

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 with a score of 6.5
- An official PTE Score Report with a score of 53
- An official MELAB Score Report with a score of 77
- Completion of ELS level 112 for undergraduate study only
- Students whose native language is English must submit results of the SAT or ACT Assessment 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 schools, 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 also must send course syllabi or descriptions and a grade key.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The U.S. Customs Service and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services require 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 *Statement of Financial Support* on page 5 of this application. 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 also will 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 copies of the original document.

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 Application for International Admission and nonrefundable 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, IELTS, PTE, or MELAB Score Report.
- Students whose native language is English must submit results of the SAT or ACT Assessment.
- Verification of financial support (letter from sponsor or signed form) and a bank statement in U.S. dollars.
- Personal Statement: Students must write a one- to two-page essay on the following topic:
"How my personal experience and cultural heritage has shaped the person I am today and how those experiences can impact Grand Valley."

You can find additional requirements for graduate programs here: gvsu.edu/gradapplicationreq

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PROGRAMS

UNDERGRADUATE

Accounting, B.B.A., Minor
Adventure Tourism Management, Minor

Advertising and Public Relations, B.A., B.S., Minor
African/African American Studies, Minor

Aging and Adult Life, Minor

Allied Health Sciences, B.S.

Anthropology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Applied Linguistics, Minor
Applied Statistics, Minor
Arabic, Minor
Archaeology, Minor

Art – Studio Art, B.A., B.F.A., B.S., Minor

Art Education, B.A., B.S.

Art History, B.A., Minor

Behavioral Neuroscience, B.A., B.S.

Biochemistry, B.S.

Biology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Biology – Secondary Education, Minor

Biomedical Engineering, B.S.E., Minor

Biomedical Sciences, B.S.

Business Economics, B.B.A.

Business, General, B.B.A., Minor

Cardiovascular Sonography, B.S.

Cell and Molecular Biology, B.S., Minor

Chemistry, B.S., Minor

Chinese Language, Minor

Classics, B.A., Minor

Communication Sciences and Disorders, B.S.

Communication Studies, B.A., B.S.

Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching, B.A., B.S.

Computer Engineering, B.S.E., Minor

Computer Science, B.S., Minor

Criminal Justice, B.A., B.S., Minor

Cybersecurity, B.S.

Dance, B.A., Minor

Data Science, Minor

Diagnostic Medical Sonography, B.S.

Digital Studies, Minor

Early Childhood Education, Minor

Earth Science, B.S., Minor
Earth Science – Secondary Education, Minor

East Asian Studies, Minor

Economics, B.A., B.S., Minor
Education – Teacher Certification

Electrical Engineering, B.S.E.
Elementary Certification, Minor

Engineering Science, Minor

English, B.A., Minor

Entrepreneurship, B.B.A.

Environmental and Sustainability Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor
Ethics, Culture, and Society, Minor

Exercise Science, B.S.

Film and Video, B.A., B.S.

Finance, B.B.A.

French, B.A., Minor
French – Secondary Education, Minor

Geography, B.A., B.S.
Geography – Teaching, Minor

Geology, B.S., Minor

Geology – Chemistry, B.S.
Geospatial Technology, Minor

German, B.A., Minor
German – Secondary Education, Minor

Global Studies and Social Impact, B.A., B.S.

Health and Physical Education, B.S., Minor

Health Care Ethics, Minor
Health Care Information Systems, Minor

Health Communication, B.A., B.S.

Health Information Management, B.S.

History, B.A., B.S., Minor
History – Secondary Education, Minor
History of Science, Minor

Hospitality and Tourism Management, B.S., Minor

Human Resource Management, B.B.A.
Human Rights, Minor
Information Security Systems, Minor

Information Systems, B.S., Minor

Information Technology, B.S., Minor

Integrated Science (Elementary), B.S.

Integrated Science (Secondary), B.S.

Integrative Studies, B.A., B.S.

Interdisciplinary Engineering, B.S.E.

International Business, B.B.A., Minor

International Relations, B.A., Minor
Juvenile Justice, Minor
Latin American and Latino/a Studies, Minor

Legal Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Studies, Minor

Management, B.B.A., Minor

Management, General, B.B.A.

Marketing, B.B.A., Minor

Mathematics, B.A., B.S., Minor
Mathematics – Elementary Education, Minor
Mathematics – Secondary Education, Minor
Mathematical Statistics, Minor

Mechanical Engineering, B.S.E.

Medical Laboratory Science, B.S.

Microbiology, B.S.
Middle East Studies, Minor

Multimedia Journalism, B.A., B.S.

Music, B.A., B.M., Minor

Music Education, B.M.E.

Natural Resources Management, B.S., Minor
Nonprofit Administration, Minor

Nursing, B.S.N.

Occupational Safety and Health Management, B.S., Minor

Operations Management, B.B.A.

Philosophy, B.A., Minor

Photography, B.A., B.S., Minor

Physics, B.S., Minor
Physics – Secondary Education, Minor

Political Science, B.A., B.S., Minor

Preprofessional Studies
Pre dental Studies
Prelaw Studies
Premedical Studies
Prepharmacy Studies
Preveterinary Medicine

Product Design and Manufacturing Engineering, B.S.E.

Psychology, B.A., B.S., Minor
Psychology – Teaching, Minor
Public Administration, Minor

Public and Nonprofit Administration, B.A., B.S.

Radiation Therapy, B.S.

Recreational Therapy, B.S.

Religious Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor

Respiratory Care, B.S.
School Health Education, Minor

Social Studies (Group), B.A., B.S.

Social Work, B.S.W.

Sociology, B.A., B.S., Minor

Spanish, B.A., Minor
Spanish – Elementary Teaching, Minor
Spanish – Secondary Teaching, Minor

Sport Management, B.S.

Statistics, B.A., B.S.
STEM Ethics, Minor

Supply Chain Management, B.B.A.
Sustainable Urban and Regional Planning, Minor

Theatre, B.A., B.S., Minor

Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor

Writing, B.A., B.S., Minor

GRADUATE

Accounting, M.S.A.
Auditing
Taxation

Applied Computer Science, M.S.
Biomedical Informatics
Cybersecurity
Database Management
Distributed Computing
Information Systems Management
Software Design and Development
Software Engineering
Web and Mobile Computing

Applied Linguistics, M.A.

Applied Statistics, M.S.

Athletic Training, MAT

Audiology, Au.D.

Biology, M.S.
Aquatic Sciences
Natural Resources

Biomedical Sciences, M.H.S.

Biostatistics, M.S.

Business Administration, M.B.A.
Executive Program (EMBA)
Professional M.B.A. (PMBA)

Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.
Biotechnology
Research

Clinical Dietetics, M.S.

Communications, M.S.

Criminal Justice, M.S.

Cybersecurity, M.S.

Data Science and Analytics, M.S.

Education, Educational Leadership, M.Ed.
Educational Leadership
Special Education Administration

Education, Education 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.
Early Childhood Education
Educational Differentiation
Elementary Education
Secondary Level Education

Education, Leadership, Ed.S.

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.
Autism Spectrum Disorder
Cognitive Impairment
Emotional Impairment
Learning Disabilities

Engineering, M.S.E.
Biomedical Engineering
Electrical and Computer Engineering
Manufacturing Operations
Mechanical Engineering
Product Design and Manufacturing Engineering

English, M.A.

Health Administration, M.H.A.
Finance
Hospital Administration
Long-term Care Administration
Self-directed

Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.

Medical Dosimetry, M.S.

Nursing, M.S.N.
Advanced Generalist/Clinical Nurse Leader

Nursing, D.N.P.
Advanced Practice
Adult/Older Adult
Child/Adolescent
Health Systems Leadership
Post-MSN Health Systems Leadership

Occupational Therapy, M.S., Dr.O.T.

Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, M.P.N.L.
Community Impact
Custom
Mission Advancement
Nonprofit Healthcare

Physical Therapy, D.P.T.

Physician Assistant Studies, M.P.A.S.

Professional Science Masters
Applied Statistics, M.S.
Biostatistics, M.S.
Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.
Data Science and Analytics, M.S.
Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.

Public Administration, M.P.A.
Criminal Justice
Health Administration
Nonprofit Management and Leadership
Policy Analysis, Advocacy, and Evaluation
State, Regional, and Local Governance

Public Health, M.P.H.
Epidemiology
Health Promotion

School Psychology, M.S. & Psy.S.

Social Innovation, M.A.

Social Work, M.S.W.

Speech-Language Pathology, M.S.

Taxation, M.S.T.

COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

Accounting B.B.A. and M.S.A.
Cell and Molecular Biology B.S. and M.S.
Computer Engineering B.S.E. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Computer Science B.S. and Data Science and Analytics M.S.
Cybersecurity B.S. and M.S.
Engineering B.S.E. and M.S.E.
Exercise Science B.S. and Athletic Training MAT
Information Systems B.S. and Applied Computer Science M.S.
Information Systems B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Information Technology B.S. and Cybersecurity M.S.
Student-Initiated Combined Degree

APPLICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION



A \$30.00 nonrefundable application fee is required to process your application. Make check payable to Grand Valley State University (GVSU). Please print responses. Questions with an asterisk (*) are optional. See Student Signature/Certification on page four of this application. Complete applications must be received by the Admissions Office 30 calendar days prior to the final day of registration for the semester in which the applicant wishes to enroll. However, admission to any semester is subject to earlier closing without notice.

PERSONAL DATA (Please type or print in blue or black ink)

Name: _____
First (Given Name) Middle or Maiden Last (Family or Surname)

Permanent Address: _____
Number Street Town/City

Province/State Country Postal Code

Current Address (if applicable): _____
Number Street Town/City

Province/State Country Postal Code

Home Phone Number: _____ Mobile Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____ Parent Email Address: _____

Country of Birth: _____

Country of Permanent Residence: _____ Country of Citizenship: _____

*Sex: Female Male Unspecified *Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

Name and permanent address of:

Both Parents Mother Father Guardian Husband Wife Other (Specify)

First Name(s) Last Name(s)

Street Address City State Zip

(_____) _____
Area Code Phone Email address

Have either of your parents graduated from a four-year college? Both Father Mother Neither

Is English your native language? Yes No

*Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino? Yes No

*Please select one or more of the following racial categories to describe yourself:

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White

IMMIGRATION STATUS

Please indicate your nonimmigrant status (i.e. F-1, J-1): _____

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)

Interest Area (See enclosed list of Programs and Emphasis Areas): _____

TESTING INFORMATION

I have taken or will take IELTS, TOEFL, PTE, MELAB, SAT, ACT on _____ / _____
Month Year

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

College, University, Other

Following the completion of my senior year, I will have met all of the following core requirements:

- Four years of English
- Three years of science
- Three years of college preparatory mathematics
- Three years of social sciences
- Two years of a single foreign language

Yes No

Are you currently attending a college or 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
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APPLICANT VERIFICATION

You are not required to give your date of birth, sex, or racial/ethnic group. This information is used for compiling institutional data. It is not a factor in admission decisions. Your signature is required before GVSU can process this application.

I certify that all the answers I have given on this application are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that withholding information that is requested on this application will make me ineligible for admission to GVSU or subject to dismissal. I also understand that the university reserves the right to rescind or suspend an admission decision for any reason and at any time it deems this action is warranted.

Applicant's Signature

Date

RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT



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The financial sponsor is responsible for education and living expenses for the student's entire period of study at Grand Valley State University. Photos of documents or documents scanned with smartphone apps will not be accepted. Prior to printing the I-20, you will need to submit the required financial documents.

The documents used to provide evidence of financial support:

1. Must be an official financial document, in English, indicating the minimum amount of support with signature and stamp of bank official.
2. Must be less than three months old.
3. Must have at least three months of transaction history.

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 (family name, given name)	Country of Birth	Birthdate (month/day/year)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSOR

Sponsor's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____

Applicant's Name: _____ Relationship: _____

This is to certify that I have read the information furnished by the applicant on the form and as the financial sponsor for the applicant, I promise to provide support for education and living expenses during the applicant's period of study at Grand Valley.

Sponsor's Signature

Date

FINANCIAL SUPPORT DOCUMENTS INFORMATION



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In order to meet federal requirements to receive an I-20, all international students must have the financial ability to cover academic and living expenses for one academic year while attending Grand Valley. The following documents can be used to demonstrate financial support:

Acceptable financial documents:

- Bank statements indicating required currency amount in liquid asset form (cash deposits, certificates of deposit, savings accounts, term deposits, and checking accounts are acceptable)
- Investment statements indicating liquid assets (submissions need to include clear evidence of the fund's liquidity and the cash surrender value)
- Graduate assistantship award letter
- Athletic scholarship letter (from Grand Valley athletics program)
- Governmental funding (funding letter must have contact information of the organization providing funding)

Unacceptable financial documents:

- Chartered accountant statements
- Payroll reports/expected Income
- Tax statements
- Property assessments
- Statements regarding property, jewelry, cars, and other non-liquid assets
- Bank statements lacking currency amounts
- Insurance policies
- Other statements of non-liquid assets
- Business bank accounts
- Employment letters
- Income verification letters
- Bank letters

Financial document requirements:

- All financial documents must have at least three months of transaction history or proof that the account has been active for more than three months.
- All certificate of deposit and term deposit statements must include the maturity date.
- All financial documents must be in English. Documents not in English must be accompanied by an official English translation.
- All financial documents must be printed on official bank letterhead and must be signed by the appropriate bank official.
- Only original financial documents or scanned documents in a pdf format will be accepted. Documents scanned with smartphone apps or photos of documents will not be accepted.
- Financial documents from business accounts will not be accepted.
- We will not accept screenshots, Internet banking printouts, or financial documents with no identifying bank or account holder information.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT 2020-2021 COST INFORMATION



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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. Grand Valley does not require students to purchase health insurance or books from the university, but all students should have enough funding to cover health insurance and book costs. Students should have a minimum of \$1,200 for health insurance and \$1,000 for books.

ESTIMATED FEES FOR AN ACADEMIC YEAR (TWO SEMESTERS)

Tuition and Fees	Undergraduate	Graduate
Tuition and required fees	\$18,844 ¹	\$13,590 ²
Estimated Living Expenses		
Room and Board (on-campus)	\$9,500	\$9,500
TOTAL	\$28,344	\$23,090

¹ Some Grand Valley State University colleges, schools, and departments carry an additional tuition charge per credit hour for some courses.

² Depending on your program, the actual tuition may differ from this estimate. This estimate is based on taking 12 to 15 credits for undergraduate students and nine credits for graduate students. This is a typical amount of credits for undergraduate and graduate students. However, some programs may require a higher amount of credits per semester.

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 submit the required financial documents in order to receive your I-20.

Grand Valley State University is committed to assisting all members of our community in providing for their own safety and security. The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report is available on the Grand Valley State University Police Department website at gvsu.edu/dps/. If you would like to receive a printed copy of the Annual Security and Fire Safety Report, you can stop by the Facilities Service Building or you can request a copy be mailed to you by calling (616) 331-3255. The report contains information regarding campus security and personal safety including topics such as: crime prevention, fire safety, university police law enforcement authority, crime reporting policies, disciplinary procedures, and other matters of importance related to security and safety on campus. The report also contains information about crime data for three previous calendar years. Statistics include reported crimes that occurred on the campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by GVSU, and on public property within or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus. This information is required by law and is provided by the Grand Valley State University Police Department. 19-0361

Grand Valley State University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity institution. It encourages diversity and provides equal opportunity in education, employment, all of its programs, and the use of its facilities. It is committed to protecting the constitutional and statutory civil rights of persons connected with the university. Grand Valley is required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 to ensure that none of its education programs and activities discriminate on the basis of sex/gender. Inquiries regarding the application of Title IX may be referred to Theresa Rowland, Title IX Coordinator, 4015 Zumberge Hall, titleix@gvsu.edu, (616) 331-9530.