

TUITION AND COSTS

IECC requires all international students to purchase medical/hospitalization insurance to protect students from the high cost of health care in the United States. The following **estimated** expenses are for one academic year (two semesters).

Tuition and Fees (30 sem. hrs.) U.S.	\$ 7,000
Housing and Meals	4,600
Books and Supplies	900
Medical Insurance	700
Personal Expenses	1,500
Total	\$14,700

In order for international students to enter or remain in the United States for educational purposes, they must be able to show evidence of adequate financial resources before visa documents can be issued. Applicants unable to provide satisfactory evidence of adequate finances will not be granted admission.



APPLICATION

To apply for admission to Illinois Eastern Community Colleges you must submit the following:

- * a completed application of admission;
- * a financial statement;
- * a letter or statement from the bank of your sponsor;
- * an official academic record (translated into English); and
- * an application fee of \$50 in the form of a money order (USD) or credit card.

All documents must be sent to the following address:

Illinois Eastern Community Colleges/OCC
International Office
305 North West Street
Olney, IL 62450-1099 USA

College course work and advancement toward a degree is measured in terms of semester hours. The majority of classes are 3 to 4 credit hours each. International students must enroll in a full course load (12 semester hours). This requirement comes from the U.S. Immigration Office for students on the F-1 visa.

FOR AN APPLICATION OR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Olney Central College
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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM



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IECC is located in southeastern Illinois near the Illinois/Indiana border. The IECC system includes four colleges: Frontier Community College in Fairfield, Lincoln Trail College in Robinson, Olney Central College in Olney, and Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel. The International Program at the colleges has been successful in recruiting a large number of international students representing a variety of countries.



IECC offers an intensive, academically oriented program in English as a Second Language (ESL) for international students who wish to study at colleges and universities in the United States, but whose English abilities prevent entrance to these schools. ESL is offered at the Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel. The ESL program enables students to begin academic work quickly, while improving English language abilities, and complete their college studies successfully.

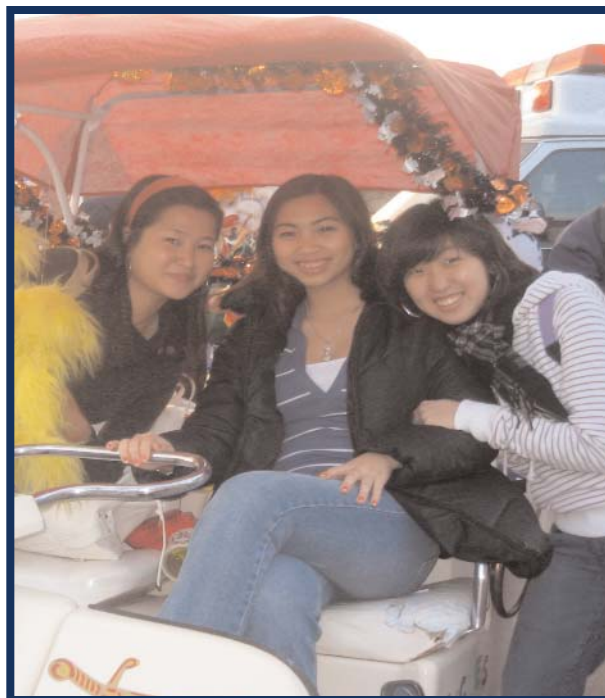
TRANSFER PROGRAM

IECC offers a two-year program, known as the Transfer Program, in which you can pursue an Associate degree. This degree offers credits which transfer to four-year colleges and universities.

The comprehensive transfer curriculum includes introductory courses that all college students must take. It is the same curriculum as the first two years at any four-year college or university in the United States.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE PROGRAM (ESL)

Students who come into IECC with a TOEFL score of 500 or the equivalent will gain admission to academic courses. However, a student with a score of 500 may be required, at the discretion of the ESL instructor, to attend one or more ESL classes. This decision is made on the basis of scores on individual sections of the TOEFL. All students who do not have official TOEFL scores over 550 will be tested. After assessment of a student's abilities in grammar and writing structure, reading, and listening/speaking skills, the student will be placed in one of four levels of ESL. Although the hours are non-transferable, the grades are used by the college to determine whether students may progress in ESL and/or into academic studies. If a student completes Level 4, but has not achieved a TOEFL score of 550, the student will be required to take a TOEFL Test Preparation course or repeat elements of Level 4. After completing ESL, the student will take the COMPASS test for academic placement.



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ARRIVAL

International students should arrive at IECC no more than one week before classes begin so they can attend the required orientations. An IECC representative will meet students at the Evansville Regional Airport (EVV) in Indiana.

ORIENTATION

This mandatory ongoing orientation familiarizes students with the college and helps students become accustomed to living in the United States.

HOUSING

IECC offers host family and student housing which our staff will assist students in arranging.

ADVISING AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT

International students are assisted by advisors for academics and everyday living.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

IECC provides many social activities and events for students throughout the year. Students may also participate in school-sponsored activities.