



International Student Application Checklist

Before you begin your application, please review the following requirements.

- **Complete the Application**

Apply online using the Common Application or the Framingham State University Application

- **Application Fee**

There is a \$50 US fee to apply. Payments may be submitted online using a credit card at the time of application.

- **Academic Credentials**

Official marks sheets, transcripts, national test scores, and/or leaving certificates, with exam results from the secondary school and all universities the student has attended should be sent directly from the institution(s) to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. All applicants must submit proof of graduation from their secondary school. Framingham State University does not accept academic credentials from personal email accounts.

All transcripts must be sent directly to the university by the school from either a secure electronic source or from a school official from a school-based web address. Transcripts submitted by the student will be considered unofficial. Your application will not be reviewed until an official copy has arrived in admissions.

- **Certified Course-by-Course Evaluation of Academic Credentials**

All students who studied outside of the US in a system different from the US system must have their official transcripts submitted for an official evaluation. The evaluation must include grade and credit hour equivalents for each course completed including secondary school, college, or university. We accept credential evaluations from NACES.org accredited evaluation services. The Evaluation Company (TEC) has created a custom application for Framingham State University that will ensure you select the right kind of evaluation at a discounted rate. You can access the evaluation application here: [The Evaluation Company - Framingham State University](#)

All grades submitted for evaluation must be sent directly to the testing service by the institution and not by the student. Transcripts submitted for evaluation by the student will be considered unofficial. Your application will not be reviewed until an official copy has arrived in admissions.

- **Proof of English Language Proficiency**

If a student's native language or academic language (K-12) is English, or if a student has completed an associate degree in the U.S. at the time of application, they will be exempt from submitting test scores. We currently accept many common test services. The most common services with minimum passing scores:



[TOEFL](#) – Internet based test = 79 (School code 3519)

[IELTS Test](#) – IELTS = 6.0 (School code 1904)

[Duolingo English Test](#) – Duolingo = 100

All test scores must be sent directly to the university by the testing service. Scores submitted by the student will be considered unofficial. Your application will not be reviewed until an official copy has arrived in admissions.

- **Resume or Description of Activities**

Required if the applicant has been out of school for any period of time. A description of work experience, travel, family commitments, and other relevant information should be included. This can be uploaded as a part of your application as a Word document or PDF. A resume or CV is also acceptable.

- **Official SAT or ACT Score Reports – Not Required**

Framingham State University is test optional. Submitting scores from these test services is entirely up to you. If you choose to send your scores, official results can be sent directly to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions from the College Entrance Examination board.

SAT Test - (School Code: 3519)

ACT Test - (School code 1904)

Applicants Seeking an F-1 Student Visa

Framingham State University does not require visa related documents as a part of the admissions process. However, if you require student visa to study in the United States, you will need to successfully complete the admissions process as an accepted student and make your deposit to reserve your place in the upcoming class before we will begin the process of collecting documents for your visa. Due to longer than normal wait times in many countries, we encourage accepted and deposited students to complete their visa related paperwork as soon as possible. As a reminder, the university does not issue your visa, as this is the domain of the United States government. The university will assist you in submitting your paperwork and will issue your Form I-20 when complete. You can only set an appointment for a visa interview at your local US embassy or consulate once you have your Form I-20.

- **Passport**

We require a clear, color copy of the information page of your passport.

- **Certification of Finances**

This form verifies that the applicant has access to sufficient financial resources required to attend the University (this is a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement). No other form may



be submitted. Since the University is unable to provide financial aid to international students, the applicants must demonstrate adequate resources to meet the yearly estimated expenses.

- **Bank Letter/Source of Funds**

F-1 visa applicants must demonstrate that the entire first year's expenses are either currently on deposit or are being provided by their home government or agency. All sources of savings (personal, parental, or those of an individual sponsor) must be verified in a letter by a bank official on official bank stationery. Each financial institution must verify the legal name of the bank, the mailing address of the bank, the name and title of the signing bank official, the length of the banking relationship with the client, a telephone number where that official may be reached, and verification that the amount of \$37,000 (U.S. Dollars) or more is currently on deposit.

- **Copy of Current I-20 & F-1 Visa**

A clear color copy of current I-20 & F-1 Visa for students already studying in the United States.

Frequently Asked Questions

Financial Aid

Framingham State University does not currently provide financial aid to international students.

Change of Status

Applicants looking to change from B-1 or B-2 visa status may not attend school until the Change of Status application is approved by US Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS).

Tuition & Fees

All international students (i.e. non-permanent residents or citizens of the US) are classified as "out-of-state" students for tuition and billing purposes whether or not they require an F-1 visa.

Contact Admissions

Transcripts, test results, financial documents, and inquiries should be directed to:

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
Framingham State University
100 State St. P.O. Box 9101
Framingham, MA 01701-9101
Phone 508-626-4500
Email: admissions@framingham.edu

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Faxed documents will not be accepted*