

Enrollment Services

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F-1 Student Visa Admission Requirements

Southwestern Illinois College is a community college offering Associate Degree Programs. Our Associate in Applied Science degree programs are career oriented and designed for students who plan to begin their careers upon graduation from Southwestern. Our Associate in Arts, and Associate in Science degrees are designed for students who plan to transfer to four-year universities upon graduation from Southwestern. Baccalaureate degrees cannot be earned at Southwestern Illinois College.

International students will be considered for admission to Southwestern after the following documents are received by the Designated School Officials <u>at least 90 days</u> prior to the start of the semester for which they intend to enroll. Class start dates are:

<u>Monday, June 2, 2014</u> (documents due October 11, 2013 for **Spring 2014** semester)

<u>Monday, June 2, 2014</u> (documents due March 4, 2014 for **Summer 2014** semester)

<u>Saturday, August 16, 2014</u> (documents due May 16, 2014 for **Fall 2014** semester)

- 1. A completed Southwestern New Student Information Form.
- 2. Official copies of all secondary school and college transcripts, with notarized English translations.
- 3. An <u>official</u> copy of the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) test results. F-1Visa students must achieve a score of 61 or above on the Internet-based TOEFL, which equates to a 173 on the computer-based TOEFL or 500 on the paper-based TOEFL: for more detailed information on TOEFL, visit <u>www.ets.org</u> or call 609-771-7100.
- 4. Certification of the availability of funds to meet expenses while attending Southwestern. The estimated cost for unmarried students during 2013 2014 is \$25,533 (U.S. currency). Our current tuition for international students is \$455 (U.S. currency) per semester hour with an additional \$5 per credit hour institutional fee. This rate is subject to change without notice. You are responsible for verifying whether these funds are transferrable to the United States.
- 5. Proof of medical and repatriation insurances are required.
- 6. Home country address must be provided prior to issuance of I-20.
- 7. After acceptance to Southwestern Illinois College and issuance of the I-20, the Form 901 must be completed and a \$200 Immigration fee paid to the Consulate prior to seeking a Visa. To pay this fee online (www.FMJfee.com). For more detailed information on the fee, visit www.ice.gov/sevis/I901/index.

Once the above translated documents have been received and reviewed, you will be notified of your admission status. For additional information or to schedule a meeting, please contact the designated school officials noted below. Please note that F-1 Student Visa Admission Requirements may change without notice.

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