**International Graduate Admission**

Citizens of countries other than the United States of America who apply to Coastal Carolina University 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:

- Submit a completed degree seeking application for graduate admission to the chosen program;
- 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.);
- Submit the required standardized test results; and
- If a non-native speaker of English, provide official results from tests taken within the last three years or 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 minimum score of 550 on the paper-based (PBT) or 79 on the internet (iBT) Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL);
  - A minimum score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) exam;
  - Certificate of Completion of level 112 of English for Academic Purposes (EAP) from an ELS Language Center;
  - Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic with a score of 59;
  - Cambridge CAE (Certificate of Advanced English) with a minimum level of C1;
  - Cambridge CPE (Certificate of Proficiency in English) with a minimum level of C1;
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MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery) with a score of 77; TOEIC (Test of English for International Communication) with a score of 745; Duolingo score of at least 100;

Bachelor’s degree earned from a regionally accredited U.S. institution of higher education within the last three years.

For more information international applicants should consult the Center for Global Engagement.

Transfer Credit

Transfer credit from foreign colleges/universities is reviewed within the Center for Global Engagement. Foreign transcripts must be translated into English and evaluated course-by-course to the American grading system and course equivalencies. This service can be obtained through any member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES). Members can be found on the website: http://www.naces.org/members.html.

International course work will be reviewed by the Center for Global Engagement for transfer in coordination with the Dean of the student’s degree program and the Dean of each course in review.

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Update to read: This service can be obtained through any organization that is recognized by the U. S. Department of Education to conduct foreign credential evaluation, and is a member of the NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Service) or AICE (Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc.). Members can be found on the website: http://www.naces.org/members.html

2 CHANGES REQUESTED

ADD comma and change link: For more information, international applicants should consult International Admissions and the Center for Global Engagement.
Health Insurance
International students attending Coastal on student visas are required to purchase the University insurance plan or show proof of a comparable plan acceptable within the Center for Global Engagement, which is responsible for issuing visa-related documents.

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Update section to read:
International students attending Coastal Carolina University on student visas are required to purchase the University insurance plan, or provide proof of a comparable plan and obtain approval of that plan from the Center for Global Engagement, which is responsible for issuing visa-related documents. International students who do not provide proof of insurance before the time and date designated by the Center for Global Engagement will be enrolled in the University international insurance program and all charges will be placed on their student account.