



AP 5012 International Students

References: Education Code Sections 76141 and 76142;
Title 5 Section 54045;
Title 8, U.S. Code Sections 1101. et seq.
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1. An international student is defined as one who is in the United States on a valid student visa (F-1).
2. International students will be admitted to Butte College and issued a Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status (I-20) to obtain an F-1 visa after the student has submitted the following:
 - a. Application for Admission
 - b. Verification of English proficiency with a score of 450 (paper based), 45 (internet based) on the Test of English as a Foreign Language or 6 on IELTS, or completion of level 5 at the American Language and Culture Institute, or other English proficiency exam as listed on the Butte College international website. This requirement is waived for students from countries using English as a primary language.
 - c. Present evidence of sufficient funds to cover tuition fees and living expenses during their first year of study as required by USCIS.
 - d. Proof of negative tuberculin testing results or proof of BCG vaccine.
 - e. Students under the age of 18 after the date of the term they are admitted for must submit secondary school transcripts and/or certificate showing proof of high school completion.
 - f. Students holding an F-1 visa and attending a U.S. institution may apply for admission and transfer to Butte College if they submit the additional documents: copy of current I-20, copy of passport and visa, and copy of transcript.
3. Admitted students must adhere to all U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement regulations.
4. All International students must maintain full-time enrollment each semester (12 units) unless permission is given by Designated School Official (DSO) in accordance with USCIS policies.
5. All international students must purchase medical insurance.
6. A student holding an F-1 visa with an I-20 issued by another educational institution, or the dependent of a student in that category, may be admitted as a part-time student.
7. All international students will be required to pay nonresident tuition as outlined in Board Policy 5020 – Nonresident Tuition and Board Policy 5030 – Fees.
8. International Student Fee Reduction - Exemptions for nonresident tuition can be made only as authorized by Education Code Section 76140(a)(2) for financial need.