International Applicants (non-resident aliens)

To be considered for admission, international applicants (non-resident aliens) must submit a USF or FACTS Application for Admission, a non-refundable application fee payable in U.S. dollars, a TOEFL or IELTS score if applicable, a Statement of Financial Responsibility, undergraduate admissions test scores as specified for appropriate applicant category, transcripts showing subjects and grades from the first year of secondary work to the time of application. Transcripts in a language other than English must be accompanied by a certified English translation.

Post-secondary international credentials must be evaluated by an independent evaluation service, with associated costs to be paid by the student. Information about recommended and approved independent evaluators is available from the Office of Undergraduate Admissions (http://usfweb2.usf.edu/Admissions/International/credential-evaluation.aspx).

An international applicant (non-resident alien) must meet all admission requirements for the appropriate applicant category (freshman, undergraduate transfer, graduate). Other minimum requirements are as follows:

1. An International applicant who has completed at least the equivalent of their high school diploma in schools taught in their native (non-English) languages will be considered to have met the requirements of FLENT and FLEX if they meet the Florida Board of Governors' minimum SAT or ACT scores in Reading and Writing or have earned a TOEFL score of 550 on the paper-based test, 79 on the internet-based TOEFL (IBT), 173 on the computer-based TOEFL test, or IELTS score of 6.5, demonstrating they have college-ready English Skills. Students with lower TOEFL and IELTS scores will be considered to have met the requirements of FLENT and FLEX once they successfully complete Level 5 in their approved Pathways programs.

   The TOEFL requirement may be waived on an individual basis when appropriate alternative evidence of English language proficiency is presented in writing (including an SAT Critical Reading score of 460 or better and SAT Reading score of 440 or better, or an ACT English/Writing score of 18 or better and an ACT Reading score of 19 or better or the completion of English Composition I and II with a grade of C or better at an English speaking post-secondary institution).

2. International applicants must be in good standing at the last institution attended.

3. International applicants must submit the USF Financial Statement substantiating availability of financial resources sufficient to cover all educational, maintenance, and personal expenses while attending USF, without financial assistance from the University.

4. International applicants seeking admission to limited access undergraduate degree programs must also meet all requirements specified by the program.