



STUDY IN THE USA IN 3 EASY STEPS

Welcome to UCEDA. We want your F1 visa application to be a success. By following these steps, we make it easy to study English in the USA.

01 APPLY TO UCEDA

Apply online at uceda.edu/apply

Online application includes a placement test to determine your level of English.



02 CERTIFY YOUR ELIGIBILITY

Check your email for a link to upload documents. If you identified a sponsor in your application, your sponsor will also receive an email request for documents.

- Copy of passport
- Financial documents (personal or sponsor)
- Enrollment Contract
- Application Fee \$150
- Admissions Interview [via Zoom](#)



03 APPLY FOR THE F-1 VISA

After you receive your acceptance letter and Form I-20 from UCEDA:

- Pay SEVIS I-901 Fee \$350 <https://fmjfee.com>
- Complete Form DS-160 <https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/>
- Schedule your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate in the country where you live. <https://usembassy.gov>

Prepare for the interview with [F-1 Visa Interview Tips from UCEDA](#)

GO

Book your flight!

After receiving your F-1 visa approval, you can enter the USA within 30-days prior to your program start date. Your program start date is written on your Form I-20. Please let us know when you have your F-1 visa approved.

APPOINTMENT WITH ADVISOR

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DATE _____ AT _____ AM/PM

Refer another person to UCEDA and you will receive ONE MONTH FREE for each friend that enrolls in an Intensive English Program at UCEDA.





Study English in the USA – F1 STUDENT VISA

Welcome to UCEDA International. **We make it easy to study English in the USA.**

3 EASY STEPS

1. Apply to UCEDA: www.UCEDA.edu/Apply
2. Certify your Eligibility: www.UCEDA.edu/documents
3. Apply for the Visa: www.usembassy.gov

What is the F-1 visa?

- The F-1 visa allows you to enter the United States to study full-time at a school that is approved by the U.S. government to enroll international students.

Why is UCEDA the BEST choice for international students?

- **Trust:** With over 35 years of excellence, UCEDA is authorized under federal law to enroll international students and accredited by CEA.
- **High-Quality Education:** Expert native and bilingual teachers committed to helping you achieve effective English communication skills.
- **Experience:** Field trips and events all year long with classmates from all over the world.
- **Affordable Tuition:** Easy monthly payment plan and low tuition guarantee.
- **Flexible Schedule:** 4-day or 2-day programs vary by location and English level.
- **Location:** More than 10 locations across New Jersey, Washington DC, and Connecticut - and expanding
- **Support:** A dedicated enrollment advisor to help you step-by-step and a multilingual team operating 24/7 online. *Hablamos español, falamos Português, Türkçe konuşuyoruz, ببنتكلم عربي, Ne flasim shqip, Noi parliamo Italiano, 我們也講中文* and more!

Eligibility Criteria:

- ⇒ Minimum age is 18 and there's no maximum.
- ⇒ Citizen of a country where English is not the predominant language.
- ⇒ Have a basic understanding of the English alphabet.
- ⇒ Committed to attending full-time program of 18 hours per week and staying compliant with the F-1 visa rules.
- ⇒ Not a citizen of one of the [countries currently restricted](#) from traveling to the USA

Documents Checklist:

The school is required to collect documents to show that you are a real student with adequate funding:

- ✓ Last 3 months bank statement.
- ✓ Copy of your passport with validity more than 6 months.
- ✓ Copy of your marriage certificate, and children's birth certificate - only required if planning to travel with your dependents.
- ✓ \$150 application processing fee must be paid for the UCEDA admissions team to start reviewing your documents. This fee is paid once and non-refundable.

UCEDA Admissions Interview

- ⇒ You will receive an email with an invitation link to schedule a zoom interview with a UCEDA representative to give you feedback on your documents and review your eligibility to study at UCEDA International.
- ⇒ After your admissions interview, you will receive an email with your admissions decision.
- ⇒ If you are accepted by the school, you will receive a **Form I-20** and acceptance letter from UCEDA International.

What is the Form I-20?

- ⇒ The Form I-20 is a “Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status” [example](#)
- ⇒ It is issued only by a designated school official from a U.S. government-approved school.
- ⇒ This document allows you to apply for the F-1 visa to travel to the USA.

US Embassy Interview and government fees

When you have an acceptance letter and Form I-20 from UCEDA International, you can:

- ⇒ Visit fmjfee.com to pay the I-901 SEVIS fee of \$350 for the U.S. government to activate your SEVIS ID. Your SEVIS ID number is on your Form I-20 provided by UCEDA. You must pay this fee after receiving the Form I-20 and before your visa interview. Print your payment confirmation receipt!
- ⇒ Visit ceac.state.gov/genniv/ to complete Form DS-160 which is an online form for Non-immigrant Visa Application. After payment, print the confirmation page, which has a barcode.
- ⇒ Schedule an appointment for your visa interview at the U.S. Embassy or Consulate in the country where you live. Visit usembassy.gov
- ⇒ Prepare for the F-1 visa interview: [F-1 Visa Interview Tips](#)
Please let us know the scheduled interview date so that we can help you prepare.
Note: A new \$250 "visa integrity fee" may be required by the U.S. government if your F-1 visa is approved.

Travel to the USA

- ⇒ Book your flight only after receiving your F-1 Visa approval.
- ⇒ You can enter the USA within 30-days prior to your program start date.
- ⇒ Your program start date is written on your Form I-20 provided by UCEDA.

Upon arrival to the USA:

- You will pay the first and last month tuition in advance. Then during the program you can pay monthly or full tuition in advance to get a tuition discount.
- Visit UCEDA campus for an orientation session with your Academic Advisor.
- You will receive your classes schedule and guidance for a successful education journey.

How much is the tuition and when I will start paying?

- Tuition at UCEDA can be as low as **\$495 per month**
- For current tuition rates, visit: uceda.edu/tuition
- Monthly payment options available.
- Refer a friend to join UCEDA and get 1 month free!
- UCEDA books and materials are included in the tuition rates shown.
- No hidden fees.
- **LOW TUITION GUARANTEE**

Program start dates (New students start classes every month)

- Monday, January 5, 2026
- Monday, February 2, 2026
- Monday, March 2, 2026
- Monday, April 6, 2026
- Monday, May 4, 2026
- Monday, June 1, 2026
- Monday, July 6, 2026
- Monday, August 3, 2026
- Tuesday, September 8, 2026
- Monday, September 28, 2026
- Monday, November 2, 2026

Can I defer program start date due to changes in my travel plans?

Yes, you can apply for a deferred program start date and get a new Form I-20 for a fee of \$50. You must submit an updated bank statement.

How much is required on the bank statement?

Bank statements must show available funds to live and study in the USA for the duration of the program of study.

- 3-month program: \$5,000 minimum required
- 6-month program: \$10,000 minimum required
- 9-month program: \$15,000 minimum required
- 12-month program: \$20,000 minimum required

If you have a room sponsor, your living expenses are lower, so the available funds may be lower.

With room sponsor:

- 3-month program: \$3,500 minimum required
- 6-month program: \$7,000 minimum required
- 9-month program: \$12,000 minimum required
- 12-month program: \$13,000 minimum required

If you are traveling with dependents, you should have additional available funds.

For each dependent:

- 3-month program: \$1,250 additional required
- 6-month program: \$2,500 additional required
- 9-month program: \$3,750 additional required
- 12-month program: \$5,000 additional required

Bank statement checklist

- ✓ Balance: may be in U.S. dollars or the equivalent amount in any foreign currency.
- ✓ Date: most recent 3 months of bank statements.
- ✓ Name: Must show student's full name or sponsor's full name.
- ✓ Currency: All currencies are accepted.
- ✓ Language: All languages are accepted.

Who can be my financial sponsor?

- Your sponsor can be a friend, a relative, a company or a government institution.
- You can have more than one sponsor.
- Your sponsor can provide more than one bank account in any currency.

Your financial sponsor must fill out and sign the sponsor's affidavit form in following link www.UCEDA.edu/sponsor

What is the proof of room sponsor?

- A lease agreement or recent utility bill showing the address and the sponsor's name.
- Examples of utility bills: water, electricity, gas, home internet, etc.
- Your room sponsor must fill out and sign the sponsor's form in the following link www.UCEDA.edu/room-sponsor

Do we offer online or in-person classes?

By law, all international F-1 students enrolled in a full-time ESL program must attend in-person classes only.

Where are UCEDA locations?

UCEDA has more than 10 different locations in the USA, mostly near New York City and Washington, DC. If you don't know yet which location to choose, we can help you with more information about each location during the admissions interview. UCEDA has representatives who speak your language, know your culture, and can help you navigate and make new friends in the USA.

- [📍 338 George St, New Brunswick, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 111 Ellison Street, Paterson, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 181 Prospect Street, Passaic, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 171 Speedwell Ave, Morristown, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 152 Smith Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 135 Monmouth Street, Red Bank, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 204 Clifton Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey](#)
- [📍 65 Broad Street, Stamford, Connecticut](#)
- [📍 183 Main Street, Danbury, Connecticut](#)
- [📍 11416 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, Maryland](#)
- [📍 6201 Leesburg Pike #303, Falls Church, Virginia](#)

Need help in your native language?

We speak more than 10 different languages to help you:

Hablamos español, falamos Português, Türkçe konuşuyoruz, بنتكلم عربي, Ne flasim shqip, Noi parliamo Italiano, 我們也講中文 and more!

Feel free to contact us by e-mail, WhatsApp +1 (732) 735-1118

or chat with a live representative 24/7 through webchat available at www.uced.edu

We look forward to welcoming you soon in the USA!