



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PACKET

Dear Prospective International Student:

We are pleased you are interested in enrolling at Midland College. Most of the required forms for the application process are included in this packet, with the exception of the Midland College Application for Admission, which can be located at <https://www.applytexas.org>.

International students applying to Midland College must complete the following checklist and submit all items listed below to the International Student Office before an I-20 will be issued. Documents must be uploaded via the provided link: <https://midland.edu/enrollment-aid/steps-enroll/international/form-international-document-upload.php> **Students on full athletic scholarship DO NOT use this link, instead, submit your packet and documents to your respective coaches.** The entire application and documentation submission must be completed according to the following application deadlines:

Fall Semester Deadline: July 15th
Spring Semester Deadline: November 15th
(Summer Session Admission will not be granted)

- _____ Application for Admission to Midland College via www.goapplytexas.org
- _____ OFFICIAL copies of high school and college (if any) transcripts. (Refer to Transcripts section below for more information)
- _____ Proof of English Proficiency: ACT, SAT, TSI, DUOLINGO, or TOEFL Scores
- _____ Financial Agreement – signed by student applicant AND parent/guardian or sponsor. (Not required if student on full athletic)
- _____ Supporting Document for Proof of Income/Ability to Pay (in US dollars) (Not required if student on full athletic)
- _____ Financial Statement – signed by student, parent, financial institution and a witness. (Not required if student on full athletic)
- _____ Financial Status Form (Not required if student on full athletic)
- _____ Passport Photocopy
- _____ Conditions of Enrollment Agreement

We are pleased that you are considering Midland College! You can also find this packet along with additional information at <https://www.midland.edu/enrollment-aid/steps-enroll/international/index.php>.



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Please save this page for your arrival to the US.

Once Visa has been issued

- _____ Take TSI (if needed)
- _____ Make appointment with International Advisor to check in and register for SEVIS and provide:
 - _____ Signed I-20
 - _____ I-94
 - _____ Proof of Insurance
 - _____ Updated US Address (form submitted in office)
 - _____ Copy of Visa

Date of Appointment:

Time of Appointment:



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Transcript Information

Submit official transcripts from schools previously attended, which includes all high school and colleges attended. Transcripts from non-US schools must be evaluated by one of the member agencies at NACES (www.naces.org/members) or AICE (<https://aice-eval.org/endorsed-members>). All college transcripts must be evaluated via the comprehensive or course-by-course option. **It is the student's responsibility to submit the information to the evaluator and pay the required fee.** Midland College will not consider transfer credit until the evaluated transcript has been received directly from the evaluation agency.

Proof of English Proficiency: All international students are required to show English proficiency in order to study at Midland College. Tests of English are not required of students from English speaking countries attending as general students. Certain health science majors may require specific TOEFL scores in order to be admitted.

Acceptable tests and cut-off scores that a student from a non-English speaking country can use:

- TOEFL 61 on the internet based test
- IELTS 6
- TSI Assessment with the following scores:

TSIA2

Score Range: CRC 910-990, Essay 0-8

Math: 950

ELAR: 945

Essay: 5

- SAT EBRW 480
- ACT 19 on the English test
- CLEP 50 with essay on the English test
- International Baccalaureate Program 4 on the English A1 Higher Level (HL) exam
- Duolingo 95

TSIA2 (with Diagnostics)

Score Range: CRC 910-990, Diagnostic 2-6, Essay 0-8

Math: 910-949 **AND** Diagnostic Level 6

ELAR: 910-944 **AND** Diagnostic Level 5

Essay: 5

The International Student Advisor may select a panel of Midland College employees to evaluate English proficiency when receiving near passing scores.

Required Placement Testing (Upon Acceptance of Admission and before enrolling in classes)

Upon admission acceptance, students seeking a college degree of higher learning in the state of Texas are required to test for proficiency in reading, writing and math skills before enrolling in college-level courses. The TSI Assessment is a state-approved placement test that is available for students to take during regular office hours on campus. Registration for classes will not be allowed until placement test are taken.

Additional TSI information can be located on the Midland College website at <https://www.midland.edu/enrollment-aid/tsi.php>



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Financial Documents – (only if not on full athletic scholarship)

All three of the following documents showing proof of financial support must be submitted IN FULL, complete with the required signatures indicated AND required supporting documents. This would include proof of income from the person responsible for the financial support (parent/guardian or sponsor, etc.). Proof of income can come in the form of a notarized letter from an employer stating total annual income (in US dollars), or a recent certified bank statement from a financial institution (no older than two months). The application will not be processed if these documents are not submitted with complete information, required signatures and required supporting documents:

- v Financial Agreement – attach proof of income
- v Financial Status Form
- v Financial Statement

Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination Requirements As of January 1, 2014, all entering students under the age of 22 at an institution of higher education are required to show proof of an initial meningococcal vaccination or a booster dose during the five-year period prior to enrolling. They must get the vaccine at least 10 days before the semester begins.

Exemptions

A separate, signed application must be submitted ONLINE for each individual to receive an exemption from Texas meningococcal vaccination requirements. This form is for official use only and is not valid if photocopied. If the student is 17 years or younger, the form must be signed by a parent/guardian. The exemption form can be located at <https://corequestjc.dshs.texas.gov/>

For more information regarding college vaccine requirements, visit the [Texas Department of State Health Services Vaccine Requirements website](#) and the [Texas Legislature SB62 website](#).

SEVIS/VISA/I-20 Information

Upon receipt of the required documents outlined above, Midland College will review the applicant's admission information and evaluate it. When admission is granted, an acceptance letter, and Form I-20 will be sent to the student.

Medical Emergency/Evacuation Insurance

All international students are required to have medical and accident insurance coverage that includes medical evacuation and repatriation to their home country, in the event this becomes necessary. Proof of travel medical insurance confirms you will have adequate coverage for potential medical costs incurred within your destination country. This is especially important in a country that does not have a universal health care system, like the United States. It is highly recommended that the student participates in a Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan to help cover any unexpected medical expenses. Midland College will not be responsible for any existing medical conditions or out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred by the student, unless the medical cost is within guidelines of any scholarship contract between the student and Midland College.



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Tuition

All students classified as non-resident for tuition purposes will be assessed the out-of-state tuition rate. Tuition rates can be found at the provided link: <https://www.midland.edu/enrollment-aid/paying-college/tuition.php>

Students on F-1 visas are required by USCIS to be enrolled full-time, which means you must be enrolled and maintain an enrollment of at least 12 semester hours.

Academic Progress

According to immigration regulations, all international students are expected to make sufficient academic progress over the course of their studies. This means that you must successfully pass a minimum of 12 credits and maintain a 2.0 or higher Grade Point Average (GPA) every semester. An international student that fails to progress academically may have difficulties renewing their visa, transferring, or completing their program by the end date on their I-20.

- 1st semester not meeting 2.0 or higher academic GPA/semester = Academic Alert which constitutes that the Coordinator of the Testing Center and International Student Admissions will work in conjunction with an Academic Advisor to assist and advise student as needed regarding GPA.
- 2nd consecutive semester not meeting 2.0 or higher academic GPA/semester = Academic Intervention- Scheduled check-ins with Coordinator of Testing Center and International Student Admissions along with Academic Advisor will be required on regular intervals to observe grades and determine strategies to assist in raising student GPA. Student will receive notification that their I-20 may be terminated if academic GPA is less than 2.0 for a third consecutive semester.
- 3rd consecutive semester not meeting 2.0 or higher academic GPA/semester = committee review to determine whether or not I-20 should be terminated.



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Immigration regulations require non-immigrant students to verify that funds will be available to pay for all costs of education, living and other personal expenses, while studying in the U.S. Students must NOT rely on extra income from part-time employment to help with cost of education. International students are reminded that they are not authorized to obtain employment off-campus, unless an Employment Authorization Document has been awarded by U.S. Department of Immigration. The school DSO will not recommend an EAD for any student who does not provide valid proof that an unexpected and mitigating circumstance has occurred that has caused an economic hardship. International students are allowed to be employed by Midland College, if employment is available, for a maximum of 20 hours/week while school is in session; and 40 hours/week during a holiday or summer break.

PART I. Financial Statement of International Student

I _____ do hereby certify that:
Name (PRINT)

- I, or my sponsor, will have a minimum of \$20,000 in U.S. currency available to me for each academic year (nine months) while I am pursuing a degree at Midland College, plus adequate funds for travel to and from the United States.
- In addition to having adequate funds for my own expenses, I will also have sufficient funds to cover living and travel expenses for any dependents who accompany me.
- These funds can and will be provided during my entire duration of studies by the individual noted in Part II.
- I can make arrangements to have the necessary funds transferred to the United states and available to me prior to registration each semester.
- I, or my sponsor have attached one or more of the following supportive financial documents: bank statement, certificates of deposit, mutual, stock or bond funds and/or other accessible funds.
- I understand that regulations prohibit me from working in an off-campus job until I have been a student for at least an academic year, and then only if I am able to prove there has been an unanticipated change in the source of my funding. Such employment is limited to 20 hours per week during the academic year.

Student's Signature

Date



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PART II. Financial Statement of Responsible Party for Payment (Self, Parent/Guardian/Sponsor)

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am the responsible person for all expenses incurred by the above applicant, while studying at Midland College. I am submitting _____ as supportive financial documentation to prove that I can provide the funds needed in accordance with the stipulations stated in Part 1 (\$20,000 U.S. dollars per academic year).

Signature Date

PART III. Statement of Proof of Income by Financial Institution (If using Financial Institution)

I hereby certify that our records indicate that the responsible party named in Part II is capable of meeting all expenses incurred by the international student applicant and any accompanying dependent as noted in Part I of this form. By signing below, I understand that I am not liable nor is the bank/financial institution that I represent, in this matter.

PLEASE PRINT:

Name of Bank Official Occupation/Title

Name of Financial Institution Mailing Address

Mailing Address

Amount Type equals \$ _____ U.S. Dollars

Signature Date Email Address/Phone #

SUBSCRIBED TO AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, on the _____ day of _____, to certify which witness my hand and official seal.

Notary Public Signature



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Midland College International Student Conditions of Enrollment Agreement

International students who are applying for admission at Midland College with an F-1 visa must abide by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service as well as the college policies. It is the student's responsibility to know and abide by these regulations set forth in this agreement. Violation of any of the following rules can result in possible withdrawal from classes and removal from the U.S. The rules outlined below are mandated by Midland College. All other rules/regulations of an F-1 visa are the responsibility of the student visa holder.

Read each statement and indicate that you agree with the condition by providing your initials in the space provided.

- ___ I agree 1. Upon arrival on campus for my first semester, I must report to the International Student Advisor within 7 business days of the term start date indicated on the I-20.
- ___ I agree 2. For each semester for the duration of my enrollment at Midland College, I understand that I must maintain a full-time course load of at least 12 semester hours each term, unless I have received prior authorization to enroll below full-time by the International Student Advisor. Such authorization must be granted BEFORE registration. My schedule must be approved the DSO.
- ___ I agree 3. I understand that I am required to maintain satisfactory academic progress with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- ___ I agree 4. To maintain good standing with F-1 Visa status, I am limited to only part-time employment ON CAMPUS and must receive permission from the International Student Advisor before obtaining such employment.
- ___ I agree 5. I must notify the International Student Advisor within 10 days of any name or address change that occurs for me and/or my dependents. I also understand it is **my responsibility** to notify USCIS of such changes within 10 days.
- ___ I agree 6. If I plan to travel outside of U.S. and plan to re-enter, I must have a signature of authorization from the International Student Advisor on page 2 of my I-20 before leaving the U.S. I understand this is **my responsibility** to obtain this signature.
- ___ I agree 7. If I plan to remain enrolled past my completion date indicated on the I-20 due to academic circumstances, I must receive authorization with a signature from the International Student Advisor at least 30 days BEFORE the completion date indicated on your I-20.
- ___ I agree 8. I understand that upon completion of my program at Midland College, I am required to depart the U.S. within 60 days of my completion date unless I have been *accepted* to another U.S. institution as a transfer student.



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- ___ I agree 9. I understand that if I plan to transfer to another college or university, I must inform the Midland College International Advisor at least 30 days prior to the transfer and before I complete my course of study at Midland College. I must also inform the Midland College International Advisor the name of the school to which I am transferring in writing and provide an acceptance letter.
- ___ I agree 10. I understand it is my responsibility to keep my passport valid and keep the I-94 along with the original copy of the I-20 in my possession and secured *at all times*.
- ___ I agree 11. I understand it is my responsibility to maintain current knowledge on all Federal regulations regarding my F-1 visa.
- ___ I agree 12. I understand that I am solely responsible for all expenses incurred in the event of a medical emergency. Midland College is not responsible for medical expenses.
- ___ I agree 13. I understand that S.E.V.I.S. (Student & Exchange Visitor Information System) is a government tracking system requiring that students stay in touch with Student Services and the Midland College International Advisor to report any of the above information. This will prevent the student from avoiding unintentional violations and having to depart the U.S

I acknowledge that I understand all of the statements above and agree to their conditions by signing my initials next to each statement. I further understand that any deviation from this agreement will be cause for notification to USCIS for appropriate action and possible withdrawal from classes. Midland College will not be responsible for any case of expulsion from the U.S. deemed mandatory by USCIS.

PLEASE PRINT

Student's Full Name: _____
 Family (Last) Given (First) Full Middle Name

Foreign Mailing Address: _____
 (EXACTLY as it should appear on a postal package) _____

Email Address: _____

Country of Citizenship: _____ Date of Birth: _____

 Student's Signature

 Date