## Mt. Hood Community College International Student Admissions

## Step 1

Submit the international student application online

A Mt. Hood Community College student ID number will be emailed within 3-5 business days to the email address you provide.

## Step 2

#### Submit:

- Financial Information (official bank statement & affidavit of support)
- Passport photo and signature page(s) (copy)
- \$50 non-refundable application fee

If you are transferring from a U.S. college or university, also submit these:

- F-1 visa (copy)
- Current I-20 (copy)
- Official transcript(s) from all previously attended U.S. institutions & <u>transfer</u> evaluation request form

## Step 3

Take the FREE College Placement Test

**No TOEFL/IELTS score is required!** All students must take an English placement test before registering for classes.

Students transferring from a U.S. high school, college, or university may not need the College Placement Test.

#### Please send application materials to:

InternationalStudentProgram@mhcc.edu

International Student Program Mt. Hood Community College 26000 SE Stark St. Gresham, OR, 97030 USA

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# **Application Guide**

For international admissions, you have to fill out the application, pay the application fee, and submit the required documents. The college will tell you about your application status by email. Mt. Hood Community



College (MHCC) will send your Form I-20 with your acceptance letter. The Form I-20 is a document that lets you apply for your student visa (F-1 visa). MHCC cannot create your I-20 until you have correctly submitted all required documentation.

If you have questions about admissions, please contact the International Student Program.

# **Online Application**

This is the first step to become an MHCC student! After you finish this application, you will get a student ID number within 3-5 business days. The ID number comes in an email.

#### **International Student Financial Statement**

It costs a minimum of \$25,000 to attend Mt. Hood Community College (MHCC) for one academic year (nine months).

This budget is an <u>estimate</u>. The college does its best to give correct information for current tuition, fees, and other costs.

Item	Estimated Expense
Tuition and fees (12 credits per term x 3 terms)	\$10,830
Books & Supplies	\$437
Living Expenses	\$12,420
Health Insurance (3 terms required)	\$1,313
Total	\$25,000

To get the Form I-20, you must prove that you can afford to attend the college. Your available funds must match or exceed the total cost of attendance.

#### **Financial Document**

When/after you <u>apply</u>, send a copy of a bank statement or a financial guarantee to <u>InternationalStudentProgram@mhcc.edu</u>. The document should be recent, not older than 3 months from when you submit it. It should have this information in English letters and numbers:

- The date
- The name of the bank



- The name of the bank account holder
- The total balance of available funds (the total must be at least \$25,000)

You can use things like checking accounts, savings accounts, scholarship letters, or financial award letters. You cannot use things like stocks, bonds, cryptocurrency, or homes.

## **Affidavit of Support**

If someone else is paying for your school ("sponsor"), you also need to send the MHCC Affidavit of Support. Both you and your sponsor need to complete the MHCC Affidavit of Support. Make sure that the total amount on the form matches the total amount on the funding document.

If your sponsor is using a U.S. bank account, the U.S. sponsor must also fill out the <u>Form I-134</u>. This form is a U.S. government requirement. MHCC does not need the I-134.

## **Application Fee**

There is a nonrefundable application fee of \$50.00. Your application is not complete without the fee. You must pay the fee with a card online.

#### **Deferred Attendance**

You can delay your attendance ("defer") if you need to. You can defer attendance to a different term if the term would start within one year from when you first applied. If the term would start more than a year since you applied, you need to resubmit new financial documents, including the application fee and verify your address and other contact info is still the same.

# **Transferring**

If you are transferring from a U.S. college or university, you must also submit your official transcript(s), transfer evaluation request form, a copy of your I-20 and a copy of your F-1 visa. Electronic transcripts are only official if they come directly from your school to MHCC. If you forward the transcript to us, it is not official. Send transcripts to AR@mhcc.edu or MHCC Admissions Office, 26000 SE Stark St., Gresham, OR 97030.

MHCC does not take foreign transcripts. If you want credit for foreign coursework, you must use an outside credential evaluation service. You must get a course-by-course evaluation. You must use an evaluation service from the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) or the Association of International Credential Evaluators Inc. (AICE). After you are accepted to MHCC, submit a transfer evaluation request form to get a review of your foreign classes.

We cannot guarantee that/how your classes will transfer.

# **Taking the College Placement Test**

<u>After</u> you have been accepted to Mt. Hood Community College you must take the College Placement Test. (Transfer students may not need to take the College Placement Test.) The test is an assessment of



your skills, to ensure you are placed in the correct classes.

There are two options to take the test.

- 1. In person: At the Gresham Campus, Testing Services Room 2335 (located on the upper level, adjacent to parking lot E). You will need to have your MHCC ID number and photo identification, such as your passport or visa. On average, the test takes approximately 1½ hours (but it may take longer). Remember that you must allow yourself enough time to finish by the <u>published closing</u> time.
- Online: To take the test online, you must have a quiet space and a computer. The computer needs a webcam, a microphone, and high-speed internet. Email
   InternationalStudetProgram@mhcc.edu to get a voucher. The voucher explains how to register for and schedule your placement test.

## **Dependents**

Spouses and children can come with F-1 students to the United States on a F-2 visas. If you will be bringing a dependent/dependents with you, you must provide the following for MHCC to issue the I-20:

- Full name
- Date of birth
- Location of birth (city, country)
- Country of citizenship
- Sex
- Copy of passport ID page
- If different from your own, also include: foreign address, phone number, and email address

# Americans with Disabilities (ADA & ADAAA) and Rehabilitation Act Information

Mt. Hood Community College does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admissions or access to its programs, services and activities. If you have a disability and need accommodations, auxiliary aides, or services, please contact Accessible Education Services at (503) 491-6923 or aes@mhcc.edu. Individuals are not required to disclose disability in the admissions process. Accessible Education Services staff can provide assistance and guidance during the application process if you have any questions. Individuals with disabilities are required to meet the essential functions of the curriculum and program with reasonable accommodations.

# **Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action**

The College shall comply with all local, state and federal laws related to equal opportunity and affirmative action in its employment practices, services, programs and activities. The College is committed to providing an inclusive environment and equal opportunity to all persons and prohibits all forms of discrimination based on age, gender, race, color, religion, physical or mental disability, national origin,



marital status, sexual orientation, pregnancy, veteran's status, familial relationship, expunged juvenile record, or other status or characteristic protected by law, or association with individuals in such protected status or characteristic.

#### Non-Discrimination

The College promotes non-discrimination by maintaining a respectful working and learning environment free of all forms of discrimination and harassment. It is against district policy for any manager, supervisor, faculty, staff or student to engage in discrimination of any member of the College community based on race, color, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, sex, marital status, disability or sexual orientation. The College shall comply with all local, state and federal laws with regard to non-discrimination.

