

Princess Fiona

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Happily Ever After: How to Become a Successful Princess

Introduction

Job Skills

As with many careers, one must receive training and education before becoming a princess.

While formal training is often limited, any “heir to the throne traditionally receives lessons in protocol, history, and other aspects of royal duty... [in order to effectively] manage royal life” (Brewington).

Training itself can vary greatly depending on location; however, princesses such as Kate Middleton were expected to attend “private meetings with...senior members of the Royal household, key advisors... and representatives from some of [her family’s] charities and other affiliations” (Brewington) in order to become better acquainted with not only the royal lifestyle but also the expectations that are being set for this particular position.

In addition to receiving informal training from family members, formal education such as a bachelor’s degree in political science is extremely helpful. One school that offers this particular degree is the University of Wisconsin Madison, whose Political Science program is not only “one of the nation’s oldest and most respected” (The University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Political Science) but is also “highly ranked in national surveys...[with an] award-winning faculty...known for innovative research on the discipline’s most current and important questions” (The University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Political Science). Given its popularity, admission to the University of Wisconsin-Madison can be rather selective, and incoming freshmen typically have grade point averages that range from a “3.5 and a 3.9, and a class rank in the 85-96 percentile” (The University of Wisconsin-Madison

Office of Admissions and Recruitment). While there is no official minimum ACT score, strong candidates for admission typically obtain “between 27-30 on the ACT” (The University of Wisconsin-Madison Office of Admissions and Recruitment) and have a variety of extracurricular activities to include on their applications. Once accepted, students can expect to pay tuition rates of approximately \$11,000 per year, as well as room and board fees that average \$8000-\$9000 annually (The University of Wisconsin Madison Office of Student Financial Aid).

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