

Proof of Finances

Applicants must identify who will be financing their U.S. education and provide proof that sufficient funds are available for their studies.

Applicants can be self-sponsored, or sponsored by another individual or entity, such as a family member, friend, private company, school, non-profit organization, governmental agency. Sponsors can be in the U.S. or overseas, and do not have to be U.S. citizens.

Exception: F-1 or M-1 students cannot sponsor other F-1 or M-1 students.

Faxed or scanned copies of financial documents are normally accepted, but Seattle Central retains the right to require original copies.

Applicants who are self-sponsored or sponsored by an individual (i.e., a family member or friend)

To show funds, applicants must submit a bank statement dated within 3 months of the date the admission application is submitted. The statement may include checking or savings accounts, stocks, certificates of deposit, or other easily liquidated assets (retirement accounts, guarantees of salary, overdraft ability, or tax returns are not accepted). Funds do not have to be in U.S. dollars or in a U.S. bank account, but must be in a convertible currency.

Applicants sponsored by another entity (i.e., a private company, non-profit organization, school, or governmental agency)

Some applicants receive external financial support to pay for their education. They normally fall under the following categories:

1. Applicants who will personally receive the funds prior to applying for admission

Applicants in this category are considered self-sponsored and must follow the instructions for self-sponsored students above.

2. Applicants who will personally receive the funds after being admitted to Seattle Central

Applicants in this category must submit a document confirming they will receive financial support. The document must include:

- Type of funds (grant, scholarship, loan, etc.)
- Beginning and end dates of the sponsorship
- Expenses covered (tuition, fees, medical insurance, etc.)
- Maximum amount to be paid for these expenses (per year)
- Any specific conditions related to the sponsorship (type of program, specific classes the student may enroll in, etc.)



Depending on the sponsor, applicants may be asked for additional documentation confirming their sponsor's ability to pay.

Also, in cases where an entity will not pay for all expenses (see our [estimates for total cost of attendance](#) and [minimum financial requirements](#) for details), applicants must provide additional proof of funds to cover the remaining balance.

Finally, unless an entity is approved as a third party sponsor (see #3 below), its funds cannot be disbursed through the college. Applicants must make arrangements to receive the funds directly from their sponsor, and make payment to Seattle Central themselves.

3. Applicants whose sponsoring entity plans to pay Seattle Central directly

Entities that finance a student's education and pay his/her expenses directly to Seattle Central are referred to as "third party sponsors". Third party sponsors may make partial or full payments on behalf of students.

To become a third party sponsor, entities must first be approved by Seattle Central's International Fiscal Services. Students who would like their sponsor(s) to be billed directly for their tuition and fees each quarter should contact Seattle Central's International Fiscal Services at SeattleCentral.IntlFinance@seattlecolleges.edu to learn how their sponsor(s) can be approved for third party payments.

If the third party sponsor will not pay for all expenses (see our [estimates for total cost of attendance](#) and [minimum financial requirements](#) for details), applicants will need to provide additional proof of funds to cover the remaining balance.

Additional Information for Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission (SACM) Sponsored Students

The acceptance letter from Seattle Central allows students to obtain a Financial Guarantee for Admission Purposes and a final Financial Guarantee from SACM. The guarantee(s) must match the intended program of study (e.g., letters for students who will study only ESL must specify "ESL" as the program of study, and letters for college-level students must specify "college" or "college transfer").



Financial Requirements

Financial requirements are based on the length of time an applicant plans to study at Seattle Central, as shown below:

Program	Student Type	Financial requirement		
		3 Months	6 Months	9 Months or more
Intensive ESL Advanced ESL	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	\$7,000	\$14,000	\$20,500
College Bridge	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	\$7,000	\$14,000	\$21,000
IEP Short-Term Certificates	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	\$7,000	\$14,000	\$21,000
College Transfer High School Completion Professional/Technical	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	No short-term option	No short-term option	\$21,000
Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) 1 st or 2 nd year	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	No short-term option	No short-term option	\$21,000
Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) 3 rd year	new students from overseas; transfer students from other U.S. schools; students changing visa status to F or M	No short-term Option	No short-term Option	\$30,000
All programs	Students on F visas but not transferring (will stay on current school's I-20 form);	Not required	Not required	Not required
All programs	Students in non-M or F visa categories	Not required	Not required	Not required

Applicants who plan to bring dependents (spouse or children) with them must show an extra \$2,500 is available per dependent.