



THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS
NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY
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Overview: Requirements for F-1 Visa Applicants

Prior to issuance of the Certificate for Eligibility to apply for the F-1 visa (I-20), applicants must meet the following criteria:

ADMISSION TO A DEGREE PROGRAM

International Students must meet all admission requirements to a “degree program”. **No international student should be admitted as “Undeclared”.** Applicants should contact the appropriate Admission Office or visit NCA&TSU website (www.ncat.edu) to review all requirements for admission to the University in a recognized degree program of study. A copy of the acceptance letter must be submitted to the Office of International Affairs (OIA) – 213 Academic Classroom Bldg to document admission. *(An I-20 will not be issued without a copy of the admission/acceptance letter for the intended semester of enrollment.)*

ADMISSION DEFERMENT (FOR GRADUATE ADMISSION): If you have received admission to the University in a prior semester but for some reason you were not able to meet the requirements for issuance of an I-20, you must send your written request to defer to The Graduate College (TGC) by email to grad@ncat.edu.

FINANCIAL GUARANTEE

All non-immigrants must show proof of adequate funding to matriculate and complete a degree program of study at North Carolina A&T State University. As an F-1 nonimmigrant attending this University, an undergraduate student must show a minimum of \$28,000 (USD) and a graduate student must show a minimum of \$30,100 (USD). If sponsorship(s) is/are used, students must show valid sponsors by completing the Financial Guarantee Form (FGF) which is provided to them by the OIA. This form must be completed and submitted to the OIA with proof of funds (bank statement, official bank letter/document issued by the financial institution, etc.). Page 3 of the FGF must be signed by the sponsor and student and notarized.

Nonimmigrant students who have been awarded sponsorship(s) through the academic department at North Carolina A&T must have the Financial Support Based on Assistantship Form completed by the sponsoring department and submitted to the ISSO. Upon notification OIA will submit the Assistantship Support Form to the department for completion. **Please notify the Office of International Affairs by email immediately if you will be issued an assistantship by an academic department.** If the amount of the graduate assistantship does not cover the full amount for financial guarantee requirements (\$30,100), the student must have a sponsorship and/or personal funds to cover the remaining amount required for issuance of I-20. *(Please note that the amounts shown above for the financial guarantee may change due to increases in tuition, fees, health insurance, and the estimated cost of living in the Greensboro, North Carolina area.)*

INSURANCE

All F-1 students are required to purchase and maintain the University Health Plan for international students. The plan is administered for one year (August 1 through July 31) and costs are payable at the beginning of the fall semester (August) and the spring semester (January). **SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE CANNOT BE SUBSTITUTED AS MAJOR MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE. LIMITED EXCEPTIONS: Home Country Government Sponsorship (ONLY).** Fees must be paid during formal registration periods for coverage validation. Failure to comply will cause F-1 students to be *out of status* with USCIS and could result in deportation.

TRANSFER F-1 STUDENT TO NCA&T INSIDE THE UNITED STATES

Please contact the OIA immediately for transfer requirements inside the United States - (336) 334-7551.