

North Central University welcomes students from other countries who show promise of benefiting from educational opportunities in the United States. The following information is prepared for the guidance of prospective students from other countries.

I. International student applications will not be accepted at North Central University until the following documents are received.

A. THE APPLICATION FORM, \$25 APPLICATION FEE, PASTOR'S REFERENCE AND ACADEMIC REFERENCE

The Application, \$25 Application Fee, Pastor's Reference and Academic Reference must be completed and returned to the Admissions Office.

B. OFFICIAL RECORDS OF PREVIOUS STUDY AND ACT OR SAT SCORES

Complete credentials from all high schools, secondary schools, colleges, universities, normal schools or technical schools attended must be submitted. These credentials should indicate the certification, degree or diploma earned (if any), a listing of all subjects studied and the grades or letters or marks that were achieved in examinations. If these documents are in a language other than English, it will be necessary for all documents to be accompanied by an official translation into English. Either the ACT or SAT (college entrance exams) must be taken for admittance to North Central University. Scores should be sent along with all official records.

C. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Form F-1

All students interested in applying to North Central University must have the funds available to meet the cost of an educational program in the United States. The purpose of the Financial Statement Form F-1 is to indicate that the international student has the financial resources available to meet the costs of tuition, fees, room, board, incidental expenses and the cost of round trip transportation from his/her native country.

2. Verification of Personal Funds

We must have proof of funds on file in the form of an official bank statement (with a dollar figure in U.S. funds). If your U.S. sponsor will be funding your education, we will need their proof of funds.

3. Sponsor

If international students do not have proof of funds, they must have a financial sponsor who is a United States citizen. This individual must complete an Affidavit of Support Form, which will be sent by the College to the individual offering support. Completion of this form verifies that the sponsor will be responsible for all college and living expenses accrued by the student while living in this country that he/she cannot meet personally.

4. Deposit of Funds

All students attending North Central University on a student visa are required to have \$5,000 deposited at North Central before immigration papers can be completed. As soon as this amount has been deposited, an I-20 form will be completed notifying the Immigration and Naturalization Service of your transfer to North Central.

D. ENGLISH CERTIFICATION (for students from non-English-speaking countries)

It is essential that students from other countries be able to understand directions and lectures in English and also to express their thought clearly in spoken English immediately upon arrival in the United States. In order that the degree of English proficiency may be determined, a student must meet the following stipulation: attain a score of 500 or above on the paper form or 220 or above on the computer form of the "Test of English as a Foreign Language" (TOEFL), as administered by the Educational Testing Service at the nearest overseas examination center. For all information concerning this test, the candidate can either check out the TOEFL website, <http://www.ets.org/toefl/>, or they may write to the following address for the Bulletin of information:

**TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Educational Testing Service
Princeton, NJ 18540 U.S.A.**

This test is normally administered four times a year; consequently, the candidate is advised to make inquiry well in advance of the date of anticipated study in the United States.

After all of the above steps have been completed by the student and received by North Central, the admissions file will be reviewed. Students will be advised of their acceptance as soon as possible, and the I-20 Form will then be sent.

II. Course Load Requirements

International students admitted to the United States are required by law to be registered as full-time students carrying a minimum of 12 credit hours of academic work per semester.

III. Student Employment

First year international students are not allowed to work off-campus. Jobs on-campus are available, but federal regulations state that students are not allowed to work more than 20 hours per week while school is in session.

Second year international students and beyond may also work on-campus or they may work off-campus through a program known as Curricular Practical Training, wherein a student would garner a job offer related to their respective major and then be allowed to work either part-time or full-time off-campus.

IV. Housing

International students will be required to abide by the regular housing policy as set forth in the college catalog. Married students can either live off-campus or live in our on-campus apartments (Orfields or Elliot East). Single students over the age of 23 will be required to live off campus or in the on-campus apartments. Single students under the age of 23 are required to live in the residence halls on campus.

V. After Completion of Studies

It is expected that international students will return to the country of their origin upon completion of their course of study at North Central.

If you have questions you may contact:

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