

Admission of International Students (Documented)

South Piedmont Community College considers admissions to documented foreign nationals. The following must be completed and submitted to the Admissions Office prior to enrollment:

- SPCC Application for Admission
- System Data Gathering Form
- Residency Application Form with at least two supporting documents
- Permanent Resident Alien Card (or other acceptable documentation)

SPCC is not able to issue I-20s to international students. Please note B1 and B2 tourist visas do not qualify for enrollment at post-secondary institutions.

In order to be considered for in-state tuition rates, any Documented Foreign National applicant must provide convincing documentation that he/she has made North Carolina his/her domicile at least 12 consecutive months prior to enrollment.

South Piedmont Community College does not have housing facilities, living accommodations, or associated support programs for individuals from other countries. You are responsible for your own transportation.

Admission of International Students (Undocumented)

The North Carolina Community College System advised in Memorandum CC10-026 (effective June 10, 2010) that community colleges should admit or enroll undocumented immigrants only as follows:

- Undocumented immigrants who are high school students may enroll in college-level courses consistent with the Career and College Promise policy. Participation in this program is not based on legal residence, but on attendance in a North Carolina high school. These courses are open to all high school students attending high school (public, private, or home school) located in the state who meet the eligibility criteria.
- Undocumented immigrants may enroll in non-college level courses or programs including high school equivalency preparation courses, Adult Basic Education, Adult High School, English as a Second Language and other continuing education courses less than college level.
- Undocumented or battered illegal immigrants who have been determined to meet one of the qualifying conditions in Federal Law, 8 USC Section 1641 are eligible for college-level courses. It is the applicant's responsibility to produce sufficient written documentation to satisfy the College that the applicant is eligible for post-secondary education benefits.
- Undocumented immigrants must have attended and graduated from a United States public high school, private high school, or home school that operates in compliance with state and local law. Undocumented immigrants with a high school equivalency diploma are not considered to be "graduated from a United States public high school, private high school, or home school" and therefore are not eligible to be admitted.
- Undocumented immigrants who are registered into a class are required to pay the out-of-state tuition rate. The College shall not enroll undocumented students into a class or program of study for which there are waiting lists, nor register undocumented students for classes until the conclusion of the last published (i.e., late) registration period.