great career support and graduate school recommendations.

The majority of our students come from outside of the state of Tennessee!

*\*Ask how many students traveled from outside of Tennessee and how many are local*

We have students traveling from all over the US and all over the world to take advantage of all Belmont has to offer! No matter where students are coming from, we offer lots of resources and events to help students build community right from the time they get to campus.

### **Slide 5 - Nashville**

Another reason why students choose Belmont is our location in Nashville! Nashville is known as Music City, the healthcare capital of the US, and a publishing hub. It's also a great place to start a business and

one of the top fashion cities in the US. As one of the hottest job markets in the country, Nashville offers fantastic professional development opportunities and a fun place to live!

Belmont's central location means you're close to great neighborhoods like Hillsboro Village, 12 South, and Music Row. We're going to watch another quick video highlighting all our favorite neighborhoods in Nashville!

#### **Slide 6 - Nashville Video**

#### **Slide 7 - Academic Life**

Another reason why students choose Belmont is because of our great academic opportunities!

#### **Slide 8 - Academic Opportunities**

At Belmont University, we offer over 130 programs of study, with new majors continually emerging to align with industry needs—especially here in Nashville. Signature programs like Music Business, Hospitality and Tourism Management, and Architecture prepare students for thriving careers in dynamic fields.

From their very first semester, students dive into courses within their major, gaining hands-on experience early on. Nearly half of our students participate in internships or field experiences before they graduate, ensuring they are career-ready. Our BELL Core curriculum provides a well-rounded education across all years of study, ensuring students gain both depth in their chosen field and breadth across disciplines.

#### **Slide 9 – Introducing Dolly U**

This experiential approach extends to unique partnerships like Dolly U, a first-of-its-kind collaboration providing immersive learning opportunities tied to Dolly: An Original Musical, premiering at Belmont's Fisher Center for the Performing Arts in Summer 2025 before heading to Broadway in 2026.

This semester alone, 100 Belmont students are enrolled in specialized courses connected to Dolly U, developing marketing strategies and pitching directly to Dolly Parton's team. Additionally, up to six Student Fellows will continue their hands-on learning in 2025, collaborating with CTK Enterprises as the musical moves through production.

Belmont had the honor of hosting Dolly Parton on campus for the official Dolly: An Original Musical announcement. Below, you can see moments from her visit, where she met with students and shared her excitement for this project.

Now, let's hear directly from two students who had the opportunity to work with the Dolly Musical team—an incredible example of how experiential learning at Belmont connects students with real-world industry experiences.

#### **Slide 10 – Dolly Video**

#### **Slide 11 – WELL Core**

We want our students to be well-rounded here at Belmont, so we also have an extra-curricular graduation requirement called the WELL Core. Students must get 5 credits in 10 categories that emphasize well-being. Some examples include attending a job fair, doing a service project, listening to a speaker on campus, or attending a financial wellness event.

#### **Slide 12 - Required Religion Courses**

Belmont is a Christ-centered university, welcoming students from all faith backgrounds, different Christian denominations, or no faith background at all. All our faculty and staff at the undergraduate level are professing Christians from all different denominations. Our Christ-centered identity offers students the opportunity to discover their greater purpose in their community and the world.

As part of our academic curriculum, you'll be required to take two religion courses during your first and third years at Belmont. You can choose between Path A or Path B to meet the religious requirements. Examples of the topical courses in Path B include Questions that Matter, Jesus in the Gospel and in Film, and World Religions.

#### **Slide 13 – Spiritual Life**

Students looking for spiritual life opportunities can participate in chapel, mission trips, and connect with our University Ministries office.

#### **Slide 14 - Study Abroad**

Studying abroad is a fantastic way to extend your academic learning beyond the classroom and Nashville. We offer various options including Maymester, summer programs, and full semesters. Faculty-led programs (Maymester, summer) offer discounted tuition!

#### **Slide 15 - Belmont USA**

If you don't want to go all the way to another country but you still want to have a unique learning experience, check out Belmont USA!

#### **Slide 16 - Belmont USA Video**

#### **Slide 17 - Student Formation**

We care about students as whole people, not just as students in a classroom. We have over 200 clubs and organizations for you to explore and get involved with on campus.

#### **Slide 18 - Student Wellbeing**

Supporting students physically, emotionally, socially, and spiritually is a priority for us. Here are some resources designed to help support our students during their time at Belmont!

#### **Slide 19 – Student Organizations**

We have over 200 student organizations here at Belmont! We host an organization fair at the beginning of every year where students can learn about all of our involvement opportunities. Not only are Belmont students very involved on campus, but we also give many opportunities for students to grow their leadership skills within these organizations.

#### **Slide 20 - Athletics**

Belmont is a Division 1 school in the Missouri Valley Conference with 17 athletic teams. Our student-athletes excel both academically and athletically and are a vibrant part of our campus community. All Belmont students, staff, and faculty can attend sports events for free!

#### **Slide 21 - Student Outcomes Transition**

#### **Slide 22 - Outcomes Stats**

97% of our graduates are employed, enrolled in graduate school, or serving in the military within six months of graduation.

We are ranked 15<sup>th</sup> nationally for study abroad! About 35.5% of our students study abroad, gaining valuable global learning experiences.

Students benefit from individualized academic advising, the GPS (Growth and Purpose for Students) Office, and the Office of Career and Professional Development.

#### **Slide 23 - How to Apply**

Let's discuss how to apply to Belmont!

#### **Slide 24 - Application Types**

Our application opens on August 1! We offer three types of applications, and we have no preference for which one you choose.

Your application will include an essay, a resume, and an option to apply for the Honors Program. You will also have the option to submit a supplemental essay. You are welcome to use this essay to highlight anything additional the Admissions Committee may need to know about, such as a change in high school that may have affected your grades, any impacts of COVID-19 and a shift to online learning, or any personal circumstances that may have affected your high school years.

#### **Slide 25 - Admissions Requirements**

Your high school transcript must come directly from your school.

The average GPA for this year's incoming freshman class is 3.7 (weighted). This is not a minimum GPA but an average.

A counselor recommendation is required. Homeschool students need a personal letter of recommendation from a non-family member or peer.

Test scores are optional. We super score and recommend submitting them as they can only benefit you. Students can be test-optional and still be eligible for scholarships and financial aid.

#### **Slide 26 – Admissions Timeline**

At Belmont, we offer three ways to apply, so you can choose what works best for you! Apply Early Action I or Early Action II to get your admission decision early and be considered for our top scholarships. If you need more time, Regular Decision applications are open until March 1, with decisions released within 1-2 weeks. No matter when you apply, you'll have until May 1 to submit your enrollment deposit! This will kick off the next steps like housing and orientation.

#### **Slide 27 - Scholarships**

Your application for admission is also your application for merit scholarships.

Merit scholarships range from \$3,000 to \$22,000 per year and are renewable for up to four years with a cumulative GPA of 3.0.

#### **Slide 28 - FAFSA**

We encourage all families to file the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). This application helps determine your family's financial aid eligibility, including federal grants, Belmont grants, federal work-study, and loans.

The FAFSA will be available in December 2024, with a priority filing date of March 1. Filing sooner rather than later is beneficial.

For Tennessee residents, filing the FAFSA is the paper trail for the Tennessee HOPE Scholarship.

Financial aid packages will be sent electronically starting in January.

### **Slide 29 - What's Next!**

That brings us to the end of our presentation! Is there anything about our admissions process that I can clarify for you all?

*Share details about the rest of the day and mention that you will be available for questions until they get started on the tour.*

*Encourage parents and supporters to join our Bruin Family Den by scanning the QR code.*

Thank you so much for visiting Belmont!

*Feel free to adjust any details or add personal touches to make the presentation fit your style and audience!*