



PATH TO UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT SPRINGFIELD

A suggested guideline for your admission to UIS degree programs through the Intensive Summer Program for English Language (ISPEL)*

Present	<p>Familiarize yourself with UIS Admissions Requirements (see reverse)</p> <p>Consider our Intensive Summer Program for English Language (ISPEL) to help you prepare for your degree program, become comfortable in the U.S., and meet the English Proficiency Requirement. In July, students may take the institutional TOEFL (\$30). Attaining the minimum score required by your degree program will fulfill our English Proficiency Requirement. For more information and an application, visit http://www.uis.edu/esl</p>
December	<p>Gather your documents for your application to ISPEL (listed on the application form)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• When you complete your Financial Affidavit, you may demonstrate that you have enough for ISPEL (\$4,000) and a full year of UIS: \$34,927 (undergraduate) or \$36,111(graduate).• Your transcripts do not need to be official for ISPEL, but must be for admission to UIS <p>Gather your documents for your application to the UIS degree program (see reverse)</p>
January - February	<p>Submit an application to ISPEL</p> <p>Schedule a visa appointment. Upon acceptance to ISPEL, we will Express Mail your I-20 and Welcome Packet with instructions about applying and preparing for your visa interview.</p> <p>Submit a deposit to ISPEL to hold your seat and on-campus housing space</p> <p>Begin your application to UIS (see reverse). You may submit documents separately.</p>
March - May	<p>Research and secure travel arrangements for ISPEL</p> <p>Have your Health Provider complete the Immunization Form. You will bring this to ISPEL.</p> <p>Continue to work on your application to UIS and check your application status</p>
May 29 - 31	<p>Arrive in Springfield, Illinois</p>
June 1	<p>Begin ISPEL</p>
By June 12	<p>Complete a Housing Application for the Fall semester and provide a \$200 deposit (refundable except for a \$25 processing fee)</p>
July	<p>Take the institutional TOEFL, which is only valid for admission to UIS. This should complete your UIS application. Scores will be sent to the Admissions Office automatically.</p>
July 24	<p>Final Day of ISPEL. Receive your Certificate of Completion.</p>
July - August	<p>Wait for an admission decision. Students may stay in the U.S. for 60 days from the end of the program of study. You may stay in UIS Housing for \$117 per week beginning July 27.</p> <p>If you are accepted....Congratulations!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visit the Admissions office so that they can transfer your I-20. This is free, simple and quick.• Receive your new unit assignment from the Housing Office• See your adviser for help registering for classes <p>If you are denied, you will be able to stay in on-campus housing for one week after you learn of your decision. You will be refunded \$175 of your Housing deposit. During this time, you must make arrangements. The ESL Program Office will advise you of other intensive English programs to which you could transfer or you may decide to return home. The ESL Program Office will continue to talk with you about how to improve your language skills to become admissible to UIS.</p>
August 18	<p>Welcome to UIS! Attend International Student Orientation</p>
August 24	<p>Begin your first day of classes at the University of Illinois at Springfield!</p>

Admission to ISPEL does not imply admission to UIS degree programs. To become a degree seeking student, you must be accepted to UIS by the UIS Admissions Office and to the specific graduate program, if applicable.

* Your personal application schedule may vary. Early applications, documents, and appointments are welcome.

UIS DEGREE PROGRAM ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES

UIS UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

Required of all undergraduate applicants:

English Proficiency

Minimum total TOEFL score of 500 (paper), 173 (computer), or 61 (internet) or IELTS 6.0 (academic)

Financial Ability

International students must complete a Financial Affidavit to demonstrate they have \$30,927.00 (USD) available for UIS tuition, fees, etc.

Required of first year students (Freshman) only:

- Four years of academic English with emphasis on written and oral communication and literature
- Three years of social studies with emphasis on history and government
- Three years of college preparatory mathematics, selected from algebra, geometry, advanced algebra, pre-calculus, trigonometry and calculus
- Three years of laboratory science, selected from biology, chemistry, geology, physical science, astronomy and physics
- ACT or SAT scores

The Honors Program

The Honors Program is a selective program which combines high standards and an emphasis on excellence with a small, residential college model. Honors Program applicants must submit additional credentials. The Honors Program enrolls about 100 freshmen each year.

Transfer Students

Students with 30 or more hours of college credit can be admitted if they have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.

UIS GRADUATE STUDENTS REQUIREMENTS

Full admission to graduate studies may be granted to students who have earned a baccalaureate degree with a minimum undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 2.50 on a 4.00 scale and who have met all specific program requirements and prerequisite courses.

Some programs may require higher GPAs. Programs may grant conditional admission to persons with less than the required GPA with the additional requirement of completing eight semester hours of courses at UIS (exclusive of prerequisites) with a GPA of at least 3.00. If conditional admission is granted, the program will specify which courses must be completed. Conditional admission is not granted to students who do not meet English proficiency requirements.

English Proficiency

Minimum total TOEFL score of 550 (paper), 213 (computer), or 79 (internet) or IELTS 6.5 (academic)

Note: Some graduate programs may have higher entrance requirements

Financial Ability

International students must complete a Financial Affidavit to demonstrate they have \$32,111.00 (USD) available for UIS tuition, fees, etc.

UIS UNDERGRADUATE & GRADUATE APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

- Complete the appropriate *International Application for Admission* form, which can be submitted electronically or downloaded and mailed.
- Send official or certified academic transcripts. Photocopies will not be accepted.
- Submit applicable personal and academic statements (required for freshman applicants, all other applicants should consult their chosen program of study for requirements).
- If required, submit all test scores (ACT, SAT, GRE, etc.)
- Submit a *Financial Affidavit* form
- Submit the non-refundable application fee for International Students: \$50 undergraduate application fee, or \$75 graduate application fee, payable to the University of Illinois at Springfield.

For detailed information, applications, and forms, visit www.uis.edu/admissions/international

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Dana Atwell, ESL Program Coordinator, esl@uis.edu, (217) 206-8356