

International Student Admission Requirements

Coastal Bend College is a publicly-supported, comprehensive community college offering the first two years of university-parallel academic studies and an extensive choice of technical and occupational training varying in length from six months to two years.

Application Checklist

1. Complete the Coastal Bend College Admissions Application. Visit www.applytexas.org.
2. Submit original/official transcripts of school(s) attended at the current educational level. Also, any colleges/universities transcripts must be submitted.
 - a. Any transcript from another country **must** be evaluated by **an external accredited evaluation agency** showing that student has an equivalent of a US High school diploma.
3. Provide proof of English Proficiency. Proof of proficiency includes: TOEFL score of 500 on paper-based test or 173-187 on computer-based, or 61 on the Internet based TOEFL. TOEFL Alternatives: SAT Reading 400 or ACT verbal 21 English or students who have at least 12 transferable hours AND complete English Composition I with a C or better or completion of the advanced-level Texas Intensive English Program (TIEP) offered by TIEC, or Duolingo English Test score of 85 or above.
4. Submit immunization records including the Bacterial Meningitis immunization. (**NOTE:** If you are 22 years of age or older, the Bacterial Meningitis immunization is not required)
5. Complete the I-134 Sponsor Affidavit. If there are multiple sponsors, each sponsor must complete an Affidavit. Visit www.uscis.gov/i-134 for more information.
6. Submit a statement or letter from your bank or other financial institution. The name of the person on the statement should match the name of the person identified on the I-134.
 - a. The bank statement/letter must be in English. If the bank statement/letter is not in English, please provide a certified English translation of the document.

- b. Your funds must be from a checking, saving or certificate of deposit account. (**NOTE:** We do not accept funds such as stocks, investments, retirement, etc)
- c. It must contain the date, name of account holder and states that there is funding available in the amount of at least \$13,000 USD.
- d. Bank statement/letter is valid for 3 months from the date of issue.
- e. If you have funding from multiple sources, you will need a bank statement/letter from each source.

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Form 1-20 will not be issued until admission procedures are completed to the satisfaction of the college. International students who will participate on Athletic teams are required to purchase illness and accident medical insurance coverage during their entire period of study at CBC.

After acceptance by CBC, and before registration, the college requires international students to take a series of assessment tests in English, Mathematics, and Reading to comply with the Texas Success Initiative (TSI). Results of these tests will determine courses in which a student may register. International students are subject to TSI requirements as are all students at CBC.

According to federal regulations, an international student must be enrolled in a minimum for twelve (12) semester credits per semester. Only one class can be internet (online) based.

STUDENT HOUSING: The CBC-Beeville campus has a residence hall which houses 136 men and women students and 20 one- bedroom apartments. The housing application fee for residence hall/apartment is \$250 (which is non-refundable) to reserve housing. There is also a residential fee of \$50 per semester for resident hall/apartment students. There may be a waiting list so reservations should be made as soon as possible. Students wishing to live off campus should contact local realtors to check availability.

TRANSPORTATION: Public transportation is available through Real Transit.

EXPENSES: An international student enrolled in a full program of study should expect to pay to the college a sum of approximately \$13,000 for tuition and student fees and housing.

ATTENDANCE: Students are expected to stay throughout the full semester. If a student leave prior to finals, there is a chance they will not be able to take the final. It is at the discretion of the instructor to permit finals not taken a scheduled time. Please plan flights around these dates.

Fall 2025 First day of attendance for students-August 25

Last date of finals for students-December 17

Spring 2026 First day of attendance for students-January 20

Last day of finals for students-May 13