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## **POLICY**

An international student is not a US citizen and must obtain an F-1 Student Visa to study in the US. Students who hold dual citizenship in the US and another country or who are resident aliens and hold green cards are not considered international students. To be eligible for admission to Sherman College of Chiropractic (SCC), international students must demonstrate academic preparation substantially equivalent to that possessed by beginning students admitted from United States institutions.

To determine educational equivalency and admission eligibility, international students must present an official evaluation of their academic credentials by an organization recognized by SCC. The evaluation must include a course-by-course or subject area distribution. The results of the evaluation are to be sent to the Office of Admission at Sherman College. All educational transcripts must also be on file at Sherman College.

All international students from countries where there are official languages other than or in addition to English are required to present evidence of their ability to speak, read, write, and understand oral communication in the English language. International students may be exempt from English proficiency requirements if they earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution inside the continental U.S. or Hawaii within five years of the admission application. Additional exemptions may apply to citizens of certain countries where English is the official language. Contact the Admissions Office for a listing of exempt countries.

Students must also present evidence of having sufficient funds to live and study in the United States for one year. Evidence must be submitted from a bank or government official that funds are available on the financial verification form available through the Admission Office. See Policy 6007 International Tuition Scholarships.

All international students entering the United States to study at Sherman College must have an F-1 student visa issued by the American consulate in their home country. Sherman College will issue the appropriate I-20 form once the candidate for admission has been approved by the Admission Committee and financial verification has been received. The I-20 form will enable the student to apply for a B-2 prospective student visa to visit Sherman College.