

## ADMISSIONS – INTERNATIONAL

International applicants must comply with varied and different sets of regulations, and therefore follow a special procedure for admission. For summary information, see also, “International Student Program Admissions Criteria,” available online via the “Forms” link on the DGS Web site.

- International applicants should apply online at <[www.csumentor.edu](http://www.csumentor.edu)>. *Note:* International applicants who need a paper copy of an application mailed to them may request one by contacting International Admissions at <[intladm@listserv.csufresno.edu](mailto:intladm@listserv.csufresno.edu)> or (559) 278-2409.

### Required Applicant Paperwork

- Nonrefundable application processing fee of \$55.00.
- Official records: transcripts or mark sheets and degree certificates or diplomas. Official records bear the signature of the registrar or another academic official and either a raised or ink stamp or seal of the issuing institution.

*Note:* Certified copies and notarized documents are not acceptable.

- Official copies of test scores (GRE, GMAT, MAT), must be sent to Fresno State directly from Educational Testing Services in Princeton, New Jersey. Students should check with their desired department to find out which test(s) are required. Some programs do not require tests for admission.
- Financial guarantee/bank statement from the sponsor, showing amount and source of support. (If the sponsor is a government agency, organization, or other group, a separate letter that includes the terms of sponsorship, in English, must be attached.)
- Transcripts and test scores are sent to International Admissions, 5150 N. Maple Ave., MS JA56, Fresno, CA 93740-8026.

All program application materials required for your program (letters of intent, letters of recommendation, and/or program application) should be submitted directly to the department office. Applicants will receive department application information as part of the “one-step” application process.

### Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must have completed a bachelor’s or other degree program representing a minimum of 16 years of schooling with at least 12 years at the elementary and secondary school level.

Specific qualifying degrees include the following:

**Australia, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa:** Honours Bachelor’s degree, requiring at least four years with a minimum of First Class or Second Class (Upper Division).

## **Eligibility Criteria (continued)**

**Baltic and East European States, former Soviet Republics:** Diplom or Diploma, Inženýr, Magister, Oklível requiring four to five years of postsecondary study.

**Bangladesh, Burma, India, Nepal, Pakistan:** Bachelor's degree in architecture, engineering, forestry, technology, or a graduate degree in a nontechnical field.

**Central and Latin America, Mexico, Portugal, Spain:** Licenciado or Professional title or degree. Pasante status does not meet requirements.

**Denmark, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden:** Kandidatus, Candidatus, Kandidaat, Doctorandus (drs.), Sivilingenjör, Ingenior, or Högscoleexamen.

**France or French-patterned Universities:** Diplôme, Maîtrise, or title of Ingénieur.

**Germany:** University Diplom or Magister Artium. Check with Graduate International Admissions.

## **Additional Criteria**

Applicants must

- hold a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in the last 60 semester (90 quarter) units.
- satisfactorily meet the professional, personal, scholastic, and other standards for graduate study.
- be in good standing at the last college attended.
- submit appropriate standardized test scores (GRE, GMAT, or MAT), if required.
- have acquired competence in the English language prior to enrolling in a graduate program or prerequisite courses.
- submit official Test of English as a Second Language (TOEFL) score with a minimum of 550 on the paper TOEFL, 213 on the computer-based TOEFL, or 80 on the Internet-based TOEFL for graduate students (some programs may require a higher score); 537 (203, computer-based or 80, Internet-based) for students pursuing a second bachelor's degree (see Standardized Testing, p. F-11). An International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score of 6.5 is also acceptable.

*Note:* Applicants whose application to the university meets general academic eligibility criteria, but not the minimum TOEFL score, can be offered admission to our American English Institute, for up to one year. At the end of the English language program, the student will reapply to the university and program.

## **Deadlines**

Application, test scores, and official academic documents should reach the International University Admissions Office at least six months before the semester for which admission is desired (spring applications begin August 1, fall applications begin October 1).

## **Advising Tips**

- Graduate applicants should contact their respective departments to inquire about a separate departmental application.
- Applicants whose native language is not English may be required to enroll in special courses in English to help improve their writing skills and to provide the greatest possibility of success in graduate studies.
- Applicants are encouraged to contact their department; some may have higher TOEFL requirements.
- Other applicant questions should be referred to International Student Services and Programs (278-2782). Their Web site is <<http://www.csufresno.edu/issp>>.