## International Students

## International Student Admission

Bridgewater warmly welcomes students from around the world to experience the opportunities and personal attention the institution offers. To make the transition to the U.S. seamless, international students benefit from airport pick-up services; an orientation for international students; assistance with visa regulations and academics; and special campus events.

All non-U.S. citizens and nonpermanent residents of the U.S. go through the same process as all entering freshman and transfer students.

In addition, international applicants **must provide** evidence of English proficiency and documentation of sufficient financial resources. A deposit of \$300 is required of all international students accepted for admission. The deposit must be paid before the I-20 is issued.

F-1 international students wishing to matriculate from undergraduate to graduate programs at Bridgewater College must follow all institutional and academic requirements for moving to a new degree level. A new I-20 will be issued after verification of financial support for one academic year is provided.

International students may submit their applications throughout the year. The deadline is **March 15** for fall admission and **October 1** for spring admission. Late applications may be considered if space remains.

International students should submit the following documents when applying to Bridgewater College:

- Admission application (Common App or Bridgewater College app)
- Official records from secondary school and post-secondary school, with English translations
- · Certified bank statement verifying financial support for one academic year
- English language proficiency results with the following minimum scores: TOEFL: 550 (paper), 213 (computer), 79 (internet-based); IELTS: 6.5; PTE: 60. For graduate admissions, TOEFL of 573 (PBT), 89 (internet-based) or IELTS 6.5. No category—reading, listening, speaking or writing—can be below 22 in the iBT.
- Personal Statement (250-word minimum) written in English
- Photocopy of front page (photo page) of passport
- For transfer students: a World Education Services evaluation for all previous college or university coursework

Applicants who do not meet the minimum English language proficiency requirements may be conditionally admitted to Bridgewater College, provided they enroll in and successfully complete an approved English language training program.

All F-1 international students will be required to prove they have sufficient health insurance coverage from a U.S. based provider before registering for classes for the first time.