

International Student Application Instructions

Northwest University practices selective admissions and encourages applications from Christian students who desire an education that integrates Christian faith, provides intellectual challenge and growth, and encourages spiritual commitment. The University reviews academic records, moral character, and willingness to comply with the standards and values of the University. All applicants are evaluated without regard to sex, race, color, age, national or ethnic origin, or physical disability.

Application Requirements:

1. Application

Submit the undergraduate application for admission to the Admissions Office. Applications must be signed and include the Christian Experience essay.

2. \$30 (non-refundable) Application Fee

Please make checks or money orders payable to Northwest University.

3. Official High School Transcripts

Transcripts must be official documents, not copies, sent from each educational institution attended. Official documents in languages other than English must include certified English translations by independent agencies. Northwest University determines the acceptability of any foreign work and academic placement. If you are transferring any units from a foreign institute, you must have your course work evaluated by an approved evaluation service. Once we receive their evaluation, Northwest will determine the acceptability of any units. A list of agencies can be found at www.naces.org/members.htm.

4. TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language)

Submit a TOEFL score taken within the period of six months prior to application. A minimum score of 61 on the internet exam is required for admission to the University. Scores are submitted to Northwest University by the testing agency – School code **4541**.

- Students may choose to submit an SAT score rather than a TOEFL score to be considered for admission.
- Students transferring to Northwest University from a college or university in the United States who have completed at least one year of college level courses will not be required to submit a TOEFL score.

5. References

The University requires two references for admission – a Pastoral Reference and an Academic Reference. Reference forms are included in the application for admission.

6. Statement of Financial Responsibility

Complete the Statement of Financial Responsibility, including all necessary documentation. If you have a United States sponsor, the sponsor will need to fill out the **Affidavit of Support**. Provide the required documents and have the form notarized before sending it to the university.

When all application items are received, your application will be submitted for admissions consideration. Failure to supply all necessary information will delay admission approval and granting of the I-20 form for visa purposes.

Application Deadlines: Fall: April 1 Spring: September 1

Please mail your application and required documentation to:

Office of Admissions
Northwest University
P.O. Box 579
Kirkland, WA 98083-0579
USA



Education Background

Last high school attended: _____
NAME OF SCHOOL

MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP + 4/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

Phone: (____) _____ If still attending, give expected date of graduation: ____/____/____

Date of graduation: ____/____/____

Have you taken the SAT or ACT (optional)? SAT ACT Date: ____/____/____

When did you last take the TOEFL test? Date: ____/____/____ Most recent TOEFL test score: _____

Have you taken post-secondary-level classes for college or university credit while still in high school? (For example, Running Start, AP, or IB): Yes No If yes, which program(s)? _____ Where? _____

List below all colleges and universities (or post-high school institutions) attended:

NAME	CITY/STATE	DATES ATTENDED	MAJOR	DEGREE (if any)

If you are transferring from another college or university in the USA, what is your reason for transferring?

Have you been dismissed or placed under any academic or disciplinary suspension, probation, or similar action at any institution? No Yes (If yes, please **attach a two-paragraph explanation** with this application.)

Have you been adjudicated and/or convicted of any criminal offenses (excluding minor traffic violations)? No Yes (If yes, please **attach a two-paragraph explanation** with this application.)

Have you used nonmedicinal drugs, alcohol, or tobacco within the last two years? No Yes (If yes, please **attach a two-paragraph explanation** with this application.)

Career Goal(s)

Which degree do you plan to complete at Northwest University? (See insert for list of degree programs)

Associate of Arts Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Science Diploma Certificate Undecided

If AA, please indicate: General Studies or Health Science

Have you applied to any other colleges or universities? If so, please list:

What was the most important factor in your decision to submit this application? _____

Extracurricular Activities/Academic Awards

Please list the school, community, church, and work activities in which you have been involved. Be sure to include specific events, major accomplishments, and offices/positions you have held. Please describe any scholastic awards or honors you have received.

Church Relationship

Name and address of the church you attend: _____ (_____) _____
NAME PHONE

MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP + 4/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

Name of Senior Pastor: _____ Denomination: _____

How long have you been attending? _____ How often do you attend? _____

Please deliver reference forms to your Pastor and Academic Reference (not relatives)

Pastor: _____ (_____) _____
NAME E-MAIL PHONE

MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

Academic Reference: _____ (_____) _____
NAME E-MAIL PHONE

INSTITUTION TITLE

MAILING ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP

Signature

In applying for admission to Northwest University, I affirm that I will abide by its purposes and standards of conduct as stated in the university catalog and at www.northwestu.edu/handbook. I hereby certify that all statements are true and accurate.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Christian Experience Essay

Please submit a typed essay (*minimum of one page, maximum of three pages*) that addresses the following questions:

1. Write a brief narrative that shows how your Christian faith has sustained you in a difficult time in your life or has developed you as an individual.
2. Why do you want to attend Northwest University and in what ways do you envision your NU classes, worship, and personal experience impacting your life goals?

International Student Academic Reference

**Office of Admissions
Northwest University
P.O. Box 579, Kirkland, WA 98083-0579
Fax: 425.889.5224
Email: admissions@northwestu.edu**

To the applicant: Print your name and address on the lines below. If you are an incoming freshman or running start student, submit this form to a teacher, professor, counselor or another school administrator who is qualified to give reference regarding your academic ability. If you are a transfer student, submit this form to a college instructor or administrator in your college who knows your academic ability. This reference is to be provided by a person outside your family. Applicant should provide for the person completing this reference a stamped envelope addressed to the Office of Admissions.

Note: I willingly waive my right of access to see this recommendation knowing that this waiver is NOT required as a condition for admission.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____ Phone: (_____) _____

Current Address: _____

NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

ZIP/POSTAL CODE

COUNTRY

Indicate the program for which you are applying:

English as a Second Language program **Undergraduate International** program

The above individual is applying for admission to Northwest University and is asking you to complete an academic reference. Our desire is to admit students who will profit the most from their studies in an educational environment such as ours. It is important that you be candid, fair, and accurate in your remarks. The student will not be admitted without an academic reference, and his/her application will be incomplete until we receive your evaluation. Thank you for your response.

How long have you known this applicant? _____ Years _____ Months

In what capacity do you know this applicant? _____

How well do you know the applicant? Very well Well Casually

What is your opinion regarding the ability of the applicant for further academic work?

Highly Enthusiastic Strong Moderate Hesitant Negative No Knowledge

Compare this student's academic performance with other able students: _____

How do you feel about the applicant's social readiness for college?

Highly Enthusiastic Strong Moderate Hesitant Negative No Knowledge

Describe the applicant's leadership ability.

Exceptional Ability Good Ability Makes some effort to lead Prefers to follow

What goals does the applicant have? _____

What are the applicant's strong points (include special abilities)? _____

On a scale of 1 to 4 (1=low, 4=high), rate the applicant in the following areas:

4 = Superior

3 = Above average

2 = Average

1 = Deficient

__ Honesty and personal integrity

__ Attitude toward authority

__ Judgment

__ Attitude toward school work

__ Ability to make friends

__ Dependability

__ Emotional stability

__ Ability to adapt

__ Concern for others

Are there any factors that might hinder this student's academic performance and/or personal relationships?

Further comments you may have regarding this applicant: _____

Would you recommend this applicant for admission to Northwest University?

I recommend this applicant I do not recommend this applicant* I recommend this applicant with this reservation*

* If you have not recommended or have reservations about recommending this applicant, please explain on an additional sheet of paper. Please include any comments that you feel would help us in regard to this applicant.

Print Name: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Email Address: _____

Institution: _____ Position: _____

Address: _____
NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

ZIP/POSTAL CODE

COUNTRY

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Position:

Would you like us to call you to discuss any concerns you have about this applicant? Yes No If needed



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT Pastoral Reference

OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS
NORTHWEST UNIVERSITY
P.O. BOX 579
KIRKLAND, WA 98083-0579
USA

To the applicant: Print your name and address on the lines below. This reference is to be provided by a person outside your family. Applicant should provide for the person completing this reference a stamped envelope addressed to the Office of Admissions.

I willingly waive my right of access to see this recommendation, knowing that this waiver is NOT required as a condition for admission.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____
LAST (FAMILY NAME) FIRST (GIVEN NAME) MIDDLE (OTHER NAMES USED) FORMER NAME (IF APPLICABLE)

Current Address: _____
NUMBER AND STREET

CITY STATE/PROVINCE ZIP/POSTAL CODE COUNTRY

Indicate the program for which you are applying:

- English as a Second Language** program
 Undergraduate International program

The Mission of Northwest University is to provide, in a distinctly evangelical Christian environment, a quality education to prepare students for service and leadership.

This reference form will not be available to the applicant for inspection if he/she has signed above. The above named applicant is applying to Northwest University and is asking you to furnish a reference. Northwest is a Christian institution with definite Christian goals and the desire is to admit those who will profit the most from their studies here. It is essential that you be frank, fair and accurate in your remarks and estimates.

How long have you known this applicant? _____ Years _____ Months

In what capacity do you know this applicant? _____

How well do you know the applicant? Very well Well Casually

Does the applicant know Christ as personal Savior and Lord? Yes No Unknown

Does the applicant demonstrate Christ in his/her lifestyle? Yes No Unknown

Please describe: _____

Describe the applicant's leadership ability:

- Exceptional ability Good ability Makes some effort to lead Prefers to follow

What goals does the applicant have? _____

What are the applicant's strong points (include special abilities)? _____

What is your opinion of the applicant's level of social readiness for university life?

Highly enthusiastic Strong Moderate Hesitant Negative No knowledge

On a scale of 1 to 4 (1=low, 4=high), rate the applicant in the following areas:

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__ Concern for others

Further comments you may have regarding the applicant: _____

Northwest University holds that certain standards of conduct are unfitting for a Christian (see Galatians 5:19-21). Please comment on a separate sheet of paper **only** if you feel the applicant would have problems adjusting to the University with regard to any of these areas.

I recommend the applicant

I do not recommend the applicant*

I recommend the applicant with this reservation*

***If you have not recommended or have reservations about recommending this applicant, please explain on an additional sheet of paper. Please include any comments that you feel would help us in regard to this applicant.**

Signature: _____ Name (print): _____

Position: _____

Church Name: _____

Church Address: _____

NUMBER AND STREET

E-MAIL ADDRESS

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

ZIP/POSTAL CODE

COUNTRY

Phone: (____) _____ Date: ____/____/____



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT Undergraduate Degree Programs

Please indicate **one** major of interest: (= Major = Concentration within Major)

School of Business

- Business Administration
- Finance & Accounting
- Management
- Marketing

School of Education

- Secondary Education
 - Biology
 - English/Language Arts
 - English as a Second Language
 - Health and Fitness
 - Mathematics
 - Social Studies
 - Theatre Arts
- Elementary Education
 - Humanities
 - Math
 - Science
- Undecided

School of Ministry

- Biblical Literature
- Children's Ministries
- General Ministry
- Intercultural Studies
 - Africa Studies
 - China Studies
 - Middle East Studies
 - Latin American Studies
 - Russian Studies
 - Linguistics
- Missions
- Music Ministry
- Pastoral Ministries
- Youth Ministries
- Undecided

School of Nursing

- Nursing

College of Arts and Sciences

- Biology (Pre-Med)
- Contemporary Music Industry
 - Audio Production Technology
 - Media Ministry
 - Music Industry Business
- Communication
 - Drama
 - Film Studies
 - Media Studies
 - Organizational Communication
 - Rhetoric & Public Affairs
- English
 - Literature
 - Teaching English as a Second Language
 - Writing
- Environmental Science
- General Studies
- History
- Interdisciplinary Studies
 - Legal Studies (Pre-Law)
 - Political Science
- Mathematics
- Music
- Music Education
- Political Science/History
- Psychology
 - Counseling Psychology
 - Cultural Psychology
 - General Psychology
 - Marriage and Family Studies
 - Organizational Behavior
- Religion & Philosophy
- Undecided

Associate of Arts

- General Studies
- Health Science

For more information about academic programs available at Northwest University, including minors, please visit www.northwestu.edu/programs.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT Transcript Request

Student: Please fill out and send this form to all secondary schools and universities attended, in order to request that official copies of your school records be sent to Northwest University.

Institution: For the purpose of seeking admission to Northwest University, please send an official copy of the below-named student's transcript to:

Office of Admissions
Northwest University
P.O. Box 579
Kirkland, WA 98083-0579
USA

Student Name: _____
LAST (FAMILY NAME) FIRST (GIVEN NAME) MIDDLE (OTHER NAMES USED) FORMER NAME (IF APPLICABLE)

Institution Name: _____ Student I.D. Number: _____

Year of graduation/last attendance was: _____
MONTH DAY YEAR

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Indicate the program for which you are applying:

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-----[Feel free to make additional copies of this form as needed]-----

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MONTH DAY YEAR

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Office Use Only

ID# _____

App# _____

Fee Received _____

Ack. Sent _____



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