



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION CHECKLIST

APPLICATION	APPLICATION TIMELINES		
Attend Cuesta in the	Submit paperwork between		
Fall	January 1 to July 1		
Spring	October 1 to December 1		
Summer	April 1 to May 1		

The following documents are required for admission to Cuesta College. Students must maintain full-time enrollment during the entire semester (Fall and Spring term = 12 credits, Summer term = 9 credits)

☐ Online Application to Cuesta College (Nonimmigrant F-1 VISA)

After your online admission application has been processed, you will receive an email from the Admissions Office with your Cuesta student ID number and username/temporary password to Cuesta's web portal *my*Cuesta. You will register and pay fees online via your *my*Cuesta account, including activating your Cuesta email.

☐ International Student Application

☐ <u>Financial Statement</u> plus supporting documents

F-1 student must have sufficient financial resources to cover full-time (12 credits) enrollment tuition, housing, personal care, and other educational costs while attending Cuesta College.

☐ Proof of English Proficiency

- Test of English as a Foreign Language (<u>TOEFL iBT</u>)
 - Required score minimums: Internet-based: 61, computer-based: 173, or paper-based: 500), or
- 2) The International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
 - Required minimum overall band score of 6, or
- 3) The <u>Duolingo</u>
 - Required score minimum of 85

F-1 students must submit official test scores for one of the above exams, completed within the past 12 months.

*Exception: Test requirement is waived if 1) your native language is English, 2) you have completed and passed the equivalent of college-level English composition at a US college or university, or 3) you have completed two or more years of secondary education in an English-speaking country.

☐ Transcripts of International Student Academic Records

Submit official transcripts of academic records achieved during all prior high school or college attendance. Records outside of the U.S. must be reviewed and translated into English by a verified evaluation service, such as SpanTran (reduced cost for Cuesta applicants) or ACEI (Academic Credentials Evaluation Institute, Inc.). Transcripts submitted must bear the school seal and be signed by the registrar or another appropriate official.

*Transcripts sent by email may be considered official if sent directly from the school or evaluation company.

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Physician's certificate of negative skin test or a chest X-ray for tuberculosis must be completed within one year.

☐ Copy of Valid Passport and F1 Visa (if applicable)

Applicants must submit a legible copy of their passport and F1 Visa.

☐ \$100 USD International Application Fee

Check or money order in U.S. Dollars payable to Cuesta College, or credit card payable in myCuesta student portal.

☐ Submit all international student application documents to Cuesta College

- Postal mail to: Cuesta College International Student Office, PO Box 8106, San Luis Obispo CA 93403-8106
- Email: international@cuesta.edu