

ADMISSION OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

International students should begin their application process 6-12 months before they plan to enroll at the University. St. Catherine University will process an application for admission only when the following items have been received:

- The Common Application completed in full.
- Documentation of secondary education. The following documents are required:
 - a. Official certified records from secondary schools attended, listing all subjects completed and grades/marks received for each term.
 - b. Proof of graduation from secondary school (diploma or other certificate).
 - c. If secondary education culminates in a maturity certificate examination or final secondary school examination, submit an official copy of grades received on each subject of examination.
- One letter of recommendation. This letter should be from someone who has known the applicant in an academic context.
- Assessment of English Language Ability
Applicants for whom English is not their native language must provide an assessment of their English language ability. The following are the minimum required scores to establish sufficient English language ability for bachelor's level programs:
 - TOEFL: 61 on the internet-based exam or 550 on the paper-based exam. The University TOEFL code is 6105.
 - Duolingo: 110
 - IELTS: 6.0
 - SAT: 450 in both writing and critical reading sections. The University SAT code is 6105.
 - ACT: 18 in both English and reading sections. The University ACT code is 2096
 - Citizens from the following countries are exempt from submitting an assessment of their English language ability: Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Botswana, Canada (except Quebec), Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Liberia, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Micronesia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and Grenadines, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, St. Helena, Tanzania, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Kingdom, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

The U.S. government and St. Catherine University require all applicants to provide proof of ability to pay tuition and living expenses before the University can issue forms necessary to obtain a visa. St. Catherine University will process an application for form I-20 only when the following items have been received:

- Completed Certification of Finances form (sent by the University).
- Verification of finances available. This verification can take the form of bank statements or other financial documentation (from the previous six months).

General Guidelines:

- Any documents in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified English language translation. Applicants are not allowed to translate their own documents. A certified, professional translator must complete the translations.
- If an applicant wishes to attend the University for only one year or has completed some university course work in advance, she should follow the same procedures.
- All documents must be original or certified photocopies. Original documents may be returned upon request.

Application Deadlines (including receipt of all documents)

For students outside the United States/in the United States:

- Fall semester (September-December): Apply by July 1
- Spring semester (February-May): Apply by December 1

Transfer of Credits for International Students

Students with course work completed at the advanced level (e.g., STPM, A-levels, IB-higher level) or at accredited institutions of higher education may be considered for advanced standing. Credit will be considered on a course-by-course basis. St. Catherine University reserves the right to make final decisions about credential evaluation and transfer credits.

Applicants must submit higher-level exam results (if applicable), official post-secondary/university transcripts, and a credential evaluation in order to receive transfer credits. Students who have attended universities outside of the U.S. must submit a course-by-course credential evaluation in order to receive transfer credits. This evaluation must be done by a credential evaluation agency approved by the University. Students must also submit course descriptions to the University in order to determine their equivalency in the St. Catherine University curriculum.