

International Student Application Process

Step 1: Pick a program and get on the wait list

Renton Technical college offers many exciting programs! An Entry Advisor can help you select a program and help you navigate the enrollment process. You can make an appointment by emailing <u>internationaladvising@rtc.edu</u>

Step 2: Submit the following documents to the International Student Advisor:

- Admissions Application—\$50 (This fee is included in your first tuition payment)
- Submit Bank Statements & Sponsor Letters

An important part of the process is to confirm that you have the funding to support yourself and any dependents for at least a year . The amount will very depending on your living situation e.g. You have dependents in your care, living with friends or family ...etc. However, you can find an estimation below. You can submit copies of your own bank statements if you are paying with you own money. If you are paying for your program through other sources (financial aid from your home country, scholarship, friends, family...) you will need to provide documentation of support.

<u>Estimated</u> expenses per school year (4 quarters):

\$13,780— Tuition (15 credits/quarter)
\$1,800— Health Insurance (\$450/quarter)
\$2,000— Books and supplies
\$18,000— Living expenses
Total: \$35,580

• Submit unofficial transcripts, IELTS and/or TOEFL scores for English proficiency:

TOEFL Minimum scores: 480 paper based, 157 computer based, or 54 internet based.

TOEFL iBT: 68 with 17 in writing

IELTS—6.0 overall, 5.5 in writing

• Submit Copies of Passport/Visa papers

Passports need to be valid for at least 6 months prior to expiration before entering the United States or apply for the I-20.

Medical Insurance

All international students at RTC are required to enroll in our medical insurance plan. It costs \$390/ quarter.

• TRANSFER STUDENTS - You will need to complete the transfer-in form provided by an Entry Advisor.

Step 3: Process I-20

Once these documents have been submitted to your International Advisor, we will process your I-20:

- NEW INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: If this is your first I-20, you will need to pay the I-901 fee of \$350. You can pay the fee through this website: https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.html . You will need to bring the receipt from this purchase to your interview at the US embassy and upon entry to the United States.
- TRANSFER STUDENTS: If you are transferring in from another U.S. school, you will submit the transfer-in form and I-20 will be digitally transferred to RTC on the release date.



- **F1 Visa Policies:** It is important that you stay informed on F1 student visa policies. Read up on these policies and regulations here: <u>https://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/</u>.
- Stay updated on your visas processing times! Once you have applied for your visa, you can check your visa processing times at a specific consulate through this link: <u>travel.state.gov</u>
- **Renton Technical College does not offer student housing.** We recommend Craigslist or Zillow, to name a few, to help you find a place to stay:

Craigslist: https://seattle.craigslist.org/ Zillow: https://www.zillow.com/

• Information on public transportation : https://kingcounty.gov/depts/transportation/metro.aspx

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