

ADMISSIONS

Admission to A Graduate Program

Prospective graduate students should apply for admission as early as possible. The first step for a student interested in a degree program is to obtain admission information from the department offering the program desired or from the Graduate Admissions office. Instructions for applying are available at the graduate programs website at <http://www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/how-to-apply-for-admission> (<http://www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/how-to-apply-for-admission/>).

Admission deadlines are as follows:

Term	Due Date
Fall Semester	August 1
Spring Semester	December 1
Summer Terms	May 1

Please note that some academic majors have a program-specific deadline. Program-specific deadlines are indicated on the Graduate Application for Admission and in the departmental listing under Degree Program Requirements in this catalog.

Admission to a graduate degree program is based primarily on receipt of a baccalaureate degree from an accepted, accredited college or university, the Grade Point Average, the scores on required Admissions examinations and the information provided on the "Application for Graduate Admissions" form.¹ The receipt of a bachelor's degree from an accepted, accredited college or university is the basic requirement for admission as a graduate student to Marshall University. An applicant who holds a master's degree, or higher, from an institution that is accepted and accredited, but holds a bachelor's degree that is not accepted and accredited, may file an appeal to request a waiver of this requirement. Appeals will be reviewed by the **Office of Academic Affairs** and the dean of the applicant's proposed college, on a case-by-case basis, and will be granted on an extremely limited basis when the situation warrants. To initiate the appeal process, send a letter of request to the Graduate Admissions Office. The exceptions to the baccalaureate degree requirement pertain to several accelerated graduate degree programs, students enrolled in the Doctor of Pharmacy program, and those students participating in an approved articulated program of study offered by Marshall University and a collaborating accepted, accredited institution of higher education. Students who have previously taken graduate coursework at another institution may be required to submit all transcripts and must meet all admission requirements. Poor academic performance in prior graduate work may serve as the basis for the denial of admission to a Marshall University graduate degree program, at the discretion of the faculty.

The application for admission form accompanied by payment of a non-refundable application fee must be filed in the Graduate Admissions Office at least two weeks prior to the opening of the term of enrollment. One official copy of the applicant's undergraduate transcript showing degree earned and the date on which it was conferred must be sent directly from the registrar's office of the student's undergraduate college or university to the Graduate Admissions Office when the application is filed. An official transcript from each college or university previously attended, sent directly from the registrar's office to the Graduate Admissions Office, may also

be required before the applicant can be considered for admission to a degree program. **All materials submitted in support of an application for admission become the property of Marshall University. Materials will not be returned or released to the student or to third parties. Any student admitted on the basis of false and/or incomplete information is subject to immediate dismissal or other disciplinary action.**

In some academic programs, applicants may enroll for one semester with conditional status based upon submission of the application form, an official undergraduate transcript that certifies the receipt of a bachelor's degree, official copies of all other transcripts (if applicable), and the application fee. However, students with conditional status will not be eligible for subsequent registration (even if they do not attend classes) unless they have completed all requirements for admission and have been admitted to their requested program. A student cannot be conditionally admitted to multiple programs within one calendar year and cannot be conditionally admitted to the same program, at any time, more than once. Credit for coursework taken will not be applied toward a degree unless the admission process is completed. Certain programs, including, but not limited to, those in the Graduate School of Management, Nursing, Biomedical Sciences, Communication Disorders, and others require that all admission requirements be completed and that the applicant be admitted to the program before being permitted to enroll for courses in those fields.

¹ For international students, the equivalent of a baccalaureate degree from an accepted, accredited institution is required. See International Students in this section of the catalog. In addition, all applicants who have an earned degree from a non-US institution must provide proof of English proficiency.

Admissions Examinations

The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required of applicants to some programs. M.S. in Accountancy students may be required to take the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) prior to admission. Other programs may accept the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) in lieu of the GRE. Specific test requirements are indicated in the program or departmental description in later sections of this catalog. Test scores must be sent by the appropriate testing agency directly to the

Marshall University
Graduate Admissions Office
One John Marshall Drive
Huntington, WV 25755

For complete information regarding admission examinations and the services provided by the Marshall University Testing Center, please see www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/graduate-admissions-test-information (<http://www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/graduate-admissions-test-information/>).

Waiver of Admissions Examination

If an applicant holds a master's or higher degree from an accepted, accredited institution of higher education, the admissions examination requirement may be waived for any future master's program at Marshall University. Ultimate responsibility for this decision rests with the faculty of the program in which the student proposes to enroll.

Graduate Admission Checklist

- Complete, sign, date and submit by the deadline the Graduate Application for Admission and the required, non-refundable fee to: Marshall University
Graduate Admissions Office
One John Marshall Drive
Huntington, WV 25755
- Request the registrars of colleges and universities previously attended (except Marshall University) to send official transcripts of your academic record directly to the Graduate Admissions Office as required. Transcripts bearing the stamp "Issued to Student," hand-delivered transcripts, transcripts mailed or handled by the student, faxed transcripts, or transcripts issued to third parties cannot be accepted.
- Have the appropriate testing agency submit your official test scores (GRE, GMAT, or MAT) directly to the Graduate Admissions Office.
- Send or have sent all other items required by your academic major to the Graduate Admissions Office.

Applications are reviewed only after the application fee and all required credentials are received. Prior university holds or obligations on a student's record may cause a delay in application processing or may cause the application not to be processed.

Deadlines

The Application for Graduate Admission must be filed in the Graduate Admissions office by the semester deadline for the desired term of enrollment or by the specific departmental deadline. Semester deadlines are as follows:

Term	Due Date
Fall Semester	August 1
Spring Semester	December 1
Summer Terms	May 1

Program-specific deadlines are included in the departmental listing under Degree Program Requirements in this catalog or on the Graduate Application for Admission form. Once the application is received by Graduate Admissions, in order for an application to be reviewed for admission, the non-refundable application fee and all required credentials must be filed in the Graduate Admissions office no later than two weeks prior to the opening of the desired term of enrollment or by the specific departmental deadline. Applicants should submit the non-refundable application fee at the time the application is submitted.

Admission Classification of Graduate Students Degree Seeking

A student who desires admission as a degree-seeking graduate student must have an overall Grade Point Average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from the bachelor's-degree-granting institution. The applicant must provide an official transcript from the degree-granting institution. Individual schools and programs may require higher grade point averages and/or additional credentials or documentation.

Applicants who have not earned the required minimum undergraduate GPA from the degree-granting institution may be considered for full

admission if they have successfully completed a graduate/advanced degree from an accepted, accredited college or university.

Dual-Degree Seeking

Students who wish to seek admission to more than one degree program at a time (Dual Degree Status) must complete a separate application, pay an additional non-refundable application fee, submit all required credentials, and meet all admission requirements for each academic program to which admission is sought. A maximum of 12 semester hours from a prior degree may be applied toward a subsequent master's degree, with the approval of the department from which the subsequent degree is sought. Not all departments may accept a student who is already admitted to another graduate level program. Prior to submitting a Graduate Application for Admission, please check with the academic department(s) of the program(s) in which you are interested. Students who desire a second area of emphasis within their majors should notify the advisor after admission.

Certificate or Professional Development

Students who do not want to be enrolled in degree programs but who wish to enroll in certificate/licensure programs or other programs that require the completion of specified sequences of courses should apply as certificate or professional development students.

In most cases, requirements for admission to certificate or professional development programs are the same as for admission to degree programs, including at least a 2.5 overall undergraduate GPA. However, requirements for admission to these programs can vary and are explained in the Degree Program Requirements section of this catalog.

Provisional Enrollment

A student may be admitted as provisional in a degree program after submission of all required application materials when he or she possesses a baccalaureate degree and shows academic promise but does not meet the criteria for regular admission. An academically provisional student must be reclassified as a regular student no later than the completion of the 12th graduate credit hour. This is accomplished by meeting the conditions established by the academic program and by maintaining at least a 3.0 GPA in courses identified by the program faculty and approved by the appropriate dean.

Conditional Enrollment

In some programs, applicants who are not fully admitted may register for courses with conditional enrollment status in the semester for which they have applied for entry based upon submission of

1. a properly completed Graduate Application for Admission form,
2. official undergraduate and graduate transcripts from institutions previously attended, including one which certifies the receipt of a bachelor's degree from an accepted, accredited institution,
3. an overall undergraduate GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and
4. the appropriate application fee.

Applicants who are permitted to enroll for one semester (enrolled is defined as registered when a term begins or any time thereafter) as conditional students (even if they do not attend the classes) are not eligible to register for subsequent terms until they complete all admission requirements and are fully admitted to the requested program. Many programs do not accept conditional enrollments and require applicants to be fully admitted before enrolling for courses. A

student cannot be conditionally admitted to multiple programs within one calendar year and cannot be conditionally admitted to the same program, at any time, more than once.

Students enrolled in the last semester of an undergraduate program may be admitted to some programs conditionally for one term subject to completion of the bachelor's degree program and subject to departmental approval. All required credentials, including official transcripts, are necessary for consideration, including an official letter of good standing/proof of pending graduation.

Temporary Admission

Some professional programs may offer temporary admission to applicants when the application has been accepted on a preliminary basis pending fulfillment of all admission requirements, including successful completion of required prerequisite courses, prior to the start of the selected entry term. If all admission requirements are not met by the start of the selected admit term, the temporary admission status will be rescinded and a denial of admission will be issued.

Non-Degree Admission

Persons who desire university instruction without becoming graduate degree candidates may attend as non-degree students, provided they have received a bachelor's degree from an accepted, accredited undergraduate college or university. Before enrolling in a class, non-degree graduate students must obtain permission from the instructor. Students wishing to take courses offered by the College of Business must secure approval of the academic advisor. The fees for attendance as a non-degree student are the same as those set for other graduate students. Non-degree enrollment for graduate courses is not available to persons under suspension by the university.

A non-degree student who does not hold a master's or higher degree may take a maximum of 15 semester hours. Permission for non-degree students to register for additional hours beyond 15 can be granted by the dean of the academic program. Applicants for non-degree status will complete a Graduate Application for Admission, pay the application fee, and have the registrar send an official transcript showing proof of a bachelor's degree from an accepted, accredited undergraduate college or university not later than the scheduled time of registration. A person holding a master's or higher degree may take an unrestricted number of additional courses for which he/she has the prerequisites and departmental permission, provided both a transcript verifying the undergraduate degree and a transcript verifying a master's degree or higher (both from an accepted, accredited college or university) are submitted. All transcripts must be official and sent to Graduate Admissions directly from the registrar. Please note that non-degree students may not be eligible for financial aid or graduate tuition waivers.

Non-degree graduate students may apply later for admission to degree programs by filing the necessary documents, provided they meet the admission requirements described in the current Marshall University Graduate Catalog. However, work taken as a non-degree student cannot in itself qualify a person for admission as a degree candidate. Only credit approved by the assigned program advisor and the appropriate dean will be counted toward a degree awarded by the university.

Transient

A graduate student who is duly enrolled at another accepted, accredited graduate institution may, upon submission of an admission

application and a letter of good standing from the registrar at the home university, enroll for Marshall University graduate coursework. This admission is valid for one semester only. The student must submit a new application and provide a letter of good standing for each semester he/she wishes to attend.

Normally, up to twelve credit hours of coursework may be transferred back to the home institution. Permission to transfer credits is arranged, by the student, with the home university. Transient students who wish to register for coursework beyond twelve credit hours at Marshall are required to obtain the approval of Marshall University's Assistant Provost for Graduate Studies.

Staff Development

School personnel approved by their county school systems may use a departmental form to be admitted in the Staff Development category. Students admitted in this category are restricted to registering for Staff Development classes (560 series) in the College of Education and Professional Development, for which they will receive credit/non-credit or satisfactory/unsatisfactory grades. Such classes cannot be used in degree, professional development or licensure programs. Students who wish to enroll in both regular and Staff Development classes must seek regular admission to a graduate program.

Seniors

Seniors at accepted, accredited baccalaureate institutions with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 may register for graduate classes (500 and 600 series) after they have received approval from their undergraduate dean, the chair of the department offering the course, and the appropriate academic dean. Complete applications must be on file in the appropriate academic dean's office and permission secured prior to the opening of the term of enrollment. Credit for graduate courses completed as a senior can be applied to either an undergraduate or a graduate degree at Marshall University but not to both. No more than 12 graduate hours may be taken as an undergraduate.

The university reserves the right, even after the arrival and enrollment of students, to make individual curricular adjustments whenever particular deficiencies or needs are identified. These deficiencies will be determined by the student's advisor or the program director/department chair. Students may be required to take such courses without credit toward the master's degree and at their own expense. This could also apply to additional coursework in Speech and/or English whenever necessary.

Further requirements or exceptions applicable to special fields are noted in the program statements in this catalog.

Any appeals of admissions decisions should be directed to the program director, dean, or chair of the academic program to which the individual applied.

Residency Classification for Admission and Fee Purposes

Requests for changes in residency status for new students will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions provided a completed residency application with all required supporting documentation is submitted by the end of the first week of the term of admission. Contact admissions@marshall.edu for more information. Thereafter, all requests for changes in residency status for currently enrolled

students will be evaluated by the Office of the Registrar for subsequent terms. Contact registrar@marshall.edu for more information.

TITLE 133
PROCEDURAL RULE
WEST VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY COMMISSION

SERIES 25
RESIDENCY CLASSIFICATION FOR ADMISSION AND FEE PURPOSES

- 1.1. Scope. -- Rule regarding residency classification of students for admission and fee purposes. 1.2. Authority. -- West Virginia Code §§18B-10 and 18B-2B-6.
1.3. Filing Date. – March 11, 2019.
1.4. Effective Date. – April 11, 2019.
1.5. Repeal of Former Rule. -- Repeals and replaces Title 133, Series 25 which had an effective date of June 9, 2017.

§133-25-2. Classification for Admission and Fee Purposes.

- 2.1. Students enrolling in a West Virginia public institution of higher education shall be assigned a residency status for admission, tuition, and fee purposes by the institutional officer designated by the President. In determining residency classification, the issue is essentially one of domicile. In general, the domicile of a person is that person's true, fixed, permanent home and place of habitation. The decision shall be based upon information furnished by the student and all other relevant information. The designated officer is authorized to require such written documents, affidavits, verifications, or other evidence as is deemed necessary to establish the domicile of a student. The burden of establishing domicile for admission, tuition, and fee purposes is upon the student.
- 2.2. If there is a question as to domicile, the matter must be brought to the attention of the designated officer at least two (2) weeks prior to the deadline for the payment of tuition and fees. Any student found to have made a false or misleading statement concerning domicile shall be subject to institutional disciplinary action and will be charged the nonresident fees for each academic term theretofore attended.
- 2.3. The previous determination of a student's domiciliary status by one institution is not conclusive or binding when subsequently considered by another institution; however, assuming no change of facts, the prior judgment should be given strong consideration in the interest of consistency. Out-of-state students being assessed resident tuition and fees as a result of a reciprocity agreement may not transfer said reciprocity status to another public institution in West Virginia.

§133-25-3. Residence Determined by Domicile.

- 3.1. Domicile within the state means adoption of the state as the fixed permanent home and involves personal presence within the state with no intent on the part of the applicant or, in the case of a dependent student, the applicant's parent(s) to return to another state or country. Residing with relatives (other than parent(s)/legal guardian) does not, in and of itself, cause the student to attain domicile in this State for admission or fee payment purposes. West Virginia domicile may be established upon the completion of at least twelve (12) months of continued presence within the state prior to the date of registration: Provided, That such twelve (12) months' presence is not primarily for the purpose of attendance at any institution of higher education in West Virginia. Establishment of West Virginia domicile with less than twelve (12) months' presence prior to the date of registration must be supported by evidence of positive and

unequivocal action. In determining domicile, institutional officials should give consideration to such factors as the ownership or lease of a permanently occupied home in West Virginia, full-time employment within the state, paying West Virginia property tax, filing West Virginia income tax returns, registering of motor vehicles in West Virginia, possessing a valid West Virginia driver's license, and marriage to a person already domiciled in West Virginia. Proof of a number of these actions shall be considered only as evidence which may be used in determining whether or not a domicile has been established. Factors militating against the establishment of West Virginia domicile might include such considerations as the student not being self-supporting, being claimed as a dependent on federal or state income tax returns or on the parents' health insurance policy if the parents reside out of state, receiving financial assistance from state student aid programs in other states, and leaving the state when school is not in session.

§133-25-4. Dependency Status.

- 4.1. A dependent student is one (1) who is listed as a dependent on the federal or state income tax return of his/her parent(s) or legal guardian or who receives major financial support from that person. Such a student maintains the same domicile as that of the parent(s) or legal guardian. In the event the parents are divorced or legally separated, the dependent student takes the domicile of the parent with whom he/she lives or to whom he/she has been assigned by court order. However, a dependent student who enrolls and is properly classified as an in-state student maintains that classification as long as the enrollment is continuous and that student does not attain independence and establish domicile in another state.
- 4.2. A nonresident student who becomes independent while a student at an institution of higher education in West Virginia does not, by reason of such independence alone, attain domicile in this state for admission or fee payment purposes.

§133-25-5. Change of Residence.

- 5.1. A person who has been classified as an out-of-state student and who seeks resident status in West Virginia must assume the burden of providing conclusive evidence that he/she has established domicile in West Virginia with the intention of making the permanent home in this State. The intent to remain indefinitely in West Virginia is evidenced not only by a person's statements, but also by that person's actions. In making a determination regarding a request for change in residency status, the designated institutional officer shall consider those actions referenced in §133-25-3 of these rules. The change in classification, if deemed to be warranted, shall be effective for the academic term or semester next following the date of the application for reclassification.

§133-25-6. Military

- 6.1. An individual who is on full-time active military service in another state or a foreign country or an employee of the federal government shall be classified as an in-state student for the purpose of payment of tuition and fees: Provided, That the person established a domicile in West Virginia prior to entrance into federal service, entered the federal service from West Virginia, and has at no time while in federal service claimed or established a domicile in another state. Sworn statements attesting to these conditions may be required. The spouse and dependent children of such individuals shall also be classified as in-state students for tuition and fee purposes.
- 6.2. Persons assigned to full-time active military service in West Virginia and residing in the state shall be classified as in-state students

for tuition and fee purposes. The spouse and dependent children of such individuals shall also be classified as in-state students for tuition and fee purposes.

6.3. Any student living in West Virginia and receiving education or vocational rehabilitation benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs shall be charged in-state tuition and fees to attend a West Virginia public institution of higher education so long as such student is considered a “covered individual” as described in 38 U.S.C. §3679, as in effect at any time.

§133-25-7. Aliens.

7.1. Students who meet the domiciliary requirements noted in Sections 3, 4, and 5 of this policy, and who are U.S. Permanent Resident Aliens, Political Asylees or Political Refugees, or who hold an A, E, G, H, I, L, O, P, R, TD, TN, U, or V visa, may apply to be reviewed for in-state residency for tuition purposes.

7.2. Students who hold B, C, D, F, J, K, M, or Q visas are not eligible for establishing in-state residency for tuition purposes.

7.3. Students who meet the domiciliary requirements and who are the beneficiary of a pending I-485 application to adjust status to permanent resident may apply to be reviewed for in-state residency for tuition purposes.

§133-25-8. Former Domicile.

8.1. A person who was formerly domiciled in the State of West Virginia and who would have been eligible for an in-state residency classification at the time of his/her departure from the state may be immediately eligible for classification as a West Virginia resident provided such person returns to West Virginia within a one (1) year period of time and satisfies the conditions of §133-25-3 of these rules, regarding proof of domicile and intent to remain permanently in West Virginia.

§133-25-9. Appeal Process.

9.1. Each institution shall establish procedures which provide opportunities for students to appeal residency classification decisions with which they disagree. The decisions of the designated institutional official charged with the determination of residency classification may be appealed in accordance with appropriate procedures established by the president of the institution. At a minimum, such procedures shall provide that:

9.1.a. An institutional committee on residency appeals will be established to receive and act on appeals of residency decisions made by the designated institutional official charged with making residency determinations.

9.1.a.1. The institutional committee on residency shall be comprised of members of the institutional community, including faculty and at least three, in any event, an odd number. The student representative(s) shall be appointed by the president of the institutional student government association while the faculty representative(s) shall be selected by the campus-wide representative faculty organization.

9.1.a.2. The student contesting a residency decision shall be given the opportunity to appear before the institutional committee on residency appeals. If

the appellant cannot appear when the committee convenes a meeting, the appellant has the option of allowing committee members to make a decision on the basis of the written materials pertaining to the appeal or waiting until the next committee meeting.

9.1.b. The residency appeal procedures will include provisions for appeal of the decision of the institutional committee on residency appeals to the president of the institution.

9.1.c. Residency appeals shall end at the institutional level.

Admission of International Students

Marshall University is authorized by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to enroll non-immigrant visa students with F-1 or J-1 status. International students must have earned the equivalent of a U.S. baccalaureate degree from an accepted, accredited institution.

How to Apply

1. Meet Admission Requirements

Review the admission requirements of the degree program you have selected to determine if you have met the requirements for admission. Degree requirements for every program are listed in this catalog.

2. Understand the Admission Process

The Graduate Admissions office will review your application to ensure that the application is complete and that you have met the minimum institutional requirements for admission. Your completed application and supporting materials are then sent to the degree program you selected on your application for a secondary evaluation and an admission decision.

3. Submit Your Application

International students must submit ALL required documents to be considered for admission.

Complete and submit the online application for admission at: www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/international-admission/ (<https://www.marshall.edu/graduate/admissions/international-admission/>).

The application requires a non-refundable application fee payable by check, money order, or credit card to Marshall University. Please note that this is a non-refundable fee and cannot be refunded in the event that you are not accepted or you are unable to obtain a student visa. All checks must have a 9-digit routing number. **Do Not Send Cash.**

Mail to:

Marshall University
Graduate Admissions Office
 One John Marshall Drive
 Huntington, WV 25755

You can pay the application fee with a credit card by contacting Graduate Admissions at 1-800-642-9842. A 2.5% processing fee, per transaction, will be required to make payment by credit card. VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express credit cards are accepted.

After we receive all of your application materials, your credentials will be evaluated. If admissible, you will be sent a letter of admission and a list of items needed to issue the I-20. The I-20

form is used to apply for a student visa (F-1) at an American embassy or consulate. We will also send a housing application and a form you can complete to notify us of your arrival.

4. Provide Supporting Documents

- **Official Transcripts**

Transcripts must be in the original language, accompanied by a certified English translation, and contain **all** college or university academic credits and grades. The transcripts must be sent directly to the Marshall University Graduate Admissions Office by the registrar or equivalent at the institution that you attended. You may, in some cases, be required to have an evaluation completed by an approved evaluation agency.

- **Proof of English Language Proficiency**

All applicants, regardless of citizenship, must provide proof of English Language Proficiency to be considered for admission to Marshall University. Minimum standardized exam scores for graduate English proficiency are listed below. If one or more of the exemption criteria is met, applicants may be considered exempt from providing standardized exam scores for proof of English proficiency.

Exam Requirements

TOEFL iBT: 80
 IELTS: 6.5
 Duolingo: 105
 MELAB: 82%
 PTEA: 53

Exam Exemptions

Transfer credit equivalent to ENG 101 Beginning Composition from an accepted, accredited institution with a grade of C or better.

Successful completion of an approved ESL program (i.e., Marshall University English Language Institute).

Completion of the equivalent to a U.S. post-secondary degree from an accepted, accredited institution in an approved country where the primary language is English. To view the current list of approved countries, please visit: <https://www.marshall.edu/admissions/approved-list-of-countries-for-english-proficiency-exemption/>.

NOTE: English test results that were taken more than two (2) years prior to the date of the application submission cannot be accepted. Some programs may require higher scores for admission.

5. Graduate Admission Examinations

Some programs will not consider applications without GRE, GMAT or other graduate admission test scores. Students should refer to the graduate catalog on our website, www.marshall.edu/graduate (<http://www.marshall.edu/graduate/>) for additional requirements and application deadlines for specific programs. Admission to Marshall University does not guarantee admission to all programs. The ETS code for Marshall University is #5396.

Send All Application Materials to:

Marshall University

Graduate Admissions Office

Attn: International Admission
 One John Marshall Drive
 Huntington, WV 25755
international@marshall.edu

Application Deadlines

June 15 - for students applying to the fall semester beginning in August

October 15 - for students applying to the spring semester beginning in January

March 15 - for students applying to the summer term

Note: Some programs may have application deadlines that are earlier than the ones provided above. In such cases you will need to meet the program's deadline.

Finalize Your Plans

If admitted, you will receive a letter of acceptance and a list of items needed to issue the I-20. Once all necessary items are received, including the enrollment deposit, the I-20 will be issued. The I-20 form is used to apply for a student visa (F-1), at an American Embassy or Consulate. We will also send a housing application and a form you can complete to notify us of your arrival.

Additional pre-departure and orientation information is available at: www.marshall.edu/graduate/international-students (<http://www.marshall.edu/graduate/international-students/>).

Note: For international applicants, Marshall University reserves the right to accept official credentials directly from a limited number of third party agencies that have been approved by the university. Additional or alternate admission credentials may be accepted at the discretion of the Graduate Admissions Office depending on the applicant's country of origin. Please contact Graduate Admissions for details regarding specific admission requirements for applicants from your country.

If you are not able to attend the semester for which you applied, contact the Graduate Admissions Office and we will update your application term to the semester that you will be able to attend. Application materials will be acceptable for the next two terms, including summer terms. After that time period, a new application and documentation will be required.

Marshall University English Language Institute

The Marshall University English Language Institute provides international students with an excellent opportunity to improve their English, develop academic skills, and adjust to the local culture and community. Six levels of instruction are offered across three 15-week terms in fall and spring or a 12-week term in summer. Students receive a minimum of 20 hours of classroom instruction per week. Successful completion of Academic Preparatory II (no grades below C at that level) fulfills the English language proficiency requirement for general admission to the graduate programs.