

AP 5012 International Students

Reference:

Education Code Sections 76141; 76142;
Title 5 Section 54045;
Title 8, U.S.C. Section 1101, et seq.

- 1.0 International students may be admitted to Cypress College or Fullerton College as a means of encouraging the presence of qualified students from other countries with sufficient geographic diversity to inspire an appreciation for differences among cultures and a deeper understanding of the values and perspectives of other people. An international student is both a citizen and a resident of a foreign country who has entered the United States solely for the purpose of attending school. The following regulations govern the admissions of F-1 visa students at Cypress College or Fullerton College.
- 1.1 F-1 students are required to pay non-resident tuition fees, non-United States fees, enrollment fees and other fees required, as established by the Board of Trustees. Any student who can demonstrate economic hardship or who is a victim of persecution or discrimination in the country in which the student is a citizen and resident is exempt from the non-United States resident fee tuition. Criteria for admission on the student visa include:
- 1.1.1 F-1 applicants are required to submit an international student application that includes appropriate visa information from the country of residence. Application fee processing and application deadlines are established by each college.
 - 1.1.2 Applicants must demonstrate English proficiency by fulfilling an assessment criteria established by each college.
 - 1.1.3 Applicants must have earned the equivalent of an American high school diploma, or have attended 12 years of elementary and secondary school, or be at least 18 years of age.
 - 1.1.4 Applicants must submit original or certified copies of transcripts of any secondary and/or post-secondary coursework, as determined by each college. Foreign-language transcripts must be accompanied by certified English translations.
 - 1.1.5 Applicants must provide evidence of financial responsibility, as determined by each college.
 - 1.1.6 F-1 applicants who are attending other United States schools or colleges may be considered for admission provided the applicant meets the Cypress

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College or Fullerton College international admissions requirements and is in good status with United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

- 1.2 F-1 visa students will be held to the same scholastic requirements and to the same college rules and regulations as other students.
 - 1.3 F-1 students must purchase health insurance. Such insurance should include major medical coverage to protect the student against financial catastrophe. Insurance policies must meet the minimum criteria, as established by each college.
 - 1.4 F-1 students will not be accepted for admission into any program where applications by qualified United States citizens exceed spaces available.
 - 1.5 Students issued an I-20 and attend the college are required to comply with US Federal Code, Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and Citizenship and Immigration Services (CIS) regulations that pertain to F-1 visa students.
- 2.0 **Concurrent Enrollment:** F-1 students enrolled full time and considered in good status at another SEVIS-approved institution are permitted to enroll part time at Cypress College or Fullerton College in two classes, with a unit limit established by each college. Part-time F-1 students must complete appropriate paperwork and pay all appropriate fees.
- 3.0 **F-2 Dependents:** In accordance with US Federal Code, the spouse and minor children accompanying an F-1 student are eligible for admission in F-2 visa status. The F-2 spouse or F-2 child may not engage in full-time study and the F-2 spouse and F-2 child may only engage in studies that are avocational or recreational in nature.

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