



Supplemental Information for Canadian Students Applying for Undergraduate Admission to Northern Michigan University

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INSTRUCTIONS: Please carefully read the information below. To apply, return the completed application (signed and dated) to the Office of Admissions, following these instructions. (Your application will not be processed until ALL requested information is received.)

1. Complete the *Application for Admission* and *Certification of Finances* with all required signatures. Send the completed application with a bank draft or money order for **\$30.00** made payable to Northern Michigan University. You may also pay your application fee by credit card by calling 906-227-1221.
2. **Academic Records-** Please request to have **official transcripts** of ALL secondary school (high school) work and work at any colleges, universities or trade schools you have attended **sent directly from the issuing institution to the Northern Michigan University Admissions Office**. In addition, official test results of any standardized examinations taken (ACT/SAT, "O" levels, "A" levels, etc.) should also be sent directly from the issuing institution to the NMU Admissions Office. Certified translations are required for any documents not originally in English. These translations must be complete, word-for-word, and in the same format as the original document. An evaluation of credits by an outside agency (ECE) may be requested.
3. **Test Scores** - Request ACT or SAT scores to be sent to NMU. These may be on the official high school transcript or directly from the testing agency. (These applicants are exempt from this requirement: students who plan to transfer 12 or more semester hours of college level credit taken after high school; non-Canadian international students; applicants who completed high school at least three years prior to semester of intended enrollment; applicants to many diploma, certificate, and associate degree programs.) Students applying for an education major should submit test scores regardless of exemption. NMU's ACT code: 2038; SAT code: 1560.
4. **Proof of Financial Support** - In order for us to issue an I-20 for the student visa process, you must provide documentation that you have the ability to finance your education at Northern Michigan University. Please complete the "Certification of Finances" section of the admission application and obtain either a bank official's signature or provide a separate letter or bank account statement. Such a letter or statement must be original and official with a bank official's signature or bank seal and the dollar amount stated. If someone other than yourself is financing your education, **that individual must also either sign the application ("guarantor") or provide a letter stating his or her intention to support you.**
5. **Proof of English Proficiency** - If you are not a native speaker of English, you must prove an adequate level of English language proficiency in order to be admitted to NMU. NMU requires a minimum score of 61 on the TOEFL iBT, 173 on the TOEFL cbt or 500 on the paper-based TOEFL. Information about the TOEFL (Test Of English as a Foreign Language) can be obtained from Education Testing Service at www.toefl.org. Test results must be sent directly from the testing agency to NMU. Results from other tests (IELTS-5 or MELAB-69) will also be considered. Other proof of English proficiency will be considered on an individual basis. For information on our ESL program, go to www.nmu.edu/esl.

***International Academic Award** - The International Academic Award is available, *after* the first semester of study, to academically talented, undergraduate, international students who are enrolled at Northern Michigan University as full-time baccalaureate students. Students must hold a valid, in status, F1 Visa and achieve a 3.00 cumulative GPA or higher within the first four semesters of study at NMU. Fall and Winter semester awards are \$1,100 per semester. Spring/Summer semester awards are \$1,000. There is also a **Transfer International Academic Award** for international students transferring to NMU from an accredited U.S. college or university.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ◆ **NMU Housing Policy** - All single undergraduate students are required to live in the residence halls while enrolled for classes at Northern, except students who: a) have reached junior status (56 or more hours of college credit) prior to registration for classes, **or** b) have resided four (4) or more semesters in residence halls, **or** c) are twenty-one (21) years of age or older on or before the last official day of registration, **or** d) are residing with their parents or legal guardians within commuting distance. This housing requirement is a condition of enrollment that must be met throughout the academic year. Northern's housing contract provides a variety of meal options. Exceptions to the housing requirement must be requested in writing to the Housing and Residence Life Office, 1401 Presque Isle Avenue, Marquette, Michigan, USA 49855-5372. This does not constitute an application for housing. Information will be sent to you after you are admitted to NMU.
- ◆ **Academic Calendar** - Fall semester classes generally begin on the last Monday in August and conclude in mid-December. Winter semester classes generally begin in mid-January and conclude in late April. Spring/Summer sessions run in varying lengths in May, June, July, and early August.
- ◆ **Orientation** - All new undergraduate students are required to participate in orientation. For international students, the sessions that seem to work best are the ones held 6 days prior to the start of the fall and winter semesters. You will receive information about orientation once you are admitted to NMU.

