

The Jesuit University of New Jersey

# Application for International Admission

## Undergraduate

#### Saint Peter's University

Office of International Enrollment 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd. Jersey City, NJ 07306 U.S.A.

www.saintpeters.edu/international

We are pleased that you are completing an application for admission to Saint Peter's University. We ask that you read the following information carefully before completing the application. As always, email the Office of Admission at admissions@saintpeters.edu if you have any questions.

#### **Application Process**

The Admission Committee will review completed applications thoroughly, and will consider academic achievement, difficulty of curriculum, standardized test scores, personal statement/essay, letters of recommendation, and extracurricular involvements. Undergraduate applicants must show evidence of achieving the equivalent of a high school diploma in the United States. Transfer applicants must show the equivalency of university level study appropriate for pursuing a Bachelors degree in the United States.

#### **Notification of Admission Status**

Your application is reviewed after receipt of your completed application packet and supporting documentation. If any portion of your application packet needs further action we will notify you via email. As soon as the application is complete, an admission decision will be made, and you will be notified by the Admission Office. Please do not interpret statements made in casual conversation or correspondence with anyone else to mean that you have been admitted. The Admission Office is the only office authorized to notify international students of their acceptance to Saint Peter's. Depending on where you live, you can expect an admission decision on your completed application within three weeks after receipt of ALL application materials.

#### **Application Deadlines**

It is recommended that you submit your application packet at least three months before the semester in which you wish to enroll. In order to process your application for admission in a timely manner, the following deadlines have been established:

Fall Semester	June 1
Spring Semester	November 1

#### F-1 Status (Student Visa)

International students are permitted to study in the United States if they meet U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service requirements. An F-1 visa to enter the U.S. is issued only to students who: (a) present evidence of regular admission to a full-time course of study in the U.S.; (b) have financial support for the entire period of study in the U.S.; and (c) intend to return to their home country once studies are completed.

The U.S. embassy or consulate in your area will be able to tell you what the specific requirements for applying for an F-1 visa from your home country. To be eligible for an F-1 visa, you must present a Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20 A-B) issued by the U.S. institution at which you plan to study. Saint Peter's can issue Form I-20 only to those students who meet all admission requirements as specified in this application packet. Students currently on F-1 visas can be issued an Intent to Transfer form.

# Documentation for Travel from *Outside* the U.S.

You will be mailed the Form I-20 with your acceptance letter. You will present this form, along with supporting documentation, to the U.S. embassy or consulate in your area. You must have a valid passport issued by your home country for the visa application process and pay any necessary processing fees. Collecting documentation and scheduling appointments to complete the visa application process may cause unexpected delays. Therefore, it is recommended that you complete and submit your application packet to Saint Peter's at least three months prior to the semester in which you plan to begin your studies. Early submission should allow you ample time to receive the Form I-20, meet with U.S. consular officers, and make travel arrangements.

# Documentation for Travel from *Inside* the U.S.

Upon your acceptance, you will be mailed a Transfer Authorization Form (to be completed by the designated official at your current institution) to verify your F-1

status. Students who will come to Saint Peter's from within the United States will be issued a Form I-20 after the transfer process has been completed. If you plan to return to your home country, or travel outside the U.S. before coming to Saint Peter's, you must notify the Saint Peter's University international student adviser of your intentions at least three weeks prior to your departure from the U.S. so appropriate arrangements can be made and documentation can be prepared for you to reenter the U.S. Applicants in any status other than F-1 will be sent further instructions for status change if necessary.

#### **Evidence of Educational Experience**

To evaluate your educational background fairly and accurately, we need specific information about your schooling and examination/test results. All official documents must be submitted directly from the appropriate issuing institution(s) to Saint Peter's. These documents must list courses taken with credits, points, or hours per course and grades awarded, and must specify any educational degrees, certificates, or titles awarded. These documents must bear the original seal or stamp and the signature of an official of the issuing institution followed by a certified English translation (if applicable). Applicants can utilize their local EducationUSA/USEF/AMIDEAST office for assistance in verifying documents. Any documents received from an EducationUSA/USEF/AMIDEAST officer or directly from the issuing educational institution office are deemed as original documents.

Examination results and score reports must be sent directly from the testing/examination authority to Saint Peter's. Examples of such examinations are the TOEFL, IELTS, SAT, ACT, or completion of an approved language level at our ESL partner institutions. Please visit www.saintpeters.edu/international for minimum testing requirements. Certified copies may be accepted while we wait for originals.

We ask that you provide explanation(s) on a separate sheet of paper if you have had additional years of schooling or if your education differs from the requirements for admission to the major institutions of higher learning in your home country.

Saint Peter's University reserves the right to verify all submitted documents with the issuing institution. You may be asked to provide further proof of your educational history.

#### **Personal Statement/Essay**

You will be asked to write a personal statement as part of the application process of at least one page (500 words). The questions can be found within the international student application.

#### **Letters of Recommendation**

Letters of recommendation should be sent by your school guidance counselor, headmaster, English teacher, teacher of your choice, and/or community volunteer supervisor. Forms for the recommendation are included with this application but may be substituted with a written letter on school or company letterhead.

# International Student Financial Aid & Scholarships

Saint Peter's University is committed to recognizing academic excellence in its students. Scholarships are based on merit and overall proof of student achievement including potential to contribute to our global community.

International students are expected to cover the total comprehensive cost to attend Saint Peter's University regardless of scholarship.

An international student's eligibility for a scholarship is based on the student's academic record, test scores (national exams, TOEFL, IELTS, SAT, or ACT) and demonstrated leadership ability. Exceptions to these guidelines are made on an individual basis.

Consideration is given to students who have pursued an exceptionally competitive academic program which has resulted in a lower class rank, and to those who have very strong academic records, but whose test scores may not be as competitive. Additional consideration will be given to international students whose schools do not offer extracurricular opportunities.

International student scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis. The actual amount of your scholarship will depend on how your record compares with those of the other applicants. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress and should be in good social standing to receive their award each semester. Please refer to the Statement of Financial Support for International Students for current program costs.

Your application for admission and Statement of Financial Support serve as your application for the international student scholarship. No separate application is needed.

# **International Student Application Checklist**

☐ Saint Peter's University International Application Form.
☐ Certified Copies of ALL Academic Records (including their certified English translations if applicable).
☐ Scores of the TOEFL, IELTS, ACT, SAT, or approved ESL level at one of our approved partner institutions. In most cases, only one of these testing requirements must be completed. Scores must meet minimum requirements.
□ Personal Statement/Essay
☐ One Letters of Reference
☐ Statement of Financial Support
☐ Proof of Funding
Some programs may require additional forms.

The entire form, when completed, is to be mailed directly to:

OFFICE OF ADMISSION Saint Peter's University 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd. Jersey City, New Jersey 07306 U.S.A.

OR

e-mailed to admissions@saintpeters.edu

#### **SAINT PETER'S UNIVERSITY**

Office of Admission, 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, New Jersey, U.S.A.

### Application for International Students--Undergraduate

#### **Personal Information**

Name	e (as appears o	n passport):					
		F	irst	Mi	iddle	Last	Jr. etc.
Sex:	☐ Male	☐ Female	Marital S	tatus: □Sing	le 🗆 Married 🛭	☐ Divorced ☐ Separat	ted □ Widowed
Prefe	rred first name	:					
Perma	anent home ad	ldress:					
	Number an	d street	Apt. #	City	State	Postal code	Country
Perma	anent telephor	e number:			E-mail addre	ess:	
If diff	ferent from ab	ove, please pro	vide your ma	ailing address	s for all admiss	ion related correspond	dence:
Maili	ng address						
	Number and	Street	<i>Apt.</i> #	City	State	Postal code	Country
Telep	hone number:			Until what da	ite will you res	ide at address?	
Date	of birth:			_Country of	Birth:		
		Month/Do	ıy/Year				
Coun	try of citizensl	nip:			_Native langua	ge:	
Coun	try of legal pe	rmanent reside	nce:				
Have	you ever visit	ed Saint Peter'	s University?	· 🗆 Y	es □ No		
Have	you applied to	Saint Peter's	University be	efore?	es □ No		
Will y	you be residing	g on campus du	ıring your stı	ıdies? □ Y	es □ No		
Seme	ester in which	you intend to e	nroll:	□ Fall, 20	) □	Spring, 20	
I plan	to enroll as a	:		☐ First year	student	Transfer student	
How	did you find o	ut about us?		College F	air School	Visit Website	Alumni Other

#### **Program Interest:**

Please indicate the academic area(s) which you are most interested in pursuing at Saint Peter's University. List of Majors/Concentrations can be found on page 5.

List first-choice major/concentration:		
List second-choice major/concentration:		
Possible career or professional plans:		
Family Background Information	on:	
Father's full name:		Deceased: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Home address (if different from yours):		
Home telephone number:	Work telephone number:_	
Occupation:	Employer:	
College attended (if any):	Degree:	Year:
Mother's full name:		Deceased: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Home address (if different from yours):		
Home telephone number:		
Occupation:		
College attended (if any?)		Year:
If not living with one of your parents, with whom	do you make your permanent hon	ne?
(name, relationship, occupation)		

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lease list any re	elatives who have attended Saint Pete	er's University:	
Tame	Relationship	Class (į	f known)
lame	Relationship	Class (if	<sup>c</sup> known)
lease list relati	ves and friends currently residing in t	he United States:	
lame	Address	Telephone number	Relationship
lame	Address	Telephone number	Relationship
<sup>T</sup> ame	Address	Telephone number	Relationship
•	uthorize another person to discuss you ne number, and relationship:	ur application with us, please	indicate person's name.
lame	Address	Telephone number	Relationship
oes this person	n have permission to receive your mai	il, including the I-20? ☐ Yes	□ No
Emergenc	y contact person:		
	states (if applicable) (Name, Address, To	olenhane number Relationshin):	
in the Omted S	raics (if applicable) (Name, Namess, 18	erephone number, Netationship).	
_	ountry (Name, Address, Telephone numb		

#### **Visa Information:**

If you are already in the United State	es:		
On what date did you enter?			
On what type of visa?			
☐ Student (F-1) ☐ Government Official	_	or (J-1)	
If on F-1, what institution issued the	I-20?		
Will there be any people accompanyi University?	ng you to the Unite □Yes	ed States while you are studying at Saint Peter's   No	
Will you need a dependent 1-20?	☐ Yes	$\Box$ No	
Religious Preference:  Baptist Jehovah's Witness Buddhist Lutheran Eastern Orthodox Methodist Muslism Mormom Episcopalian			
☐ Greek Orthodox ☐ Hindu ☐ Jewish ☐ Catholic ☐ Other:			

#### **Academic History and Information:**

Please list all secondary schools, including summer schools, programs, and institutes, you have attended.

Name of school	City/State/Country	Dates attended

Please list any colleges or universities you have attended. Transcripts must be submitted from each institution (and may require an external evaluation for those seeking to transfer credits).

Name of college/university	City/State/Country	Dates attended

List current courses (secondary school or university) to be completed prior to enrolling at Saint Peter's University but not appearing on transcripts.

First semester	Second semester

Please list all languages that you know, and indicate with an (X) your proficiency in them:

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking

#### **Test Information:**

All entering international students must either take the TOEFL, IELTS, ACT, SAT, or have completed an approved language course.

	se indicate your test: Official copies of	st plans. of all scores should be sent direct	ly to Saint Peter's.	
I	☐ have taken	☐ will take the TOEFL in_		
			Month/Year	
Ι	☐ have taken	☐ will take the IELTS in		
			Month/Year	
TOE	FL score	□ paper based □ ibt	IELTS Band Score	
Ι	☐ have taken	☐ will take the SAT in	or the ACT in	
			Month/Year	Month/Year
SAT	Score	_ EBRW Math		
ACT	Score	_		
ELS	Course	Completed on	Location	
Othe	r English language	e course:	Level completed	
Loca	tion:			

#### **Extracurricular Activities and Personal Achievements:**

Please list, in order of importance, your main extracurricular, community, and individual activities, along with any hobbies. Examples include: playing a musical instrument, work experience, or playing a varsity sport. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Activity	Hours per week	Years of participation	Comments

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have received in secondary school. Attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.

#### **Personal Statement/Essay:**

All applicants are required to submit one-page (500 word minimum) personal statement in response to one of the following questions listed below your selected level of study. Please attach additional sheets for your essay if necessary.

- If we could only admit one more student to Saint Peter's University, why should it be you?
- If you could design a t-shirt with one word, or phrase, that describes you, or your outlook on life, what would that word or phrase be, and why?
- What do you think has been the most important social or political movement of the twentieth century?
- What invention would the world be better off without, and why?

# **Disciplinary History:**Have you ever been found responsible for a disciplinary violation at any educational institution you have attended from the 9th grade (or the international equivalent) forward, whether related to academic misconduct or behavioral misconduct that resulted in a disciplinary action? These actions could include, but are not limited to:

Have you ever been adjudicated guilty or convicted of a misdemeanor, felony, or other crime? ☐ Yes ☐ No

probation, suspension, removal, dismissal, or expulsion from the institution.

[Note that you are not required to answer "yes" to this question, or provide an explanation, if the criminal adjudication or conviction has been expunged, sealed, annulled, pardoned, destroyed, erased, impounded, or otherwise ordered by a court to be kept confidential.]

If you answered "yes" to either or both questions, please attach a separate sheet of paper that gives the approximate date of each incident, explains the circumstances, and reflects on what you learned from the experience. In addition, transfer students answering "yes" with regards to college/university suspension, or expulsion are required to submit a letter from the Dean of Students of their previous institution with regard to the situation and your eligibility to return.

Note: Applicants are expected to immediately notify Saint Peter's University should there be any changes to the information requested in this application, including disciplinary history.

#### **Authorization & Release:**

#### MUST BE READ AND SIGNED BY ALL APPLICANTS:

I understand that confidential recommendations, including interview reports and evaluation statements from members of the admissions staff, submitted to the Office of Admission in connection with this application for admission, will be used for purposes of evaluation of this application. I further understand that these recommendations will not be used for any other purpose. I therefore agree that the contents of confidential appraisals shall not be disclosed to anyone, including myself.

I also certify that I have provided accurate information in this application, that the writing samples and other materials submitted as my own are indeed original work.

I authorize the verification of my credentials. Accordingly, I understand and agree that any misrepresentation or omission of facts in my application will justify the denial or rescission of admission.

I agree that if I am accepted, I will comply with all the rules and regulations of Saint Peter's University, and that my admission, matriculation and graduation are subject to the control of the authorities of Saint Peter's University.

I further agree and certify that Saint Peter's University may publish for public relations and advertising purposes my photograph or photographs in which I appear.

Your Signature and Date		
Y		

#### Please check carefully to make sure you have answered all questions fully and completely.

Saint Peter's University is an Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action Employer/Institution. It does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, marital status, color, religion, age, national or ethnic origin, disability, sexual orientation, or veteran's status.

#### **PART II:**

#### **School Recommendation Form**

**Applicant:** Please complete the upper portion of the form, remove the form from this application booklet, and then give it to the appropriate person with a properly addressed and stamped envelope. This form is very important in evaluating your application. **Form should be mailed to: Office of Admission, Saint Peter's University, 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, New Jersey 07306 U.S.A.** 

Applicant's name					
First	M	iddle	Last		Jr. etc.
<b>Recommender:</b> Please compsecondary school record. You making an admission decision	r candid and object				
Your name:			Title:_		
School:	School website :				
Address:					
Telephone number:		Fa	ax number:		
Email address:					
How long have you known th	e applicant?				
What are the first words that	come to mind to d	escribe him/her	?		
Please evaluate this candidate	in the following a	reas with regard	l to your ot	her college-	bound students:
Academic achievement	□ Excellent	☐ Above Av	_	Average	☐ Below Average
Academic potential	☐ Excellent	☐ Above Av	•	Average	☐ Below Average
Rigor of academic program	☐ Excellent	☐ Above Av	0	Average	☐ Below Average
Emotional maturity	$\square$ Excellent	☐ Above Av	erage 🗆	Average	□ Below Average

Signature	Date	
<b>&gt;</b>		
Please contact me. I have additional information to share wi	th you.	

#### **Additional Recommendation Form**

**Applicant:** Please complete the upper portion of the form, remove the form from this application booklet, and then give it to your recommender with a properly addressed and stamped envelope. This form is very important in evaluating your application. **Form should be mailed to: Office of Admission, Saint Peter's University, 2641 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, New Jersey 07306 U.S.A.** 

Applicant's name_				
		Middle		Jr. etc.
		Form. Your candid and condecision. Thank you.	bjective appraisal of	this applicant's qualifications
Your name:			Title:	
Address:				
Telephone number	r:	Fax 1	number:	
Email address:				
How long have yo	ou known the appli	cant?		
				en you think of this student? all sheets of paper if necessary.
Which of the cand additional sheets of	*	_	est need for growth a	nd development? Attach

Signature	Date
<b>&gt;</b>	
☐ Please contact me. I have additional information to sha	are with you.
of others	
Sensibility, consideration of others	$\Box$ 1 $\Box$ 2 $\Box$ 3 $\Box$ 4 $\Box$ 5 $\Box$ 6 $\Box$ 7 $\Box$ 8 $\Box$ 9 $\Box$ 10
Emotional maturity	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Reliability	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
and information	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Breadth of general reading	
Originality and imagination	□ 1 □ 2 □ 3 □ 4 □ 5 □ 6 □ 7 □ 8 □ 9 □ 10
Initiative and enthusiasm in school work	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Oral expression	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Written expression	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
to ability	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Relation of achievement	
Ease of learning	$\square$ 1 $\square$ 2 $\square$ 3 $\square$ 4 $\square$ 5 $\square$ 6 $\square$ 7 $\square$ 8 $\square$ 9 $\square$ 10
Please indicate on a scale of 1 to 10 (10 being exce	llent, 1 being poor,).