INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS

The university welcomes applications from international students.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Academic Documents International applicants must submit official original transcripts of all secondary and postsecondary education, including final exam results. If documents are not in English, certified translations are required. Information regarding certified translation services can be obtained at the applicant’s embassy. All arrangements for translation must be made directly with the translation option of the applicant’s choice.

Standardized Tests Students applying as first-year candidates must present official scores from either the SAT or the ACT (with writing). Students who have attended another post secondary institution and who are applying as transfer students are not required to submit SAT or ACT scores. For information about test dates and sites:

For SAT exams, visit http://www.collegeboard.org
For ACT exams, visit http://www.act.org

English Proficiency International students for whom English is not their first language must demonstrate English proficiency. The University of Vermont requires a minimum iBT score of 90 (577 paper-based TOEFL) or a minimum band IELTS scores of 6.5. Official score reports must be sent from the testing agency to UVM. For TOEFL, visit http://www.ets.org. For IELTS, go to http://www.ielts.org. If an international student has attended a U.S. institution for three or more years, or attends an international or American school with instruction in English for three or more years, or, in rare circumstances, if a combination of evidence exists which otherwise demonstrates a student’s English language proficiency, the Office of Admissions has the discretion to and may waive the requirement for TOEFL or IELTS scores on a case-by-case basis.

Financial Support for International Students The university offers merit-based scholarships to international students each year. Most international students pay the full cost of attending UVM; students attending on non-immigrant student visas are charged out-of-state tuition rates. All international students are considered for these merit-based scholarships; no additional application is required. Information about merit scholarships for international students may be found at http://www.uvm.edu/sfs/scholarships.

Form I-20 International students requiring an F-1 student visa to begin studies at the University of Vermont must complete an I-20 request form and submit it to UVM’s Office of International Education. The I-20 form can only be issued when a student has been formally admitted to UVM and has provided proof of sufficient financial support to cover educational expenses for one full academic year. The student must provide documentation for all sources of financial support. Financial documents must be submitted in English, state an exact currency amount (preferably in U.S. dollars) and be less than six months old at the point of submission for I-20 issuance.

For more information on obtaining an I-20, contact the Office of International Education, 633 Main St., Living/Learning B162, Burlington, VT 05405; Tel: 011-802-656-4296 or visit the website: http://www.uvm.edu/~oies.

TRANSFER CREDIT FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International students who have attended postsecondary institutions in their home country may be eligible for UVM credit under the Transfer Credit Policy guidelines. International students should submit comprehensive course descriptions and outlines, translated in English, to the Office of Transfer Affairs, 360 Waterman Building, Burlington, VT 05405-0160, USA. Submission of these materials helps the Office of Transfer Affairs prepare a full credit evaluation prior to enrollment at UVM. All translations must be certified by the school of record, or by an official NACES member translation agency. Translations must accompany all original documentation. If you have post-secondary college-level course work, you may wish to have your credentials evaluated for U.S. academic equivalents. For more information, please contact the Office of Transfer Affairs at (802) 656-0867, or email: transfer@uvm.edu.

UVM GLOBAL GATEWAY PROGRAM

The University of Vermont offers a pathway program for academically prepared international students, combining English Language coursework with UVM undergraduate courses, and leading to matriculation into a degree program upon successful completion. The one-term Global Gateway Program (GGP) is designed for students with a higher level of English proficiency and who will matriculate into the second semester of a degree program with 14-15 credits upon completion of the GGP, assuming that they meet all program standards. The two-term Global Gateway Program (GGP) is designed to prepare students for the progression to the second year of degree status with 28-30 credits, assuming that they meet all program standards. The three-term pathway program sequence is designed to begin with a one-term intensive English Language program followed by the two-term Global Gateway Program.

Admission to the UVM Global Gateway Program is competitive. Eligible students should have the equivalent of a minimum secondary school grade point average of 2.75 on a U.S. 4.0 scale (or country/regional equivalent). UVM Global Gateway applicants must meet the minimum entrance requirements for the UVM academic college or school they choose. Students seeking admission to the one-term GGP should have an iBT score of 80-89, an IELTS of 6.5 or a Password Test score of 6.5 on both sections. Students seeking admission to the two-term GGP should have an iBT score of 65-79, an IELTS of 6.0 or a Password Test score of 6.0 on both sections. Students seeking admission to the three-term GGP will have an iBT score of 55-64, an IELTS of 5.5 or a Password Test of 5.5 on both sections. Eligible students can also enroll in the Embassy English program and
successfully complete the program to demonstrate English language proficiency.

Eligible students are offered admission to the University of Vermont undergraduate degree program and progress to degree status by successful completion of the UVM Global Gateway Program with a cumulative grade point average in the GGP of 2.5, and a B- or higher average in English Language study for the final GGP semester, or a cumulative grade point average in the GGP of 3.2, and a B- or higher average in English Language study for the final GGP semester to progress into the School of Business. Students enrolled in the three-term program must successfully complete the first term of the UVM Global Gateway Program with a grade point average of 2.75 to progress to the second term.

The application for the UVM Global Gateway Program can be found at http://globalgateway.uvm.edu. For more information, contact the UVM Global Gateway Program Office at uvmadmissions@studygroup.com.

US PATHWAY PROGRAM

The US Pathway Program (USPP) is a partnership between the Consortium of North American Universities (CNAU), comprising Baylor University, DePaul University, Marist College, Northeastern University, Stevens Institute of Technology, and the University of Vermont, and global education service provider Kaplan International. The program provides a pathway for talented Chinese and Nigerian students to pursue undergraduate studies in the U.S. at one of the CNAU partner institutions.

USPP students begin the program with a full year of college-level course work in China or in Nigeria. Students who select UVM as their destination institution then enter a ten-week Summer Bridge program on the UVM campus. Successful completion of the Summer Bridge program will lead to matriculation in the fall semester with second-year status. Students are offered conditional admission to UVM on the basis of their performance in the credit-bearing courses taken during the fall and spring semesters in China or Nigeria with at least a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average. Final admission is granted on the basis of grades earned in the UVM Summer Bridge program. USPP students must meet the minimum entrance requirements for the college or school they choose. Students who matriculate into UVM through the US Pathway Program are considered for merit-based scholarship assistance. For more details, visit the following website: http://www.uvm.edu/sfs/scholarships.

INTERNATIONAL HORIZONS COLLEGE

Qualified students enrolled at the International Horizons College (IHC) in the United Arab Emirates can transfer to UVM through the arrangements established in the agreement of collaboration between the two institutions. Students who successfully complete the full IHC program with a cumulative GPA of 2.7 or above, with no course grade below 2.0, will be granted transfer admission to the University of Vermont. (Some programs at UVM may have specific curricular requirements or be closed to transfer admissions. IHC student services staff and/or the student(s) should communicate with Undergraduate Admissions prior to applying.) The student applying for transfer credit must:

1. apply for transfer admission via the Common Application and provide an official IHC transcript, an official secondary school transcript;
2. provide certification of financial resources (non-U.S. citizens);
3. pay the application fee.

IHC students who apply for admission with less than 60 credit hours in the IHC may do so under the following parameters:

1. IHC students with 12 or more college credits are eligible for consideration as transfer students;
2. minimum grade point average of 2.7 on a US 4.0 scale from IHC courses;
3. only courses in which an IHC student has received a grade of C or higher are considered toward eligibility for transfer;
4. demonstration of English proficiency meeting UVM minimum entrance requirements (TOEFL or IELTS);
5. demonstration that UVM minimum entrance curricular requirements have been met;
6. certification of the student’s financial resources;
7. the University will evaluate all IHC courses for which transfer credit is sought and determine whether transfer credit applies for that course.

For more information about the IHC agreement with the University of Vermont, contact the International Admissions staff at admissions@uvm.edu or at the IHC website at http://www.ihc-dubai.com.