

International Students

An international student is a non-U.S. citizen or non-U.S. immigrant, who has been granted F-1 visa status from the U.S. Department of State (DOS) through a U.S. Consulate based upon the I-20 document (certificate of eligibility for an F-1 visa) issued by Anoka-Ramsey Community College (ARCC) to pursue full-time study at the College.

This application contains instruction to apply for admission into ARCC; it does not represent the entirety of U.S. immigration law. For additional information pertaining to international applicants, please visit: SEVIS – Student Exchange and Visitor Information System www.ice.gov/sevis/students

Admission Requirements

Persons pursuing international student status must complete **all** steps below by the application deadlines:

Fall Semester Application Deadline is July 1st Spring Semester Application Deadline is December 1st

Applications are reviewed for acceptance when all steps have been completed. Some applicants may need to follow additional steps.

1. **International Application:** Submit your completed **application** to the Admissions and Records Office with a **\$20 non-refundable fee**.
2. **Academic Requirement:** F-1 students are required to have their secondary education completed. Request your secondary school and any previously attended college or university to send your **official academic records and exam results** to the Admissions and Records Office. Documents in a language other than English must be accompanied by **English translations** from a certified English translation service. Copies of originals are not accepted. Academic records must **demonstrate equivalent grades of “C” or better** in a minimum of **five academic subjects** within a college preparatory tract. Academic subjects that may be used for this requirement include science, math, and geography. Vocational preparatory courses, English, and theological courses may not be used for this requirement.
3. **English Proficiency Requirement:** Demonstrate minimum English language proficiency by submitting one of the following:
 - TOEFL (Test of English Foreign Language) score of 500 (paper), 175 (computer) or 61 (internet). TOEFL testing information is located at www.toefl.org; ARCC TOEFL code is 6024
 - MELAB (Michigan English Language Assessment Battery) score of 75
 - U.S. college transcript showing recent completion of a composition course with a grade of “B”
4. **Financial Requirement:** Submit documentation demonstrating you have adequate financial support to cover all educational and living expenses while you study at ARCC. Your sponsor must submit a **notarized Affidavit of Support (BCIS form I-134)** and a **notarized current original bank statement** showing bank statement which shows a balance of at least **\$15709.32** in U.S. currency. If the value is not stated in U.S. currency, ARCC will convert it upon receipt of the statement. The bank statement must be original, less than two months old, and certified by a bank official as an official copy. The required amount of **\$15709.32** is the amount necessary to fund one academic year of tuition and fees, books, housing, food, transportation, medical insurance, and other expenses. Copies of originals are not accepted. (Retain a second set of financial documents to submit to the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services to obtain your F-1 visa.)

2008-2009 Estimated Annual Expenses	
Tuition and Fees (24 credits @ \$136.68) Subject to change annually	\$3,280.32
Medical Insurance (mandatory policy is through ARCC/MnSCU)	\$969
Books and Supplies	\$960
(These charges are due and payable directly to ARCC) SUBTOTAL:	<u>\$5,209.32</u>
Living and Maintenance (rent, transportation, personal) (These expenses are based on local estimates, and subject to change)	\$10,500
TOTAL:	\$15,709.32
(Add to total - \$2,800 for a spouse and \$1,700 for each dependent child)	

Transferring Credits from a University Outside the U.S.

Students wishing to transfer credit from a university outside of the U.S. must have their transcripts evaluated by an approved academic credentialing agency. The following companies provide acceptable evaluations for a fee. (Order a “Course by Course” evaluation.)

Educational Credential Evaluators
P.O. Box 514070
Milwaukee, WI 53203
Phone: 414.289.3400/Fax: 414.289.3411
www.ece.org

World Educational Services
P.O. Box 745, Old Chelsea Station
New York, NY 10113
Phone: 1.800.937.3895/ Fax: 212.739.6100
www.wes.org

Next Steps

1. Apply for F-1 visa at a U.S. Consulate. An I-20 is merely a certificate of eligibility and does not guarantee an F-1 visa will be granted.
2. Make travel arrangements. F-1 visa holders are allowed to travel into the U.S. 30 days prior to the reporting date listed on the I-20.
3. Report to the College. Contact 763.433.1240 (Coon Rapids Campus) or 763.433.1840 (Cambridge Campus) for assistance to make an appointment with the international student advisor.

Cambridge Campus

300 Spirit River Drive South
Cambridge, MN 55008-5706

763.433.1840 Info • 763.433.1450 TTY • 763.433.1841 FAX



Coon Rapids Campus

11200 Mississippi Boulevard NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433-3499

763.433.1240 Info • 763.433.1450 TTY • 763.433.1401 FAX

International Student Application for Admission

Enclose \$20 non-refundable application fee payable to ARCC

Office Use:

Today's Date _____ Paid _____ Orientation _____ Student/Tech ID _____

Intended Start Date

When do you intend to begin taking courses? Fall Spring Year _____

Personal and Demographic Information

Full Legal Name _____
Family Name First Name Middle Name

Country of Birth _____

Country of Citizenship _____

(Foreign) Permanent Street Address _____

(Foreign) City, State/Province, COUNTRY _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____
MM / DD / YYYY

(U.S.) Street Address _____

(U.S.) City, State, ZIP _____

(U.S.) Home Phone (_____) _____

E-mail Address _____

Additional Information

Will a spouse or dependent child(ren) accompany you on your visa? Yes No

If yes, attach a list indicating each person's full name, place and date of birth, and relationship to you.

If you are already in the United States, please answer the following questions:

What type of visa do you have? _____

If you have an F-1 Visa, what date did you enter the U.S.? _____

What is your admission I-94 number? _____

When does your visa expire? _____

Academic Interest

Major of Study? (must be offered at ARCC) _____

Educational Record

Have you attended any school since high school? Yes No

List attendance of all secondary and post-secondary schools below and request that official transcripts be sent to the Admissions and Records Office from each school listed. The official transcript must be in English and clearly show the student's current name.

Secondary Schools (High School)	Country	Town or City	Dates		Degree or Diploma Received
			From	To	
Colleges, Technical, or other Post-Secondary Schools	Country	Town or City	Dates		Credits Completed, Certificate, Degree or Diploma Received
			From	To	

Immunization Information

Minnesota law (M.S. 135A.14) requires that all students born after 1956 and enrolled in a public or private post-secondary school in Minnesota must be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, measles, mumps and rubella. Boosters for diphtheria and tetanus must be within the last 10 years. **Students must submit original, signed documentation from a doctor or clinic.**

Confidential Information

Providing the following information is voluntary. This information will assist Minnesota State Colleges and Universities in evaluating student recruitment and retention policies; it will not be used as a basis for admission.

Gender Male Female

Are you Hispanic or Latino-A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture, regardless of race? Yes No

Race and ethnic background (select any that apply)

- American Indian or Alaska Native-A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North, Central or South America and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment
- Asian-A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia or the Indian subcontinent
- Black or African American-A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander-A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands
- White-A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa

Certification

I certify that all information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

You are not legally required to provide the information the college is requesting; however, the college may not be able to effectively process your application if you do not provide sufficient information. Unless you consent to further release of private information, access to this information will be limited to school officials. Under certain circumstances, federal and state laws authorize release of private information without your consent:

- To your high school, where you are also enrolled and/or receiving services, while enrolled and/or receiving services from ARCC
- To federal, state or local officials for purposes of program compliance, audit or evaluation
- As appropriate in connection with your application for, or receipt of, financial aid
- If the information is sought with a subpoena, court order, or otherwise permitted by other state or federal law, and
- To an organization engaged in educational researcher accrediting agency

Anoka-Ramsey does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, religion, age or disability in employment or provision of our services. The college provides accommodations to students with disabilities. Call the Access Services Office at 763.433.1350; TTY 763.433.1450 to request this document in an alternative format. Please allow at least two weeks for processing requests.