

## International Students

Note: This application should be used only if you wish to be admitted into a graduate degree program.

### Introduction

Thank you for your interest in graduate studies at Coastal Carolina University. All graduate applications must first be processed through the Office of Graduate Studies. Once your application is complete, it will be forwarded to the Graduate Admissions Committee in the appropriate department. **Please see the main application page and your specific program for additional application requirements.**

### Submission of Required Credentials

All graduate applications must first be processed through the Office of Graduate Studies:

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Coastal Carolina University  
Tom Trout Drive  
Indigo Hall, 101  
Conway, SC 29528-6054  
USA

**Your application cannot be considered until your non-refundable \$45 application fee and all required credentials are received:**

#### ► Application and Fee

The application form and the non-refundable \$45 application fee.

#### ► Official Scores for International Students

Citizens of countries other than the United States of America who apply to Coastal's graduate programs must meet the University's graduate admission requirements in addition to any requirements specific to the chosen degree program. All international applicants must:

1. Submit a completed degree seeking application for graduate admission to the chosen program;
2. Provide original or certified copies of all certificates, transcripts, and degrees (if these documents are not in English, then official translations must be included as well);
3. Submit the required standardized test results;
4. If a non-native speaker of English, provide official results from tests taken within the last 3 (three) years of one of the following acceptable means of documenting English language proficiency consistent with success in graduate programs (Note that higher scores may be required of some graduate programs so applicants are urged to consult their desired program to identify whether a higher score is required):

- a. A minimum score of 550 on the paper-based (PBT) or 79 on the internet (iBT) Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL);
- b. A minimum score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam;
- c. Certificate of Completion of level 112 of English for Academic Purposes (EAP) from ELS Language Centers;
- d. Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic with a score of 59;
- e. Cambridge CAE (Certificate of Advanced English) with a minimum level of C1;
- f. Cambridge CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English) with a minimum level of C1;
- g. MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery) with a score of 77;
- h. TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication) with a score of 745;
- i. Bachelors degree earned from a regionally accredited U.S. institution of higher education within the last three years.

#### ► Transcripts

You must submit an official transcript from every institution you have attended. Receipt of a baccalaureate and/or higher degree must be clearly indicated on the transcript from the awarding institution. Official transcripts are those sent by the registrar of a college or university directly to the Office of Graduate Studies. The Office of Graduate Studies does not request transcripts from any institution. International students who completed education outside of the United States are required to submit official academic records and certifications of degrees for all postsecondary institutions attended. In addition to original transcripts, foreign transcripts must be translated into English and evaluated course-by-course to the American grading system and course equivalences. This evaluation can be requested through any member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). Members can be found on their website: [www.naces.org/members](http://www.naces.org/members). All transcripts must be sent directly to the Office of Graduate Studies from the credentialing entity.

#### ► Official Graduate Record Exam (GRE), Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT), or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT)

Your GRE, GMAT, or MAT test scores must be submitted before your application will be reviewed by the Graduate Admissions Committee.

### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION:

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# Application for Graduate Admission

A non-refundable application fee of \$45 is required with this application.

1. I WISH TO BEGIN GRADUATE STUDY AT COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY. YEAR \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ FALL SEMESTER      ☐ SPRING SEMESTER      ☐ MAY SEMESTER      ☐ FULL TIME      ☐ PART TIME  
☐ SUMMER I      ☐ SUMMER II
2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_
3. LEGAL NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Suffix (Jr., III, IV)
4. MAIDEN OR FORMER NAME USED AT OTHER COLLEGES \_\_\_\_\_
5. PERMANENT ADDRESS  
P.O. Box, RFD, Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Zip +four \_\_\_\_\_  
Country \_\_\_\_\_
6. TELEPHONES: Home ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_
7. E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_
8. BIRTH DATE (MM/DD/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female
10. I AM A SENIOR CITIZEN (age 60 or older). ☐ Yes ☐ No
11. ETHNIC ORIGIN / RACE  
I am Hispanic or Latino. ☐ Yes ☐ No  
  
What is your race? Regardless of how you answered the prior statement, please indicate the race you consider yourself to be.  
☐ American Indian OR Alaskan Native      ☐ Asian      ☐ Black/African American  
☐ Native Hawaiian OR Other Pacific Islander      ☐ White
12. COUNTRY OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_
13. I AM A PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN OF THE UNITED STATES. ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If Yes, what is your alien registration number \_\_\_\_\_ Attach a copy of your Green Card.
14. I AM AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT. ☐ Yes ☐ No  
I am seeking an F-1 Student Visa. ☐ Yes ☐ No
15. EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION Check relationship to you: ☐ Parent ☐ Spouse ☐ Guardian ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Suffix (Jr., III, IV)  
Home/permanent address: P.O. Box, RFD, Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Zip +four \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephones: Home ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_
16. DEGREE SOUGHT Type in the degree you are seeking.  
- Master of Accountancy, Master of Business Administration, Business Foundations, Fraud Examination  
- Education Specialist in Educational Leadership, Educational Specialist in Instructional Technology, Master of Arts in Teaching,  
Master of Education in Educational Leadership, Master of Education in Instructional Technology, Master of Education Language,  
Literacy and Culture, Master of Special Education, English for Speakers of Other Languages, Online Teaching and Training

- Master of Arts in Liberal Studies, Master of Arts in Writing
- Master of Science in Coastal Marine and Wetland Studies, Master of Science in Information Systems Technology,
- Master of Science in Sport Management, Doctor of Philosophy in Marine Science: Coastal and Marine Systems Science

#### HOW DID YOU FIRST LEARN ABOUT COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY'S GRADUATE PROGRAMS?

☐ Mailing      ☐ Live in area      ☐ Alumni of CCU      ☐ Current CCU student      ☐ Employer  
☐ CCU web site      ☐ Newspaper      ☐ Radio      ☐ Graduate/Career Fair      ☐ Web search  
☐ Other  
☐ Explain

17. **TESTS: (For International Applicants Only)** Give dates you have taken or will take the test.

**Graduate Record Exam (GRE):**      **DATE 1 (MM/DD/YY)**      **DATE 2 (MM/DD/YY)**  
**Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT):** **DATE 1 (MM/DD/YY)**      **DATE 2 (MM/DD/YY)**  
**English Language Proficiency Test:**      **Test Taken:**      **DATE (MM/DD/YY)**

18. **COLLEGE(S) ATTENDED** List below all colleges attended, current or most recent first, and ask the institution(s) to forward an official transcript of your work directly to the Office of Graduate Studies, Coastal Carolina University. *Attach additional page, if necessary.*

Name of school (full name) \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Date leaving (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Degree earned \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school (full name) \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Date leaving (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Degree earned \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school (full name) \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Date leaving (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ Degree earned \_\_\_\_\_

19. ARE YOU CURRENTLY STUDYING IN THE UNITED STATES? ☐ YES ☐ NO If Yes, you must submit an International Clearance Form. **ALL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

#### ON F-1 STUDENT VISAS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING FORMS:

- Confidential Financial Statement
- Letter of Guarantee

The Confidential Financial Statement, the Letter of Guarantee and the International Student Clearance Form can be obtained online at: [www.coastal.edu/graduate/forms/html](http://www.coastal.edu/graduate/forms/html).

#### 20.. NON-ACADEMIC ADMISSIONS REVIEW

Effective June 1, 2009, all applicants are required to submit complete responses to a series of non-academic admissions review questions on the application for admission.

Responses to these questions are initially reviewed by the Office of Graduate Studies. Some cases are then referred to the Non-Academic Admissions Committee for review. An applicant must satisfy the Non-Academic Admissions Review portion of the admission application prior to the review of the documentation (transcripts, test scores, letters of recommendation, etc.). This review process supports the University's goal of maintaining a safe learning community. Failure to submit complete responses or the falsification of responses will result in the revocation of the admission decision or the dismissal of the student after enrollment. It is the responsibility of the applicant/student to notify the Office of Graduate Studies of changes to your responses to questions on the Non-Academic Admissions Review. Disclosure is a continuous obligation of the applicant/student. Failure to do so shall result in immediate and permanent dismissal. In addition, Coastal Carolina University will not permit Registered Sex Offenders to enroll in classes or to participate in campus activities. The failure to disclose registration shall result in immediate expulsion and revocation of any privileges as a student. For the purpose of the following questions, "crime" or "criminal charge" refers to any crime other than a traffic-related misdemeanor or infraction. You must, however, include alcohol or drug offenses whether or not they are traffic related.

If you answer "Yes" to any question below, you are required to provide your own written explanation of the event(s) and a statement from your legal representative summarizing the event(s) and the final disposition of your case. If you are/were not represented by legal counsel in connection with the event(s), in addition to your own written explanation, you must provide court records summarizing the event(s) and the final disposition of your case. Print your full name at the top of each page, and date and sign each page. All documentation must be emailed to the Office of Graduate Studies at [gslegal@coastal.edu](mailto:gslegal@coastal.edu).

- ☐ YES ☐ NO Have you been convicted of a crime as an adult or juvenile?
- ☐ YES ☐ NO Have you entered a plea of guilty, a plea of no contest, a plea of "nolo contendere", an Alford plea, a plea of delinquency in juvenile court, or have you received a deferred prosecution or prayer for judgment continued to a criminal charge?
- ☐ YES ☐ NO Have you otherwise accepted responsibility for the commission of a crime or entered a pre-trial/diversion program?
- ☐ YES ☐ NO Do you have any criminal charges pending against you?

- Written statement (required for all “Yes” responses). Attach an additional sheet of paper if necessary.

This image shows a blank sheet of white paper with horizontal ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are no margins or other markings on the paper.

I certify that these responses are true and complete to the best of my knowledge, pursuant to reasonable inquiry where needed, and I am aware that any knowing omissions or falsification herein may result in disciplinary action including denial of admission or dismissal after admission. Further, it is my understanding that I shall not be considered for admission to the University until I have submitted all credentials. I agree to inform the Office of Graduate Studies, in writing, of any change in my plans to attend the University and any change to my responses to questions on this application. I understand that if I discontinue my enrollment in a major term at Coastal Carolina University at any time, I must submit a new application by the appropriate deadline. I also understand that the provision of my Social Security number and ethnicity/racial origin are not required to be considered for admission to the University.

My signature below is my promise that, should I enroll at Coastal Carolina University, I will abide by all rules and policies of the Code of Student Conduct and Academic Responsibilities as outlined in the University's Student Handbook. A copy of the Handbook can be found at [www.coastal.edu/deanofstudents/](http://www.coastal.edu/deanofstudents/). Failure to truthfully disclose information may subject me to immediate expulsion.

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Application Agreement

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I affirm this is my true and correct signature.

X  
Signature Required

Do you wish to waive your right to examine your letters of recommendation:      Yes      No

## Contact the Office of International Programs and Services

For information about English language proficiency requirements and conditional admission, please contact Amy Williams (Interim Assistant Director for International Recruitment and Admissions ) at [aewilliam@coastal.edu](mailto:aewilliam@coastal.edu) or +1 843-349-2521. For questions about visa support for graduate study, please contact Geoffrey Parsons (Director, Office of International Programs and Services) at [parsons@coastal.edu](mailto:parsons@coastal.edu) or +1 843-349-2054.

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