

NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CHECKLIST

THIS APPLIES TO YOU IF YOU ARE

- A new, first-time U.S. college student outside the U.S.
- A Change of Status to F-1 from within the U.S.*

*Ivy Tech does not assist with filing [Form I-539](#) to change status. Please refer to the enclosed list of American Immigration Lawyers Association attorneys and their respective areas of practice so that you have a basis for selecting which attorney might be best for your change of status needs.

TO BE ADMITTED TO IVY TECH FOR A FORTHCOMING SEMESTER AS AN F-1 STUDENT, THE FOLLOWING ARE YOUR REQUIREMENTS:

1. International Student Paper Application or [apply online for free](#)
2. Personal Information Form
3. Scan a copy of the passport
4. Supply the necessary financial documents:
 - You need **\$19,500** (\$25,350 for summer starts only) in American dollars or the equivalent in your country's currency (or \$10,000 if the sponsor is providing free room and board. They must also complete and submit a notarized **Affidavit for Free Room and Board.**) You will need an additional **\$5,000** for each dependent spouse and/or child.
 - Your documents must be in the English language or have clear translations into English on the documents.
 - Your bank documents must be no more than 30 days old.
 - Your bank documents do not have to be in your name. You can be sponsored by family members, but you cannot be sponsored by another F-1 international student. If sponsored by a family member, please provide proof of the relationship.
5. Supply an evaluation of your foreign high school or college transcript, sent directly from a [NACES](#) member, to:
International Student Services, Ivy Tech Community College,
200 Daniels Way, Bloomington, IN 47404 USA.
6. Meet English proficiency
Accepted tests and scores are:
 - i. TOEFL (iBT) = 61 Internet-based Test
 - ii. TOEFL (PBT) = 500 Paper-based Test
 - iii. IELTS = 6.5
 - iv. MELAB = 77
 - v. ACT = 17 in English, 18 in Reading (within the last four years)
 - vi. New SAT = 25 Reading, 27 Writing (within the last four years)

English proficiency waived if:

- A citizen of a country where English is the official language, as listed on the CIA website.
- Certificate of Completion from a U.S. Language Training Program.
- U.S. high school GPA of 2.6 (out of 4.0) after six completed semesters or U.S. high school graduate within the last four years.
- Completed standard freshman English, with a grade of C or higher, from a U.S. post-secondary institution.
- Associate degree or higher from an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution.

DEADLINES:

For applicants outside of the U.S.:

Fall Semester: All documents must be submitted by **July 1**.

Spring Semester: All documents must be submitted by **December 1**.

Summer Semester: All documents must be submitted by **May 1**.

For applicants seeking a Change of Status to F-1 from within the U.S.

- please contact International Student Services for more information.

For more information: International Student Services, Ivy Tech Community College
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