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ADMISSION OF UNDERGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

All undergraduate international students must file the Texas Common Application or the SHSU Undergraduate Admissions Application and pay the nonrefundable application fee in U.S. currency.

Sam Houston State University has five categories of undergraduate international students: beginning freshmen who have graduated from a high school outside the United States, beginning freshmen who have graduated from a high school in the U.S., transfer students who have attended a college or university from outside the U.S., transfer students who have attended a college or university in the U.S. and have obtained 60+ hours or an associate degree, and transfer students who have attended a college or university in the U.S. and have obtained less than 60 hours.

- International students who are beginning freshmen graduating from a high school **outside the U.S.** must provide the following:
 1. TOEFL score of 550 or 213 (computer version) if English is not their first language
 2. Official high school transcript
 3. Evaluation of high school transcript from an accredited evaluation company
 4. Support documents (see Requirements for Registration by Undergraduate International Students below)
- International students who are beginning freshmen graduating from a high school **in the U.S.** must provide the following:
 1. 1. A final high school transcript showing the date of graduation and class ranking and submit satisfactory ACT or SAT scores. Effective with enrollment for the Fall Semester 2002, the admissions requirements for beginning freshmen graduating from U.S. high schools is:
 - a. **Top 10%:**
no minimum score on ACT Composite or new SAT I Total (Critical Reading + Math)
 - b. **Top 11% - 25%:**
a minimum score of 17 on ACT Composite or a minimum score of 850 on new SAT I Total (Critical Reading + Math)
 - c. **Second Quartile:**
a minimum score of 19 on ACT Composite or a minimum score of 930 on new SAT I Total (Critical Reading + Math).
 - d. **Third Quartile:**
a minimum score of 22 on ACT Composite or 1030 on new SAT I Total (Critical Reading + Math).
 - e. **Fourth Quartile:**
a minimum score of 25 on ACT Composite or 1140 on new SAT I Total (Critical Reading + Math).

Note: The old SAT I test contains Verbal and Quantitative sections

Score does NOT include writing portion.

2. Support documents (see Requirements for Registration by Undergraduate International Students listed below)
 3. Copies of all immigration documents
- International students who are transfer students who attended a college or university **outside the U.S.** must provide the following:
 1. TOEFL score of 550 or 213 (computer version) if English is not their first language
 2. Official transcripts from **all** colleges/universities attended
 3. Evaluation of **all** transfer work from an accredited evaluation company
 4. Support documents (see Requirements for Registration by Undergraduate International Students listed below)
 - International students who are transfer students who attended a college or university in the U.S. **and** have obtained 60+ hours or an associate degree must provide the following:
 1. Official transcript from **all** colleges/universities attended
 2. Support documents (see Requirements for Registration by Undergraduate International Students listed below)
 3. Advisor's report
 4. Copies of all immigration documents
 - International students who are transfer students who attended a college or university in the U.S. **and** have obtained **less than** 60 hours must provide the following:
 1. TOEFL score of 550 or 213 (computer version) if English is not their first language
 2. Official transcript from **all** colleges/universities attended
 3. Support documents (see Requirements for Registration by Undergraduate

International Students listed below)

4. Advisor's report
5. Copies of all immigration document

REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION BY UNDERGRADUATE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

1. To ensure that all undergraduate admission and immigration papers are in order, international students are required to visit the Undergraduate Admissions Office immediately upon arrival on campus. Telephone (936) 294-1059 or email ugrad.intl@shsu.edu.
2. All international students are required to purchase the group Hospitalization, Medical Evacuation, and Repatriation Insurance available to all eligible SHSU students. Proof of this insurance must be presented to designated university officials each semester before the registration process can be completed. Further information concerning this required coverage may be obtained from the University Health Center.
3. Certified English translations are required for documents submitted in a language other than English.
4. Financial support documents listed. Telephone (936) 294-1059 or email ugrad.intl@shsu.edu.