

# 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 from an English proficiency exam waiver country do not need to take an exam for admission, but all other students must take one of the approved English proficiency exams.

All test scores must be sent from the testing service. We are not able to accept unofficial test scores.

- TOEFL: 80
- IELTS: 6.5
- Duolingo: 105
- PTE: 53
- ELS Level 112

English proficiency exam waiver countries:

Antigua & Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, Canada, Dominica, Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Grand Cayman Islands, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, North Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, New Zealand, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, St. Christopher-Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & Grenadines, Swaziland, Tanzania, Trinidad & Tobago, Uganda, United Kingdom, Virgin Islands, Zambia, Zimbabwe

## 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.
- Official transcripts of all coursework, with English translations if needed.
- Official English proficiency exam (If required)
- Personal Statement: Students must write a one- to two-page essay about your reasons for wanting to attend Grand Valley.

You can find additional requirements for graduate programs here: [gvsu.edu/gradapplicationreq](http://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 Food and Nutrition, B.S.**  
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**  
Cannabis Operations Management, Minor  
**Cardiovascular Sonography, B.S.**  
**Cell and Molecular Biology, B.S., Minor**  
**Chemistry, B.S., Minor**  
Chemistry - Secondary Education, Minor  
Chinese Language, Minor  
**Classics, B.A., Minor**  
**Communication Sciences and Disorders, B.S.**  
**Communication Studies, 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  
**Earth Science, B.S., Minor**  
Earth Science – Secondary Education, Minor  
East Asian Studies, Minor  
**Economics, B.A., B.S., Minor**  
**Education for Young Children, Birth to Kindergarten, General and Special Education, B.A., B.S.**  
Education – Teacher Certification  
**Electrical Engineering, B.S.E.**  
Engineering Science, Minor  
**English, B.A., Minor**  
English - Secondary Education, 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.**  
**Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, B.S.**  
**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.**  
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 (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 Information Systems emphasis  
**Management, General, B.B.A.**  
**Marketing, B.B.A., Minor**  
**Mathematics, B.A., B.S., 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.**  
**Pedagogical Content Knowledge for Elementary Teaching, B.A., B.S.**  
**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, Minor  
**Respiratory Care, B.S.**  
**Social Studies (Group), B.A., B.S.**  
**Social Work, B.S.W.**  
**Sociology, B.A., B.S., Minor**  
**Spanish, B.A., 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**  
**Wildlife Biology, B.S.**  
**Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, B.A., B.S., Minor**  
**Writing, B.A., B.S., Minor**

## GRADUATE

**Accounting, M.S.A.**  
**Applied Computer Science, M.S.**  
**Applied Statistics, M.S.**  
**Athletic Training, MAT**  
**Audiology, Au.D.**

**Biology, M.S.**  
**Biomedical Sciences, M.H.S.**  
**Biostatistics, M.S.**  
**Business Administration, M.B.A.**  
**Cell and Molecular Biology, M.S.**  
**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.**  
**Education, Educational Technology, M.Ed.**  
**Education, Higher Education, M.Ed.**  
**Education, Instruction and Curriculum, M.Ed.**  
**Education, Literacy Studies, M.Ed.**  
**Education, School Counseling, M.Ed.**  
**Education, Special Education, M.Ed.**  
**Educational Specialist, Leadership, Ed.S.**  
**Engineering, M.S.E.**  
**Health Administration, M.H.A.**  
**Health Informatics and Bioinformatics, M.S.**  
**Medical Dosimetry, M.S.**  
**Nursing, M.S.N., D.N.P.**  
**Occupational Therapy, M.S., Dr.O.T.**  
**Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership, M.P.N.L.**  
**Physical Therapy, D.P.T.**  
**Physician Assistant Studies, M.P.A.S.**  
**Public Administration, M.P.A.**  
**Public Health, M.P.H.**  
**Recreational Therapy, M.S.**  
**School Psychology, M.S. & Psy.S.**  
**Social Innovation, M.A.**  
**Social Work, M.S.W.**  
**Speech-Language Pathology, M.S.**  
**Taxation, M.S.T.**  
**Water Resource Policy, M.S.**

## COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAMS

**Accounting B.B.A. and M.S.A.**  
**Advertising and Public Relations B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.**  
**Allied Health Sciences B.S. and Public Health M.P.H.**  
**Applied Food and Nutrition B.S. and Clinical Dietetics M.S.**  
**Biomedical Sciences B.S. and M.S.**  
**Cell and Molecular Biology B.S. and M.S.**  
**Communication Studies B.A., B.S., and Communications 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**  
**Exercise Science B.S. and Public Health M.P.H.**  
**Health Communication B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.**  
**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.**  
**Multimedia Journalism B.A., B.S., and Communications M.S.**  
**Occupational Therapy M.S. and Dr.O.T.**  
**Public and Nonprofit Administration BA., B.S., and Public Administration M.P.A.**  
**Recreational Therapy B.S. and M.S.**  
**Statistics B.S. and Applied Statistics M.S.**  
**Statistics B.S. and Biostatistics M.S.**  
**Statistics B.S. and Data Science and Analytics M.S.**  
**Student-initiated Combined Degree**

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Questions with an asterisk (\*) are optional. See student signature/certification under Applicant Verification on page four of this application.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive text messages from GVSU?  Yes  No

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 page 2 for 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\_\_\_\_

If dependents will be joining you, please list the legal name, country of citizenship, birthdate, and relationship to you:

Name (given name, family name)	Country of Citizenship	Birthdate (month/day/year)	Relationship
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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## TO BE COMPLETED BY SPONSOR

Are you a self-supporting student?  Yes  No (If yes, do not complete this section)

Do not complete this section if you are receiving a **full** graduate assistantship, **full** academic scholarship, or **full** athletic scholarship.

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

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

Telephone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

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 2022-2023 COST INFORMATION



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The U.S. Customs Service and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services require 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. 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 \$1,800 for health insurance and \$1,500 for books. Students will need at least \$5,000 of support for each dependent.

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

Tuition and Fees	Undergraduate	Graduate
Tuition and required fees	\$20,750 <sup>1</sup>	\$14,750 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Estimated Living Expenses</b>		
Room and Board (on-campus)	\$10,250	\$10,250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$31,000</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>

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

<sup>2</sup> 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 number of credits for undergraduate and graduate students. However, some programs may require a higher number 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; and
- 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](http://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.

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 the Title IX Coordinator, 4015 Zumberge Hall, [titleix@gvsu.edu](mailto:titleix@gvsu.edu), (616) 331-9530.