APPLYING FOR ADMISSION: INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

When to Apply
International students may apply for admission to associate, bachelor and graduate-level degrees. Applications for admission from international students are due no later than March 1 for the fall semester and Sept. 1 for the spring semester. For graduate applicants, it is important to note that certain departments maintain earlier deadlines.

International students must complete all UAF application requirements to be admitted and meet U.S. immigration agencies’ requirements to receive a Certificate of Eligibility for Non-immigrant Student Status, or Form I-20.

UAF does not issue immigration documentation Form I-20 to students entering academic programs that are offered only through distance delivery, certificate programs, occupational endorsement programs or the A.A.S. degree program in professional piloting.

Admission Requirements
More information regarding the process for application to associate, bachelor or graduate programs can be found in the Getting Started (http://catalog.uaf.edu/getting-started/) section.

UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS
To be admitted to UAF, a student must:

1. Apply online (https://uaf.edu/admissions/apply/international.php). Applications must be received before the published deadlines, along with a $50 nonrefundable application fee. Applications submitted after the published deadlines have a $75 nonrefundable application fee and are processed in the order they are received.
2. Send official secondary school and/or university transcripts to World Education Services (WES) (http://www.wes.org/). University coursework also needs to be evaluated with a comprehensive course-by-course credential report through a NACES-approved evaluation service. Transcripts from Canadian institutions (excluding Quebec) are exempt from this requirement; they may be sent directly from the issuing institution.
3. Submit certified official secondary school and/or university transcripts and English translations. It is required that official transcripts of all high school and/or college-level coursework be signed and sealed by a registration official of the institution(s) attended.
4. Submit official TOEFL or IELTS test results.
5. Submit a copy of the passport identification page.
6. Complete the UAF Financial Statement for International Applicants and submit it with supporting financial documentation. This is a requirement for immigration documentation I-20 issuance, not for admission.

GRADUATE APPLICANTS
To be admitted to UAF, a student must:

1. Apply online (https://uaf.edu/admissions/apply/international.php). Applications must be received before the published deadlines, along with a $75 nonrefundable application fee. Applications submitted after the published deadlines are only accepted upon a department's request and have a $100 nonrefundable application fee.
2. Review your department’s department-specific requirements and application deadlines.
3. Send official university transcripts to World Education Services (WES) (http://www.wes.org/). University coursework also needs to be evaluated with a comprehensive course-by-course credential report through a NACES-approved evaluation service. Transcripts from Canadian institutions (excluding Quebec) are exempt from this requirement; they may be sent directly from the issuing institution.
4. If the transcript does not show that a bachelor’s degree has been or will be awarded, a diploma must also be sent.
5. Submit official GRE or GMAT test scores. Not all departments require GRE or GMAT scores if the student has earned a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Refer to the admission requirements of your prospective degree program to determine which tests are required.
6. Submit a resume/curriculum vitae. Include work and research experience, publications, patents, honors, professional and civic memberships, and foreign travel.
7. Submit a statement of academic goals. Write a statement indicating why study is desired in a particular program. Include qualifications and educational experience. (For applicants to M.Ed. programs or education licensures/certificates, a four- to five-page self-evaluation essay is required.)
8. Submit three letters of recommendation. Send at least three letters of recommendation from people able to vouch for the applicant’s academic work, character and ability to undertake graduate study and research.
9. Submit official TOEFL or IELTS test results.
10. Submit a copy of the passport identification page.
11. Complete the UAF Financial Statement for International Applicants and submit it with supporting financial documentation. This is a requirement for immigration documentation I-20 issuance, not for admission.

Required Funding Amounts
The minimum estimated cost for one school year at UAF for an international student is $39,363 for undergraduate students and $39,209 for graduate students. (Students taking College of Engineering and Mines courses: $40,755 undergraduate and $41,153 graduate. College of Business and Security Management courses: $41,091 undergraduate and $41,369 graduate.) This covers tuition, fees, room and board on campus, books, health insurance, and a reasonable amount of personal expenses. It does not include transportation to and from Alaska, summer living or winter clothing costs.

Residents of countries that hold approved sister city/sister province agreements qualify for resident tuition. A complete list of sister cities and provinces is listed below. Students on an F-1 visa who are not from a UA sister city or province are not eligible for resident tuition. For international students who are residents of a sister city, the estimated cost for one school year at UAF is $25,779 for an undergraduate and $29,021 for a graduate student. (Students taking College of Engineering and Mines courses: $27,171 for undergraduate and $30,965 for graduate students. College of Business and Security Management courses: $25,507 undergraduate and $31,451 graduate.)
## UA SISTER CITIES AND PROVINCES

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## Immigration Requirements

Once a student has been accepted, UAF International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) will issue immigration documentation Form I-20, which must be presented at a U.S. embassy or consulate in the country of citizenship in order to obtain an F-1 (student) visa. Form I-20 requires the university to certify to U.S. immigration agencies that a student has been accepted for full-time enrollment and has sufficient funds to meet estimated expenses for an academic program.

If a student is already in the United States on an F-1 visa, the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System record may be transferred as long as the record is in SEVIS active status. The student must contact ISSS before requesting a SEVIS record transfer to UAF.

## English Proficiency Requirements

Students on an F-1 visa are required to submit scores from the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) exam. Some permanent residents (green card holders) are not required to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores (see exceptions below). English proficiency may be demonstrated by:

1. A minimum TOEFL score of 79.
2. A minimum IELTS score of 6.5.
3. Completion of secondary education in Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia or Canada (excluding Quebec).

Requests for exception to this policy may be submitted via email to the Office of Admissions. Acceptable grounds for waiving this requirement may include:

1. Successful completion (C or higher) of a college-level, non-ESL English composition course.
2. A comparable score on another approved exam such as the ACT, SAT or ACCUPLACER exam.
3. Long-term permanent residents of the U.S. who are able to provide adequate documentation (transcripts, test scores, etc.) demonstrating academic readiness for WRTG 111x.

## Request to Postpone

If applicants are unable to attend, they must notify the Office of Admissions and International Programs and Initiatives. Students may request to postpone their admission for up to one calendar year. For graduate applicants, acceptance is not guaranteed for a future semester. An updated financial statement and current supporting financial documents will be required from all students.

## Where to Get More Information

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