

International Admissions

International students from across the globe choose Delaware State University for its small, family-like campus and welcoming spirit. At Delaware State University, we offer opportunities for international students to pursue their degrees here or attend our USA Culture Enrichment Program, a non-degree seeking program. As a student here, you can immerse yourself in American culture, learn new technology and skills to launch your career and get direct access to ground-breaking research. Home to more than 250 international students, Delaware State University has a supportive international affairs staff to help you adjust to life in the U.S. We even match you with an ambassador to ease the transition. Additionally, there are many ways for you to embrace campus life and make friends outside of the classroom. If you're looking to go off-campus, enjoy culture, arts and entertainment in nearby Philadelphia, Baltimore or Washington, DC.

Admissions Procedures

International students are encouraged to **begin the admissions process no later than 90 days prior to the start of classes** for the semester for which they are applying. Applications submitted less than 90 days before the start of classes may take longer to process.

International students interested in applying to Delaware State University should:

- Take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) which is required if English is not the applicant's native language. Submit a satisfactory score of a minimum of 550 (paper-based test), or a 79 (new internet based TOEFL)
- Have a 5.5 minimum IELTS score or documentation (i.e., a transcript, certificate of completion of a program, etc.) showing satisfactory completion of an intensive curriculum of English instruction (however, if English is the official language of your country of origin, SAT and/or ACT test scores will be acceptable).
- In lieu of the TOEFL or IELTS exams, students can enroll in Delaware State University's English Language Institute (ELI). Upon successful completion of the ELI program, students will receive a certificate that fulfills the University's English language requirement for enrollment into a regular degree-seeking program. For more information, please visit (<http://www.desu.edu/eli> [1]).
- Submit the three-section test. Delaware State University requires test scores of 800 on the SAT (math and critical reading combined), test scores of 800 or above on the 2016 redesigned SAT (math and critical reading combined), or a 17 or better composite score on the ACT. Please note, as of March 2016, the College Board has launched a redesigned SAT. For more information about the redesign—please visit the [College Board website](#) [2].
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- Have transcripts evaluated by the World Education Service (WES) or the [Educational Credential Evaluators \(ECE\)](#) [3] and then forwarded by the evaluating organization to the [Office of Admissions](#) [4]. All academic records must be converted into their U.S. education equivalents by a University-recognized credential agency, to obtain transfer credit for education completed at non U.S. postsecondary institutions. Transcript evaluations must be submitted sealed from the evaluating organization. PLEASE NOTE: The Office of Admissions reserves the right to request that transcripts from international English speaking institutions be evaluated by WES or any of the other recognized credential agencies if educational equivalency cannot clearly be determined by the Office of Admissions.
- Submit an I-20 Application, F-1 Student Seeking Financial Statement, and an Affidavit of Support for Free Room & Board to:

Delaware State University
[Office of International Affairs](#) [5]
Grossley Hall-Room 115A
Dover, DE 19901

You may also contact the Candace Moore, Director of International Student Services, at 302.857.6474 or cmoore@desu.edu [6].

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[1] <http://www.desu.edu/eli>

[2] <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/>

[3] <http://www.aacrao.org>

[4] <http://www.desu.edu/admissions>

[5] <http://www.desu.edu/international-programs/office-international-affairs>

[6] <mailto:cmoore@desu.edu>