

## University of Louisiana System

**Title: ASSESSMENT OF FEES FOR  
CERTAIN ELIGIBLE  
RESIDENTS OF OTHER  
STATES/COUNTRIES**

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**Chapter: Finance and Business**

### **Policy and Procedures Memorandum**

#### ***U.S. Citizens:***

For tuition purposes, new students from other states (U.S. citizens) may be considered residents of Louisiana when registering for admittance to System universities provided they satisfy the following minimum criteria:

1. Students must satisfy the admission requirements of the institution to which they are applying.
2. Additional minimum admission criteria include:

#### **Selective II Institutions** (*Louisiana Tech, UL Lafayette, and University of New Orleans*)

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- ACT of 23 (or equivalent SAT), **and**
- Cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.75 on college level work, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work, **and**
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution.

Selective III Institutions (*McNeese, Nicholls, Northwestern, Southeastern, and UL Monroe*)

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- ACT of 21 (or equivalent SAT), **and**
- Cumulative high school GPA of 2.25 or higher, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 on college level work, and
- Have no need for remedial course work, and
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution.

Open Admission Institution (*Grambling*) –

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- ACT of 17 (or SAT of 810) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.5  
or
- ACT of 18 (or SAT of 850) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.3  
or
- ACT of 19 (or SAT of 890) + cumulative high school GPA of 2.0

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 on college level work, and
- Have no need for remedial course work, and
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution.

***International Students:***

For tuition purposes, new students from other countries may be considered residents of Louisiana when registering for admittance to System universities provided they satisfy the following minimum criteria:

1. Students must satisfy the admission requirements of the institution to which they are applying.
2. Additional minimum admission criteria include:

Selective II Institutions (*Louisiana Tech, UL Lafayette, and University of New Orleans*) –

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- Minimum TOEFL\* score of 550 paper, 213 computer, 79 internet-based or IELTS Band 6.5 **and**
- Have completed a recognized secondary program comparable to U.S. high school graduation with a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work in the U.S.):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.75 on college level work, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work, **and**
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution.

Selective III Institutions (*McNeese, Nicholls, Northwestern, Southeastern, and UL Monroe*) -

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- Minimum TOEFL\* score of 525 paper, 195 computer, or 71 internet-based or IELTS Band 6.0 **and**
- Have completed a recognized secondary program comparable to U.S. high school graduation with a cumulative high school GPA of 2.25 or higher, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work in the U.S.):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 on college level work, **and**
- Have no need for remedial course work, **and**
- Be eligible to return to their previous institution

Open Admission Institution (*Grambling*) –

First-time freshmen (under 12 credits of college level work completed):

- Minimum TOEFL\* score of 510 paper or 180 computer, 64 internet-based or IELTS Band 5.0 **and**
- Have completed a recognized secondary program comparable to U.S. high school graduation with a cumulative high school GPA of 2.25 or higher

Transfer students (have completed at least 12 credits of course work in the U.S.):

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 on college level work, and

- Have no need for remedial course work, and
- Be eligible to return to their previous

\* International students for whom English is a second language are required to demonstrate College level English proficiency by submitting the minimum required TOEFL Score. International students whose native language is English shall be expected to satisfy the same requirements as students from the United States.

***Special Achievement Consideration:***

A non –resident student with high achievement in dance performance, or debate, or visual arts, or music performance, or theater performance may be granted a waiver (or “may be considered a resident of Louisiana for tuition/fee purposes”) if it is deemed that the student’s presence will improve the educational opportunities of other students. Cheerleaders, flag corps, university recognized or sponsored spirit groups that perform at athletic game activities, and the SGA president, as well as certain others may also be considered in this group. The applying student must meet each of the following criteria:

1. Demonstrate high achievement in the appropriate performance area.
2. Have a cumulative minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in high school. If applying prior to entering college, or upon at least 24 semester hours of college work.
3. Demonstrate leadership.
4. Receive a satisfactory rating in an interview (person or by telephone).
5. Commit to participate in the appropriate area (dance performance, debate, music performance theater performance) at the granting institution.

To be eligible to continue receiving this resident fee status, any student in the group above must meet the following criteria:

1. Maintain satisfactory participation and performance in the appropriate collegiate activity. Failure to maintain satisfactory participate and performance in one semester will result in forfeiting the waiver (or fee status) for subsequent semesters. After re-establishing satisfactory performance for at least one semester (not including the summer session), the student may reapply for the waiver (or fee status). A student may be exempted from this requirement by an appropriately designated official of the university after one academic year of performance.
2. Maintain status as a full time student.
3. Maintain a semester and cumulative 2.0 grade point average. If the semester or cumulative GPA falls below 2.0, the student may retain the waiver for the succeeding semester, but he will forfeit the waiver (or fee status)if the semester or cumulative GPA is below 2.0 at the close of that succeeding semester.

***All Students:***

Students admitted under these criteria may remain eligible to retain the waivers as long as they maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by the System university in which they are enrolled.

Students must be enrolled as full time students (12 semester credit hours, 8 semester credit hours at Louisiana Tech).

Individual institutions may approve or deny appeals through an appropriate committee (e.g. Institution's Scholarship Committee).

The criteria specified above are minimums for the System. Individual universities within the System may establish criteria that are more stringent

This policy is intended to address the admission of undergraduate students. The System President may possibly approve exemptions for students not otherwise eligible according to provisions stated above. The institution president shall submit requests for such exemptions, with justifications.

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***Policy References:***

Board RULES  
Higher Education Management Board and University Policies in Louisiana  
Board and Campus Policies from Other States

***Review Process:***

University Admissions/Enrollment Services Officers  
Council of Vice Presidents for Academic Affairs  
University Presidents

***Distribution:***

University Admissions/Enrollment Services Officers  
University Presidents