

Helpful Information for International Students Applying for Admission to CVCC

Academic Calendar: The academic year at [CVCC](http://www.cvcc.edu) is divided into two 16 week semesters and one summer school. The academic calendar is available at www.cvcc.edu.

Application Deadlines: Students must have their application and supporting documents completed by deadline dates. Late applications cannot be considered. Students missing semester deadlines must await admission for the next term.

Financial Aid: CVCC does not offer financial aid or scholarships to international students. In general, only permanent residents and citizens of the United States are eligible to receive financial aid.

Health Insurance: All international students who hold F-1 visa status should have health insurance for the duration of their studies at CVCC.

Housing: CVCC has no residence halls, dormitories or on-campus housing. All students must arrange for housing in the Hickory area.

Maintaining F-1 Status: Students must maintain a minimum of 12 credit hours every Fall and Spring semester in order to maintain their status. Part time (less than 12 credit hours per semester) study is not allowed.

Testing and TOEFL Scores: International students are required to provide official TOEFL scores to CVCC. Our TOEFL test code is 005098. Minimum paper score is 540; computer based score of 213 or a minimum internet score is 76. Scores must be no longer than five years old. Students not meeting the minimum TOEFL score will not be admitted to CVCC.

Transfer Students: Students who have already received an F-1 status and are currently attending another college or university may transfer to CVCC as long as they have already received their F-1 status and are in good academic standing. In addition to the standard CVCC paperwork for International Students, transfer students must provide to CVCC a letter from their previous institution that they are eligible to transfer, have maintained good academic standing and forward an official transcript from their current institution.

Transportation: There is a small public bus service which connects the campus with various locations in town. The closest airport to CVCC is the Charlotte, NC Airport, about an hour's drive from campus.

Tuition: International students must pay out-of-state tuition at CVCC.

Work: International students may not work without authorization.