

personal goals indicate they will be successful in completing the UIS curriculum.

For undergraduate admission as an international student, you must have completed the equivalent of 45 semester hours of college or university course work with an average of C or above. If your previous course work did not include general education requirements (See page 33), you may have to take them as part of the graduation requirements for your degree from UIS. If so, these courses may extend the credit hours required for your bachelor's degree. Your intended degree program may also have other requirements for admission of international students. Refer to the program section of this catalog for information.

If you are not a U.S. citizen, you must have a tuberculin skin test done at the Campus Health Service before registering and, if the test is positive, you must also have a chest x-ray. If you have been treated for tuberculosis disease or infection, you must provide medical records, which must be accompanied by a certified English translation. *There are no exemptions from this requirement.*

For maximum consideration, you should plan to have your application to UIS by the following dates: June 1 for the fall semester, November 1 for the spring sem-

ter, and April 1 for the summer session. For further information, contact the Office of Admissions and Records, University of Illinois at Springfield, One University Plaza, MS SAB 20, Springfield, IL 62703-5407, phone toll-free (888) 977-4847, or e-mail admissions@uis.edu.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

Applicants whose native language is not English must submit official international TOEFL scores. A score of not less than 500 (paper based) or 173 (computer based) will fulfill the English proficiency requirement for undergraduate admission. If you have earned an associate's degree in the United States with a GPA of 2.00 or better on a 4.00 scale, you are not required to submit international TOEFL scores. If you fail to meet this English language requirement, you may enroll at an ESL Language Center. Proficiency certification by ESL meets the English language requirement for admission.

If your native language is not English and you have not earned an associate of arts or associate of science degree in the U.S., you will be required to take an English proficiency test on campus the week before registration. This requirement applies to all students — U.S. citizens, resident aliens, and nonresident aliens


alike. Test results do not affect your admission to UIS but will be used to determine your need for an English as a Second Language class.

If you need to satisfy UIS' English composition requirement, you must take UNI 490 Writing/Speaking for International Students during your first term of attendance. This course will not count toward your UIS degree.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT

Illinois law, Public Act 85-1315, requires that everyone entering a four-year public or private institution of higher education provide proof of immunity to measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, and tetanus. You are exempt from this requirement if you were born before 1957, are taking online classes *only*, or are registered *only* for classes outside Sangamon County. You may request an exemption based on religious grounds by providing documentation to that effect. Medical exemptions require documentation by a physician describing the contraindication and the date the exemption is expected to end.

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Immunization forms may be obtained from the Campus Health Service or downloaded from the UIS website at uis.edu/~hlthserv/chs1/default.htm. The form must be complete and on file before 5 p.m. on the 10th official day of the semester during the fall and spring semesters or the 5th official day of the summer term. If your record is not complete by that date, you will be assessed a non-refundable \$25 fee for late processing. If you are not in compliance by your second semester at UIS, you will not be allowed to register until the required immunization information has been completed and submitted. Questions about this policy should be directed to the Campus Health Service, (217) 206-6676.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ARTICULATION AND TRANSFER

The University of Illinois at Springfield is vitally concerned about the time it takes you to complete your bac-

calaureate degree. Loss of credit when you transfer from your lower-division school to UIS could extend that time. Since the majority of UIS' undergraduate students are transfer students, UIS has invested considerable effort to ensure that you have the best chance of transferring all your credit hours. This assurance comes through 1) the campus' participation in the Illinois Articulation Initiative and 2) its development of two-plus-two agreements and other articulation agreements with community colleges and lower-division schools.

ILLINOIS ARTICULATION INITIATIVE

The University of Illinois at Springfield is a participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), a statewide agreement designed to allow you to transfer your general education credit, as well as credit earned in select majors, between participating institutions. The campus has participated in IAI since the summer of 1998.

The IAI General Education Core Curriculum is a package of lower-division general education courses that you can transfer from one participating school to another to fulfill the lower-division general education requirement at your new (transfer) school. To complete the core curriculum package,

you must take at least 12 to 13 courses (37 to 41 semester credits) in five fields or categories. Completion of the entire IAI General Education Core Curriculum satisfies your lower-division general education requirement for a bachelor's degree at UIS. (See page 33.)

It is in your best interest to complete the IAI general education as a package *before* transferring to UIS. If you do not complete the entire package before transferring to UIS and you do not have an A.A. or A.S. degree earned before the introduction of the IAI, you will be subject to UIS' general education requirements. UIS will work with you to transfer the courses you have taken, but the campus cannot guarantee that all your credit will transfer when applied to the UIS requirement.

UIS also participates in certain of IAI's Baccalaureate Majors Recommendations. This means that you may be able to transfer courses in your major (such as art, biology, or business) between participating institutions without loss of credit. Contact an academic adviser for additional information about IAI and read about IAI at www.iTransfer.org. The website contains a powerful search tool to help you find and match IAI courses at participating schools and a helpful transfer student planning worksheet.