

Policy Title: Delivery of Services to International Students

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Purpose: ETSU is committed to receiving international students into its community to strengthen and expand the global academic market of ideas and knowledge. International students have legitimate special needs, many of which are imposed by federal immigration laws and others that are part of our ethical responsibilities. ETSU will provide trained personnel to deliver services required by law and will not discriminate against any international student on the basis of national origin.

Policy:

ETSU adheres to all United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), Department of Homeland Security, and Department of State regulations in the admission, enrollment, and readmission of all international, non-immigrant applicants.

- I. Federal Regulations, State and University Requirements
 - A. Immunizations: The Office of International Programs and Services must inform international students of all required immunizations at time of admission.
 - i. New students must provide proof of having received required vaccines in order to register full time at ETSU.
 - ii. Following receipt of a student visa, all international, non-immigrant students enrolling at ETSU must submit within 30 days from the first day of classes a certificate from a licensed U.S. physician, or other qualified authority, verifying freedom from tuberculosis. Failure to submit such certification will result in denial of continued enrollment. If a student has had tuberculosis and required medical treatment, a licensed physician will condition continued enrollment upon the determination that further enrollment is not a risk to others; student must comply with any prescribed medical treatment.
 - B. Health Insurance: Students enrolled following receipt of a J or F or visa must have and maintain medical and hospitalization insurance as a condition of initial and continued enrollment at ETSU.*
- II. Academic Support and Other Student Services
 - A. Orientation: ETSU will provide an orientation program that specifically addresses the particular needs of international students.
 - B. Student Privacy: The Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) permits institutions to comply with information requests from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its Immigration and Customs Enforcement Bureau (ICE) in order to comply with the requirements of the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS).

*See Undergraduate or Graduate Admissions Policies

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