Piedmont Technical College
ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

ADMISSIONS
☐ Apply for **admission** to Piedmont Technical College.

☐ Provide an approved evaluation of evidence of **successful completion of secondary school**, equal to a U.S. high school diploma. Note: An English translation may be required for approval submitted directly from a NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services) member evaluator.

☐ Provide evidence of **English language proficiency** by one of the following:
  o TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) scores with a minimum of 500 (Written) or 61(Internet-based). Scores valid for two years from test date.
  o IELTS (international English Language Testing System) score band 5.0
  o Transfer credit for post-secondary level English coursework. Note: For transfer credit, provide an approved credit evaluation for college or university coursework for international transcripts. The evaluator of the coursework must be a NACES (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services) member evaluator.

  Note: This requirement may be waived for a student whose first language is English or whose secondary school of instruction is English.

☐ Take College **placement test** or meet one of the following criteria for exemption:
  o Earned a minimum score of 19 on ACT Math waives the Math portion; and a minimum score of 20 on ACT English and Reading waives the Writing and Reading portion.
  o Prior to March 2016, earned a minimum SAT score of at least 480 on Verbal (or Critical Reading) waives the Writing and Reading portion; and a minimum score of 480 on Math waives the Math portion.
  o After March 2016, earned a minimum SAT score of at least 510 on Verbal (or Critical Reading) waives the Writing and Reading portion; and a minimum score of 510 on Math waives the Math portion.
  o Completed college-level English and math courses from an accredited or approved institution with minimum grades of "C".
  o Have earned an associate's, bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited institution.

FINANCIAL
☐ Demonstrate **evidence of financial support**. Complete the Affidavit of Support with official documentation of financial support in the amount of $28,108.00 ($17,985.00 with Sponsor's Affidavit of Free Room & Board) to cover tuition and expenses for one academic year.

☐ Provide a two-semester **escrow deposit** of U.S. $8,224. A portion will be used to pay first semester tuition and fees. The balance will remain in escrow to be applied to your last semester.

  Note: These amounts are subject to change based on the current rate of tuition, books and cost of living in the local area.

TRANSFER IN REQUIREMENT
☐ Submit **Transfer-In release** form from prior institution. I-20 will be released upon transfer release of SEVIS record. Note: Transfer-In students are not required to pay a new SEVIS fee.

I-20 ISSUANCE REQUIREMENTS
☐ The **INS Form I-20** will be issued upon receipt of all required documents and escrow deposit. Note: Issuance of an INS Form I-20 does not guarantee the approval of F-1 visa status by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Office or the U.S. embassy or consulate in your home country.

☐ Pay **SEVIS fee** directly to USCIS (www.fmjfee.com), print receipt. This must be presented to the embassy or consulate. **This is not a requirement for students who already hold an F-1 visa.**

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