

# International Students (F-1 VISA)

The U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Service requires that international students receive approval of F-1 status before they can register for classes.

International students must apply for a degree program and maintain enrollment with a minimum of 12 credits per semester. F-1Visa holders are only permitted to take one online class per semester. F-1 and international students must adhere to all Federal regulations set by the U.S. government. Application deadlines are May 1 for fall and September 1 for spring. International students are charged the out-of-country tuition rate for the first 24 credits, and in-county rates for the remainder of the program.

International students enrolling from non-English-speaking countries are required to take an ESL Placement Test if proficiency in English has not been established. (See ESL Placement Test information in the Testing and Assessment section.)

Transcripts from foreign colleges or secondary schools must be translated to English and submitted for formal evaluation to an agency approved by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). A student in need of this service can visit <http://www.naces.org/members> to find and select a member approved by NACES to perform their foreign credential evaluation. Upon completion of the evaluation, the student must submit the official evaluation report along with a completed Transfer Evaluation Form to the Admissions Office to determine transferability of courses.

Atlantic Cape will admit international students to the College using the following criteria:

## F-1 applicants applying to Atlantic Cape from their home country must submit:

- An application
- A \$6,000 deposit into his or her tuition account
- A completed Sponsorship Agreement form and Supplemental Form
- A completed Confidential Financial Statement form
- Original bank statements in English, showing proof of funding (no older than 30 days)

## F-1 students transferring from a U.S. high school or college to Atlantic Cape must submit:

- An application
- A \$6,000 deposit into his or her tuition account
- A completed Sponsorship Agreement form and Supplemental Form
- A completed Confidential Financial Statement form
  
- Original bank statements in English, showing proof of funding (no older than 30 days)
  
- An official transcript from the sending school
- A Transfer Request form completed by the foreign student advisor at the sending school
- A copy of their I-20, I-94 and Visa.

All forms for international students are available from the Admissions Office or at <http://www.atlantic.edu/admission/international.php>.