

Application Instructions for International Students

An International student is an applicant seeking an I-20 for the purpose of obtaining a Student Visa.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

International applicants should complete the admissions process at least 60 days prior to the beginning of the term for which the application is made. Applicants must allow for overseas mailing, immigration issues, and evaluation of credentials. An applicant can be considered for admission once the Office of Enrollment Services receives the following documents.

- 1. <u>Application & Fee</u>: Please complete and submit the attached application, or you may apply online at <u>www.daltonstate.edu/regist.htm</u> by clicking Services and Forms, then by clicking Online Application. Please choose the International Student application. Also, please submit the required \$50 non-refundable application fee along with the application. If applying online the fee will need to be paid when the application is submitted.
- 2. <u>Certificate of Immunization</u>: Please have this form completed and signed by a health care provider.
- 3. <u>Proof of financial resources</u>: This will show how the applicant intends to pay expenses while in attendance at Dalton State College. The applicant must submit a current bank statement certifying he/she has financial resources equivalent to a minimum of \$18,986 in U.S. funds available for the first year of study at Dalton State College. (If applicant is being sponsored by family or friends, sponsor should submit a current bank statement and complete and submit the I-134 (Affidavit of Support) form. To obtain this form and instructions, please visit the website at www.uscis.gov)
- 4. <u>**Proof of English Proficiency:**</u> For all non-native speakers of English, proof of English proficiency must be demonstrated by providing **one** of the following five items:
 - Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) official score report with a minimum score of 523 on the paper based TOEFL; 193 on the computer based TOEFL. Scores must be official and must be dated within two years of intended date of enrollment
 - Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores with a minimum score of 450 verbal; or American College Testing Program (ACT) scores with a minimum of 19 English [Academic Affairs Handbook: section 3.01-3.12]
 - Four units of College Prep English from an accredited U.S. high school
 - Proof of 30 semester (or 45 quarter) transferable hours with a 2.5 GPA that include the equivalents of English 101 and 102 (or ENGL 1101/1102) from an accredited U.S. college or university
 - Proof of a bachelor's degree from an accredited U.S. college or university
- 5. <u>A copy of the applicant's Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)</u>: The registration booklet for the SAT-I may be ordered from <u>College Board ATP, AN6200, Princeton, NJ 08451-6200 USA</u>. Be sure to specify that you need the "international edition."

- 6. <u>Academic Placement Assessment</u>: Dalton State College requires all entering freshmen to take the Computer-Adaptive Placement Assessment and Support System (COMPASS) exam as part of the institutional assessment. Students may be placed in Learning Support classes based on these scores. (Applicants may be provisionally accepted and issued an I-20 before taking this exam but would need to contact the Office of Enrollment Services upon arrival to schedule an appointment to take the exam and would be unable to register until doing so.)
- 7. <u>School Records</u>: Please have transcripts from high school and/or all secondary schools sent directly to Dalton State. Transcripts must be evaluated and translated by an external reputable credential evaluator. (Not necessary if schools are in U.S.) (See approved list of evaluators below.) Your high school transcript needs to be deemed generally *equivalent to a U.S. high school diploma*. If you have attended a college or university you must submit a transcript from each institution which shows courses taken and grades earned. All transcripts submitted must be original/official documents. The evaluation process can take 2-6 weeks and there will be a cost involved. The transcripts you have sent to the evaluation service are in addition to the transcripts you have sent to our office. Please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to contact and communicate with the evaluator.
- 8. <u>Students Transferring from Other U.S. Institutions:</u> Upon your official acceptance, you will be issued a SEVIS I-20 by the Office of Enrollment Services to complete your transfer.
- 9. <u>All International Students MUST contact the Office of Enrollment Services upon arrival in the United States.</u> Students must be prepared to take the COMPASS exam (if applicable), and present visa indicating F-1 status and I-94 before being eligible to register.

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Industrial Operations Management Management Information Systems Marketing Systems Early Childhood Education Bachelor of Social Work Bachelor of Business Administration

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Economics English Foreign Language General Studies Geography History Philosophy Political Service Psychology Social Work Sociology Speech and Drama

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Business, General Computer Operations Management Marketing Medical Office Administration Medical Transcription Office Administration

Health

Emergency Services Management Medical Laboratory Technology Radiologic Technology

Services

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Computer Networking & Service Technology Drafting and Design Technology Industrial Electrical and Electronic Technology Technology, General Studies

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

Nursing (Two-year Registered Nursing)