

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION

When to Apply

International students may apply for admission to certificate, associate, bachelor, and graduate-level degrees. Applications for admission for international students are due no later than April 1 for the fall semester and September 1 for the spring semester.

How to Apply

1. Choose a degree program and major

NOTE: F-1 students are not eligible for occupational endorsement or e-Learning programs.

2. Apply online: Apply to UAS! (https://university-alaska.force.com/formbuilderalaska/ERx_Forms_Portal_Login/)

3. Pay non-refundable application fee:

\$40 – Certificate or Associate's degree
 \$50 – Bachelor's degree
 \$60 – Master's degree

4. Submit Official Transcripts:

High School transcripts: All certificate or degree-seeking students with fewer than 30 semester credit hours must arrange for their official high school transcripts to be sent directly from their high school to UAS electronically or in a sealed envelope. Transcripts received opened, faxed or photo copied are not official.

College transcripts: All certificate and degree-seeking students who have an academic record from one or more post-secondary institutions must arrange for their official college or university transcripts to be sent directly to UAS electronically or in a sealed envelope from the original institution(s). Transcripts from all colleges or universities must be submitted, failure to disclose all post-secondary institutions where the student has an academic record will result in denied admission.

Students who have attended institutions outside of the United States will need to provide an official statement of educational equivalency in English. Below is information for credential evaluation services. It is the responsibility of the student to arrange and pay for the evaluation.

(by mail)

Educational Credential Evaluators (ECE) PO Box 514070
 Milwaukee, WI 53203-3470 Tel: (414) 289-3400 (by
 Courier like UPS, DHL, FedEx) Educational Credential
 Evaluators (ECE) 101 W. Pleasant St. Suite 200 Milwaukee, WI
 53212-3963 (by mail) World Education Services (WES)

Attention: Documentation Center
 PO Box 5087
 Bowling Green Station
 New York, NY 10274-0587
 Tel: 1(800) 361-3106

Fax: (212) 739-6100

(by Courier like UPS, DHL, FedEx)
World Education Services (WES)

Attention: Documentation Center
 64 Beaver St, #146
 New York, NY 10004

5. Submit Test Results for English Proficiency

All international students for whom English is not their first language must submit official scores for one of the following:

TOEFL – 550 paper test, or
 TOEFL – 213 computer test, or
 TOEFL – 80 internet based, or
 IELTS – 6.5 out of 8

NOTE: If you are a Native English Language Speaker, have attended a regionally accredited U.S. college or university, or have received a “C” or better in a course equivalent to Writing S111 you may be eligible to request a waiver of the TOEFL/IELTS requirement. International Students that request a waiver will be asked to submit official documentation of their English Proficiency such as ACT or SAT scores, high school or college transcripts, or UAS Placement Test scores.

6. Complete and submit the International Student Financial Statement (https://uas.alaska.edu/apply/docs/UAS_Financial_Statement.pdf).

All international students must provide a detailed statement of documented sources of sufficient funds to:

- Pay all expenses while attending UAS; and
- The ability to pay for a return trip home in the event of an emergency.

7. Proof of Required Health Insurance

All international students are required to carry health insurance while attending UAS. International students will be automatically enrolled in health insurance from LowerMark. The insurance premium will be added to students' accounts at the beginning of the semester. International students who already have health insurance should contact the Primary Designed School Official for further instruction.

International Admission Requirements

Admission to Certificate and Associate Degrees

To qualify for admission to a certificate or associate degree program¹, applicants must satisfy at least one of the following:

1. Have graduated from an accredited high school or state certified home school program with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.00 (C), or
2. Have successfully completed the GED, or
3. Have completed at least 30 college semester credits with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 (C) and are at least 18 years old.

¹ Certain programs have additional requirements, see program specific requirements.

Admission to Bachelor Degrees

To qualify for admission to a bachelor's degree program¹, applicants must satisfy at least one of the following:

1. Have graduated from an accredited high school or state certified home school program with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00, or
2. Have successfully completed the GED, or
3. Have completed at least 30 college level semester credits with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.00 and are at least 18 years old.

¹ Certain programs have additional requirements, see program specific requirements.

Admission to Master's Degrees

To qualify for admission to a master's degree program¹, applicants must have graduated with a baccalaureate degree from a college or university with a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 (B).

¹ Certain programs have additional requirements, see program specific requirements.

International Admission Status

International student applications are evaluated on an individual basis. Admission or denial will be based on the total evidence indicating the student's potential for success in an academic program at UAS and financial capability.

Admit Clear

Applicants who submit all required paperwork for admissions and meet admissions requirements will be admitted in good standing.

Denied Admission

Students who do not meet the admission requirements will be denied admission for that semester. Students may petition a Denied Admission status by submitting a Petition form to the Registrar's Office which will be reviewed by the UAS Petition Committee.

Estimated Expenses for International Students

Nine Month Academic Year, September through May

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Books	\$1,400	\$780
Board (Food)	\$6,720	\$6,720
Health Insurance	\$1,500	\$1,500
Room (Housing)	\$6,100	\$6,100
Personal	\$6,062	\$6,062
Student/Course Fees	\$1,920	\$1,620
Tuition	\$19,776	\$19,422
TOTAL	\$43,478	\$42,204

Estimated expenses are subject to change. The costs listed above are approximate costs for one academic year (9 months) based on 12 credits/semester for undergraduate students and 9 credits/semester for graduate students. Add approximately \$4,500 for summer living expenses. Transportation costs are not included. If you are bringing family members with you, you must have approximately \$10,000 in additional support per dependent to cover the increased cost of room, board (food) and insurance.

Health Coverage

All international students are required to carry health insurance while attending UAS. The minimum coverage must include:

- Mental Health: 30 visits outpatient, 30 days inpatient
- Pre-Existing Conditions: coverage up to the policy max after 6 months
- Annual Maximum: \$250,000
- A deductible may not exceed \$500
- Repatriation coverage of at least \$25,000
- Medical evacuation coverage of at least \$50,000
- Self-Inflicted Injury coverage of at least \$10,000
- Must be with a reputable health insurance provider

Insurance proof must be on file for each semester in attendance. If a student already has health insurance they may request a waiver. The waiver request must include insurance that meets or exceeds the outlined coverage and is valid in the United States. If a student is submitting a U.S. based policy it must be Affordable Care Act (ACA) compliant. The coverage documentation must be in English and benefit amounts must be in U.S. dollar (USD) currency. If the university finds the insurance not reputable or adequate, the university will request additional insurance and place a hold on the student account until provided. Insurance coverage information is due within the first two weeks after classes begin, each semester.

Insurance plans offered by the following companies will not be accepted: HCC, IMG, ISI, ISO, ISP, GBG, PGH, PSI

International Peace Scholarship

International students (F-1 visa) interested in studying for an academic year or for a full term of undergraduate studies may apply for this needs-based scholarship. For more information, contact the UAS Financial Aid office.

Sister Cities Agreement

Residents of Juneau's official Sister Cities International are offered the UAS resident tuition rate. Sister cities include Whitehorse, Canada; Kalibo, Philippines; and Vladivostok, Russia. For a complete list of Sister Cities, visit page 10 of the BOR Tuition and Student Fees policy (<https://alaska.edu/bor/policy/05.10-Tuition%20and%20Student%20Fees.pdf>). Undergraduate resident tuition and course fees for sister cities is approximately \$7,652 and graduate tuition & course fees is approximately \$10,676 for the nine month academic year.

After Acceptance

The UAS Designated School Official (DSO) will send the international student I-20-A-B forms (required for entrance into the U.S.) after the student has been formally admitted.

NOTE: The I-20-A-B form is necessary to obtain an F-1 Student Visa. Students must take the UAS issued I-20-A-B form to their home country's embassy or consulate. The home country's embassy or consulate will then issue the student an F-1 Visa.

The University must certify to the Immigration and Naturalization Service that the prospective student has been accepted for full-time enrollment and has sufficient funds to meet estimated expenses for the full period of study.

Before Arriving

International students are required to complete UAS placement tests for mathematics and writing. Tests are offered remotely and will assess skills and proficiency as well as serve as a prerequisite for numerous general education requirements.

International students are strongly encouraged to contact the International Student Advisor several months prior to arrival to ensure a smooth transition, gain an understanding of UAS policy and procedures, and register for classes. Once English and math placement tests are completed and scores are available, international students may begin the course registration process with the International Student Advisor.

As a Student

International degree-seeking students must maintain lawful F-1 visa status by successfully completing a full-time course of study each semester (unless otherwise authorized), obtain adequate insurance coverage, and follow the federal guidelines regarding on- and off-campus employment, travel, and more. A violation of status may result in termination of the international student's SEVIS record.