INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS

International Undergraduates as Nondegree Students

International students who are currently in the U.S. on visas such as an F-1, F-2, B-2, J-1, etc. and do not have a valid immigration document from OSU should consult with OSU’s Office of International Services (OIS) (email: isas.advisor@oregonstate.edu) before submitting the OSU non-degree application for admission. Students will be required to turn in copies of their immigration documents to move forward. Only certain visa types allow an individual to pursue part-time or non-degree-seeking course work and still maintain one’s visa status.

International students who plan to enroll with OSU as non-degree exchange students should use the application form that is made available at each partner institution. For a list of exchange partner institutions, go to http://international.oregonstate.edu/files/atosu/osu-exchange-partner-institutions.pdf.

Undergraduate students who wish to enroll with OSU for one or more terms, but who do not plan to complete degree requirements at OSU and will not participate in an established exchange program, should contact International Admissions at intladmit@oregonstate.edu for further information, and before applying.

International students who wish to enroll in Academic English, Undergraduate Pathway or Graduate Pathway programs should contact INTO Oregon State University at intladmit@oregonstate.edu for further information.

Admission of International Undergraduate Students

International students are admitted to OSU based on meeting the minimum OSU academic requirements, English language proficiency requirements and evidence of funding requirements (if an F-1 or J-1 visa is needed). Visit the Office of International Admissions online at http://admissions.oregonstate.edu/?q=international/.

In general, international applicants must have completed their high school diploma or secondary school certificate with a minimum 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, an average “B” grade (A–F), or the equivalent.

Applicants transferring from a recognized college or university outside the U.S. must have a cumulative grade-point average of 2.5, meet OSU’s math requirement for transfer students (if you have earned 36 or more transferrable credits) and be eligible to return to the most recent institution attended.

Applicants transferring from a regionally accredited college or university in the U.S. must have a cumulative grade-point average of 2.25, meet OSU’s math and writing requirements for transfer students (if you have earned 36 or more transferrable credits), and be eligible to return to the most recent institution attended.

Applicants for a bachelor’s degree must submit official records of all secondary, middle and high schools attended (in general, these represent years 9–12) AND all colleges, universities and/or professional schools attended. Results of comprehensive examinations are required in the original language and on the official form of the institution, government, or other examining or certifying agency.

Applicants must present proof of English language proficiency, if available, by submitting TOEFL, IELTS or an acceptable alternative, e.g., IGCSE, SAT, ACT, or AP results.

Exceptions to the English proficiency test requirement are:
• Individuals who have completed a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution in the U.S. or other English speaking country (see list below).
• Citizens of the following countries: Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada (English speaking provinces), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Ireland, Jamaica, Montserrat, New Zealand, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, Turks and Caicos, United Kingdom, U.S. Virgin Islands.
• For citizens of African countries whose official language is English, waivers will be considered on a case-by-case basis if the medium of instruction is English.

INTO OSU Pathway Programs

UNDERGRADUATE PATHWAY

INTO Oregon State University’s Undergraduate Pathway programs combine intensive language study, academic skills development and academic course work in a carefully constructed program designed to move students successfully through one to three terms of undergraduate study in their degree program. Entry requirements vary based on the length of program chosen. All students have a study plan and receive academic advising that is reflective of their specific Undergraduate Pathway program.

Successful completion of Undergraduate Pathway progression requirements allows students to complete one to three terms of undergraduate study and progress to their undergraduate degree at Oregon State University in their respective field of study.

Academic English + Undergraduate Pathway

Academically qualified applicants for Undergraduate Pathway who are unable to provide a language proficiency score (or who provide one that is below the minimum) will begin their program by taking Academic English courses until they complete Level 4 of the program. All students have a study plan and receive academic advising that is reflective of the Academic English + Undergraduate Pathway program.

GRADUATE PATHWAY

INTO Oregon State University’s Graduate Pathway program is a pre-Master’s program that provides international students a direct path to various graduate degrees at the university. The program gives students the academic foundation, essential language skills and GMAT/GRE test preparation to successfully move on to the Master’s degree. Entry to this program requires satisfactory completion of a four-year undergraduate degree in an appropriate subject with at least a 2.75 GPA or equivalent overall and a minimum of 2.75 GPA for the final year of study and a 70 iBT TOEFL or equivalent test score (some options have higher entry requirements). All students have a study plan and receive academic advising that is reflective of their specific Graduate Pathway program.

Successful completion of Graduate Pathway progression requirements secures students a place in full-time graduate studies at Oregon State University in their respective field of study.

Academic English + Graduate Pathway

Academically qualified applicants for Graduate Pathway who are unable to provide a language proficiency score (or who provide one that is
below the minimum) will begin their program by taking Academic English courses until they complete Level 5 of the program. All students have a study plan and receive academic advising that is reflective of the Academic English + Graduate Pathway program.

WHEN TO APPLY: INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

The Office of International Admissions recommends that international undergraduate applicants submit a complete application and supporting documents preferably 4 to 6 months before the intended term start date.

For information about Admission of International Graduate Students, please see the Graduate Admissions Requirements (http://catalog.oregonstate.edu/college-departments/graduate-school) section.