ADMISSION AND FINANCIAL AID

Financial Aid

Tuition payments and fees are administered through Student Financial Services. For more information about financial assistance, students should contact the Office of University Financial Aid.

Admission

Applicants with good academic records from fully accredited universities and colleges will be considered for admission to graduate study at Case Western Reserve University. Admission must be recommended by the department or professional school of the university in which the applicant proposes to study and must be approved by the dean of graduate studies. Prospective students apply for admission through the School of Graduate Studies.

Admission of International Students

The admission criteria for international students are the same as U.S. residents except for the following:

1. Applicants whose first language is not English must be able to speak, read, write, and comprehend English. English proficiency must be demonstrated by taking the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL). The minimum score to be considered for admission, depending on the format of the examination, is 577 (paper-based) or 90 (internet-based). IELTS test scores are also accepted with a minimum score requirement of 7.0, as well as the Pearson Test of English-Academic (PTE) with a minimum score of 61.

Applicants are exempt from the TOEFL requirements if they:

- speak English as their native language
- have completed a bachelor’s degree or higher at a foreign university where the instruction was in English
- have a earned a bachelor’s degree or higher at a U.S. college or university

Please note that we are not able to offer "conditional admission" to students who do not meet the English language requirement.

1. To obtain a student visa, international students must demonstrate financial sufficiency by submitting bank statements and other financial documents indicating sufficient funds to support the tuition and living expenses for one academic year.

2. For those students who are to receive financial aid from the department, the amount of funds required will depend on the amount of the aid award. In some cases it will be living expenses, and in others more funds will be required.

When a letter of acceptance for an international student has been issued, a copy is sent to the Office of International Student Services.