International Student Policy



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The following is the policy for international students beginning in the Spring of 2019:

All international applicants must submit the following admission requirements.

- Completed application located on the website
- Secondary School Transcripts: International students must have the equivalent highschool education from their country. Your high school should send the official transcript directly to OPSU.
- English Proficiency: All international applicants must demonstrate proficiency in the English language by submitting IELTS Academic (International English Language Testing System) or TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) exam scores. iBT TOEFL 61+ or IELTS 5.5+
 - If you do not have 24 or more transferrable credit hours from a U.S. or English-speaking post-secondary institutions (iBT TOEFL 61+ or IELTS Academic 5.5+) you will need to send us your English proficiency test scores. Applicants from the recognized English-speaking countries (located on our website) are exempt from the English language proficiency requirement.
- SAT/ACT College Entrance Exams. You will be more likely to receive a visa when you visit the embassy if you have an SAT or ACT score.
- Financial Sponsorship Forms: A student must provide proof of financial support for the period of time necessary to complete degree requirements.
 - Complete the Financial Guarantee Form provided by OPSU by completing
 the first and second pages. A bank official will complete the bottom portion of
 the second page and stamp or seal in the marked box. This form must be
 stamped by your sponsor's bank in order for you to be accepted to OPSU.
 The financial guarantee must be dated within 6 months of the I-20 issuance
 and is only valid for one year.
 AND

Submit a Bank Statement to accompany the Financial Guarantee Form. The bank statement must be original, show the balance of the account, and must be dated within six months of the Form I-20 being issued. Photocopies must be stamped by the bank and sealed in an envelope. OR

- o If your bank is unwilling to complete the previous two requirements, we will accept a Bank Letter. The bank letter should be on bank letterhead, signed and stamped by a bank official, and include the following: 1) Name of account holder If the account is the sponsor's business, the letter should document it, 2) Current account balance in U.S. dollars.
- University Health Requirements: Oklahoma state law requires that all new students who attend Oklahoma colleges and universities for the first time provide proof of immunization for certain diseases. You must complete the University Health Requirements form and Compliance form to show you have completed the health requirements. You may complete the Exemption form if you have any objections to receiving the immunizations. You must receive your first dose of MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) and Hepatitis B before admission, unless the Exemption form is completed. A Tuberculosis Skin Test/ t-spot test is required for admission to OPSU, NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Passport: If you have a passport, you must provide a photocopy.