

## Admission Procedure – International Applicants

International applicants as defined in M402 must satisfy the following requirements to be eligible for consideration of admissions:

1. Completion of Mayville State University's application for admission and pays the application fee.
2. Validation of secondary education completion:
  - a. Official high school transcript or academic records that prove completion of secondary education
  - b. A U.S. General Education Diploma (GED) administered in English
3. Applicants who have completed 24 semester credits or more or 36 quarter hours or more of transferrable credits post-secondary shall be admitted to the institution if:
  - a. Applicant is not dismissed or in suspension status at their most recent institution attended; Baccalaureate applicants must present a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale computed on all transferable work attempted at all institutions previously attended
4. MSU requires that all international transcripts and credentials must be evaluated before they are used for admission purposes. Some evaluations of transcripts and credentials from specific countries may be completed by trained admission staff. Such an evaluation is the sole responsibility of the applicant, and it must be performed by one of the following:
  - a. Active member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES)
  - b. Active member of the Association of International Credential Evaluators (AICE)
  - c. The transcript will be considered as official as a photocopy attached to a credential evaluation performed
5. Applicants whose native language is not English is required to demonstrate proficiency in the English language. Proficiency for admission purposes is demonstrated by any of the following (or a combination of the following):
  - a. College Composition I and College Composition II, or equivalent courses, with a grade of B or higher from a regionally accrediting organization or national recognized agencies; or
  - b. Any of the placement scores listed in M402.1.2

- c. At least two years of study, in good standing at one of the following:
    - i. U.S. high school
    - ii. Regionally accrediting organization
    - iii. Nationally recognized agencies
    - iv. Post-secondary institutions with English as the language of instruction to include a minimum of 6 credits in subjects that require reading and/or speaking with a B or higher not to include ELS courses)
  - d. A degree or diploma from an institution in which English was the language of instruction
  - e. A U.S. General Education diploma (GED) from 2014 or later) administered in English
    - i. GED Score of 145
  - f. A minimum score from one of the following shall be recognized by MSU. The International English Language Testing Systems (IELTS), Pearson Test of Academic English (PTE-A), Michigan English Test (MET), Duolingo English Test (DET), or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)
    - i. IETLS score – 6.0
    - ii. PTE-A score – 47
    - iii. MET score – 55
    - iv. DET score – 95
    - v. TOEFL
      - iBT score of 68 or
      - PBT score of 523
  - g. Applicants whose home country has English as the official language shall submit standardized test scores for placement as defined in M402.1.2.
6. Applicants must provide financial evidence showing that the student or a sponsor has sufficient funds to cover tuition and living expenses during the period of intended study. Evidence of financial ability includes but is not limited to family bank statements, documentation from a sponsor, financial aid letters, scholarship letters, or a letter from an employer showing annual salary.
  7. All international applicants are required to maintain health insurance coverage from an approved carrier while in attendance at any state university in North Dakota. A health

insurance policy selected by the State Board of Higher Education or approved by Chancellor of the university system is required. Requirements for the payment of premiums for International Student Health Insurance are specified in institutional Policy 505 - International Student Health Insurance.

8. Applications shall submit documentation of immunity as defined in M506.

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