



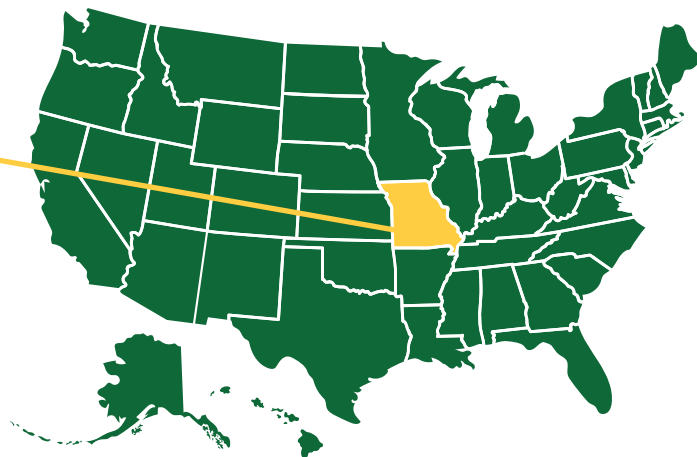
MISSOURI
SOUTHERN
STATE UNIVERSITY.

INTERNATIONAL
ADMISSIONS GUIDE

WE HAVE
WHAT YOU'RE
LOOKING FOR

International students from over 40 different countries call Missouri Southern their home away from home.

Located in Joplin, Missouri, students can choose from over 140 degree options and participate in 75 registered student organizations and clubs. The campus offers state-of-the-art facilities, immersive learning environments, and award-winning themed semesters.



INTERNATIONAL CLUB



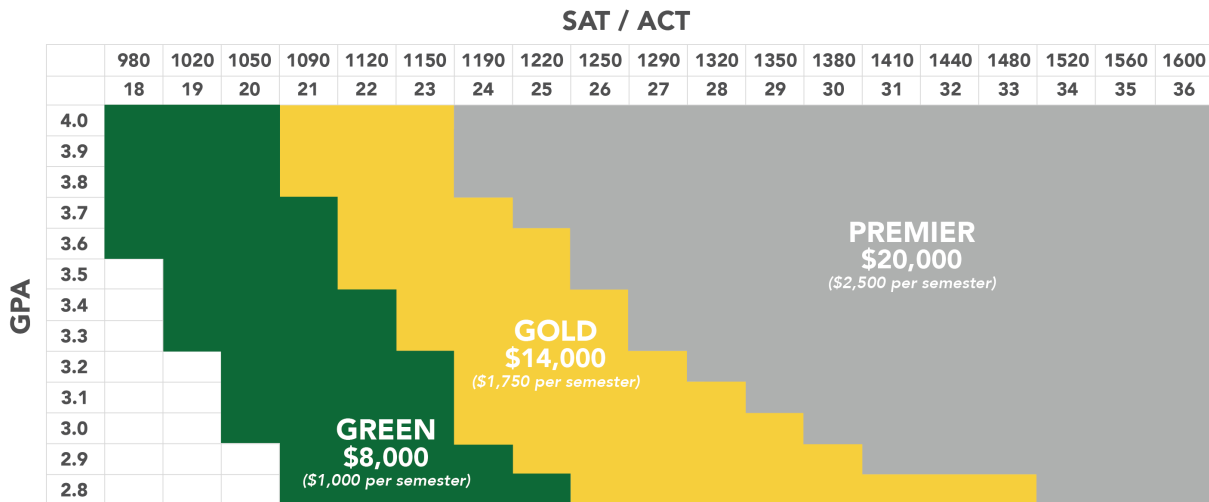
The Missouri Southern International Club

- Offers social activities where students can learn from other cultures while sharing their own
- Helps establish an international presence on campus
- Facilitates excursions off campus such as hiking trips, shopping trips, barbecues, and bonfires



The MSSU International Prom is a formal dance party similar to traditional proms held in U.S. high schools. The prom includes food and popular and multicultural music. Students can also connect with other international students attending Missouri Southern!

SAVE MONEY, EARN SCHOLARSHIPS



MOSO MERIT

FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIPS



Scan the QR Code to
learn more!

You are eligible for these scholarships if you are a first-time freshman applying within the first year after high school graduation.

You do not need to apply for this scholarship, as it will automatically be applied to your student account. If qualified, you will be awarded the scholarship amount split per semester, renewable for eight consecutive semesters. To continue receiving this scholarship, you must complete 15 credit hours each semester or 30 hours each academic year.

	Award Amount	Requirements
FRESHMEN	\$20,000* Premier	Based on ACT score and high-school GPA.
	\$14,000* Gold	*Award split over eight consecutive semesters
	\$8,000* Green	
TRANSFER	Board of Governors Distinguished Scholarship	Must be a degree-seeking student who has never attended MSSU, transferring at least 24 credit hours, and have a GPA of 3.50 or higher *Renewable for six consecutive semesters
	President's Distinguished Scholarship	Must be a degree-seeking student who has never attended MSSU, transferring at least 24 credit hours and have a GPA of 3.25 or higher *Renewable for six consecutive semesters
	Dean's Scholarship	Must be a degree-seeking student who has never attended MSSU, transferring at least 24 credit hours and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher *Renewable for six consecutive semesters
COMPETITIVE	Honors Scholarship	Available to students accepted into the Honors Program and awarded to the most highly qualified applicants as funds allow. *Total award of \$26,000, split over eight consecutive semesters
	Global Leaders	Must be a full-time student, submit formal application, and meet department-specific criteria.
INTERNATIONAL	MOSO International Achievement Scholarship	Freshman: graduated from school outside of the US , must have a 2.75 GPA, and meet standard English proficiency levels Transfer: 3.0 GPA in at least 24 credit hours and meet standard English proficiency levels *Renewable for six - eight consecutive semesters
	First-Year International Award	Must be a new first-time degree-seeking international student, 2.25 GPA, and meet English proficiency levels
	International Retention Scholarship	Must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA, completed 24 credit hours at MSSU, and live on campus *Renewable for six consecutive semesters

TUITION AND COSTS

	International
Tuition Per Credit Hour	\$600.00
Tuition Per Year	\$18,000.00
Lion Fee Per Credit Hour	\$30.00
Health Insurance and Book Rental Per Year	\$2,424.12
Room and Board Per Year	\$8,732.94
Orientation Fee and Pre-Orientation Meals (One-Time Fees)	\$250.00
International Student Fee	\$100.00
Year Total	\$30,407.06

* Estimated cost based on 2025-2026 rates; a student being enrolled in 30 credit hours per year; and living within a double room inside the Lion Village, with 19 meals per week/\$200 in Dining Dollars

*Doesn't include textbook or late fees

HOUSING AND MEALS

Fall 25-Spring 26			
19 Meals per week + \$200 DD			
McCormick/Blaine	Apartment	Apartment Semi-Private	East
\$4,479.77	\$4,440.12	\$4,706.37	\$4,724.60
Quads	Lion Village Suite	Lion Village Traditional Double	Lion Village Traditional Single
\$5,075.73	\$4,989.62	\$4,366.47	\$4,593.07
15 Meals per week + \$200 DD			
McCormick/Blaine	Apartment	Apartment Semi-Private	East
\$4,405.41	\$4,365.76	\$4,632.01	\$4,650.24
Quads	Lion Village Suite	Lion Village Traditional Double	Lion Village Traditional Single
\$5,001.37	\$4,915.26	\$4,292.11	\$4,518.71
10 Meals per week + \$200 DD			
McCormick/Blaine	Apartment	Apartment Semi-Private	East
\$4,264.13	\$4,224.48	\$4,490.73	\$4,508.96
Quads	Lion Village Suite	Lion Village Traditional Double	Lion Village Traditional Single
\$4,860.09	\$4,773.98	\$4,150.83	\$4,377.43

* Housing and meal pricing is per semester. Dining Dollars (DD) can be used at Mayes Dining Hall and the Lion's Den.

*Lowest meal option for Freshmen is 15 meals



HIRE A LION

Students admitted and enrolled in courses at Missouri Southern can take advantage of Hire A Lion, a platform that offers:

- Assistance in finding on-campus jobs
- Listings for internships and volunteer opportunities
- Scheduling for on-campus interviews related to class assignments
- Access to browse potential employers
- Features to develop a searchable professional profile

* Work authorization is required for off-campus jobs. For more information, email our international advisors at international@mssu.edu

**Scan the QR code for
more information!**



APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Apply at admissions.mssu.edu and complete the checklist below.

APPLY NOW

STEP 1

Submit a \$60 nonrefundable application fee
(Must be paid before being accepted)

STEP 2

Request official transcripts from previous high school or university
(University transcripts must be evaluated through a recognized, credential organization)

*AS and A-Level exams are acceptable as college credit with a minimum grade of C

* iTEP, WAEC, CBSE or CISCE exam scores can also be used for admission

STEP 3

A copy of the identification page in your passport

STEP 4

Proof of finances
(Such as a bank statement showing enough funds to cover one year at MSSU)

*A \$3,000 deposit will be required upon obtaining a Visa.

Once accepted, be sure to complete your Residence Life application through LioNet starting on the **first business day of March**. The sooner you apply, the more housing options will be available to you!

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

FRESHMEN

*MUST MEET ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

- 21 ACT composite score (or) 1060 SAT
- 2.25 cumulative GPA
- Top 50% of your graduating class

TRANSFERS

*MUST MEET BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING

- 2.0 cumulative GPA (and)
- Be in good standing with previously attended college/university

Must have a TOEFL (iBT) score of 68 , IELTS score of 6.0, OR Duolingo score of 95.

*Students with a TOEFL writing score below 25 will be required to take an additional placement exam on-campus.

If transferring from a U.S. institution and completed English Comp I and II with a grade of C or higher, this requirement is waived.

EXPLORE OUR PROGRAMS



With over 140 programs to choose from, we're confident you'll find what you're looking for!

Scan the QR code to browse our programs!

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