

Southern Nazarene University

Statement of Understanding

Important: Please read each statement carefully. By agreeing to these conditions for admission and signing your name, you understand fully the SNU academic, administrative, and U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulatory policies to become a SNU student on F-1 visa.

1. I understand that all information given on the applications forms must be accurate.
2. I understand that I must take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and submit qualifying scores to SNU as part of the admissions process. If I do not have a TOEFL score, I may enroll in the SNU Center for Intensive English (ASEC) for language study, under provisional admittance to SNU. With or without TOEFL, I must meet the requirements of ASEC before I will be enrolled in traditional classes.
3. I understand that I must submit the Certification of Financial Resources form signed by both my financial sponsor and a bank official before my I-20 is issued.
4. I understand that if I am unable to attend SNU for the semester in which I am approved, I must let the Office of International Student Services know immediately of my request to defer admission and request a new I-20. I understand I may be required to update financial support documents over one year old.
5. I understand that I must submit official academic transcripts from all schools I have attended in the past or am currently attending.
6. I understand that if I am younger than 22 years old, I must live in on-campus housing, which includes a meal plan.
7. (*Undergraduate students only*) I understand I must attend the 3-hour orientation for international students.
8. I understand that I must pay the international student insurance fee of \$500.00 US a year for medical/hospitalization coverage. Exemptions are made only for those with proof of a currently valid policy.
9. I have read and understand all admission procedures. I understand that all documents and materials relating to my admission should be forwarded to the Office of International Student Services.
10. I understand that I must accept visa restrictions which prohibit off-campus employment.
11. I understand it is very important to maintain my visa status by making good academic progress at all times (a GPA of 2.0 or better for undergraduate studies; a GPA of 3.0 or better for *graduate* studies) during my stay in the U.S. I am required to enroll and complete successfully a minimum of 12 credit hours as an undergraduate student (9 hours as a *graduate* student) during Spring and Fall semesters.
12. I understand that I must report any change of address in the U.S. or in my family address in my home country to the Office of International Student Services within ten days of moving. This is a U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) requirement.
13. I understand that I must be in proper status with the USCIS while I am in the U.S. Failure to maintain F1 status will result in the necessity of processing for Reinstatement, loss of work privileges during the process, and possible deportation if reinstatement is denied. I understand I will not be permitted to enroll until the USCIS notification of approval is received.
14. (*Undergraduate students only*) I understand SNU requires undergraduate students to attend chapel services two times a week, earning students "spiritual development credits" each semester. Alternative credits include: weekly group Bible studies, mission trips, and other discipleship ministries. Students are also required to take a few Bible courses as part of the General Education requirements of SNU.
15. I understand that SNU expects students to respect and abide by lifestyle expectations to include: abstaining from the use or possession of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs on and off campus, abstaining from premarital sex, and avoiding deceit and cheating.
16. (*Graduate students only*) I understand that each graduate program at SNU has its own admissions procedures, requirements, and fees.
17. I have read and understand the statements listed above.

YOU MUST RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR SIGNATURE!

(Please fax the signed form to 405-717-6270 or mail it to
Office of International Student Services, 6729 NW 39th Expressway, Bethany, OK, 73008)

Signature

Print your Name

Date