



INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Thank you for your interest in Horry-Georgetown Technical College. The College offers a variety of one- and two-year associate degree, diploma, and certificate programs, including university transfer programs, at three campus locations in Conway, Myrtle Beach, and Georgetown, South Carolina.

Housing and Transportation

Horry-Georgetown Technical College is a commuter college and does not provide dormitories or housing on campus. Students are responsible for securing their own housing. A public transportation system is available in the area, but its schedule may not be compatible with a student's classes or area of residence. It is recommended that an international student consider purchasing or leasing a vehicle while a student in the United States.

Expenses

To help you plan financially, following is an estimated breakdown of expenses for 9 months, which includes two semesters tuition for a full-time international student:

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| HGTC Tuition/Fees (2 semesters) | 8,380 |
| Books | 1,558 |
| Room/Board | 8,390 |
| Transportation | 2,621 |
| Misc. | <u>1,207</u> |
| TOTAL | 22,156 |

The above cost breakdown does not cover all contingencies; international students are not eligible for federal/state financial aid or most on-campus employment. In addition, it is strongly recommended that an international student purchase adequate health insurance while a student in the United States.

Admission Requirements for NEW International Applicants

1. ***TOEFL Test Score:*** minimum Internet-based score of 61 or paper based score of 500 **OR IELTS** minimum score of 6.0
2. ***Documentation of Financial Support:*** complete and submit the enclosed "Certification of Financial Support" form indicating who will be financially responsible for you during your duration of study. Faxes accepted; original should follow by mail.
3. ***Completed Admission Application Form and Payment of One-Time Non-Refundable \$30.00 College Application Fee.***
4. ***Official Transcript of High School/Secondary School Records:*** if not in English, include a certified translation. To have documents translated, please refer to the following website: <http://www.wes.org>
5. ***SEVIS Fee Requirement:*** The United States Department of Homeland Security requires F-1 and J-1 visa applicants to pay a one-time fee of \$200 at least 3 business days prior to applying for a visa.



6. *International Applicant Currently in U.S. with Valid Visa (other than F-1 Student Visa) also must Complete "Application to Change Nonimmigrant Status" Form I-539 and Submit with Applicable Fee to U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS).*

Admission Requirements for International Students TRANSFERRING from U.S. Colleges / Universities

1. ***TOEFL Test Score:*** minimum of 500 paper version, or 61 on the internet version of the test. IELTS 6.0. Available information about TOEFL at www.toefl.org and IELTS at www.ielts.org or submission of official transcript of grades from accredited U.S. college/university that documents completion of college-level English composition course with minimum grade of "C"
2. ***Documentation of Financial Support:*** complete and submit the enclosed "Certification of Financial Support" form indicating who will be financially responsible for you during your duration of study. Faxes of the form accepted; original should follow by mail.
3. ***Completed Admission Application Form and Payment of One-Time Non-Refundable \$30 College Application Fee.***
4. ***Official Transcripts of Grades from all U.S. Colleges / Universities attended.*** To have documents translated, please refer to the following website: <http://www.wes.org>.
5. ***Request International Advisor at College/University Previously Attended or Currently Attending Transfer You Out in SEVIS to HGTC.***

After an international applicant is admitted to Horry-Georgetown Technical College, he/she will be **notified and requested** to pay a two-semester tuition deposit of **\$8,380.00** (This amount includes **\$4,190.00** for each semester.) After the tuition deposit is received, the applicant will be issued a SEVIS Form 1-20 by Horry-Georgetown Technical College. This is the form a student will need in order to request an F-1 Student Visa. The tuition deposit may be paid by MasterCard, Visa, or Discover card or by a check or a money order payable by a U.S. bank. The tuition deposit is refundable if the international student does not enroll in classes at Horry-Georgetown Technical College. **NOTE: a tuition deposit should not be paid unless requested.**

Additional questions may be addressed to:

Admissions/New Student Enrollment

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CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

In compliance with U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services (USCIS) requirements, international applicants to Horry-Georgetown Technical College are required to provide documentation of financial resources adequate to cover tuition and expenses for the duration of the international applicant's program of study. This form serves as documentation of financial support at Horry-Georgetown Technical College only. The U.S. Embassy or Consulate in the international applicant's home country may require additional documentation of financial support in order to issue an F-1 student visa.

SOURCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT - *The following section should be completed by the international applicant's sponsor (person providing support) or by the international applicant, if self-supporting:

Name of international applicant: _____

Name of person providing financial support: _____

Relationship to international applicant: _____

Amount of funding (in U.S. dollars) to be provided for international applicant (\$22,156 is minimum amount required for one year of study at HGTC):

I certify that I will provide financial support for the above-named international applicant for the duration of his/her study at Horry-Georgetown Technical College.

Signature of Person Providing Financial Support

BANK CERTIFICATION - *The following section should be completed by a bank official to verify the amount of funds available:

In compliance with the request of our depositor named above, at the close of business on _____ (date), the deposit balance to the credit of the above-named individual is currently the following amount in U.S. dollars: \$_____.

Signature of Bank Official

Date

Name of Bank Official (please print or type)

Name of Bank

Title of Bank Official

Bank Address: _____

Bank Phone Number

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