

International Students

At NHTI, we welcome students with diverse backgrounds and experiences. Our student body includes over 600 students speaking 60+ native languages. Our small class size and active campus life allows International students to engage closely with faculty, staff, and fellow students and become a vital part of our community.

We offer courses in [English for Speakers of Other Languages \(ESOL\)](#), which are designed to help students develop the language skills necessary for academic success at NHTI. ESOL tutoring and support services and International Student Advising are available to aid you with your studies and as you learn more about life in New Hampshire.

NHTI is authorized by the U.S Student Exchange and Visitor Program (SEVP) to issue I-20 (Application for Student Visa) forms for students accepted into Associate degree programs only. Not sure what program to choose? Review the [programs of study](#) or email us at NHTIadmissions@ccsnh.edu.

How to Apply

NHTI is authorized by the U.S. Student Exchange and Visitor Program (SEVP) to issue I-20 (Application for Student Visa) forms for students accepted into associate degree programs only. In addition to the [general admission requirements](#) and [specific admission requirements](#) for their desired program, international students must submit:

- Official transcripts of all secondary school and university academic records; if transcripts are not in English, they must be accompanied by an official English translation.
- Applicants whose native language is not English must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and earn a score of 500 or higher on the paper-based test; 173 or higher on the computer-based test, or 61 or higher on the internet-based test.
 - Inquiries regarding the test should be addressed to: TOEFL, Educational Testing Service, Box 899, Princeton, NJ 08540, USA or www.ets.org. Official TOEFL scores must be sent from the testing site to the Admissions office.
 - Students earning a TOEFL score lower than those listed above may be evaluated for language study. Applicants who score between 380-499 on the paper-based exam, 83-172 computer-based, or 26-61 internet-based may be accepted into the General Studies program and take preparatory ESOL coursework for their first 2 semesters. Students scoring below a 380 on the TOEFL will not be admitted to the college or a program at NHTI.
 - International students already in the U.S. may complete an on-campus Institutional Language Assessment to determine their English proficiency. NHTI also accepts the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test in place of the TOEFL exam. Students must receive an overall score of 6 or higher for admission into a major. Students who score between 4.5-6 may begin in the General Studies program and take preparatory coursework.
- Letter of support from the person(s) who will be financially responsible for the student; the letter should include the student's name, the intent to attend NHTI, and the amount of money available. It must be in English and funds must be stated in U.S. dollars.
- Letter from the financial institution that holds the funds of the person(s) financially responsible for the student on official letterhead in English and indicating the sponsor's and student's names and the amount of money available for the student in U.S. dollars.
- Copies of current passport and immigration documents including visa, Duration of Status (D/S) card, and I-20.
- A one-time International Student Admissions fee of \$100 at the time of application
- Proof of health insurance to the Health Services Department prior to registration

International students currently in the U.S. with an F-1 visa at another college must forward official transcripts from that college and submit an International Student Transfer Form to the Admissions Office. Dollar amounts promised by the sponsor and available in the sponsor's bank account should be sufficient to cover a minimum of one year of expenses (out-of-state tuition, fees, room, board, books, and miscellaneous expenses). Before an I-20 can be issued, applicants must have submitted all documents required to be considered for admission, be accepted into a program, and have submitted the required TOEFL score and financial documents.

Any international student planning to request an F-2 visa for dependents must submit copies of the dependents' current passport and immigration documents and plan to include the cost for the dependents' expenses in their

financial support documents (an additional \$9,900 for the first dependent, \$3,500 for each additional dependent). A letter must accompany the dependents' documents, specifying name, date of birth, country of birth, country of citizenship, and relationship to the international student.