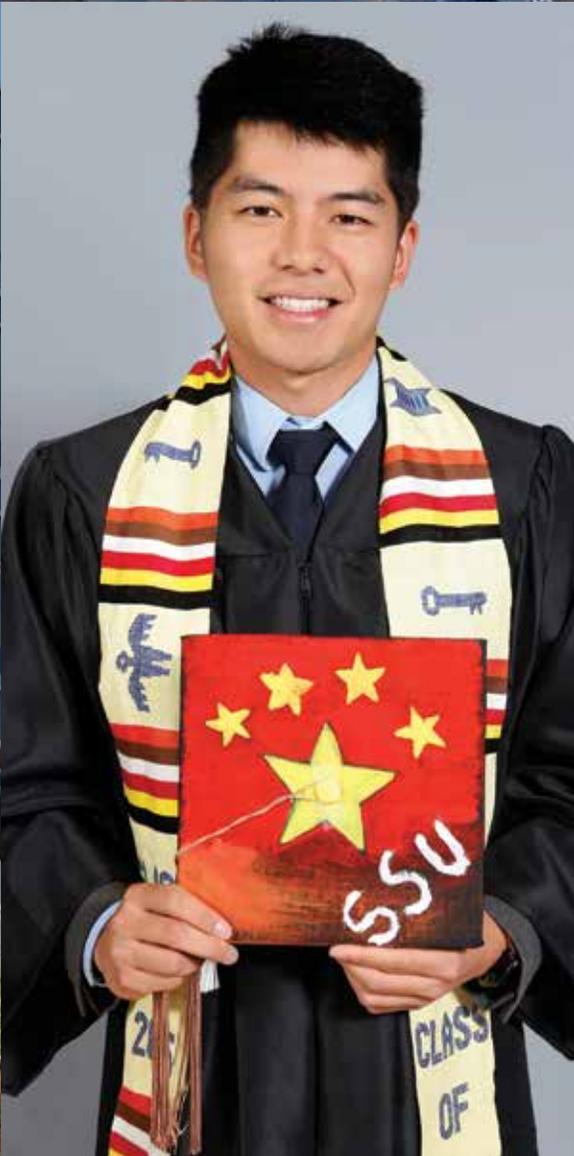




WELCOME INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS!

Salem State University, established in 1854, is one of the largest state universities in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The university is a fully accredited, multi-purpose institution which offers a broad range of academic programs with highly-qualified faculty.

Students choose Salem State University because of the quality of our faculty, the multidisciplinary emphasis of our academic programs, the small class sizes, and our state-of-the-art facilities. Salem State University's location close to the vibrant city of Boston, Massachusetts, is also a strong attraction for students from around the world.





ABOUT SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY

Majors: 32

Concentrations: 100

Minors: 77

Average class size: 22 students

Student to faculty ratio: 15 to 1

Faculty: 11 Fulbright Scholars

Athletics: 15 Varsity Teams

Students:

Total undergraduates: 7,500

Total graduates: 1,700

27 states and 54 countries

Campus:

5 campuses on 115 acres

6 residential halls

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Undergraduate education is the cornerstone of our mission. Salem State University's undergraduate programs are grounded in the tradition of a strong core in the liberal arts and sciences. Additionally, we provide our students with the competencies and knowledge necessary for a variety of professional fields.

The varied programs of study adhere to a common expectation for high achievement, and engaging world challenges through diverse academic journeys. Review our academic offerings at salemstate.edu/academics.

OUR FACULTY

We proudly distinguish ourselves as a teaching university. Salem State is renowned for the personal attention our highly-qualified faculty give to each and every student. Their dedication and support creates a tightly knit community where our students are able to envision and realize new and broader possibilities for their lives. Our faculty members are known to profoundly inspire and engage talented students to expand their educational and professional goals.

INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM

The intensive English program provides full-time English language instruction and academic preparation, year round. The curriculum is designed to help English language learners experience and explore university life and American culture while building a solid foundation in listening, speaking, reading, and writing through an integrated skills approach.

Students have several reasons for selecting this program: pursuing degrees at Salem State University or immersing themselves in American culture to improve their conversation skills—all are looking for a comprehensive program where they can feel welcome and make rapid progress. Come experience the spirit of America with us! Sessions start in the fall, spring and summer terms. For more information on the program and application requirements, please visit salemstate.edu/cie.

ABOUT OUR LOCATION

Home of the infamous Salem Witch Trials of 1692, Salem, Massachusetts, is a vibrant waterfront city with many historic landmarks, and one of the largest U.S. art museums—the Peabody Essex Museum. There are many eclectic restaurants, cafés and shops, seven public beaches, and 250,000 people come to Salem in October to celebrate Halloween.

Salem is only a 30-minute train ride from Boston, a city known for its rich history, world-famous sports teams, and many dining and entertainment options.

The Northeast of the United States is without question one of the most picturesque corners of the country. This area is better known as New England, a collection of six states—Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.

CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION (CIE)

salemstate.edu/cie

The Center for International Education is the heart of the international education activities at Salem State University and a home away from home for international students. The center will assist in obtaining your required visa documents and with maintaining immigration status, benefits and authorizations.

The Center for International Education advises the International Student Association (ISA), which is open to all students who are interested in fostering international awareness and cultural exchange among the Salem State community and the Salem community at large.

Contact CIE at 1.978.542.6351 or cie@salemstate.edu or visit salemstate.edu/cie.

TUITION AND FEES

Undergraduate day students, full-time:	\$8,074 per semester (12–18 credits/semester)
ESL program:	\$3,250 for 15-week-program
Additional costs: On-campus room and board (food) starts at	\$5,860 per semester
Out-of-state evening students (per credit)	\$500.33

FINANCIAL AID

Students from foreign nations are expected to provide all the funds necessary. Most federal financial aid is not available to those who are not citizens or permanent U.S. residents. Arrangements for aid should be made before you arrive in the United States. Students with U.S. citizenship can apply for financial aid.

[Learn more at salemstate.edu/navcenter](http://salemstate.edu/navcenter).

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

FIRST-YEAR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

To apply to Salem State University as a first-year* international student, the following is required:

- Submit a complete online application at saalemstate.edu/admissions
- \$40 application fee (U.S. dollars; non-refundable)
- An official high school/secondary school record, leaving certificate and/or graduation examination results or their notarized copies which must be in English or professionally translated. The translation must include a list of courses completed and the grades received.
- SAT and/or ACT scores. Scores may not be required; learn more about test optional at saalemstate.edu/testoptional.

** A first-year applicant is someone who has never been enrolled in any college or university, international or domestic.*

TRANSFER INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

To apply to Salem State University as a transfer* international student, the following is required:

- Submit a complete online application at saalemstate.edu/admissions
- \$40 application fee (U.S. dollars; non-refundable)
- All original transcripts/credentials from institutions outside of the United States must have an approved agency's evaluation of courses, grades, academic degrees, and grade point averages. All original transcripts/credentials from overseas institutions must be in English or professionally translated into English; and evaluated by a professional evaluation service (such as: The Center for Educational Documentation (cedevaluations.com) or World Education Services (wes.org)). It usually takes at least three weeks for one of these services to evaluate your transcript. Please note: to transfer international course work to Salem State University, official course/subject description or syllabi in English must be submitted (this is not required for the admissions process).
- An official high school transcript is required if you have less than 12 college credits, a GPA of less than 2.5 and have been out of high school for three years or less. Test scores may not be required; learn more about test optional at saalemstate.edu/testoptional.
- If you have been out of high school for more than 3 years and have not attended a college or a university you will be considered an adult learner, and you will need to submit a copy of your high school diploma and/or official high school transcript, professionally translated into English by a professional translator. A resume is needed.

** A transfer student is anyone who has been previously enrolled in any college or university, international or domestic.*



PROOF OF ENGLISH PROFICIENCY MAY BE MET BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL); minimum scores: 500 (written) or 61 (internet-based)
- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) passing score of 5.5
- Students from English speaking countries, whose first language is English, are exempt from the TOEFL and/or IELTS
- If you completed high school/secondary school in English you may be exempt from the TOEFL and/or IELTS
- If you have a SAT Critical Reading score of 450 or higher you will be exempt from the TOEFL and/or IELTS (freshmen applicants only)
- If you have successfully completed (grade of B or better) in an English Writing I or II course at an accredited college in the United States

PERMANENT RESIDENTS

International applicants who are permanent residents must submit a copy of the front and back of their resident alien card. Applicants who did not attend an English speaking high school or complete English courses may be required to submit proof of English proficiency.

DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS (DACA) APPLICANTS

When completing an application indicate that you are a Non-U.S. citizen and a Massachusetts resident in order to qualify for in-state tuition. As a proof of residency, you will need to attach a copy of a C-33/DACA card or a copy of an I-797 Notice of Action to your online application.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS

Before you leave home, you must obtain a passport from your government and a visa from the United States Consulate in your home country. In order to obtain a visa, you must present to the U.S. Consulate a Certificate of Eligibility (either form I-20A-B or form DS 2019) issued by the Center for International Education (CIE) after you've been admitted into Salem State.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Under Massachusetts state law, all Salem State students registered for three-quarter status or more must enroll in the university-sponsored insurance plan. For more information, visit salemstate.edu/chs or call +1.978.542.6413.

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