

DEADLINES AND RECOMMENDED TIME-LINES FOR FOREIGN NATIONAL APPLICANTS
Effective Immediately (8/27/13)

PLEASE NOTE:

Admission must be deferred to the next semester if notification of visa approval deadline is not met.

For International graduate students applying from outside the US:

Deadlines:

For Fall Semester Admission: Fall term begins in August and concludes in December

JUNE 15: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU IPS *for students with offer for Graduate Assistantship and/or Out-of-State Tuition remission*

AUGUST 5: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU for all other students

Recommended Timeline:

For Fall Semester Admission: Fall term begins in August and concludes in December

DECEMBER 7: ALL application materials must be received from applicant to WCU Graduate School

- AY Application
- letters of recommendation
- transcript evaluations
- test scores
- any required program supplemental materials
- *and* citizenship documentation materials

DECEMBER 17: Date by which WCU Graduate School must receive Recommendation for Admission from WCU academic graduate program

JANUARY 4: Date by which applicant must respond to WCU Graduate School Offer of Admission

JANUARY 9: Date by which WCU Graduate School must notify WCU IPS of completed Admission

FEBRUARY 5: Date by which WCU IPS must send Certification of Financial Guarantee form to student

FEBRUARY 26: Date by which WCU IPS must receive Financial Guarantee

MARCH 5: Date by which IPS must issue I-20 to student

Deadlines:

For Spring Semester Admission: Spring term begins in January and concludes in May

NOVEMBER 15: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU IPS *for students with offer for Graduate Assistantship and/or Out-of-State Tuition remission*

JANUARY 3: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU for all other students

Recommended Timeline:

For Spring Semester Admission: Spring term begins in January and concludes in May

JUNE 6: ALL application materials must be received to WCU Graduate School

- AY Application
- letters of recommendation
- transcript evaluations
- test scores
- any required program supplemental materials
- *and* citizenship documentation materials

JUNE 16: Date by which WCU Graduate School must receive Recommendation for Admission from WCU academic graduate program

JUNE 26: Date by which applicant must respond to WCU Graduate School Offer of Admission

JULY 1: Date by which WCU Graduate School must notify WCU IPS of completed Admission

JULY 8: Date by which WCU IPS must send Certification of Financial Guarantee form to student

JULY 29: Date by which WCU IPS must receive Financial Guarantee

AUGUST 5: Date by which IPS must issue I-20 to student

For international graduate students *residing in the US seeking transfer of visa status:*

Deadlines:

For Fall Semester Admission: Fall term begins in August and concludes in December

JUNE 15: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU IPS for students with offer for Graduate Assistantship and/or Out-of-State Tuition remission

AUGUST 5: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU for all other students

Recommended Timeline:

For Fall Semester Admission: Fall term begins in August and concludes in December

SEPTEMBER 25: ALL application materials must be received from applicant to WCU Graduate School

- AY Application
- letters of recommendation
- transcript evaluations
- test scores
- any required program supplemental materials
- *and* citizenship documentation materials

OCTOBER 5: Date by which WCU Graduate School must receive Recommendation for Admission from WCU academic graduate program

OCTOBER 15: Date by which applicant must respond to WCU Graduate School Offer of Admission

OCTOBER 20: Date by which WCU Graduate School must notify WCU IPS of completed Admission

OCTOBER 27: Date by which WCU IPS must send Certification of Financial Guarantee form to student

NOVEMBER 17: Date by which WCU IPS must receive Financial Guarantee

NOVEMBER 24: Date by which IPS must issue I-20 to student

DECEMBER 15: Date by which applicant must file Change of Status to USCIS

- Applicant must submit copy of receipt (Notice of Action) *immediately upon receipt* to WCU Office of International Programs and Services

Deadlines:

For Spring Semester Admission: Spring term begins in January and concludes in May

NOVEMBER 15: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU IPS for students with offer for Graduate Assistantship and/or Out-of-State Tuition remission

JANUARY 3: Date by which notification of visa approval must be received by WCU for all other students

Recommended Timeline:

For Spring Semester Admission: Spring term begins in January and concludes in May

FEBRUARY 21: ALL application materials must be received to WCU Graduate School

- **AY Application**
- **letters of recommendation**
- **transcript evaluations**
- **test scores**
- **any required program supplemental materials**
- ***and* citizenship documentation materials**

MARCH 5: Date by which WCU Graduate School must receive Recommendation for Admission from WCU academic graduate program

MARCH 15: Date by which applicant must respond to WCU Graduate School Offer of Admission

MARCH 20: Date by which WCU Graduate School must notify WCU IPS of completed Admission

MARCH 27: Date by which WCU IPS must send Certification of Financial Guarantee form to student

APRIL 17: Date by which WCU IPS must receive Financial Guarantee

APRIL 24: Date by which IPS must issue I-20 to student

MAY 15: Date by which applicant must file Change of Status to USCIS

- **Applicant must submit copy of receipt (Notice of Action) *immediately upon receipt* to WCU Office of International Programs and Services**