

University of Central Florida

Undergraduate Program Overview



The **University of Central Florida (UCF)** is one of the largest and most dynamic universities in the United States, centrally located in **Orlando, Florida**. UCF stands out for its vast academic offerings (over 100 bachelor's degree programs) and its commitment to global diversity, hosting students from **over 150 countries**. The university leverages its size and resources to offer outstanding student support through its **UCF Global** services, ensuring international students receive robust assistance with everything from English proficiency options to credential evaluation.

University Highlights & Academic Structure

UCF is renowned for its scale, strong academic depth, and commitment to practical, in-demand programs.

- **Global Diversity:** A vibrant campus community with students from 150+ countries fosters a truly international educational experience.
- **In-Demand Programs:** The university offers more than 100 bachelor's programs, with particularly popular majors among the international cohort including: **Psychology, Computer Science, Biology, Health Sciences, and Information Technology**.
- **Robust Support System:** Through **UCF Global**, international students have dedicated services for admissions, academic counseling, and campus life support.

Program Offerings & Application Deadlines

UCF accepts applications for Freshman (first-time college), Transfer, and International students for three entry terms per year.

Key International Undergraduate Application Deadlines

It is imperative that international applicants adhere to the deadlines specifically for their applicant type.

Program	Start Term	Application Deadline
Undergraduate Programs	Spring 26	November 17
	Summer 26	April 5
	Fall 26	July 12

Note: Deadlines are subject to change. Transfer students should be aware of a separate set of general deadlines (e.g., Transfer Fall deadline is typically July 1) and must confirm the final date on the official UCF International Admissions page.

Admission Requirements Reference

General Application Requirements

Undergraduate applicants can apply directly through the UCF online application or utilize the Common Application for first-year freshmen.

- **Application Fee:** A \$30 non-refundable application fee is required for all international undergraduate applicants.
- **Core Documents:** Official high school transcripts, the certificate of graduation/diploma, or other final exam results are required.
- **Transfer Applicants:** Students who have attended a post-secondary institution outside of the U.S. must submit their transcripts and may be required to get a **course-by-course evaluation** from an accredited evaluation service (such as WES or Josef Silny).
- **Optional Standardized Tests:** SAT or ACT scores are required only if mandated by the specific program or for certain scholarships.

English Proficiency Requirements

UCF accepts several standardized tests to meet the English proficiency standard. Scores must meet or exceed the following minimums for the undergraduate level:

TOEFL iBT 80 / IELTS 6.5 / Duolingo 120

Estimated Annual Cost

The estimated total annual cost for an undergraduate student at the University of Central Florida is currently **being confirmed** and is subject to change by the university. Students should always consult the official UCF Cost of Attendance page for the most accurate and up-to-date breakdown of tuition, fees, and living expenses.

(Financial aid and scholarship opportunities are widely available to help offset the overall cost of attendance.)



The Two-Step Application Guidance

The application process for international students is initiated through the Shorelight Admissions Portal to ensure all documents are complete before the final submission to UCF.

STEP 1 | Submit Documents via Shorelight Admissions Portal

1. Check the Shorelight UCF page for supported programs and intakes (Spring/Summer/Fall).
2. Create a Shorelight account, select the University of Central Florida, and choose your desired program and intake term.
3. Upload all required documents, including the passport copy, official high school transcripts and diploma, proof of English proficiency (or alternative route documentation), and any necessary translations.
4. Shorelight advisors will review the application and documents before forwarding them to UCF.

STEP 2 | University Completion and Enrollment

1. The application, once reviewed by Shorelight, will be forwarded to the UCF admissions office for official review.
2. The applicant will receive a notification in the Shorelight portal, followed by an official email from the university with specific instructions on how to finalize the submission and track the file within the UCF system.
3. The applicant must follow all subsequent steps and requirements communicated by the university to ensure a final decision is reached.



Official Contacts for Inquiry

Admissions Questions Before Shorelight Submission

For pre-submission advising and questions regarding the initial portal steps, please contact the appropriate regional email address:

- North Asia (China, Korea, Japan, etc.) and Southeast Asia:

Alina.wan@shorelight.com

- South Asia (India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, etc.), Middle East, Africa, and Europe:

tissa.chandrasekera@shorelight.com

- North America, Latin America, and Vietnam:

linh.nguyen@shorelight.com

Application Status Questions After Shorelight Submission

Once your complete application has been forwarded to the university, all questions about final decisions or document requests should be directed to the corresponding admissions officer directly through the **Shorelight Portal Chat**.

Or you can directly email to campus:

University Admissions Email (General):

admission@ucf.edu

