

International Student Application

Application Deadlines

Fall Semester	April 1
Spring Semester	September 1
Summer Semester	February 1

1. Complete, print out, and submit the International Student Application below.
[If you have permanent residence status, do not use this application form. Please go to Apply.wcu.edu and choose the Freshman or Transfer application.]
2. Pay the non-refundable application fee of \$45 (US funds ONLY). You may make payment with either a cashier's check or a Money Order, drawn from a United States banking institution, made out to Western Carolina University. Please make sure that the full name of the person applying appears on the check.
3. Download, print, and complete the [Certification of Finances form](#) which certifies that you have adequate financial support during your stay in the United States. Be sure to obtain all the signatures required on the form.
4. Download, print, and complete the [Immunization and Health Insurance form](#) and obtain necessary signatures from your physician or health clinic. All students must purchase and enroll in the health insurance plan offered by Western Carolina University.
5. If you are not currently in the United States, submit a photocopy of the identification page of your passport.

If you are currently in the United States, submit:

- photocopy of the visa page in your passport **and**
- photocopy of your I-20 and I-94 card (front and back)

6. Mail the above required application documents and fee to:

Western Carolina University
Office of Admissions
Cullowhee, NC 28723 USA

7. Have official copies **in English** of your academic records or transcripts from secondary and postsecondary institutions sent to Western Carolina University at the above address. Course work taken at postsecondary institutions first must be submitted for evaluation to an approved [international credential evaluation](#) company. You may choose any company from this list.
8. Have official TOEFL **or** SAT test scores sent directly to Western Carolina University at the above address. Student copies will not be accepted as official. If English is your native language, the SAT is required. The Western Carolina University code for TOEFL and SAT is 5897.

TOEFL (Test of English as Foreign Language)
TEL: 1-877-863-3546
FAX: 1-610-290-8972
toefl.org

College Board (for SAT)
TEL in US: 1-866- 756-7346
TEL outside US: 1-212- 713-7789
collegeboard.org

When we have received and reviewed all the above items, we will issue a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20) to you and send it by express mail to your current mailing address. You will then take the I-20 to the United States Consulate in your country to obtain your student visa.

Please allow at least four months for this process.

If you have permanent residence status, please go to Apply.wcu.edu and choose the Freshman or Transfer application.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name/Family Name/Surname: _____
(Full legal name as listed on your passport or birth certificate)

First Name/Given Name: _____ **Middle Name:** _____

Previous Name: _____

Date of Birth (month/day/year) _____

Gender: Male Female

Marital Status: Married Not Married

Current Mailing Address:

(SEVIS Forms I-20 and DS-2019 will be sent to this address. SEVIS forms sent outside the United States must be delivered to a physical street address and not to a post office box.)

Street Address/P O Box : _____ City/State/Province: _____

Postal Code _____ Country: _____

Permanent or Home Address:

Street Address/P O Box : _____ City/State/Province: _____

Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

Telephone (Country Code, City/Area Code, Telephone Number): _____

FAX (Country Code, City/Area Code, Telephone Number): _____

Email: _____

City of Birth: _____ **Country of Birth:** _____

Country of Citizenship: _____

What is the official language of your country? _____

Language Spoken at Home: _____ Language Spoken at School: _____

PROGRAM INFORMATION

I am applying as a (check one of the following):

- Freshman
- Transfer Student
- Study Abroad Exchange Program

I am applying for (check only one):

- Fall** Semester 20 ____ (August)
- Spring** Semester 20 ____ (January)
- Summer** Semester 20 ____ (May)

Application filing deadlines:

- Fall Term* *April 1*
- Spring Term* *September 1*
- Summer Term* *February 1*

Intended College or Major Area of Study

Refer to the program chart at the end of this application and enter the appropriate code number that indicates your area(s) of interest. You will have opportunities throughout the application, advising, and registration processes to make changes.

Primary Z - _____ - _____ - _____

Secondary Z - _____ - _____ - _____

VISA INFORMATION

Are you currently in the United States? Yes No

If NO, please include a photocopy of the identification page of your passport with this application.

If YES, do you currently have a visa? Yes No

If YES, what type of visa do you hold (choose one)?

F-1

F-2

J-1

J-2

Other (please give exact type of visa you hold)

Issuing Country: _____ Date of Issue: _____

Please include a photocopy of the visa page in your passport with this application.

Are you currently attending school in the US? Yes No

If YES, what institution issued your I-20 or DS-2019 for your current visa?

Please include a photocopy of your I-20 and I-94 card (back and front) with this application.

EDUCATION INFORMATION

Are you currently enrolled in a college or university? Yes No

If YES,

Name of School City State Country

Attendance from _____ **until** _____ (inclusive dates)

In chronological order, list all secondary/high schools, colleges, universities, certificate and diploma programs that you have ever attended for any length of time, whether or not you completed the term or program. Attach supplemental list if necessary.

Secondary School/High School: _____

City/State or Province/Country: _____

Dates Attended from _____ (Month/Year) to _____ (Month/Year)

Diploma, Degree or Certificate Earned: _____

Date Earned: _____

Academic Program or Field of Study: _____

College/University: _____

City/State or Province/Country: _____

Dates Attended from _____ (Month/Year) to _____ (Month/Year)

Diploma, Degree or Certificate Earned: _____

Date Earned: _____

Academic Program or Field of Study: _____

Are you eligible for readmission to the last institution you attended? Yes No

If NO, please provide an explanation:

You must have official copies, **in English**, of your academic records or transcripts from secondary and postsecondary institutions sent to Western Carolina University at the above address. Course work taken at postsecondary institutions first must be submitted for evaluation to an [approved international credential evaluation company](#). You may choose any company from this list.

STANDARDIZED TESTS

Official test scores must be sent directly from the testing services to Western Carolina University. Student copies will not be accepted as official. The Western Carolina University code for TOEFL and SAT is 5897.

Have you taken the TOEFL (Test of English as Foreign Language)?

No Yes Date/score: _____

(If your TOEFL score is below 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer-based), or 79 (internet-based), please consider applying to the Intensive English Program iep.wcu.edu at Western Carolina University.)

Have you taken the SAT?

No Yes Date: _____ Verbal score: _____ Math score: _____ Writing Score: _____

HOUSING INFORMATION

IMPORTANT: *We encourage international students to live on campus. All freshmen and exchange students attending WCU must live on campus. Housing for families with children is not available on the Western Carolina University campus and is only available in off-campus residences.*

Do you plan to live in an on-campus residence hall? Yes No

Will your spouse or children be accompanying you? Yes No

If YES, provide the following information for each family member accompanying you:

Last Name/Family Name/Surname: _____

First Name/Given Name: _____

Relationship to You (spouse or child): _____

Date of Birth (month/day/year): _____

City of Birth: _____ Country of Birth: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Contact's Full Name: _____

Relationship to You: _____

Emergency Contact's Mailing Address: _____

Telephone Number (Country Code, City/Area Code, Telephone Number): _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Your “yes” answer to one or more of the following questions will not necessarily preclude your admittance. However, your failure to provide complete, accurate, and truthful information will be grounds to deny or withdraw your admission, or to dismiss you after enrollment.

For the purpose of the following six questions, “crime” or “criminal charge” refers to any crime other than a traffic-related misdemeanor or an infraction. You must, however, include alcohol or drug offenses whether or not they are traffic related.

- 1. Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes No
- 2. Have you entered a plea of guilty, a plea of no contest, a plea of nolo contendere, or an Alford plea, or have you received a deferred prosecution or prayer for judgment continued, to a criminal charge?
 Yes No
- 3. Have you otherwise accepted responsibility for the commission of a crime? Yes No
- 4. Do you have any criminal charges pending against you? Yes No
- 5. Have you ever been expelled, dismissed, suspended, placed on probation, or otherwise subject to any disciplinary sanction by any school, college, or university? Yes No
- 6. If you have ever served in the military, did you receive any type of discharge other than an honorable discharge? Yes No Are you currently serving in the military? Yes No

If you answered “yes” to any of the six questions above, please explain the circumstances below.

You must promptly notify the Admission Office in writing of any criminal charge, any disposition of a criminal charge, or any school, college, or university disciplinary action against you, or any type of military discharge other than an honorable discharge that occurs at any time after you submit this application. Your failure to do so will be grounds to deny or withdraw your admission, or to dismiss you after enrollment.

I further understand that the university encourages its students, faculty, and staff to display the following traits of citizenship: behavior characterized by honesty, integrity, and responsibility; service to others; awareness of and sensitivity to the concerns of diverse people and cultures; and commitment to stewardship of the natural and cultural environment. By completing and submitting this application, I agree to the policies and regulations of Western Carolina University. To the best of my knowledge, the information I have given is true and accurate. I understand my failure to provide complete, accurate, and truthful information on this application will be grounds for refusal of admission, cancellation of admission, or dismissal from the university.

Applicant Signature (required)

Date

Parent or Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18)

Date

Major Areas of Study at Western Carolina University

Undeclared/Undecided	GN-UDCL	Forensic Anthropology	AS-ANTH-FANT
Accounting	BS-ACCT	Forensic Science	AS-FSC
Acting	FP-THEA-ACT	Forest Resources	AS-NRM9-FRS
Agriculture	AS-APRAG	Forestry	GN-PRFO
American Studies	AS-UNAS-ASO	Geology	AS-GEOL
Anthropology	AS-ANTH	Geology-Interdisciplinary Studies, Solid Earth	AS-GEOL-SE
Appalachian Studies	AS-UNAS-AS	Gerontology	HH-GRTG
Art	FP-ART	Graphic Design	FP-ART9-GD
Art Education	EA-ARTE	Health Promotion & Wellness	EA-UNEA-HPW
Art Studio	FP-ARST	Health Information Administration	HH-HIA
Book Arts	FP-ARST-BA	History	AS-HIST
Ceramics	FP-ARST-CE	History	AS-HIST
Painting/Drawing	FP-ARST-PD	Horticulture	AS-BIOL-HCT
Photography	FP-ARST-PH	Hospitality & Tourism	BS-HTM
Printmaking	FP-ARST-PR	Humanities	AS-HUM
Sculpture	FP-ARST-SC	Interior Design	FP-IDES
Athletic Administration	BS-SPMG-AAD	International Business	BS-INTB
Athletic Training Sports Medicine	HH-ATTR	International Relations	AS-POLS-IR
Banking	BS-FIN-BNK	International Studies	AS-UNAS-INS
Biology	AS-BIOL	Journalism	AS-ENGL-JOU
Biotechnology	AS-CHEM-BT	Law	GN-PRLW
Birth-Kindergarten	EA-BK	Literature	AS-ENGL-LIT
Broadcast Television Engineering Tech	AP-TEL9-BTEL	Management	BS-MGT
Business Administration and Law	BS-BALW	Marketing	BS-MKT
Business Law	BS-BALW	Mathematics	AS-MATH
Chemistry	AS-CHEM	Mathematics Education	EA-MATH
Chemistry (ACS Approved)	AS-CHEM-CACS	Medicine	GN-PRMD
Chemistry- Four + One Program	AS-CHEM-FPOC	Middle Grades Ed: Language Arts & Social Science	EA-LASS
Chemistry-environmental	AS-CHEM-EC	Middle Grades Ed: Math & Language Arts	EA-MALA
Chemistry-industrial	AS-CHEM-IC	Middle Grades Ed: Math & Science	EA-MASC
Cherokee Studies	AS-AHCS	Middle Grades Ed: Math & Social Science	EA-MASS
Clinical Forensics	HH-CLFO	Middle Grades Ed: Science & Language Arts	EA-SCLA
Clinical Laboratory Sciences	HH-CHLS	Middle Grades Ed: Science & Social Science	EA-SCSS
Coaching	EA-UNEA-COCH	Middle Grades Ed: Jamaicans	EA-MGRJ2
Commercial & Resort Recreation	EA-PRM9-CRR	Motion Picture Studies	AS-ENGL-MPS
Communication	AS-COMM	Multi-Media	AS-UNAS-MM
Communication Sciences & Disorders	HH-SECD	Music	FP-MUS
Communication Training & Development	AS-CMTD	Music-Instrumental	EA-MUED-IMU
Community Recreation	EA-PRM9-CR	Music Performance	FP-MUS-PF
Computer Education Endorsement	EA-UNEA-CEE	Music-Commercial & Electronic	FP-MUS-COEM
Computer Graphics	KS-ET99-CG	Music Education-General	EA-MUED-GMU
Computer Information Systems	BS-CIS	Music Industry	FP-MUS-MIO
Computer Science	AS-CS	Musical Theatre	FP-MUS-MT
Construction Management	AP-CM	Natural Resources Management	AS-NRM
Corporate Finance	BS-FIN9-CFN	Natural Sciences	EA-UNEA-NS
Creative Writing	AS-ENGL-CRWT	Nursing	HH-PNUR
Criminal Justice	HH-CJ	Nutrition & Dietetics	HH-NTDT
Dance	FP-UNFP-DA	Occupational Safety (certification)	KS-UNKS-OSC
Dentistry	GN-PRDN	Optometry	GN-PROT
Digital Communications Engineering Tech	KS-TEL9-DCET	Outdoor Leadership & Instruction	EA-PRM9-OLI
Earth Sciences	AS-GEOL-EHSC	Parks & Recreation Management	EA-PRM
Economics	BS-UNBS-BEC	Pharmacy	GN-PRPH
Electrical & Computer Engineering Tech	KS-ECET	Philosophy	AS-PHIL
Electrical Engineering	KS-EE	Physical Education	EA-PE
Electronic Media	AS-CMEM	Physical Therapy	GN-PRPT
Elementary Education	EA-ELED	Physician Assistant	GN-PRPA
Emergency Management: See Public Safety		Physics	EA-SEP
Emergency Medical Care-Health Management	HH-EMC	Political Science	AS-POLS
Emergency Medical Care-Science	HH-EMC	Print Media	AS-CMPM
Engineering	KS-PENG	Professional Sport Management	BS-SPMG-PSM
Engineering Sales & Distribution	KS-ET	Professional Writing	AS-ENGL-PW
Engineering Technology	KS-ET	Psychology	EA-PSY
English	AS-ENGL	Public Administration	AS-POLS-PA
English Education	EA-ENGL	Public History	AS-POLS-PHO
Entrepreneurship	BS-ETP	Public Relations	AS-CMPR
Environmental Hydrology-Geology	AS-GEOL-ENVL	Public Safety & Security Management	HH-PSSM
Environmental Health	HH-ENVH	Reading (K-12) (certification)	EA-READ
Environmental Science	AS-ES	Recreation Resource Management	EA-PRM9-RRM
Event and Facility Management & Marketing	BS-SPMG-EMM	Recreational Therapy	EA-RETH
Exercise Science & Fitness Management	BS-SPMG-ESF	Religion	AS-UNAS-REL
Film Studies	AS-ENGL-FS	Residential Environments	AP-IDES-RE
Finance	BS-FIN	Sales	BS-SPMG-SLS
Financial Planning	BS-FIN9-FNP	Science Education	EA-SE
		Social Sciences	AS-SSCI

Social Sciences Education	EA-SSCI
Social Work	HH-SOWK
Sociology	AS-SOC
Soil and Water Resources	AS-NRM9-SWR
Spanish	AS-SPAN
Spanish Education	EA-SPNE
Special Education- general	EA-SEGE
Special Studies	GN-SPST
Speech & Theatre Arts	FP-STA
Sport Management	BS-SPMG
Sports Information	BS-SPMG-SI
Technical Production	FP-THEA-TPD
Theatre	FP-THEA
Theatre Design	FP-THEA-DSN
Veterinary Medicine	GN-PRVM
Women's Studies	AS-UNAS-WNST