

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSION POLICY

### General Admissions Policy

International applicants must meet the general admission requirements of Seattle University. Depending upon the educational system, official transcripts, mark sheets, or record of examination results are required from secondary schools for all first-year freshman applicants as well as for those who will have fewer than 30 semester/36 quarter transfer credits at the time of application. Each college attended must be listed on the application for admission. Required post-secondary transcripts differ by level, as indicated below. Students for whom English is a second language must demonstrate English proficiency. Documents establishing financial ability are also required as indicated below.

#### I. International Applicants Applying From Abroad

A. International applicants applying from abroad will be considered as applicants for regular admission for all quarters except for those noted in section "D" below. International applicants attending on an F-1 student visa cannot be considered for probationary admission.

B. All undergraduate or graduate application materials must be received by the Admissions Office by the deadlines listed below to ensure consideration:

Fall Quarter:     January 15 for *freshmen*  
                          March 1 for *undergraduate transfer students*  
                          April 1 for *graduate students*  
Winter Quarter:   September 1  
Spring Quarter:    December 1  
Summer Quarter:   January 1

While there are specific deadlines for different programs, graduate applicants living abroad are strongly advised to submit applications six months before they wish to begin a program. Graduate applicants should consult the application deadlines for their program which may be earlier than the deadlines stated above.

C. Official records must be provided from each institution attended for undergraduate applicants. Graduate applicants must submit all transcripts from coursework in the last two years of full-time attendance toward the bachelor degree and any post-baccalaureate coursework. All required official documents must be in the original language; when the language is not English, documents must be accompanied by a certified English translation. Individual exceptions may be granted by the Dean of Admissions or the Director of Graduate Admissions for students from developing countries or those whose political situations might limit access to additional official copies of their educational records. em do not grant  
sealed official paper or secure electronic transcripts, a record of courses/subjects taken and grades/marks earned will need to be evaluated for authenticity and equivalency by the designated member of the Seattle University Admissions office



those currently residing  
prior to the International Orientation date of any given term. These affidavits must  
include statements from the sponsor and the applicant accepting financial  
responsibility for the duration of studies and include bank verification indicating the  
minimum amount required for the duration of the studies.

minimally have cumulative grade point averages of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale to be considered for admission.

III. International Students Applying as Undergraduate Transfer Students from Another U.S. College or University

A. Applicants must have completed at least 36 transferable quarter credit hours/24 semester hours and minimally earned cumulative grade point averages of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale in performance at American collegiate institutions to be considered for admission. Official records must be provided from each institution attended. Any prior tertiary level work from other countries should minimally be equivalent to 2.75 on a 4.0 scale.

B. Affidavits of financial responsibility for the first year's expenses must be submitted by all international applicants. (See number I, item F above)

C. Students attending or transferring from other U.S. colleges or universities must meet the same English proficiency requirements as international students applying from abroad. (See number I, item D above)

D. Transfer applicants must show evidence of being in good immigration status by submitting the Form I-20 issued by their previous schools as well as Transfer Verification Form completed by their previous school. If status was not maintained, a student must apply to Immigration and Customs Enforcement for reinstatement after being admitted to Seattle University.

E. Credit will not be allowed in transfer from any school, foreign or domestic, for course work in English taught as a second language or intended to develop proficiency.

IV. International Students Applying as Undergraduate Transfer Students from Foreign Educational Institutions

International transfer students must meet specific Seattle University school or college admission requirements and are governed by the same regulations as international students applying to transfer from other U.S. college or universities as stated in number I above, items A through I.

A. Collegiate grade point average should minimally reflect a 2.75 on a 4.0 scale or in the above-average range, when there is no direct correlation to a 4.0 scale.

B. Applicants may be requested to submit documentation from previously attended colleges/universities in addition to official transcripts or certified education records. (See number I, item E)

**D.** While applicants may have been granted provisional admission, the I-20 form may only be issued when the provision has been met.

V. International Students Applying for Graduate Study

A. International applicants submit the Graduate Application for Admission to apply for any graduate degree program, accompanied by any additional forms required by the specific graduate program. Follow the application deadline for the program of study or the international application deadline, whichever is earlier.

B. Applicants must demonstrate receipt of the equivalent of a four-year baccalaureate degree, as determined by the official evaluation of academic credentials, to be eligible for consideration. Students must minimally have earned the equivalent of the stated GPA minimum for their program of interest. A copy of the degree diploma will be required if the degree is not posted on the official transcript, record of examination results, or mark sheets.

C. Applicants requiring student visas to study in the United States must submit an affidavit  
dollar equivalencies. International students not seeking an F-1 visa will not need to provide this documentation (See number 1, item F).

D. All applicants must meet English proficiency requirements as stated in Section I, item D of this policy.

E. International students on a student visa cannot be admitted on probation. While provisional admission is possible, I-20 documentation may not be issued until certain conditions of the admission have been met.

VI. International Students Applying as Non-matriculating Students

A. International students cannot apply for non-matriculating status unless attending Seattle University during the session designated by their university as a vacation term. Seattle University immigration documents will not be issued to non-matriculating students.

B. International students can attend as non-matriculating student with the approval of the host

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