

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Students who are not U.S. citizens must verify their immigration status at the time of registration. If classified as nonresident, these individuals must pay nonresident tuition. Foreign students who plan to enroll with a student visa (F-1, M-1) must have the international admission application files completed through the International Student Programs Department. No I-20 will be issued until all requirements are met. Contact the International Student Programs Department for more information at 562-938-4745 or visit [www.lbcc.edu/internationalstudents](http://www.lbcc.edu/internationalstudents) (<http://www.lbcc.edu/internationalstudents/>).

Students must submit the appropriate admissions applications and enrollment forms for each term they wish to attend. Documents submitted to the college, such as applications and transcripts, become the property of LBCC, will not be returned, and may not be duplicated.

## International Student Programs

### Admission Procedures

The International Student Programs offer specialized support and immigration advising to F1 and M1 status students on campus, as well as assistance to prospective students from the moment of their initial application and throughout their study at LBCC until their graduation. All international student applications are accepted and processed by International Student Programs.

## International Student Admission to LBCC Academic or Certificate Programs

LBCC offers a wide range of university transfer programs, associate degrees, and technical education certificates. The International Academic Counselor will help students plan for, and reach, their educational goals. LBCC welcomes all international students who desire to grow, serve, and succeed in their academic and professional pursuits.

How to become an International Student at LBCC:

1. Apply online at [apps.lbcc.edu/internationalsecure/](https://apps.lbcc.edu/internationalsecure/) (<http://apps.lbcc.edu/internationalsecure/>) (International application for admission)
2. Application fee of \$40 paid online at <http://www.lbcc.edu/post/international-student-application-fee> (<http://www.lbcc.edu/post/international-student-application-fee/>) (non-refundable)

Applicants must adhere to application deadlines and submit all required documentation:

1. Proof of English Proficiency within two years. Accepted test scores include the following:
  - a. iTEP International English Test (Level 3.5)
  - b. PTE Pearson test of English Academic (44 score)
  - c. TOEFL - 57 (iBT)/490 (PBT)/163 (CBT) or higher
  - d. ALI at CSULB - Level 104
  - e. ALI at SDSU - Level 106
  - f. IELTS – (Level 5.5)
  - g. LSI – (Level 6)
  - h. TOEIC – (550 or higher)
  - i. STEP Eiken – (Level 2A)

- j. UCI-DCE – (Level 5)
- k. DUOLINGO – (85 or higher)

2. Proof of Financial Support: A current original PDF signed and stamped bank statement or letter of financial sponsorship showing minimum amount required to cover academic and living expenses for at least one year of study at LBCC.
3. Academic Credentials and Transcripts:
  - a. Proof of High School Graduation (seniors under 18 years of age)
  - b. Official Sealed College/University transcripts (Must be in English)
4. Tuberculosis Test: Original PDF test result within a year from a hospital or doctor is required
5. Personal Essay: Personal one-page essay explaining why the student wants to study at LBCC, discussing academic goals
6. Copy of Passport: PDF copy of the information page from the passport showing full legal name in English and a picture. LBCC will use this version of the student's name to issue the I-20
7. Upload each required document through the online international application in PDF format with Certified English Translation

### Tuition and Fees

- International Student Tuition fee (Nonresident Enrollment fee).
- Other fees and expenses include student ID, health insurance, parking, housing, food, books, school supplies, and personal necessities.

Upon receiving a completed application, an international admissions advisor will review the file and inform the prospective student of the admission decision. Students are required to attend the mandatory orientation for international students. Once students have registered they are required to pay their registration fees immediately.

1. As per immigration regulations and college policy, all international students are required to enroll in and complete 12 units each semester, except for summer and winter sessions.
2. All international students must purchase and maintain valid student health insurance from the authorized LBCC group vendor throughout their enrollment at LBCC. This insurance may not be waived.
3. International students are encouraged to be actively involved in campus life and activities.

Contact ISP at 562-938-4745 or email [international@lbcc.edu](mailto:international@lbcc.edu) for questions regarding international student status.