

International

International Student Admission Process and Requirements

Applications for international undergraduate admission are found online at www.mtmercy.edu (<http://www.mtmercy.edu>). Admissions files are reviewed on a rolling basis. Student academic entry status is defined as follows:

- First-Year (Freshman) - students currently in high school or students who have graduated and have not taken college-level coursework
- Transfer - students who have graduated from high school or equivalent and taken college-level coursework at another college or university

All required documents listed below must be on file by the following deadlines for admission consideration:

Fall Semester – August 1st

Spring Semester – January 2nd

Mount Mercy is a test-optional institution which means that students are not required to submit standardized test scores (ACT/SAT) in order to be considered for admission but can submit scores if they feel it will strengthen their application to the institution.

Admission files are reviewed on a rolling basis. Students applying for admission must submit the following in order to be considered:

- Application for undergraduate admission
- Minimum GPA on a 4.0 scale of
 - 3.0 for First-Year (Freshman) students based on high school coursework
 - 2.5 for Transfer students based on college-level coursework
- Official international credit evaluation of high school transcripts and international college or university, if applicable
- Certificate of Finance or letter/affidavit from the bank certifying minimum of 50% of published tuition funds are available
- Scanned copy of the information page of the passport
- Official scores from English proficiency tests that will be considered for admission into the university include:
 - TOEFL (550 PBT, 213 CBT, 79 IBT)
 - IELTS (6.0)
 - STEP Eiken (Grade 1)
 - Duolingo: Minimum score of 100 (no sub-scores lower than 85)
 - ACT: Minimum English section score of 20
 - SAT (1020)

Other ways to show English proficiency:

- Student attend a US high school for a minimum of 3 years and graduates from a US high school.
- Student's country of origin lists English as the official language. Those countries are listed below:

(Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, Botswana, Cameroon, Canada, Dominica, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Africa, St. Christopher & Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Tanzania, Trinidad & Tobago, Uganda, United Kingdom, Zambia, Zimbabwe)

**Students who do not meet the published standards are still welcome to apply for admission consideration. A variety of additional factors

are also considered (the quality and nature of the courses taken, extracurricular and community involvement, strength of the personal statement, motivation, personal circumstances, etc.) to ensure that the students admitted to the institution are those who are the best fit for Mount Mercy and whose preparation and experiences suggest that they have the best likelihood of succeeding here.