International Students

International students desiring admission to Missouri Valley College may be admitted as full-time students only. Full-time status is established by active enrollment in a minimum of 12 hours each semester (9 hours for graduate students.). All required documents that are not originally written in English must be accompanied by an official English translation. For admission purposes only a student may submit certified copies of the documents. Missouri Valley College is bound by federal immigration laws and regulations in regards to financial responsibilities of the student. Students need to provide sufficient proof of financial ability for the duration of studies in the United States. Missouri Valley College requires the same, and reserves the right to request financial support documents in addition to those listed below.

Deadlines

While there are no set admissions deadlines, it is recommended that all requested admissions documents be submitted to the Admissions Office no later than 60 days prior to the beginning of the first semester of attendance. Applications received after the recommended time frame will be reviewed in the order they are received. Missouri Valley College reserves the right to recommend deferred admissions to applicants whose admissions documents are received immediately before or in otherwise insufficient time frame prior to the beginning of the semester.

International Student Freshman requirements

- Admissions Application for International Students: paper form or on-line.
- Non-refundable Application Fee: \$75 (by credit card, check, or money order.)
- Proof of secondary education: Academic transcripts showing grades for each year of secondary education, and a completion certificate or diploma. For admission purposes only, a student may submit certified copies of the documents. However, official (original) transcripts must be submitted upon arrival to the College.
- Official TOEFL or IELTS score or official score of other English test accepted for admission if from a country where English is not the first language. Students will be placed in ESL courses if needed. Initial placement determination is based on submitted English test score.
- Official ACT or SAT scores are required for students without a TOEFL or IELTS. Placement test may be required.
- International Financial Statement
- Affidavit of Financial Support from a student's sponsor specifying the annual amount of sponsor's contributions toward student's college expenses.
- 12 months' worth of Sponsor's most recent bank statements, pay records, or most recent tax documents.
- Clear photocopy of student's passport showing student's picture, student's name, date of birth, place of birth, citizenship, passport expiration date, and a passport number.

Transfer Student Requirements (Additionally, look at the general rules concerning transfer of credit hours under "Transfer Students")

Transfer of Foreign Credits:

- Admissions Application for International students.
- Non-refundable Application Fee: \$75 (by credit card, check, or money order).

- Official TOEFL score and official transcript from US college/university showing successful completion of English coursework. Official Course-By-Course Evaluation Report of foreign credentials by a professional evaluation agency such as World Education Services (<u>www.wes.org</u>) or InCred <u>http://www.playnaia.org/</u> <u>InCred</u> for student athletes. If a student has accumulated fewer than 27 transferable credit hours, he or she will need to submit high school transcripts in addition to U.S. College/University transcripts.
- Affidavit of Support from a student's sponsor specifying the annual amount of sponsor's contributions toward student's college expenses.
- 12 months' worth of Sponsor's most recent bank statements, pay records, or most recent tax documents.
- Clear photocopy of student's passport showing student's picture, student's name, date of birth, place of birth, citizenship, passport expiration date, and a passport number.

Transfer of Credits from a regionally accredited college or University in the United States:

- Admissions Application for International students
- Non-refundable Application Fee: \$75 (by credit card, check, or money order).
- MVC International Student Transfer Form completed and signed by the student and the previous school's DSO.
- Official transcripts sent directly from the registrar's office of all regionally accredited colleges or universities in the US that the student attended.
- If a student has accumulated fewer than 27 transferable credit hours, he or she will need to submit high school transcripts in addition to College/University transcripts.
- Affidavit of Support from a student's sponsor specifying the annual amount of family contributions toward college expenses.
- 12 months' worth of Sponsor's most recent bank statements, pay records, or most recent tax documents.
- Clear photocopy of student's last SEVIS form I-20 (first and second page), F-1 student visa, and most recent I-94.
- Clear photocopy of student's passport showing student's picture, student's name, date of birth, place of birth, citizenship, passport expiration date, and a passport number.
- Photocopies of student's EAD's obtained for OPT, CPT or economic hardship.

Once all the required documents are received the student will be notified of his or her admissions status and receive a Scholarship Award package. All admitted residential students must pay a non-refundable down payment of \$500, and be in good status prior to being issued a SEVIS form I-20. Student's I-20 package will be sent by airmail or courier service depending on time allowed.

The student must present the SEVIS form I-20 along with the payment receipt for a SEVIS fee I-901 when applying for the student (F-1) visa at a U.S. embassy or consulate. Information regarding SEVIS fee I-901 and instructions on payment methods will be provided with student's I-20 package.