

International Student Application Requirements and Tuition Fees

Monterey Bay Academy, 2011/2012

Yearly Rates (must be paid in full before an I-20 will be issued)

Tuition	\$11,700.00
Room & Board	\$7,500.00
Entrance Fee	\$500.00
Additional Fees	\$2,000.00
ESL Fees	\$3,200.00
Refundable Room & Key Deposit	\$100.00
Total	\$25,000.00

International Student Application Requirements

In addition to completing the application form, international students (except students from Canada) are required to have the following information sent to MBA before consideration for acceptance:

1. A **letter** from an English instructor must be submitted to MBA stating that the student has sufficient speaking, reading and writing of the English language to be able to function in any of MBA's classes without too much difficulty. **A student must have a TOEFL test score of at least 400 to be admitted to MBA.** Students whose TOEFL test score is between 400–475 will be placed in the ESL program. A student with a TOEFL score of 475–525 will be placed in the Transitional English program. U.S. universities and colleges require a minimum TOEFL score of 525 for admittance.
2. A international student must have a guardian (older than 25) on the U.S. mainland. MBA recommends that the guardian live in California. The name, address and phone number of the U.S. guardian must be filled in on the application. The guardian must be cleared by MBA's administration before the student is accepted.
3. An official copy of the student's transcript of school credits for grades 9 and up must be sent to MBA by the school in a SEALED ENVELOPE.
4. Medical: "A current immunization record including baby records and also a T.B. skin test (P.P.D.) result (done within one year prior to admission) must be sent to MBA." The physical exam form must be completed by a physician and sent to MBA.
5. Reference forms will need to be completed and returned to MBA. These forms must be filled out by an English teacher, administrator at the student's current school, and a Seventh-day Adventist pastor.
6. Prospective students must be either a Seventh-day Adventist, have attended a Seventh-day Adventist school or have a Seventh-day Adventist connection. Since MBA is a Seventh-day Adventist school, we require a personal interview of any student who is not a Seventh-day Adventist. Experience has taught MBA that only when a student is familiar with MBA's expectations and feels supportive of MBA's standards; the student then has a successful spiritual, social and academic experience at Monterey Bay Academy. MBA needs to have the name, address and fax number of a Seventh-day Adventist pastor in the student's area to whom the school may send a confidential evaluation form.
7. It is important that the application be filled out completely. A student will be considered for acceptance after the above items have been received.
8. To meet deadlines for visas, passports and customs processing, the student should apply for admission by June 30, 2011 for consideration for the fall semester and by November 01, 2011, for consideration for the spring semester of the 2011-2012 school year. An I-20 can be issued after:
 - a. All items requested above have been submitted.
 - b. The student has been accepted.
 - c. The international student fees have been received in full.

English as a Second Language (ESL) Program

English as a Second Language (ESL) is offered at Monterey Bay Academy. The following is an explanation of this program:

Academic Aspects

This program is for students who need to improve their English skills to a level that will make them proficient in the mainstream classroom. No academic credit is offered for the program, except a possible 10 elective credits. However, students will be placed into the academic-for-credit program as soon as they are ready. Entrance to the academic program must be made at the quarter breaks. Since some classes are hyphenated (one must have knowledge of course content previously covered, to succeed with future course content), late admission into these classes is very limited. Normally, a student should plan to be in this program for one year before entering into the academic-for-credit program. Students in the program will be assigned to regular classes as they are able, i.e. P.E., math, industrial technology, and fine arts.

A student must have a TOEFL test score of at least 400 to be admitted to MBA. Students whose TOEFL test score is below 475 should be in the ESL program. A student with a TOEFL score of 475–524 (iBT 54–70) will be placed in the Transitional English Program. To graduate from MBA, a student must have a TOEFL test score of 525 or higher.

Application

Students interested in the ESL program should submit a request for the program at the time of application. Any student who demonstrates that they do not have the necessary English skills to succeed in the regular classroom may be, at the request of the administration, transferred into the ESL program. Since enrollment in the program is limited, early requests for the program are required.