



Please refer to this checklist as you gather documents to apply for admission to Elgin Community College. You are responsible for submitting all required documents by the appropriate deadline. Upon receipt of all required documents, an I-20 will be issued which authorizes you to apply for an F-1 student visa at the U.S. embassy or consulate in your home country. The following documents are required for international admission to ECC:

\_\_\_\_\_ **International Student Application**

- Complete all required fields and sign the last page.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Non-refundable \$50 processing fee**

- Cash or check/money order payable to Elgin Community College

\_\_\_\_\_ **International Student Financial Statement**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Evidence of Financial Support**

- All prospective F-1 students must submit financial documentation certifying access to funding for the duration of their studies pursuant to 8 CFR § 214.2. Students must submit an official, original bank statement or letter on bank letter head certifying they have available \$21,585 (\$16,465 if living with relatives/sponsor) for first-year expenses at ECC; exclusive of travel expenses. Certification of funds must be dated within 90-days of issuing the I-20. Tuition increases annually.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Affidavit of Sponsorship (Form I-134)**

- The I-134 must be completed by the primary sponsor and any U.S. sponsor (family or friend) that will provide you with room, board and transportation during your studies at ECC.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Proof of English Proficiency**

- You must present proof of English proficiency for placement into credit classes. Students entering directly into the Intensive English Program **do not** need to submit proof of English proficiency as English language instruction will be provided at ECC. Students entering directly into the Intensive English Program will be issued an I-20 for English Language Training and will test upon arrival.

For placement into academic classes, students must present a minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based), 213 (computer based) or 79 (internet based) or a minimum IELTS overall band score of 6.5. Students not meeting the accepted minimum TOEFL or IELTS score may be placed into the Intensive English Program. **Note: all students are required to complete ECC's placement test (Compass or Celsa) upon admission.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Statement of Purpose**

- All applicants must submit a typed, one page statement describing your educational goals while attending ECC.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Certified Transcripts from all Secondary and Postsecondary Institutions**

- You must submit official, original, certified English-translated copies of high school and college academic transcripts. Translation or evaluation services may require an additional fee.\

\_\_\_\_\_ **Photocopy of Passport and I-94**

- Submit a copy of your biography page and identity page with photograph from your passport. If you are currently in the U.S., please include a copy (front and back) of your I-94 card and current visa or visa stamp.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Proof of Health Insurance** *(required by International Student Orientation)*

\_\_\_\_\_ **Transfer Release Form** *(if applicable)*

- If you are transferring from another U.S. school, you must have your school complete the Transfer Release Form.



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# **International Student Application**

ECC prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, age, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, marital status, sexual orientation, or disability unrelated to ability, in the recruitment and admission of students and the employment of faculty, staff, and students and wherever such discrimination is prohibited by law, in the operation of college programs, activities and services. For more information regarding student right to know information, visit [elgin.edu/righttoknow](http://elgin.edu/righttoknow) ECC complies with the federal Family Rights and Privacy Act. Under this act only certain information may be released without your knowledge. This information is called directory information and at ECC is defined as: name, address, major field of study, weight and height of athletes, most recent previous school attended participation in officially recognized activities and sports, dates of attendance, degrees, awards and honors. If you do not want your directory information released, you must notify the ECC Registrar in writing before Oct. 1 every year. Go to the Records Office, SRC 166, or submit by fax at 847-214-7356.

## **Learn more about ECC**

ECC is the right choice for you. Email [international@elgin.edu](mailto:international@elgin.edu) to arrange for a campus visit where you can talk with the admissions staff, faculty, or take a campus tour.

## **Contact Us**

International Admissions.....847-214-7809  
Campus Visit .....847-214-7385  
Testing Center .....847-214-7150  
Advising/Counseling .....847-214-7390  
Disability Services .....847-214-7220  
Información en español .....847-214-7250



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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Family) (First) (Middle) (Other)

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Driver's License Number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. Driver's License Issuing State (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Male Marital Status: \_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_ Married

Permanent Foreign Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City or Town Province/Territory Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Country Phone Email

Address while attending classes at Elgin Community College (do not use the college's address):

\_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City or Town State Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Country Phone Email

**Emergency contact:** In the event you have an emergency on campus or there is a need to contact someone on your behalf, who would you like the college to contact?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Family) (First) (Middle) (Other)

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender  Male  Female



Ethnicity/Race

Are you Hispanic or Latino? (OR are you of Spanish origin?)

- Yes, Hispanic or Latino
Not Hispanic or Latino

Select all racial ethnic groups that apply.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
Asian
Black or African American
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
White
Choose not to respond

Please identify your primary racial/ethnic group (select one).

- American Indian or Alaska Native
Asian
Black or African American
Hispanic or Latino
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
White
Choose not to respond

Are you in the United States on a visa—nonresident alien?

- Yes, in the United States on a visa. Provide home country of origin Visa type
No, not in the United States on a visa.

What is your admission number from the I-94 card in your passport?

When does your current immigration status expire?

Will you be applying for a change of status to F-1 while in the United States?

Note: Processing for change of status requests can take several months.

How did you learn about ECC?

- Mailing to your home/business
Radio/TV
ECC web site
Newspaper
Other (please describe)
Word of mouth (friend, relative, employer, etc.)

Term applying for (check one and enter year)

- Fall (August-December) Year
Spring (January-May) Year
Summer (May-August) Year



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Planned Program of Study at Elgin Community College:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate of Applied Science Degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate in Science Degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate in Engineering Science Degree

- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate in Arts Degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate in Fine Arts Degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate in Liberal Studies Degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Intensive English Program only

My intended major is: \_\_\_\_\_

My intended secondary major (if any) is: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are transferring from another U.S. institution: \_\_\_\_\_

### Language Information

Native Language: \_\_\_\_\_

Basis of determining English proficiency: (Note: official test results must be submitted.)

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ TOEFL b. \_\_\_\_\_ IELTS c. \_\_\_\_\_ CELSA (specify) d. \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify)

Reason for enrollment—which of the following best indicates why you are enrolling at ECC?

Prepare for transfer; please list college(s) you are considering transfer to \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- Improve skills needed for my present job
- Prepare for a job immediately after attending ECC
- Personal interest/self development—not career oriented

Which best describes your goal while attending ECC?

- Complete courses NOT pursuing a degree or certificate
- Complete a certificate
- Complete an associate degree

Do you plan to attend:

- Full-time (12 semester hours or more)
- Three-quarter-time (9-11 semester hours)
- Half-time (6-8 semester hours)
- Less than half-time (less than 6 semester hours)

### Final High School Information



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High school attended name: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation date (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

Colleges/Universities Attended

College/University \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

From (year) \_\_\_\_\_ to (year) \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

College/University \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State/Territory \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

From (year) \_\_\_\_\_ to (year) \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation date (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

Highest educational level achieved (select one):

- Less than high school diploma, Finished GED, Successfully passed at least one college course, Associate degree, Master's degree, First professional degree, Current high school student, High school graduate, Certificate, Bachelor's degree, Doctoral degree, Other

Did either of your parents complete a bachelor's? Yes No

What was the primary reason you chose to attend ECC (select one).

- Location/convenience, Affordable, Other, Academic program offered, High quality reputation

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge the information furnished is true and complete. I understand that if it is found to be otherwise, it is sufficient cause for rejection or dismissal. Furthermore, I agree to comply with any necessary regulations that govern my stay in the United States as a non-immigrant.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Elgin Community College, Office of International Student Services and Study Abroad, 1700 Spartan Drive, Elgin, IL 60123-7193; 847-214-7809 phone, 847-214-7484 fax, elgin.edu/international



## International Student Financial Statement

You are required to certify that you have available \$21,585 (\$16,465 if living with a sponsor) for your first year expenses at ECC, exclusive of travel expenses. If you are living with a sponsor, they must submit form I-134 stating they are furnishing you with room, board and transportation during your stay at ECC. You must also certify that you have funds available to meet your expenses during the summer months and after your first year of study at ECC. If you plan to bring dependents with you to the United States, you must certify the availability of an additional \$3,276 per dependent per academic year. Dependents of F-1 visa holders are not eligible for employment in the U.S.

International students on an F-1 visa are not eligible for financial assistance from U.S. governmental agencies. F-1 students are allowed to work on-campus up to 20 hours a week; on-campus employment is competitive and should not be viewed as a significant source of income when calculating expenses. Federal regulations prohibit F-1 students from working off-campus in the first year of academic study, and off-campus employment (OPT or CPT) may only be authorized by the DSO if directly related to the student's major and if the student is in lawful F-1 status.

I certify I clearly understand the following:

- F-1 international student tuition is assessed at an out-of-state rate of \$442.65 per semester hour and is subject to change without notice.
- Federal and state financial assistance is not available to F-1 students. Financial arrangements have been made to pay my expenses while at ECC.
- Employment on-campus is limited and should not be viewed as a significant source of income.
- My tuition and fees must be paid according to the rules set forth by the Student Accounts Office. I understand I may be dropped for non-payment of my classes if I default on a payment plan or fail to pay my tuition and fees in full.
- I agree to abide by all regulations governing my F-1 visa during my stay in the U.S.

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Student Signature

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Date



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# International Student Transfer Release

This form must be completed if you are **transferring from a U.S. college or university** to Elgin Community College. Complete the top section and ask the designated school official at your current school to complete the bottom section.

**Return to:** Elgin Community College  
International Admission, SRC 165E  
1700 Spartan Drive  
Elgin, IL 60123-7193

Phone: 847-214-7809  
Fax: 847-214-7484

**PLEASE PRINT:**

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name

Birthday: month/day/year	Country of Birth	Country of Citizenship

Semester/Year you expect to attend ECC		
Fall (August) 20_____	Spring (January) 20_____	Summer (May/June) 20_____

I verify that the above information is correct, and authorize my current school to provide the information requested below.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Student's admission number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did the student maintain lawful non-immigrant status to your knowledge? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

Please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Has the student been authorized for OPT? If so, for what period?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Is this student in "Transfer Status" per SEVIS? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

SEVIS Transfer Date\_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_