



Enrollment Services

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F-1 Student Visa Admission Requirements

Southwestern Illinois College is a community college offering associate degree programs. Our Associate in Applied Science degree programs are career oriented and designed for students who plan to begin their careers upon graduation from SWIC. Our Associate in Arts, and Associate in Science degrees are designed for students who plan to transfer to four-year universities upon graduation from SWIC. **Baccalaureate degrees cannot be earned at SWIC.**

International students will be considered for admission to SWIC after the following documents are received by the Designated School Official. Class start dates are:

Fall 2021 - Saturday, August 21, 2021
Spring 2022 - Saturday, January 15, 2022
Summer 2022 - Saturday, June 6, 2022

1. A completed SWIC New Student Information Form. Visit SWIC.edu and select **Apply Now**.
2. Official copies of all secondary school and college transcripts, with notarized English translations.
 - www.ece.org
 - www.wes.org
3. International applicants are required to demonstrate English language proficiency by one of the following methods:
 - a. TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) test results. The minimum score accepted for admission is 500 on the written exam which equates to 173 on the computer based TOEFL or 61 or above on the Internet-based TOEFL.
 - b. IELTS (International English Language Testing System). The minimum score accepted for admission is 6.0 or higher.
 - c. Demonstration of placement at ENG 101 reading and writing level through official transcripts from a U.S. high school, college or university or other qualifying test scores, such as the SAT or ACT.
4. Certification of the availability of funds to meet expenses while attending SWIC. The estimated cost for unmarried students during 2021-2022 (\$17,154.64 U.S. currency). Our current tuition for international students is \$189 (U.S. currency) per semester credit waived to in-district rate of \$113 per semester credit with an additional \$9 per semester credit institutional fee. This rate is subject to change without notice. You are responsible for verifying whether these funds are transferrable to the United States.
5. Proof of medical and repatriation insurance is required.
6. Home country address along with address you will be living at in the United States; must be provided prior to issuance of the I-20.
7. After acceptance to Southwestern Illinois College and issuance of the I-20, the Form I-901 must be completed and a \$350 immigration fee paid to the consulate prior to seeking a visa. To pay this fee online visit www.fmjfee.com. For detailed information on the fee, visit www.ice.gov/sevis/i901/index.

Once the above translated documents have been received and reviewed, you will be notified of your admission status. For additional information or to schedule a meeting, please contact the designated school officials noted below. Please note that F-1 Student Visa Admission Requirements may change without notice.

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