

Office of International Students

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Admission Requirements for International Students

Wallace State Community College accepts international students who have an F-1 visa and meet the academic, linguistic and financial requirements outlined below.

First Time College Students

An international student who holds an American high school diploma or diploma from his/her country that is equivalent may be eligible for admission. New students must provide the following:

- 1) A complete application in English.
- 2) Applicants must have their high school transcripts evaluated in order to determine admissions eligibility. For transfer credits from foreign colleges or universities to be considered, the college transcripts must also be evaluated by a certified transcript evaluation service. Listed below are the services that can be used for both high school and college evaluations.
 - 1. WES-World Education Service
 - 2. ECE-Educational Credential Evaluators
 - 3. Josef Silny & Associates
 - 4. SpanTran
 - 5. Lisano International
 - 6. InCRED-International Credential Evaluations
- 3) Test of English as foreign language (TOEFL) requirements:
 - A minimum written score of 500 or,
 - A minimum computer-based score of 173 or,
 - A minimum internet-based score of 61
 - The scores must be mailed directly from the educational testing service to the Office of Admissions and Records. (Personal copies will not be accepted)
 - An IELTS band score of 5.5 or greater can also be accepted.

Exceptions to TOEFL or IELTS

- A. A graduate of an accredited U.S. high school
- B. Completion of ENG 101 at an accredited college
- C. Citizen of English speaking country
- 4) A signed and notarized statement declaring that the international applicant will be fully responsible and that funds are available for financial obligations during enrollment with Wallace State Community College. Financial obligations include but are not limited to tuition, fees, books, supplies, living expenses and housing. A bank statement or letter (on bank letterhead) dated within six (6) months of the first day of class attendance must be attached. Income tax statements, land holdings, salary declarations, proof of personal property, and computer printouts are NOT acceptable. All documents must be in English and show amounts in U.S Dollars.
- 5) Documentation of insurance must declare adequate health and life coverage (which must include medical repatriation and medical evacuation expenses) and it must be maintained during all terms of enrollment with Wallace State Community College

International Transfer Students

Any international student who has attended an accredited college or university in the United States will be considered for admission as a transfer student. Transfer students must also submit the following:

- a) Official transcripts from all previously attended United States colleges and universities mailed directly to Wallace State Community College Office of international Students.
- b) Completed transfer eligibility form or letter from the most recently attended college or university that clearly states the student is "IN GOOD STANDING" and "IN-STATUS".

All documents required for admission as a first time college student or transfer student must be submitted before an admissions decision will be made. An I-20 and acceptance letter will only be issued to applicants who meet all requirements and are IN-STATUS with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

All required documents should be mailed directly to the Office of International Students; Wallace State Community College; 801 Main Street NW; Hanceville, Alabama 35077.