

GRAYSON COUNTY COLLEGE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POLICY

It is the goal of Grayson County College to make educational opportunities available to all students who can benefit from its programs. With such a goal, however is the commensurate responsibility to make every effort to assure that students can function within the institution with a reasonable chance for success. The purpose of the admissions requirements for international students, therefore, is to recognize the difficulties students educated in a non-English speaking culture might have, and to establish guidelines designed to afford international students a reasonable assurance that they can function within an English speaking institution of higher learning.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR NON-CITIZEN STUDENTS

The following requirements apply to students who are not U.S. citizens.*

1. Legal Immigrant:
Submit copy of I-551 and then meet same admission requirements as U.S. citizen.
2. Refugee:
Submit copy of Immigrant I-94 indicating Refugee Visas and then meet same admission requirements as U.S. citizen.
3. Non-Immigrant Alien Requiring I-20:
Applicants holding an F-1 Visa issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and all non-citizen applicants who do not qualify for admission as immigrant or refugee must meet the following requirements to be eligible for issuance of an I-20 document:
 - A. Application for admission
 - B. Non-refundable \$100.00 U.S. International Application/Evaluation fee
 - C. Deposit at Grayson County College of sufficient funds to cover tuition/fees and room/board expenses (\$7,500.00 U.S.)
 - D. Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a minimum score of 450 (133 for the computer administered test) or English Language Center Level 107

The following exceptions apply to the English proficiency requirement:

Students from Australia, New Zealand, the British Isles, and the English provinces of Canada are exempt. Students from other countries where English is the primary language of instruction and the language

spoken at home and by the indigenous population may petition for an exception.

Students who have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited United States college or university are exempt.

Students who have earned a high school diploma from a United States high school and have passing scores on the TASP test are exempt.

E. Transcripts:

Entering freshman: Certified English translation of high school transcript showing completion of secondary school

Transfer from foreign college: Certified English translation of transcript and/or syllabus reflecting course work and/or program completed at college or university outside of U.S. Grades received must reflect satisfactory performance.

Transfer from U.S. college or university: Official transcript from each college or university attended reflecting student is in good standing.

F. A physician's report or health certificate (in English or with English translation) certifying that the person has no contagious diseases and is in good physical condition; if applicant is taking medication routinely, the medication and the reason for taking it will be listed.

G. Proof of medical insurance

H. Comply with all requirements and procedures established for visa category by Immigration and Naturalization Service.

4. Non-Immigrant Alien not Requiring I-20

Alien Concurrent Enrollment: Alien students enrolled at an area college or university must submit all items except financial statement and deposit. International student advisor of the other institution specifying course(s) to be taken must complete permission for Alien Concurrent Enrollment form.

Summer Transient Students: GCC does admit alien students from other colleges and universities as summer transient students. A letter of permission from their International Student Advisor is required.

Alien Non-Current Enrollment: Aliens who are already in the United States under other valid visas may be admitted, provided that they maintain the terms of their non-immigrant status.

**APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT
LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO REGISTRATION.**

*A U.S. Citizen is one defined by the Immigration and Naturalization Services.

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