International Admissions FAQ's

Question	Answer
What are the application requirements?	Please read through the information found on the International Students page. After reading through the information available at this link, please let us know if you have any questions.
What standardized tests to do I need to take?	You are required to take an English proficiency examination. Either the TOEFL or the IELTS exam will meet this requirement. Please click here to view the minimum, required scores and to read more about this requirement.
Are international students considered for scholarships?	MUIH offers partial, institutional scholarships. Please click here to view a full list of those we offer and to read through the eligibility requirements and application process. An additional and separate application is required for scholarships.
For how long are the standardized test scores valid?	TOEFL and IELTS exam scores are valid for two years from the test date.
If utilizing WES, what Credential Evaluation Package do I order? Course-by-course? Or Document-by-document?	If you are using WES, you will need to order a course-by- course evaluation. Your evaluation must confirm that the foreign degree earned is equivalent to a U.S. Bachelor's degree. In order for your transcript evaluation to be considered official, it must be received in an official, sealed envelope.
If I am completing ESL classes at a college here in the U.S., can the TOEFL requirement be waived?	ESL classes and certificates cannot be used to waive the TOEFL requirement. The English Language Proficiency requirement can be waived if an applicant has earned a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree from a regionally accredited institution in the U.S., Canada, U.K., Ireland, Australia and New Zealand. In addition, an applicant who has earned degrees with English as the primary language of instruction does not need to submit TOEFL or IELTS scores. The primary language of instruction must be verified by the transcript evaluation service used by the applicant.
What is a Form I-20?	The Form I-20 is a Certificate of Eligibility for Nonimmigrant Student Status and is needed for you to pay the <u>SEVIS</u> fee, which is a requirement for obtaining the F-1 visa. If you are accepted to MUIH and are pursuing an F-1 student visa, then you will receive the Form I-20. This is a process that is completed after you are accepted, confirm enrollment, and submit required documents to the Office of the Registrar. Please click <u>here</u> to access the International Student checklist, which details the required documents.
How long does the I-20 process take?	Once all required documents have been submitted to the Office of the Registrar, it typically takes 2-3 weeks for the I-20 to be processed and received by the applicant.
I have a tourist visa to the U.S. Is that good enough?	The tourist visa will not be sufficient. In order to study in the U.S., you need to be a full time, enrolled student and hold an F-1 student visa.

I am a Permanent Resident/U.S. citizen. Can the TOEFL requirement be waived?	Although you are a Permanent Resident/U.S. citizen, you are still required to submit either TOEFL or IELTS scores, if the primary language of instruction for your undergraduate degree was not English. This requirement is in place to ensure that you are able to fully participate in our academic programs. The graduate coursework is rigorous and requires a high level of proficiency in English.
Can I complete a hybrid program with an F-1 visa?	Please refer to the <u>International Students link</u> for a list of programs that are eligible to be taken by F-1 visa students. It is required that F-1 visa students are enrolled in an on-campus program, taking a specific number of credits at full-time status.
If a transcript from another university in the U.S. that I attended shows that my degree is the equivalent of a Bachelor's degree, do I need to submit a new, official evaluation?	You do need to have an official transcript evaluation sent directly to us by an approved third party evaluation service. Please click here to read more about transcript evaluations.
If I am unable to obtain the F-1 visa, what other kind of visa can I obtain that will enable me to study at MUIH?	We are unable to advise you in regards to types of visas. You will need to contact an Immigration Attorney or the U.S. Department of State. Please click here to locate the contact information for an Advising Center in your country through the U.S. Department of State.