

# APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION



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## Instructions

Before Grand Valley State University can process your application for admission, you must demonstrate your proficiency in English, and provide proof of financial support as well as official academic transcripts. Below are instructions that will help you complete your application.

## Language Proficiency

Proof of proficiency in the English language is required. (Students coming to the United States from countries in which their native language is English, may be exempt from this requirement.)

You must present evidence of one of the following:

- An official TOEFL Score Report with a score of 80 IBT or 550 PBT
- An official IELTS Score Report — 6.5 for undergraduate study or 7.0 for graduate study
- Completion of ELS level 112 for undergraduate study only

Completion of a secondary or university program in which the language of instruction was English or a strong SAT score may allow you to be considered for a TOEFL or IELTS waiver.

## Educational Records

List all secondary school, colleges, and universities that you have attended. Arrange for each of these institutions to send an official transcript to the Admissions Office at Grand Valley State University. All academic documents must be in English, or be accompanied by an official translation, and must bear the official seal of the institution. If you are transferring to finish an undergraduate degree and are hoping to receive transfer credit for courses already taken, you must also send course syllabi or descriptions, and a grade key.

## Statement of Financial Support

The U.S. Customs and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services requires Grand Valley State University to determine the financial capability of all international applicants. Financial support must be demonstrated for at least one academic year — as indicated on the enclosed *Statement of Financial Support*. Summer expenses (approximately \$4,000) are not included in the estimate. There are partial scholarships available to qualified undergraduate students, and limited graduate assistantships may be available to qualified international graduate students studying in certain

master's level programs. The Form I-20 (Visa Eligibility Form) will not be issued until your verification of financial support is received and you have been admitted. This verification will also be needed when applying for a student visa and at the port of entry. When requesting the statement, you should ask for at least two original copies.

## Accompanying your Application

Before you mail this application, complete all the sections, sign it, and enclose all of the items listed below. Your application will not be considered until all items have been submitted.

- Completed and signed GVSU international student application and non-refundable application fee (\$30 in U.S. funds). The check must be drawn on a U.S. bank and it must be payable to GVSU.
- Official transcripts of all coursework, with English translations if needed.
- Official TOEFL or IELTS Score Report.
- Verification of financial support (letter from sponsor or signed form) and a bank statement in U.S. dollars.
- Personal Statement: Students must write an essay of approximately 1,000 words on the following topic:  
“What will I do to bring cultural and international perspectives to Grand Valley that will enhance the learning environment for the entire GVSU community?”
- Official GMAT Score Report.  
Grad Programs Requiring GMAT:  
Accounting, M.S.A.  
Business, M.B.A.  
Taxation, M.S.T.
- Official GRE Score Report.  
Grad Programs Requiring GRE:  
Biology, M.S.  
Biostatistics, M.S.  
Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.  
Computer Information Systems, M.S.  
Engineering, M.S.E.  
English, M.A.  
Medical and Bioinformatics, M.S.  
Physical Therapy, D.P.T.
- Three letters of recommendation (graduate study only).

# Academic Programs of Study

- Accounting, B.B.A., M.S.A.**  
Accounting (minor)
- Advertising and Public Relations, B.A., B.S.**  
Advertising  
Public Relations  
Advertising and Public Relations (minor)
- African/African American Studies (minor)**
- Aging and Adult Life (minor)**
- Allied Health Sciences, B.S.**
- Anthropology, B.A., B.S.**  
Anthropology (minor)
- Applied Linguistics (minor)**
- Archaeology (minor)**
- Art – Studio Art, B.A., B.S., B.F.A.**  
Ceramics  
Graphic Design  
Illustration  
Jewelry/Metalsmith  
Painting  
Printmaking  
Sculpture  
Visual Studies  
Art – Studio Art (minor)
- Art Education, B.A., B.S.**
- Art History, B.A.**  
Art History (minor)
- Athletic Training, B.S.**
- Biology, B.A., B.S., M.S.**  
Animal Biology  
Aquatic Sciences  
Genetics & Cell/Molecular  
Plant Biology  
Pre dental  
Premedical  
Preosteopathic  
Physical Therapy  
Preveterinary Medicine  
Secondary Education  
Wildlife Biology  
Biology (minor)
- Biomedical Sciences, B.S., M.H.S.**  
Microbiology  
Nutritional Science
- Biopsychology, B.A., B.S.**
- Biostatistics, M.S.**
- Broadcasting, B.A., B.S.**
- Business, General, B.B.A.**
- Business, General, M.B.A.**  
Traditional M.B.A.  
Full-time Integrated M.B.A. (FIMBA)
- Business (minor)**
- Business Economics, B.B.A.**  
General  
Real Estate
- Cell and Molecular Biology, B.S., M.S.**
- Chemistry, B.A., B.S.**  
Biochemistry & Biotechnology  
Environmental Chemistry  
Professional  
Secondary Education  
Technical  
Chemistry (minor)
- Chinese Studies, B.A.**  
Chinese Language (minor)
- Classics, B.A.**  
Classical Language  
Classical Tradition  
Greek  
Latin  
Latin Secondary  
Classics (minor)  
Classical Tradition (minor)  
Greek (minor)  
Latin (minor)
- Communication Studies, B.A., B.S.**
- Communications, M.S.**
- Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching, B.A., B.S.**
- Computer Information Systems, M.S.**
- Computer Science, B.A., B.S.**  
Computer Science (minor)  
Health Care Information Systems (minor)  
Information Security Systems (minor)
- Criminal Justice, B.A., B.S., M.S.**  
Criminal Justice (minor)
- Dance, B.A.**  
Dance (minor)
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography, B.S.**  
Breast Ultrasound  
Echocardiography & Vascular  
General
- Earth Science, B.S.**  
Secondary Education  
Earth Science (minor)  
East Asian Studies (minor)
- Economics, B.A., B.S.**  
Economics (minor)
- Education, Educational Leadership, M.Ed.**  
Educational Leadership  
Special Education Administration
- Education, Educational Specialist in Leadership, Ed.S.**
- Education, Educational Technology, M.Ed.**  
Education, Graduate Teacher Certification
- Education, Higher Education, M.Ed.**  
Adult and Higher Education  
College Student Affairs Leadership
- Education, Instruction and Curriculum, M.Ed.**  
Advanced Content Specialization  
Early Childhood Education  
Educational Differentiation  
Elementary Education  
Secondary Level Education
- Education, Literacy Studies, M.Ed.**  
Reading/Language Arts  
Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- Education, School Counseling, M.Ed.**
- Education, Special Education, M.Ed.**  
Cognitive Impairment  
Early Childhood Dev. Delay  
Emotional Impairment  
Learning Disabilities
- Education-Teacher Certification**  
Elementary Education  
Secondary Education  
Special Education  
Elementary Certification (minor)
- Engineering, Computer Engineering, B.S.E.**
- Engineering, Electrical Engineering, B.S.E.**
- Engineering, Interdisciplinary Engineering, B.S.E.**
- Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, B.S.E.**
- Engineering, Product Design & Manufacturing Engineering, B.S.E.**  
Biomedical Engineering (minor)  
Computer Engineering (minor)  
Engineering Science (minor)
- Engineering, M.S.E.**  
Biomedical Engineering  
Computer Engineering  
Electrical Engineering  
Interdisciplinary Engineering  
Product Design and Manufacturing  
Engineering  
Mechanical Engineering
- English, B.A., M.A.**  
Language Arts Elementary Education  
Language and Literature  
Secondary Education  
English (minor)
- Entrepreneurship (minor)**
- Environmental Studies (minor)**
- Exercise Science, B.S.**  
Clinical Exercise Science  
Health Fitness Instruction
- Film and Video, B.A., B.S.**  
Animation/New Media  
Cinema Studies  
Documentary/Nonfiction  
Fiction Filmmaking  
Sound Design
- Finance, B.B.A.**
- French, B.A.**  
Civilization  
Linguistics  
Literature  
Secondary Education  
French (minor)
- Geography, B.A., B.S.**  
City and Regional Planning (minor)  
Geographic Techniques (minor)  
Geography – Teaching (minor)
- Geology, B.S.**  
Geology (minor)
- Geology – Chemistry, B.S.**
- German, B.A.**  
Secondary Education  
German (minor)
- Health Administration, M.H.A.**
- Health Communication, B.A., B.S.**  
History, B.A., B.S.  
Secondary Education  
History (minor)  
History of Science (minor)
- Hospitality and Tourism Management, B.A., B.S.**  
Food Management  
Lodging  
Travel/Tourism  
Adventure Tourism (minor)  
Hospitality and Tourism Mgt. (minor)
- Information Systems, B.A., B.S.**  
Health Care Information Systems (minor)  
Information Systems (minor)  
Information Technology (minor)
- Integrated Science, B.S.**
- International Business, B.B.A.**  
International Business (minor)
- International Relations, B.A.**  
International Relations (minor)
- Journalism, B.A., B.S.**  
Juvenile Justice (minor)  
Latin American Studies (minor)
- Legal Studies, B.A., B.S.**  
Legal Studies (minor)
- Liberal Studies, B.A., B.S.**
- Management, B.B.A.**  
General Management  
Human Resources  
Operations Management  
Management Information Systems  
Management (minor)
- Marketing, B.B.A.**  
Distribution and Logistics  
Sales
- Mathematics, B.A., B.S.**  
Elementary Education  
Secondary Education  
Mathematics (minor)
- Medical and Bioinformatics, M.S.**
- Medical Laboratory Science, B.S.**  
Middle East Studies (minor)
- Music, B.A.**
- Music, B.M.**  
Instrumental  
Keyboard  
Vocal  
Music (minor)
- Music Education, B.M.E.**  
Instrumental  
Vocal/Choral
- Natural Resources Management, B.S.**  
Ecosystem Science & Mgt.  
Environmental Science  
Resource Information Science  
Natural Resources Mgt. (minor)
- Nursing, B.S.N., M.S.N., D.N.P.**
- Occupational Safety and Health Management, B.S.**  
Occupational Safety and Health (minor)
- Occupational Therapy, M.S.**
- Philosophy, B.A.**  
Philosophy (minor)
- Photography, B.A. B.S.**
- Physical Education, B.S.**  
Professional Instruction  
Sports Leadership, Coaching  
Sports Leadership, Sports  
Management  
Physical Education (minor)  
School Health Education (minor)
- Physical Therapy, D.P.T.**
- Physician Assistant Studies, M.P.A.S.**
- Physics, B.S.**  
Secondary Education  
Physics (minor)
- Political Science, B.A., B.S.**  
Political Science (minor)
- Preprofessional Studies**  
Pre dental  
Prelaw  
Premedical  
Prepharmacy  
Preveterinary Medicine
- Professional Science Masters**  
Biostatistics, M.S.  
Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.  
Medical and Bioinformatics, M.S.
- Psychology, B.A., B.S.**  
Psychology (minor)
- Public Administration, B.A., B.S., M.P.A.**  
Community Dev. Planning  
Community Health  
Information Technology  
Local Economic Dev  
Public & Nonprofit Budget  
Public Personnel Mgt.  
Nonprofit Administration (minor)  
Public Administration (minor)
- Radiation Therapy, B.S.**
- Radiologic and Imaging Sciences, B.S.**
- Russian Studies, B.A.**  
Russian Studies (minor)  
Russian (minor)
- Social Studies, B.A., B.S.**  
Elementary Education  
Secondary Education
- Social Work, B.S.W., M.S.W.**
- Sociology, B.A., B.S.**  
Sociology (minor)
- Spanish, B.A.**  
Secondary Education  
Spanish (minor)
- Statistics, B.A., B.S.**  
Applied Statistics (minor)  
Mathematical Statistics (minor)
- Supply Chain Management, B.B.A.**
- Taxation, M.S.T.**
- Theatre, B.A., B.S.**  
Theatre (minor)
- Therapeutic Recreation, B.S.**
- Women and Gender Studies, B.A., B.S.**  
Women and Gender Studies (minor)
- Writing, B.A.**  
Creative Writing  
Professional Writing  
Writing (minor)

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## Personal Data (Please type or print in blue or black ink)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family or Surname) First (Given Name) Middle or Maiden

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street

Town/City Province/State Country Postal Code

Current Address (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street

Town/City Province/State Country Postal Code

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email address \_\_\_\_\_

City of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Permanent Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Gender:  Female  Male

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

## Immigration Status

If currently in the United States, please indicate your non-immigrant status (i.e. F-1, B-2, etc) \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach copies of Form I-94 (front and back) and your current immigration document (Form I-12, Form IAP-66, etc.)

## Program, Academic Level, and Semester Preference

Please indicate the semester in which you wish to begin study.

**Fall Semester** (Apply by May 1) 20\_\_\_\_ **Winter Semester** (Apply by October 15) 20\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the academic level that you are applying for:

\_\_\_\_\_ **Bachelor's** (first university degree after secondary school) \_\_\_\_\_ **Master's** (advanced university degree)  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Doctorate** (advanced university degree)

Academic Program Preference (See enclosed list of "Academic Programs of Study") \_\_\_\_\_

## How Did You Learn About GVSU?

Please place a check in all boxes that are appropriate.

- |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> GVSU Faculty/Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Friends/Relatives | <input type="checkbox"/> GVSU Student/Alumni | <input type="checkbox"/> College Guidebook |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counselor/Advisor  | <input type="checkbox"/> Recruiting Fair   | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Research |

## Language Proficiency

Please check one of the following:

- My native language is English.
- I have arranged for my TOEFL or IELTS Score Report to be sent to the GVSU Admissions Office.
- I have not yet taken the TOEFL. I plan to take the TOEFL on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_, and I will arrange for the score to be sent to GVSU as soon as possible.  
month    day    year
- I will be enrolled in the ELS Language Center.

## Record of Education

List in chronological order, all secondary schools, colleges, universities, and professional/technical schools attended. Attach another sheet if necessary.

| Name of School | City, Country | Dates of Attendance | Degree/Diploma Earned |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
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Secondary School

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College, University, Other

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Are you currently attending a university?     Yes     No

If yes, which college or university? \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_  
City Country

If you are currently enrolled in a college or university, indicate the course(s) that you are taking.

| Name of Institution | Degree Program | Course Title and Number | Credit Hours |
|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|

## Applicant Verification

I certify that I have read and understand the instructions enclosed with this application and that all the statements and documents enclosed are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. Failure to provide full documentation or falsification of credentials may result in the cancellation of admission to the university.

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Applicant's Signature

Date

## Return Completed Application and Supporting Documentation to:

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT



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## To be completed by the student:

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Semester of Enrollment: Fall 20\_\_\_\_ or Winter 20\_\_\_\_

Are you married?  Yes  No If yes, please list the legal name, country of citizenship, and birthdate of your spouse and/or children who will be joining you:

| Name<br>(family name, given name) | Country of Birth | Birthdate<br>(month/day/year) |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| _____                             | _____            | _____                         |
| _____                             | _____            | _____                         |
| _____                             | _____            | _____                         |
| _____                             | _____            | _____                         |

## To be completed by sponsor:

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

As the financial sponsor for the applicant named above, I promise to provide all educational and living expenses for his or her entire period of study at Grand Valley State University. I have reserved sufficient funds to cover at least the minimum cost of one academic year of study. As verification, I am providing the applicant with an official bank statement in English, dated within the past six months, showing sufficient funds on deposit and the U.S. currency equivalent. If the applicant plans to bring his or her spouse and children, I will provide full financial support for them for the duration of the applicant's study at GVSU.

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Sponsor's Signature

Date

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT 2011-2012 COST INFORMATION



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The U.S. Customs and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services requires Grand Valley State University to obtain verification of financial support for at least one academic year. The following expenses are estimates only and are subject to change by the Grand Valley State University Board of Trustees.

Summer expenses are not included in this total. You should anticipate \$4,000 in additional support for summer expenses. This should cover tuition, fees, and living expenses.

These amounts are considered to be **minimum** expenses for a full course of study and living expenses for two semesters.

## ESTIMATED FEES FOR AN ACADEMIC YEAR (TWO SEMESTERS)

| <b>Tuition and Fees</b>          | <b>Undergraduate</b> | <b>Graduate</b> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Tuition and required fees        | \$14,500             | \$12,500        |
| <b>Estimated Living Expenses</b> |                      |                 |
| Room and Board (on-campus)       | \$6,500              | \$6,500         |
| Books and Supplies               | \$1,000              | \$1,000         |
| Required Health Insurance        | \$1,000              | \$1,000         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                     | <b>\$23,000</b>      | <b>\$21,000</b> |

## Applicants Using Institutional or Governmental Support

If your program of study will be financially supported by an institution, foundation, or government agency, your financial sponsor must submit a letter of support on official letterhead. This letter must:

- Specify the expenses to be paid on your behalf
- Name Grand Valley State University
- Indicate that the institution or agency has adequate resources to guarantee at least your first year of study

## Applicants Using Personal or Private Support

If you plan to pay for your education with private funds, you or your financial sponsor must complete the statement of financial support on page 5 of this application. In addition, you must also attach an original statement from the bank that verifies sufficient financial resources as indicated above.