

International FAQ

Q: Does ACC provide financial aid or support to international students?

A: *International students are responsible for the cost of attending ACC and all living expenses. Federal financial aid is not available to F1 visa holders, but you may be able to apply for institutional scholarships after your first semester. You should check with your home country to see if they provide any financial assistance.*

Q: How much does it cost to attend ACC?

A: *Tuition is based on the number of credit hours you take per semester. Please review the non-resident column on the [ACC Tuition and Fees](#) chart. The estimated cost of educational and living expenses is \$20,000 per year.*

Q: My English skills are not very strong. Do you have any recommendations for English language programs that can help me prepare to take class at ACC?

A: *ACC does not provide English as a second language (ESL) resources to prospective students. However, there are many online options available including Rosetta Stone, Memrise or Babble. Students are responsible for the cost of these programs.*

Q: Can anyone be my sponsor?

A: *A sponsor can be anyone that is willing to be financially responsible for the student. A sponsor must demonstrate proof of the required financial commitment and sign the required sponsor forms.*

Q: When can international students meet with their advisor?

A: *Before meeting with an international advisor, students must complete the Apply Texas admissions application, pay the international application fee, submit passport documents and TOEFL/IELTS scores or official college transcripts if transferring from another US institution. Please refer to the [International Student Checklist](#) for more information on the steps for admissions.*

Q: What programs do you offer?

A: *You can learn more about the many degree and certificate programs offered at ACC [here](#).*

Q: I am interested in the ACC nursing program what do I need to know?

A: *The ACC nursing receives 200 to 300 applications per year. Applications are accepted twice a year. To learn more about prerequisite courses and the application process go to the [ACC Nursing webpage](#).*

Q: I am still in my country of origin, but I need to take the TSI? How do I do that?

A: *The TSI can be completed online through Examity after you have completed your ACC application and been accepted to ACC. To learn more about the [TSI click here](#).*

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Q: Do I have to pay another application fee if my ApplyTexas app has expired?

A: *ACC applications expire after a year if a student does not register for classes. If your application expires, you are required to re-apply and repay the International Application Fee.*

Q: I have college credits from a school in my home country. Can I use them at ACC?

A: *Students may request that their college credits from their home country be applied to their ACC degree by having their transcripts evaluated by an approved agency. For a list of approved agencies, please refer to the [International Student Checklist](#).*

Q: What is FERPA?

A: *The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. ACC is not allowed to share a student's information with anyone other than the student.*

Q: I am trying to help a family member through this process. What can I do for them?

A: *Students can gain general information about the enrollment process by reviewing the [International Student Checklist](#). Due to FERPA regulations, once a student has been accepted to ACC, all communication must be between the student and ACC representatives.*

Q: I missed the deadline for this semester. Can it be extended?

A: *No, deadlines cannot be extended. The deadlines for Fall application is June 1 and the deadline for Spring is October 1.*

Q: What is Apply Texas? Is that the only way I can apply to ACC?

A: *ApplyTexas is a website administered through the state of Texas. It is the only way to apply to ACC. To view the steps for admissions to ACC, please review the [International Student Checklist](#).*

Q: When will I get my I-20?

A: *I-20s are issued once all required documents listed on the checklist have been submitted. This process often takes a few weeks to complete. To view the steps for admissions to ACC, please review the [International Student Checklist](#).*