

Dear International Student:

We are pleased that you are interested in applying for admission to a graduate program at Nazareth College. As a premier institution, Nazareth College is a place of high academic standards and warm hospitality. We welcome students with high aspirations for personal and professional excellence.

Below you will find information about general graduate admission policies, requirements and deadlines, financial aid, requirements for "F" student visa, and health insurance. Some departments might present additional requirements associated with the academic discipline. If applying, please return the requested material at least **4-6 months** prior to the term you would like to begin coursework. While admission to Nazareth's graduate programs is competitive, we look forward to welcoming you as a student.

Judith Baker
Director of Graduate Admissions

Graduate Programs

School of Health & Human Services

Degrees offered: *Master of Science; Doctor of Physical Therapy; Master of Social Work*

- Creative Arts Therapy
 - Art Therapy
 - Music Therapy
- Speech-Language Pathology
 - *Speech-Language Pathology Program with Specialty Concentration in Working with Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals*
- Physical Therapy (Doctor of Physical Therapy)
- Social Work (Collaborative program with SUNY Brockport)

School of Management

Degrees offered: *Master of Science*

- Human Resource Management
- Management

College of Arts & Sciences

Degrees offered: *Master of Arts*

- Liberal Studies

School of Education

Degrees offered: *Master of Science in Education*

- Art Education
- Business & Marketing Education
- Educational Technology Specialist*
- Inclusive Education Programs
 - Early Childhood [Birth - Gr. 2]
 - Childhood [Gr. 1-6]
 - Adolescence [Gr. 7-12]
- Literacy Education Birth - Grade 6 and Grades 5-12*
- Music Education*
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- TESOL for International Educators (*non-certification program*)

**New York State teacher certification required for these programs*

Admission to Graduate Study

Graduate programs are open to full-time students (9 credits) who fulfill the admission requirements as stated for each program, and for whose personal objectives the programs offered are appropriate. Admission to degree programs is highly competitive and all qualified persons may not be accepted.

Prospective students apply to a graduate program at Nazareth College using a self-managed application. Application requirements may vary by program, so please refer to specific application requirements on the Nazareth College Graduate Studies website at www.naz.edu/dept/grad_studies/prospective/apply.cfm or in the graduate chart located in the graduate application packet.

- Applicants seeking admission to a graduate program must possess a bachelor's degree (or its equivalent in US terms) with adequate preparation from a recognized institute of higher education. Applicants from foreign educational institutions are required to send official copies of transcripts with certified English translation to the World Education Services for evaluation. WES will send copies of the completed evaluations to the applicant and to Nazareth College. To contact WES call 212-966-6311 between 9am and 5pm Eastern Standard Time.
- English Language Proficiency: Applicants applying from a foreign educational institution, whose native language is not English, are required to prove English proficiency by one of the following methods:
 - 550 on the paper-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), or
 - 85 on the Internet-based test TOEFL (a minimum of 25 on the speaking portion is required), or
 - 6.5 on the English Language Testing System (IELTS)

Please note that minimum score may vary by program. Results of the test must be forwarded directly to Nazareth College. NOTE: (1) Applicants with lower English proficiency may be admitted on a provisional basis by enrolling in Nazareth's American Language Institute for an intensive English program. (2) Applicants without formal English language proficiency scores may be admitted conditionally upon being tested after arrival. For undergraduate students, the testing will determine English placement. For more information:

- TOEFL: www.ets.org
- IELTS: <http://www.ielts.org/>
- Applicants should possess a grade point average of B/3.0 or better (A=4.0) in their undergraduate work. Academic departments may pose additional admission requirements.
- Applicants must provide documentation of financial support by sending bank statements certifying available assets (Declaration of Finances form). The student must demonstrate a level of support not only for tuition and board, but also for actual living expenses, pocket money, books, etc.

Application Deadlines

Application deadlines for graduate programs vary by program, and international applicants should submit application materials **4-6 months** in advance of the start of the term in which they wish to enroll. Please refer to specific application deadlines in the Graduate catalog, the graduate program application chart, or on the Nazareth College website at www.naz.edu/dept/grad_studies/prospective/apply.cfm.

Graduate Assistantships

Graduate assistantships for international students are limited and are awarded on a highly competitive basis. For further information refer to www.naz.edu/dept/grad_studies/about/financing/assistantships.cfm.

Costs

The approximate cost of attending Nazareth College for one year of graduate study (including tuition, fees, books, supplies, room, board and incidental expenses) is approximately \$25,000 (Physical Therapy is \$35,000 for the 2009-2010 academic year). This is an estimate of what your graduate expenses at Nazareth College could be. It must be emphasized that this is **only an estimate** and tuition prices increase in the May of each year. Tuition information may be found at www.naz.edu/dept/studentaccounts/tuitionfees.cfm

Requirements for "F" Student Visa

When applicants have met all admission requirements, Nazareth College will prepare and forward an official letter of acceptance and one copy of Certificate of Eligibility, Forms I-20A and I-20B. This copy of I-20A and I-20B should be taken to the nearest American Consul for the purpose of securing a Non-Immigrant "F" Student Visa.

Health Insurance

All international applicants are required to possess a valid health insurance policy, or agree to purchase one through Nazareth College. All admitted students will be required to submit proof of measles and rubella immunizations before registering for their first semester.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have a question or need further assistance:

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