

International student recruitment consultants

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What are the admissions criteria for an undergraduate programs of study?

- A High School Leaving Certificate from a recognized sixth-form secondary school with a grade "C" or equivalent.
- Evidence of proficiency in English as per the Common European Framework indicates (TOEFEL, IELTS)

Additional requirements may apply to some programs.

Non-Greek speaking students are not eligible for admission into a program taught in Greek.

Q. What are the language requirements?

International students applying for an <u>undergraduate</u> program of study must provide sufficient evidence of English language proficiency as per the Common European Framework indicates:

| University of Cambridge exams | IELTS | TOEFEL |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| PET Preliminary English TEST | 4.0 - 5.0 | 10 – 50 |
| FCE First Certificate in English | 5.5 – 6.5 | 50 - 70 |

International students applying for a <u>postgraduate</u> program of study must provide sufficient evidence of English language proficiency as per the Common European Framework indicates:

| University of Cambridge exams | IELTS | TOEFEL |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| CAE Certificate in Advanced | 7 -8 | 70 – 88 |
| English | | |
| CPE Certificate of Proficiency | 8.5 – 9 | 88 -120 |
| in English | | |
| FCE First Certificate in | 5.5 – 6.5 | 50 – 70 |
| English | | |

Q. When should international students submit their application?

The Frederick University academic year consists of the Fall and Spring semesters. Candidates may submit an application for admission in any of the semesters. Students are expected to be on campus prior to the beginning of the intended semester/session. Applications for international students must reach the Admissions Office together with all the required documents by:



| Studies from | Deadline |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Fall Semester (September to January) | Late July (for fully completed application |
| | with all relevant documents for visa) |
| Spring Semester (February to May) | Late November (for fully completed |
| | application with all relevant documents |
| | for visa) |

Q. What are the visa requirements?

International Students from non EU countries need to have a valid student visa in order to be allowed to enter Cyprus. The issue of an entry visa takes about 8 weeks from the date of the submission of the application. It is therefore recommended that candidates submit their application at least 10 weeks before the beginning of the semester. Student visas are issued only to full-time international students.

Q: What is the visa issuing procedure?

Once the Conditional Acceptance Letter is issued by the University, the prospective student is directed by an Admissions Officer to send to the University several documents by email and then by courier.

The documents are as follows:

- 1. Original attested passport copy must be valid for 2 years
- 2. Original attested copy of High School Leaving Certificate and mark sheets
- 3. Original attested Police Clearance Certificate must be valid for 6 months
- 4. Original attested bank letter showing that the student's sponsor has the financial ability to support tuition fees and leaving expenses must be valid for 6 months
- 5. Original attested bank statement which clearly shows the minimum amount of €7,000 in the sponsor's account must be valid for 1 month
- 6. Original attested chest X-ray report for Tuberculosis must be valid for 4 months
- 7. Original attested blood test results for HIV, Syphilis, Hepatitis B and C must be valid for 4 months
- Attested document of parental consent for the student's proposed stay in Cyprus and its official translation in Greek or English
 – only for applicants below the age of 18 years (minors).
- 9. Attested reports of medical tests showing that they are not suffering from Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, HIV, Syphilis and a chest X-ray report.
- 10. A recent certificate of good conduct issued by the police of the candidate's country of origin or residence, if necessary translated in Greek or English. The good conduct certificate should be original and issued less than 6 months prior to the beginning of the semester for which the student is applying. The names and titles of the persons issuing and certifying the document should be clearly stated therein.
- 11. Attested letter from a bank in the country of origin or residence stating that the student or his/her parent (s) – full names to be mentioned - have the financial capability to cover the cost of living and studying in Cyprus, and the student's repatriation cost, as well as recent bank statement showing a balance of at least €7000 (seven thousand Euro).

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Q. Do you offer migration support?

Our International Student Office offers specialist immigration advice and assistance with the process of applying and extending student visa and residence permit, health insurance advice and guidance, assistance with travel arrangements.

Q: Do international students need health insurance?

Immigration regulations require all international students to have valid insurance cover for health and accident during their studies in Cyprus. Frederick University assists students to obtain medical insurance coverage. The issuance cost is paid by the student directly to the insurance company.

Q: What is the application process?

Prospective undergraduate students need to submit:

- 1. Complete Application Form
- 2. ID or Passport. The passport should be valid for at least one year from the date of your arrival to Cyprus (necessary for Non-EU students).
- 3. High School Leaving Certificate
- 4. Transcripts and syllabus (if applies -ONLY for Transfer prospective students)
- 5. Evidence of proficiency in English (TOEFEL, IELTS)

Prospective postgraduate students need to submit:

- 1. Complete Application Form
- 2. Copy of your Passport (pages showing passport information)
- 3. Copies of your academic qualifications (High school leaving certificate/grade report etc.)
- 4. Bachelor Degree/ Transcripts
- 5. 2-3 Reference Letters
- 6. CV
- 7. Personal statement explaining the reason that you want to study this program
- 8. Evidence of proficiency in English (TOEFEL, IELTS)

The University reviews the application and approved international students will be guided for further actions that needed to be made for the completion of your registration including payments and attestation of the documents.

Q. What are the accommodation options available to international students?

Our experienced accommodation officers offer support and assistance in finding suitable accommodation. In Nicosia there are apartments available for rent through the University's Accommodation Office. In Limassol we have access to rooms at Apollonia Student Halls that are located every close to the University's facilities in Limassol.



Q. What is the average cost of living for an international student in Cyprus?

On average, a student spends about 600-1000 Euro per month (accommodation, utilities, food and transportation) depending on the lifestyle of each student and the choice of accommodation (if it's shared or not).

Q. What are the payment terms?

The below amounts must be paid prior to the student's arrival:

- the first semester tuition fees
- application fee and first semester registration fee
- migration fee or other related expenses

In addition, each semester's fees must be paid in full at the beginning of each semester.

Q: Can international students study part time?

No, student visas are issued only to full-time international students.

Q. Can international students work in Cyprus to support their studies?

Full time students from non-EU countries can work for **up to 20 hours per week** during the study period, provided that the employment hours will not coincide with their study hours at the University, or 38 hours per week during break time. The right to employment starts after the completion of six months of study and residence in Cyprus. Students from non-EU countries, after completion of a Master's Degree, are allowed to work in the fields of their postgraduate studies for up to 12 months.

Q. How is the University operating at the moment with Covid-19 restrictions?

The University is currently operating under an optimal teaching and learning environment. A significant percentage of lectures has been shifted online. We have developed a detailed health and safety protocol which includes, among others, frequent cleaning and disinfection of all university areas, reduction of the capacity of classrooms and increase of the usage of open spaces. Classrooms have been technologically upgraded to enable hybrid teaching. All student services are also available online.

Q. Are there any COVID-19 traveling guidelines?

The travelling guidelines of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs need to be followed. All passengers traveling to the Republic of Cyprus need to register to this platform <u>https://cyprusflightpass.gov.cy/</u> and submit all the required documentation to obtain a 'Cyprus Flight Pass'. Travelers are advised to



constantly visit this platform in order to remain up to date about possible changes that may affect their trip. Students arriving from Category C countries are obliged to undergo a diagnostic test for COVID-19 and have to remain in a state of self-isolation for 14 days. Please check with the Admissions Office for the latest guidelines on this issue.

Q. What are the graduation requirements?

Students are eligible for graduation after successfully completing the ECTS credits as stated in the courses listed in the Program Structure. A student can graduate only if their CGPA is greater or equal to 5.00 out of 10.00.

Q: What support does the University offers to new students?

A Preparatory and Orientation Program is offered to all new students prior to the start of each semester. Through this Program students are briefed about the University's regulations and procedures, its clubs, sports activities and student services.

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