

## International Student Information Sheet

There are certain regulations that all International (F-1) Students attending Evergreen Valley College (EVC) should be aware of. The following list will provide you with important college information and some key requirements for maintaining good standing while working toward your educational goal. Please take time to review them carefully. Once you are issued an F-1 Visa, you (the student) are responsible for maintaining that status. Failure to meet the criteria established by the USCIS for maintaining good standing could result in being reported “out of status”. This would be a very serious matter and could result in official orders for you to depart the country. We are here to assist and guide you during your time at EVC. Please visit the ICE website at [www.ice.gov/sevis](http://www.ice.gov/sevis) for a complete review of F-1 regulations. It is the student’s responsibility to maintain status. If rules or regulations are unclear, please feel free to contact the Admissions & Records Office for clarification.

- International (F-1) Students are REQUIRED to enroll as full-time (12.0 units) students each spring and fall semester. Intersession and summer are optional.
- International (F-1) Students must maintain a 2.0 G.P.A or better.
- All fees must be paid in full within 30 days of the beginning of each semester.
- As an International (F-1) Student, you are **not** qualified for financial aid, college grants/waivers or deferment of tuition.
- International (F-1) Students are **NOT** authorized to accept employment during their first academic year at EVC. After one year, off campus employment must first be approved by your designated school official (DSO), and will only be approved in circumstances where economic hardship is an issue (burden of proof is on the student). On campus employment (after the first academic year) should be discussed with your DSO as there are employment restrictions related to your International (F-1) Student Visa.
- International Students are strongly urged to carry medical/emergency insurance during their stay at EVC. Medical care is very expensive in the U.S. and the patient would be fully responsible for all incurred charges. These amounts can be extraordinary. Information on insurance plans can be obtained in the Admissions & Records Office or in the Health Center on campus.
- Evergreen Valley College does not have on campus housing.
- Potential students needing information on transcript evaluation services can ask for a *Credentials Evaluation Service Brochure* in the Admissions & Records Office. The service offers many types of evaluation. For F-1 students, please request the **DETAILED REPORT**.
- Acceptance of application materials does not in any way indicate acceptance to the college. Acceptance officially occurs when you have received a letter of acceptance and the Form I-20 “Certificate of Eligibility” signed by a designated school official (DSO).