

DIABLO VALLEY COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS APPLICATION

Diablo Valley College in Pleasant Hill, California is part of The Contra Costa Community College District which is comprised of three, 2-year public community colleges in the San Francisco Bay Area. The sister colleges are Contra Costa College in the city of San Pablo and Los Medanos College in Pittsburg. Diablo Valley College offers associate degrees, certificates, transfer and vocational programs. The college consistently rates as a top feeder school to the University of California and California State University System. For the past several years Diablo Valley College has sent more students to UC Berkeley than any other California Community College.

*Admission Deadlines:

Fall Semester	July 1 for out-of-country applicants July 15 for in-country applicants
Spring Semester	December 1 for all applicants
Summer Term	ONLY available to applicants in the United States who ended a U.S. program 5 (FIVE) months prior to start of summer
Bridge program	Summer Bridge program: April 30 October Bridge program: August 31 IEC address on page 2. For more information on Bridge program, please visit our website: www.dvc.edu/international/apply/admission/academic-bridge.htm

* ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AND COMPLETED BY THESE DEADLINES

Please read the instructions for admission carefully and complete all the necessary documents. On page 6 of this application you will find a checklist included to help you complete this application. Please be sure to sign your name in all of the **required places**. Your application will be considered complete only when we have received official documents.

Send the completed application materials to the following address:

International Student Admissions and Services (ISAS)
Diablo Valley College
321 Golf Club Road
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
USA

If you are interested in more information about international admission, please contact us at the numbers listed below or visit the web site.

Diablo Valley College
International Student Admissions and Services (ISAS)
Web Site: <http://www.dvc.edu/isas>
Phone: (925) 685-1230
For application status and admissions questions use EXT: 2594 or 2077
For immigration and admissions questions use EXT: 2075
For housing and insurance questions use EXT: 2052
FAX: (925) 691-9503
E-mail: isas@dvc.edu

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

English Language Ability: Students must have a certain level of English proficiency to succeed at DVC. This requirement is usually fulfilled by submitting a TOEFL result with a minimum score of 61 on the Internet Based Test or 500 on the institutional/paper test (accepted from US institutions ONLY) or a 5.0 bandwidth score on the IELTS. DVC school code for TOEFL test results is 4295. We also accept TOEIC results with a minimum score of 700.

If you do not have the required English proficiency, you may attend the intensive English program offered through the International Education Center at Diablo Valley College (IEC) before attending DVC. The contact information for IEC is the following:

IEC
246 Golf Club Rd.
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523
USA

Phone: 925-676-4600 Fax: 925-676-4200
E-mail: iec@dvc.edu Web site: www.iec-dvc.org

Fees: Tuition and enrollment fees can be paid at the time of course registration and throughout the semester. International student tuition is currently **\$215 per unit** (based on 2009-2010 rates). Tuition is subject to change. As indicated on the explanation of costs on the Financial Certification form, students must verify that they have available approximately **\$19,580 per academic year** (or **\$22,680** for 12 months including the summer session). The bank statement must show this **actual** amount or more.

Health Insurance: There is an additional cost of \$279 for fall semester and \$401 for spring/summer insurance (based on 2009-2010 rates). **THIS MANDATORY MEDICAL INSURANCE FEE IS PART OF YOUR REGISTRATION COST AND MUST BE PAID NO LATER THAN 15 DAYS AFTER THE START OF THE SEMESTER.** The insurance coverage begins August 10 for the fall semester and January 10 for the spring semester. Continuing students who pay on time for the insurance will have continuous coverage. Further information about this insurance sent when admission to the college is complete. **STARTING FALL 2009 INSURANCE WAIVERS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED. ALL DVC F1 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS MUST PAY THE REQUIRED MANDATORY MEDICAL INSURANCE FEE.**

Health Certification: Although DVC does not require proof of immunizations, it is strongly recommended that all students planning on coming to the U.S. to study receive all necessary vaccinations and are free of tuberculosis. Students should ensure that they are healthy when they come to study in the United States. Many universities require proof of immunization before the student is admitted.

Transcripts: To be admitted, students must have graduated from high school (or have attained a high school graduation equivalency) **or** be at least 18 years of age by the beginning of the entering semester. Official transcripts from high school are **REQUIRED** from applicants who are not 18 years of age at the beginning of the semester. Submission of high school and college transcript is highly recommended for ALL students for possible academic requirement completion.

Housing: The college does not have dormitory facilities. Guaranteed homestays are available for a fee of \$300. Information on the home stay program can be found at: <http://www.diablovalleyhomestay.com/services.html> ISAS also assist students in finding appropriate accommodations on a non-guaranteed basis. These accommodations include apartments and rooms for rent. However, the student is required to make their own connections and financial arrangements for the non-guaranteed housing possibilities. Housing information is mailed to the student in the acceptance packet.

Advising: Upon acceptance, you will be provided information for beginning your studies. This information will include dates and times for the new student mandatory assessment, advising, counseling and course registration, all of which takes place before the beginning of your first semester of study.

Notification of Acceptance: Acceptance packets will be issued on a rolling basis beginning in March for fall semester and in September for spring semester applicants. Acceptance letter and admit packet will not be issued until the application for admission is complete. Please complete the Application Checklist (pg.6) indicating all completed documents sent and the date when incomplete or missing information will be provided.

International Student Admissions and Services (ISAS)
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION

Indicate Semester Start Date:

Fall Semester 20__ Spring Semester 20__ **Summer Semester 20__ *** Summer Bridge 20__
 *** October Bridge 20__

** (Summer session is ONLY for students in the U.S. who ended a U.S. program 5 months prior to start of summer)

*** (Please contact by e-mail: IEC@dvc.edu for Bridge program information)

NAME _____
(As it appears on passport) Last (family) first middle

DATE OF BIRTH ____/____/____ SEX Male Female
Month Day Year

Have you attended/applied to DVC before? YES NO If **YES** what is your DVC student ID? _____

HOME COUNTRY ADDRESS: **(REQUIRED)**

City: _____ State/Province: _____
 Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

MAILING ADDRESS FOR DVC I-20 **(if different from above)**

 City: _____ State/Province: _____
 Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

COUNTRY OF BIRTH: _____ COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP: _____

HOME COUNTRY PHONE  _____

HOME COUNTRY FAX _____

U.S. ADDRESS (if known) _____
NUMBER STREET CITY STATE ZIP

U.S. PHONE  _____ FAX _____

 **STUDENT'S E-MAIL (REQUIRED)** _____ PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.

Other E-MAIL _____ (if any)

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY: **(REQUIRED)** _____

**COURSE OBJECTIVE:
(REQUIRED)**

- Transfer to 4-year university or college with Associate Degree
- Transfer to 4-year university or college without Associate Degree
- Complete Associate Degree only
- Complete Certificate of Achievement

ARE YOU CURRENTLY STUDYING IN THE UNITED STATES? YES NO

ENGLISH PROFICIENCY: Have you taken the TOEFL test or the IELTS? YES NO

If YES, when (month/year)? _____ what is your score? _____
(Note: You are required to provide a TOEFL or IELTS score report to complete your application by the deadline date)

Do you plan on attending the intensive English program at IEC? YES NO

Have you submitted an application to IEC? (See page 2 for IEC information) YES NO

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: (REQUIRED) List the high school, college/university or language school you have attended. List most recent first.

School/College Attended	City/Country	Month and Year (from-----to)	Diploma/Degree
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

CERTIFICATION: ***"I certify that all statements on this form are true and complete to my best knowledge."***

Applicant's Signature _____

DATE _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You must sign and read this section
F-1 Student Conditions Agreement

As an F-1 visa student at DVC, I understand that I must fulfill the following conditions:

1. Be enrolled in a **minimum of 12 units; and complete a minimum of 12 units** each semester with a cumulative grade point average of **2.0** or better. If my I-20 is issued for summer as my first term, I will **enroll in and complete a minimum of 4 units** that term.
2. Have sufficient scholastic preparation and English proficiency to successfully participate in all coursework.
3. Pay international tuition and enrollment fees at the current rates each semester and a one-time \$50 processing fee.
4. Have sufficient funds to cover personal expenses and living arrangements.
5. Update my address with ISAS anytime I move.
6. Pay for health insurance within 15 days of semester start.
7. Be responsible for knowing and abiding by all other policies and regulations governing CCCC students at the college.

"I have read each item on this form and understand my responsibilities."

Applicant's Signature **(REQUIRED)**

Date

International Student Financial Certification

The Department of Homeland Security requires you to certify that you will have available the sum necessary for your own expenses at DVC, exclusive of travel expenses. Students who plan to stay in the United States through the summer will need additional funds for the three-month period. The bank statement must show an ACTUAL amount of funds not just a statement that money is available. Please indicate student's name when submitting bank statements especially when statement is in someone else's name.

In computing your expenses, you should keep in mind that international students (F-1 status/visa) are not allowed to work except in special circumstances, which must be authorized by the U.S. Immigration Service. The amount of funds required for the 2009-2010 academic year is approximately **\$19,580** (see information below) based on a course load of 12 units (the minimum required for F-1 visa students). For students intending to study during the summer session, the required amount will be **\$22,680**.

Certification by Student

I, _____, certify that the total amount of money that I have available
(Please print student's name)
 (exclusive of travel expenses) for each year of study at Diablo Valley College is US \$ _____.
 I plan to obtain money to pay expenses while studying in the United States from the following source(s):

- Parents (name) _____
- U. S. Sponsor (name) _____
- Personal Savings
- Scholarship (describe source) _____
- Other (please explain) _____

Self-supporting Students

If the applicant is responsible for his or her own financial obligation, please sign below. In addition, you must provide an original certified bank statement of actual available funds. Your application will not be complete until you provide the bank certification.

 Your signature

Date _____

Supported Students

If your parent or sponsor is responsible for all or part of the financial obligation, please fill in the information below with the sponsor's signature. Include sponsor's original bank certification showing at least the minimum required in USD or equivalent (see page 2).

Sponsor's name _____

Relationship to student _____

Sponsor's address _____

Sponsor's signature _____

Date _____

Financial Requirements: The estimated costs for the 2009-2010 academic year are as follow:

	\$ 5,280	Tuition and enrollment fees based on 12 units
	\$ 8,300	Food and housing (based on home stay)
	\$ 1,600	Books and other educational expenses
	\$ 900	Transportation
	\$ 2,800	Miscellaneous and Personal
	\$ 700	Insurance
Total	\$19,580	Approximate cost for academic year
Total	\$22,680	Approximate cost for academic year and summer

