



## International Students

# Welcome to Great Basin College!

Great Basin College is a fully accredited public community college located in Elko, Nevada, in northeastern Nevada. We offer associate degrees and certificates in a wide range of majors, as well as select baccalaureate degrees. GBC has an enrollment of approximately 3,000 students.

The college has a 44-acre, mile-high campus. Nearby are many wonderful recreational opportunities in the beautiful snow-covered Ruby Mountains, scenic Lamoille Canyon, the rapid white-water Owyhee and the meandering Humboldt rivers, and other bodies of water including the Ruby Marshes (and National Wildlife Refuge). The college and town provide a variety of cultural opportunities, such as plays, concerts, an award-winning museum, and the world-famous Cowboy Poetry festival.

GBC offers student housing. For further information go to <http://www.gbcnv.edu/residence>.

**Mail Application form and all documents to the following address:**

**Great Basin College  
Admissions and Records Office  
1500 College Parkway  
Elko, Nevada 89801  
USA**

Ms. Janice King  
Director of Admissions, Berg Hall  
Telephone: 1-775-753-2361  
Fax: 1-775-753-2311  
E-mail: [jkin1@gwmail.gbcnv.edu](mailto:jkin1@gwmail.gbcnv.edu)

Web address: <http://www.gbcnv.edu/admissions>

**TOEFL information:**  
GBC's Institution Code: 4293  
TOEFL Services [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org)

## Follow the Application Checklist:

(Click on the links for more information on a subject)

1. Provide results on completion of the [English requirement](#).
  - ✓ Great Basin College will need verification of your knowledge and use of the English language. In order to accomplish this, you will need to take the International TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language). A passing score on the paper-based exam is 500. A passing score on the computer-based exam is 173. The new internet-based TOEFL passing score is 61. To contact TOEFL, you may call 1-609-771-7100. Official scores must be sent directly from the Educational Testing Service (ETS) to Great Basin College (GBC). The school code for GBC is 4293.
2. Provide [Official Transcripts](#) to GBC:
  - ✓ All transcripts must be submitted in the English language.
  - ✓ High school transcripts must include your graduation date.
  - ✓ Send transcripts from all college and universities you have attended.
  - ✓ All Transcripts must be submitted in English.
    - Any transcripts issued in a language other than English must both be translated into English, and evaluated by an approved agency. The agency would need to forward the transcripts results to Great Basin College (GBC) with the appropriate signatures, date and institutional seals to be considered official documents.
    - Transfer students must submit official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended, in any country. Course descriptions may be required for courses taken outside of the United States of America (USA). Official high school (secondary school) transcripts must show the date of graduation.
    - If you are transferring from a school in the U.S.A., transcripts must be sent directly from that institution to GBC.
3. Submit a GBC [International Application](#) (print the application from [www.gbcnv.edu/international](http://www.gbcnv.edu/international)).
4. Financial Responsibility:
  - ✓ Provide an [Affidavit of Responsibility](#), and your certified bank statement dated within 6 months, showing a minimum balance of \$14,439.00 (this is the [estimated expense](#) of one academic school year) and indicating it is in U.S. currency. If possible, include the current exchange rate to U.S. dollars.
  - ✓ [Estimated Expense](#):
    1. The following table is a conservative estimation of expenses for one academic school year at Great Basin College.

Expense	Estimate Cost
\$10.00 New Student Application Fee	10.00
\$2,457.50/semester (for 2 semesters)	4,915.00
\$54.75/credit (12 credits is full-time, 2 semesters will be 24 credits)	1,314.00
Books & Supplies	600.00
Room Rent at GBC	2,800.00
Yearly Health Insurance	800.00
Living Expense (estimated at \$15.00/day)	4,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,439.00</b>

- ✓ Submit an [Affidavit of Financial Support](#) to declare financial responsibility or sponsorship.
- ✓ The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) offers another method of payment for the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Fee for international students and exchange visitors. You may read the instructions for this on the SEVP website at [www.ice.gov/sevis](http://www.ice.gov/sevis).
  1. Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) Fee:
    1. International students and exchange visitors will be able to pay the I-901 SEVIS fee locally using the Western Union Quick Pay™ service. Students may read the instructions provided at [www.ice.gov/sevis](http://www.ice.gov/sevis).
    2. This allows Western Union to collect the SEVIS I-901 fee in local currency, along with the needed Form I-901 data and electronically transmit the payment and data to the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP).
    3. The properly completed Western Union receipt serves as immediate proof-of-payment for a visa interview at a U.S. consulate and for admission at a U.S. port of entry.
    4. This option is available in any country where Western Union offers its Quick Pay™ service. The instructions and a complete sample of the Western Union Form can be found on the SEVP website at [www.ice.gov/sevis](http://www.ice.gov/sevis).
    5. Bring a printed copy of the instructions and the sample of the completed Western Union Form to the Western Union Agent in order to correctly process their payments.
    6. International students and exchange visitors can also pay by using a credit or debit card via the Internet, by check or money order drawn on a U.S. account and mailed to the lockbox, or by payment from a third party.
- 5. Proof of health insurance, to cover medical expenses in the United States and your immunization (shot) records showing the dates you received the series of immunizations: MMR (measles/mumps/rubella), DT (diphtheria/tetanus), and a PPD (tuberculin test). An estimated \$800.00 yearly cost for health insurance is stated in the estimated expenses chart. If you do not have appropriate health insurance and immunizations, you will be required to resolve these issues prior to registering for classes.
- 6. After items 1-5 on this checklist are provided to Great Basin College and your application is approved, an I-20 Form will be mailed to you. You will take the I-20 Form to your embassy or consulate to apply for the [F-1 Visa](#).

**OR**

If you already have an [F-1 Visa](#) and are transferring from another school in the U.S.A.:

- ✓ Provide GBC a copy of your current I-20 Form, from that school.
- ✓ Provide copies of your identification, copy of visa and I-94 pages from your passport, and complete the [Transfer Verification Form](#).
- ✓ **F-1 Visa:**
  - i. How to apply for an F-1 Visa to enter the United States of America. After your application process is approved you will receive an I-20 Form. You will need to contact your U.S. Embassy or Consulate for specific details on how to obtain an F-1 Student Visa. All international students must apply for admission to the

United States of America and have valid entry visas. You should be prepared to present the following documents to the U.S. Embassy or Consulate:

- ii. Non-Immigrant Visa Application (available at U.S. Embassy or Consulate)
  - iii. Form I-20, Certificate of Eligibility for Non-Immigrant F-1 Student Status, Approved and signed by the DSO (Designated School Official) of the school.
  - iv. Passport
  - v. Passport-size photograph
  - vi. Proof of English language proficiency, such as TOEFL scores or transcripts of previous education.
  - vii. Evidence of financial support (bank statements, scholarship letter, etc.)
  - viii. Evidence that you have no intention of abandoning residence in your home country (strong family ties, pre-arranged job, etc.)
  - ix. Application fee, if any required.
- ✓ Arrival in the United States of America:
- i. F-1 visa students must arrive in the United States no later than the reporting date indicated in section 3 of the I-20 Form. If you attempt to enter after the reporting date, you may be denied entry. Upon arrival in the U.S., you must show your passport, F-1 Visa entry, I-20 Form, and evidence of financial support to the immigration official. If you intend to enroll in courses at Great Basin College (GBC), you will need to present the I-20 Form issued that GBC issued to you not an I-20 Form from another institution.
- ✓ When you are admitted to the United States of America, the immigration official will give you an I-94 Form (a small white card which should be stapled into your passport) and page 3-4 of your I-20 Form (stamped in the upper left corner). Keep your documents, I-94 Form, I-20 Form, and your passport/visa, in a secure place, and be sure to bring them with you to the Admissions & Records Office.
- ✓ School Transfer:
- i. If you are currently enrolled as an F-1 Visa student at another institution located within the United States, you must “transfer” your immigration status to Great Basin College. You will need to present your passport, valid F-1 Visa, GBC issued I-20 Form, and evidence of financial support to the immigration inspector at the port of entry. The immigration inspector will process your GBC I-20 Form and your transfer will be complete.
- ✓ Spouse and Children:
- i. A dependent spouse and/or unmarried minor children (under age 21) may accompany an F-1 Visa student to the United States. Dependents must also have valid entry visas. Please contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate to obtain specific instructions on how your spouse and/or children may obtain an F-2 Visa. You must list your dependents on your application for an I-20 Form, thereby advising the school of your intent to bring dependents. Your dependents must establish that they have sufficient funds to cover their expenses and that they intend to leave the U.S. upon the termination of your F-1 Visa status. Be advised that F-2 Visa dependents are not allowed to accept employment or engage in business under any circumstances.
- ✓ Learn and Comply with Immigration Regulations:
- i. It is your responsibility to learn and adhere to U.S. Immigration regulations. Please read the “Instructions to Students” on page 2 of your I-20 Form very carefully. Please note that failure to comply with immigration regulations will result in the loss of your student status and may subject you to enforced departure or deportation.

# Great Basin College

## International Student Admission Application

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### Applicant Information (Please type or print clearly)

Name (as it appears or will appear on your passport):

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Family Name

\_\_\_\_\_

First (Given) Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Middle Name

If available, please provide with this application a copy of the identity page from your passport that shows your full name.

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_(month/day/year) Gender: Male\_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # (if available): \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # : \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # : \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Physical Address in the U.S.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # : \_\_\_\_\_

Home Country Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone # : \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # : \_\_\_\_\_

Current Visa Type (if in the U.S.): \_\_\_\_\_ Requesting Visa Type: \_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print family name first)

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Previous Education

Name of High School or Secondary School attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary language of instruction: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of graduation from High School or Secondary School: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (month/year)

**Official high school records showing the date of graduation must be provided with this application.**

Please list all universities, colleges and technical schools you have attended.

Name of Institution	Location	Start Date	End Date	Degree Received & Date

**Please provide official transcripts for each institution listed.**

Are you transferring from another U.S. college or university?  Yes  No (Please check one)

If yes, please provide a photocopy of your current I-20 and the **Transfer Verification Form** available to download at <http://www.gbcnv.edu/international>, or contact our office to have a form mailed to you.

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## Desired Program of Study

Intended Academic Program: Major: \_\_\_\_\_ (Choose a major from the list at the end of application).

Year/Semester of Entrance: Year \_\_\_\_\_ : Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_ (Please check one)

International TOEFL: Test Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Score \_\_\_\_\_

## How did you hear about our college?

Friend/relative (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Overseas College Fair \_\_\_\_\_

Overseas College Agency \_\_\_\_\_ NIC \_\_\_\_\_ Internet \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant's Certification:** I certify the information provided on this application is accurate and understand all required credentials must be submitted before an admission decision may be made. I accept complete responsibility for requesting that official transcripts of record be forwarded directly to Admissions & Records from each school attended whether credit was earned or not, and fully understand those transcripts are not returnable and cannot be reproduced. Furthermore, I agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of Great Basin College.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (month/day/year)

**GREAT BASIN COLLEGE OFFERS THE FOLLOWING  
DEGREES & CERTIFICATES:**

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS**

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS-Agriculture

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE**

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE-Agriculture

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

Agriculture

Business Administration

Emphasis: Entrepreneurship or General Business

Computer Office Technology

Emphasis: Computer-Aided Drafting/Geographic Information

Systems, Graphic Communications, Information Specialist,

Network Specialist, Office Technology Emphasis, or Web Specialist

Criminal Justice

Emphasis: Corrections or Law Enforcement

Diesel Technology

Early Childhood Education

Electrical Technology

Industrial Plant Mechanics

Nursing – Registered

Welding Technology

**ASSOCIATE OF GENERAL STUDIES**

**BACHELOR OF ARTS**

Elementary Education

Integrative and Professional Studies

Arts & Humanities Administration

Resource Management

Social Sciences

**BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE**

Instrumentation

Instrumentation & Management

Land Surveying/Geomatics

Management Technology

**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE-Nursing**

**BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK**

3+1 Collaborative Program with University of Nevada, Reno

Degree awarded by UNR; courses all offered in the GBC service area

**CERTIFICATES**

Accounting

Business Administration

Diesel Technology

Early Childhood Education

Electrical Technology

Entrepreneurship

Industrial Plant Mechanics

Instrumentation

Retail Management

Welding Technology

For more information, go to <http://www.gbcnv.edu/program>

# GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

## AFFIDAVIT OF RESPONSIBILITY

I, \_\_\_\_\_, request  
(Print Full Name)

approval of my application to Great Basin College to receive an I-20 form. This document is to provide assurance that I (check the one applicable for you)

\_\_\_\_\_ am financially self-sufficient, and plan to support myself.

OR \_\_\_\_\_ have a sponsor who will accept financial responsibility for my financial obligations incurred for the duration of my studies at Great Basin College.

I understand that if I am accepted, I must provide my own health insurance for the duration of my studies at Great Basin College, and keep my address and other contact information current with the Admissions & Records Office.

I am aware that it is my responsibility to learn and adhere to the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement regulations pertaining to my visa and status.

I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Print Full Name)

am a prospective student to Great Basin College, and understand the content of this affidavit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Prospective Students' Signature)

Address & Phone Number of your Permanent Residence in your Country:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your Address (if known) while you attend Great Basin College, in the U.S.A.:

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# Great Basin College Transfer Verification Form

Great Basin College  
1500 College Parkway  
Elko, NV 89801  
<http://www.gbcnv.edu>

Ms. Janice King, Director of Admissions  
Telephone: 1-775-753-2361  
Fax: 1-775-753-2311  
E-mail: [jkin1@gwmail.gbcnv.edu](mailto:jkin1@gwmail.gbcnv.edu)

**International students currently attending another U.S. institution must complete Section 1. Request your International Student Adviser (DSO) to complete Section 2. This form must be received by the GBC Admissions Office before your new visa documents can be issued.**

**Section 1. The Student needs to complete this information:**

Name: (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Home Mailing Address: (Mailbox or Street, City, State or Province, Postal Code, Country) \_\_\_\_\_

SEVIS ID NUMBER (from I-20): \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I must receive a letter of admission to GBC before I request a transfer. I also understand that when I submit a transfer to SEVIS, it cannot be cancelled. I request and authorize the International Student Adviser to provide this information as part of my application to Great Basin College.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 2. The International Student Adviser will complete this section:**

Transfer to: GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

School Code: PH0214F20004000

Dates of Attendance - From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_

Classification: F1 J1 SEVIS RELEASE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

To the best of your knowledge, has this student maintained his/her visa status? Yes No  
If No, please explain:

Does this student have any outstanding financial obligations? Yes No  
If Yes, please explain:

Has student utilized any Optional Practical Training or Curricular Practical Training? Yes No  
If Yes, provide dates: OPT: \_\_\_\_\_ CPT: \_\_\_\_\_

Any additional comments regarding this student?

**International Student Adviser (DSO) Signature:**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

& Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_