F-1 Admissions Requirements for International Students WITHIN the United States

Please complete the requirements below if you are:
- An F-1 International Student currently in the United States AND
- Attending another U.S. college, university, language or high school

If you currently hold another non-immigrant visa status, please refer to the Change of Status Application requirements.

Early Enrollment Deadlines
Fall = March 1 - July 1
Spring = August 1 - November 1
Summer = January 1 - April 1

Admissions Package
For the quickest response about your admissions, we highly recommend all documents be submitted as a completed admissions package and received by the stated deadline above.

⚠️ IMPORTANT: All submitted documents must be original. Please visit our web-site at www.cerritos.edu/oiss for any information or documents you will need to complete your admission packet. Documents submitted become property of Cerritos College, and will not be returned.

The admission package must contain ALL of the following:

1. Completed International Student Admission Application
   * If student is under the age of 18, they must complete additional documents:
     - Authorization for Cerritos College Student Health Services to consent to treatment of minor capacity to consent
     - Government Identification Form from the person signing the form

2. $50.00 US dollar non-refundable application fee
   Only a bank issued Cashier’s Check or Money Order payable to CERRITOS COLLEGE will be accepted.

3. Statement of Financial Support
   The statement must be completed by the applicant’s financial sponsor. The financial sponsor can be the applicant (self- sponsorship), family member or government agency who is financially responsible for the applicant’s college expenses including but not limited to tuition, books, housing, health insurance and other associated fees. Please include an additional $3,000 per dependent (If applicable).
   OR
   Form I-134 Affidavit of Support if the sponsor is a U.S. Permanent Resident or U.S. Citizen
   http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i-134.pdf

4. Bank Certification
   The bank certification must meet the following criteria:
   - Must be on bank letterhead OR completed on Bank Certification Form with original signatures
Clearly show account holder’s name, type of account, bank name, branch, and account balance in US dollar AND be translated in English
Be current within the last 3 months (at the time of application submission)
Account holder’s name must be the financial sponsor on the Statement of Financial Support
Financial guaranty in an official bank statement, or letter from bank written on bank stationary.

5. Tuberculosis (TB) results (skin test) must be within the last 2 years and completed by a health clinic, doctor’s office or the Cerritos College Student Health Services (walk-ins welcome).

6. Proof of High School completion
   All applicants must show proof of high school completion by submitting official high school diploma or transcripts. Proof must meet the following criteria:
   • An official certified English translation must be submitted together with the official transcript(s) and diploma(s) if language is other than English
   • Submit all current and previous college(s) attended
   • Documents must bear the official seal of the awarding institution, certified by the U.S Embassy or Consulate OR certified by the Ministry of Education in the home country

7. Cerritos College Placement Test
   Applicants from an Intensive English Program are required to take the Cerritos College placement test. All other students transferring from another U.S. college may be waived provided that official transcripts are received and evaluated for course placement. TOEFL is not required for applicants currently in the U.S.

8. Clear and complete copies of the following documents:
   • Identity page of a valid passport
   • Visa
   • I-94 (if applicable)
   • All I-20s issued from previous and current colleges/language schools

9. Transfer Authorization Form
   A completed transfer authorization form must be submitted to the applicant’s current college/school of attendance. For applicants out of status or need reinstatement, please inquire directly to the office for further instructions.

Submit Admissions Package by mail or in person to:
Cerritos College Office of International Student Services
11110 Alondra Blvd.
Norwalk, CA 90650

The Office of International Student Services (OISS) is located in the Santa Barbara Building.
We can be reached by phone at 562-860-2451 ext. 2133 or email oiss@cerritos.edu

Please allow up to 2 weeks for processing. Admissions notification will be mailed and emailed.
Inquiries about the status of an application will only be released to the applicant and/or the authorized third party. Note: Due to budget restrictions, we encourage you to apply early for best available enrollment date and course selection.