

- 1. Application Form:** Answer each question applicable to you.
Note: Non-degree seeking (NDSS) applicants submit the application form, transcripts, and essay. No reference is required.
- 2. Application Essay:** 300-500 words, typed. *See last page for instructions.*
- 3. Reference Form:** One church leader reference is required. This person should have known you for at least two years and can speak to your Christian character and growth. Family members or a spouse may not be used as references. Fill in name, address and phone number on the form.
- 4. Academic Transcripts:** You must request official transcripts from your high school and all colleges or universities you have attended to be sent directly to the Undergraduate Admissions office. *Note: Students who have attended a school outside of the United States must have transcripts validated through World Education Services. See information below for details.*
- 5. Official Test Scores/Certification:** We require ACT or SAT scores (unless you are over 24 years of age or transferring more than 24 hours from another institution). Request that these be included with your transcript, or go to www.collegeboard.com to request them. Test scores are not required for international citizens.

Please note: if you choose to postpone your enrollment more than one year, you will be required to complete the application process in its entirety.

IMPORTANT: Evaluation of your application file cannot begin until all of the following items have been received by the Admissions Office:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Application | <input type="checkbox"/> Application essay | <input type="checkbox"/> Test scores (if required) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> References | <input type="checkbox"/> Academic transcripts | |

International Citizens only:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> TOEFL | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial certification | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational background | <input type="checkbox"/> Processing fee |
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International Citizens

International citizens must complete application items #1-4 above as well as the following items:

Academic Transcripts: International applicants with education outside of the United States will need to provide an International Credential Advancement Package (ICAP) evaluation of their degree by World Education Services (WES). All academic records not written in English must be accompanied by a certified translation. Please contact the Admissions office for further information.

World Education Services

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New York, NY 10274-5087

Courier Address:
64 Beaver St.
New York, NY 10004

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Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): Applicants for whom English is not their first language are required to take the TOEFL exam and score a minimum score of 70 on the internet-based examination, a 195 on the computer-based exam, or a 525 on the paper-based exam. The TOEFL is available through the American Consular Office. Our TOEFL code is 5116. TOEFL is waived if you have completed a high school degree in which English was the medium of instruction. You must complete the Educational Background to confirm your education.

Educational Background: Fully complete the educational background form. Directions are on the form.

Financial Certification of Funds: The United States Immigration and Naturalization Service requires proof of finances for international students. Please complete the Financial Certification form in its entirety. You must include a statement from your bank that certifies the funds listed. Once accepted, you must send your enrollment deposit to receive an I-20 to obtain your visa (see financial certification information). *Please note: CIU is not able to grant full scholarships or put prospective students in touch with potential supporters in the United States.*

Application Essay

We are so glad you've chosen to apply to CIU! By completing this essay portion of your application, the admissions team will get to know you better and learn how CIU can equip you for the unique plan God has designed just for you.

Instructions: In 300 to 500 words, please answer the questions below. Submit your typed essay via email (yesciu@ciu.edu), fax (803-223-2500) or mail (see address below). A decision regarding your admission to CIU cannot be made until the application, application essay, church leader reference, transcript(s), and test scores are received.

1. How did you come to salvation in Jesus Christ. (i.e. Discuss your personal relationship with God and the life change that followed.).
2. What relationships, circumstances, church involvement, mission trips and/or personal study have helped you grow in your faith?
3. Please share what career and/or ministry you believe God may be calling you to, and why you have chosen to apply to CIU?

If you were previously enrolled at CIU, you are required to only answer the following two questions. This essay portion of your application will help us to know how we can continue to be a part of your equipping.

Instructions: In 200 to 400 words, please answer the questions. Submit your typed essay via email (yesciu@ciu.edu), fax (803-223-2500) or mail (see address below).

1. Explain your reason for leaving CIU and tell us what you have been doing since you were last enrolled.
2. What are your career/ministry goals and your understanding of God's direction for your future?

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