Important Application Information for Freshman Applicants

Non-native English Speakers

If English is not your native language—regardless of citizenship—you must provide the university with verification of your proficiency in English. Scoring 480 or higher on the verbal section of the SAT I or completing the Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree exempts you from this requirement. Transfer credit for an English composition course does not waive the English proficiency exam. Non-native speakers of English who have received a degree from an institution in the U.S., United Kingdom, English-speaking Canada, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, English-speaking countries in Africa or the commonwealth of the Caribbean may be exempt from presenting TOEFL scores. All others should have an official report of their scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) sent directly to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by the appropriate application date.

Foreign Academic Credentials

Applicants with foreign academic credentials must provide all academic records—secondary and college/university—in the original language with a certified English translation. Applicants who have attended secondary school outside of the United States need to provide, where appropriate, official results and certificate of completion from a national secondary school examination (such as the GCSE or Baccalaureate).

Visas

Applicants holding nonimmigrant visas, other than F-1 Student or J-1 Exchange Visitor, need to submit a photocopy of their I-94 Arrival/Departure Record and visa stamp.