

IHCC Policy 3.4 Admission

Part 1. Policy Statement

Inver Hills Community College considers all applicants for admission regardless of race, sex, color, creed, religion, age, national origin, disability, marital status, status in regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or gender identity. The college follows an open door admission policy, which means that any person who has graduated from an accredited high school, successfully completed a General Educational Development (GED) examination, or who are 15 years of age or older and can demonstrate an Ability to Benefit is eligible for admission. Applicants under the age of 15 may be admitted with permission of Vice President of Student Affairs.

Inver Hills Community College has taken steps to ensure that lack of English skills will not pose a barrier to participating in the application, admissions, and enrollment process. These include provisions for communicating with student services personnel, a well-defined information and referral process, and the English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program.

Part 2. Definitions

Subpart A. Admission

Admission means a student's initial entrance into a Minnesota state college or university as a candidate for a certificate, diploma, or degree.

Subpart B. International Student

International student means a student who is required to be registered under the federal Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS).

Subpart C. Non-Degree Seeking Student

A student who is not seeking a degree or certificate at the college. Non-degree seeking students are not eligible for financial aid.

Subpart E. Visiting Student

A student who is not admitted to the college, but has registered for courses by creating an eServices account, or though their eServices account at another MnSCU institution.

Subpart E. Ability to Benefit

Basis on which a student without a high school diploma, a recognized equivalent, or a General Education Diploma (GED) may qualify for admission to the college. The placement test is the approved Ability to Benefit test at Inver Hills Community College. Students admitted through the Ability to Benefit provision are not eligible to receive federal financial aid.

Related Documents:

- [Inver Hills Community College Admissions Procedure](#)
- [MNSCU Undergraduate Admissions Policy 3.4](#)
- [MnSCU Admissions Procedure 3.4.1](#)
- [MNSCU Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program Policy 3.5](#)
- [MNSCU Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program Procedure 3.5.1](#)

Responsible Administrator: Vice President of Student Affairs

Policy History:

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10/13/2016 – Policy Committee Review Fall 2015 through Spring 2016. Academic Council review 11/19/2015. Faculty Shared Governance notification 3/22/2016. Comment period September 1-15, 2016. Strategic Leadership Council approval 10/17/2016. Separated current admissions policy into separate policy and procedure documents; Added related documents section to both policy and procedure; Updated web links throughout policy and procedure; Aligned non-discrimination sentence in Policy with updated and expanded MnSCU policy language; Added definitions section to policy; Reordered Parts in procedure; Changed application deadline language in procedure; Added Concurrent Enrollment Part in procedure; Added PSEO app deadline language in procedure; Moved new student orientation language to under Part 1. Regular Admission in procedure; Updated ACT scores to be correct in procedure; Updated campus contact information in procedure; Created new Part for Application Fee Waiver in procedure. Previously this was a separate policy at IHCC. Changed to new policy template.

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