

ADMISSION POLICIES
INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE STUDENTS

The University will consider admission applications, dependent upon the availability of facilities and resources, from candidates who meet the criteria approved by the Council on Graduate Studies, the University President and the Board of Trustees, and published in the Eastern Illinois University Graduate Catalog.

International graduate admissions are handled by the Office of International Students and Scholars. Acceptance of applications and granting of admissions are subject to completion of the application process and an approved financial affidavit form to meet Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) requirements. Completed applications must be on file by the published deadlines listed on the International Students and Scholars website. Transfer students from other U.S. institutions must complete their applications no later than ten calendar days preceding the start of the semester. The EIU Graduate Catalog is the official source for specific requirements for international graduate admission.

International Student Admission to Graduate Degree and Certificate Programs

- Admission to the Graduate School. Admission to the Graduate School is the first stage of admission for a degree or certificate applicant. To be eligible for admission to the Graduate School, applicants must have obtained a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution approved by Eastern Illinois University and achieved the minimum scholarly requirements outlined in the Graduate Catalog.
- Admission to a Degree or Certificate Program. Admission as a degree or certificate candidate is the second stage of graduate admission. Candidacy is granted only by an academic program. The requirements for candidacy of individual graduate and certificate programs are outlined in the Graduate Catalog.
- Admission as a Provisional Candidate. Provisional degree or certificate candidacy may be granted by a program to students who do not meet the minimum criteria established by the Graduate School, who do not meet the minimum criteria established by the program, or who do not have the required undergraduate preparation for degree or certificate candidacy. The Graduate School provisions and limitations are outlined in the Graduate Catalog.
- Admission for Applicants from Non-Accredited Institutions. Provisional degree or certificate admission may be granted by the Council on Graduate Studies to students who have not completed baccalaureate degrees from regionally accredited institutions recognized by Eastern Illinois University. The procedures and limitations are outlined in the Graduate Catalog.

- Conditional Admission for International Applicants: Applicants who meet all of the requirements for admission, but do not meet the criteria for English mastery, may be offered conditional admission while they seek to fulfill the requirements for English language mastery. Conditional admission for international applicants is granted only by the Graduate School through a recommendation of the Office of International Students and Scholars. Students offered conditional admission must provide evidence of meeting English language mastery to the Office of International Students and Scholars as outlined in the Graduate Catalog. International students offered conditional admission are admitted to the Graduate School and to degree candidacy only after providing evidence of English mastery.

International Student Admission to Pursue a Second Bachelor's Degree

- Admission for a Second Bachelor's Degree. Students holding a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution approved by Eastern Illinois University may seek an additional baccalaureate (undergraduate) degree. Admission to pursue an additional baccalaureate degree requires admission through the Graduate School following standard procedures outlined in the Graduate Catalog. Students pursuing an additional baccalaureate degree are considered graduate students even though they are completing the requirements for an undergraduate degree program and are subject to regulations governing graduate study as outlined in the Graduate Catalog.

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