



University of Richmond

International Financial Certification Guidelines

The University of Richmond is need-aware in the admission process for non-U.S. citizens/non-U.S. permanent residents. Need-aware means that the University considers whether students have the financial resources to fund their studies for four years when making admission decisions. Admission is very competitive for international students applying for financial aid, but if a student is admitted, the University will meet 100% of the student’s demonstrated financial need.

In our need-aware process, Richmond requires a completed International Financial Certification prior to rendering an admission decision. Please provide accurate and factually true financial documentation when completing this form. If your family or other sponsor is able to support your education in full or in part, you should complete this form accordingly. If you have no access to financial resources, you should complete this form and indicate such. If offered admission, Richmond will also utilize this form to issue the Certificate of Eligibility (Form I-20), the immigration document required for a student visa.

Not Applying for Financial Aid

Applicants who are not applying for need-based financial aid must complete this International Financial Certification to certify their ability to support the full cost of attendance at the University for four years.

Need-based Financial Aid

Limited need-based financial aid is offered in the form of grants to non-U.S. citizens/non-U.S. permanent residents. To be considered for need-based aid, students must submit this financial certification by the application deadline. Please email this completed form to intladm@richmond.edu or upload the document to your Spider Portal—do not submit a paper copy. Students must complete the CSS PROFILE online. Applicants may be eligible for a CSS PROFILE fee waiver after an initial review of their admission application is complete. Eligible students will be notified by email.

International students with financial need are considered for need-based financial aid regardless of which admission plan they apply under. While the most competitive Early Decision/Early Action applicants may be admitted and offered financial aid, other applicants may be deferred to Regular Decision to ensure that, if admitted, Richmond is able to meet 100% of demonstrated financial need.

Merit-based Aid (Scholarships)

All first-year applicants are considered for Richmond’s merit scholarships regardless of citizenship status provided that they apply to the University by December 1, the Richmond Scholar deadline. More information about the holistic scholarship review process can be found at scholars.richmond.edu.

For International Transfer Applicants

Financial aid for international transfer students is extremely limited. Please submit this completed form as well as the CSS PROFILE by the application deadline.

Cost of Attendance

Listed below are the estimated costs for the 2021-2022 academic year. Costs are subject to increase each year.

Tuition	\$59,130
Room and Board	\$13,960
Books and Supplies	\$1,100
Personal Expenses (including transportation, medical insurance, telephone, local travel, laundry, personal necessities, entertainment)	\$6,800
Estimated Total	\$80,990

Included in the estimated costs are travel expenses to and from the home country, in addition to any domestic travel during holiday breaks. Richmond requires international students to purchase health insurance.

Students on F-1 visas may work on campus part-time but should not expect to earn significant funds through this employment. Work is limited to a maximum of 20 hours per week. Therefore, students can earn spending money, but the earnings are not enough to support their educational expenses at the University.

