

ADMISSION GUIDE FOR

International Students

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**Center for Global
Engagement**
at ANDERSON UNIVERSITY



Welcome!

Located in the vibrant city of Anderson, in the rapidly growing region of Upstate South Carolina, Anderson University is a selective, comprehensive Christian liberal arts university offering bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees on campus, online and at the University Center in Greenville.

Anderson University is among the fastest growing private universities in the country, according to the U.S. Department of Education and the *Chronicle of Higher Education Almanac*. Increased enrollment only tells part of the story, however; the reason for it is Anderson's reputation as a premier institution of higher learning and status among the best regional universities in the South as recognized by both *U.S. News & World Report* and *The Princeton Review*. Further, *U.S. News & World Report* for 2021 named Anderson as the "#32 Best Value" schools among regional universities in the south, and the *Wall Street Journal* named Anderson #26 for best student engagement among all universities in the United States.

Innovation is a hallmark of the Anderson University experience. Among regional universities in the south, *U.S. News & World Report* ranks Anderson as the No. 19 "Most Innovative" school. Moreover, *U.S. News & World Report* in its latest ranking of the "Best Online Programs" in the country listed Anderson University's online bachelors programs as the best among private institutions in South Carolina, along with awarding top honors for AU's online graduate programs in business, business administration, education, and nursing.

Further, Anderson University is a three-time Apple Distinguished School; to date, fewer than 43 colleges or universities in the United States are recognized as an Apple Distinguished School.

At the heart of the University's educational program is an uncompromising commitment to the liberal arts as a means of preparing students with both a breadth and depth of knowledge they need not only to be successful in the career of their choice, but to be adaptable to multiple careers, and ultimately be successful in all realms of life.

Ann-Margaret J. Themistocleous

Dr. Ann-Margaret J. Themistocleous, Ph.D.
Director, Center for Global Engagement

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHERE IS ANDERSON UNIVERSITY LOCATED?

Anderson University is located in Anderson, South Carolina which is in the southeast U.S. Living and attending school in Anderson offers international students an exciting example of American culture. Anderson offers a welcoming and caring environment for international students which include small class sizes and dedicated faculty and staff. (The University Center of Greenville campus houses our multiple graduate programs and is in Greenville, SC).



WHAT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS?

The Center for Global Engagement assists all international students on campus. Together with faculty and staff, we create a strong support system to help international students reach their professional and academic goals. The center of student activities and residence life sponsors extra-curricular activities and events that help students develop life skills outside of the classroom. The Center for Global Engagement helps with counseling regarding all aspects of adjustment to the campus and to American culture. In addition, we offer immigration assistance and are, more importantly, a “home away from home” for our international students. There is an International Student Organization as well as International MBA Association that sponsors events geared towards the needs of the international community.

WHAT ARE THE HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS LIKE?

Anderson University considers residence halls an extension of the learning environment, and offer students ample space and comfortable accommodations. Housing normally consists of shared units which includes a shared living area, kitchen and bathroom. Laundry facilities, wireless Internet, and phone access are available. At Anderson University, dormitories are either all male or all female. Many international parents prefer this type of living situation since it offers a protective and comfortable living space for their child. In addition, there are 16 housing options on campus, and multiple organizations for students to join in order to take part in the larger campus community. (Graduate students are required to live in off campus housing.)



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UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSION INFORMATION

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION

- Application
- \$40 (U.S. Dollars) application fee
- Official WES evaluation (or NACES approved agency) of academic credentials

REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCEPTANCE

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale for freshmen.
- Transfer students need a minimum 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- English language proficiency: TOEFL: score minimum is 75 (internet)/220 (computer)/550 (paper), or IELTS: score minimum is 6, or ELS level I12 Completion Certificate or AGAPE level 5, or Dulingo score of 105 or above, or the Pearson PTE of 50 or above, or the iTEP of 3.7 or above
- SAT/ACT options for international students:
 - Minimum 1080 SAT II - critical reading and math scores only (with a minimum of 500 on the critical reading position)
 - Minimum 21 ACT (with a minimum of 18 on English and math)
 - SAT/ACT is optional but highly recommended for international student acceptance



Please Note

I-20 Information

An I-20 for your student visa can normally be issued within a week upon acceptance, including a \$250.00 enrollment confirmation deposit and official financial documentation stating the ability to pay the balance.

Health Insurance

All F-1 international students must enroll in the mandatory health insurance plan offered by Anderson University. Students will be billed \$876 each semester with their tuition and fees. This charge is required and cannot be waived.

UNDERGRADUATE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Merit-Based Aid	\$12,000-\$19,000*
Out of State Grant	\$3,000
Scholarships Total	\$12,000

ESTIMATED COST FOR 2024-2025

Tuition and student fees	\$34,920
Room and board	\$12,720
Total yearly cost	\$47,640
<i>(tuition, fees, room and board)</i>	
Estimated additional expenses	\$8,875
<i>(\$600 for books and supplies, \$1,668 for mandatory health insurance, \$3,740 for travel, and \$2,580 for personal expenses)</i>	
Amount required in financial documentation for I-20 Issuance	\$56,515
Estimated Total	\$44,515
<i>(I-20 amount required \$56,515 - the estimated \$12,000 in scholarships = the estimated total for I-20 issuance)</i>	

**Financial aid scholarships are subject to change.*



Additional Scholarships

Freshman Scholarships

For freshman at Anderson University, our academic scholarships range from \$12,000 to \$19,000 based on GPA and class rank or SAT/ACT scores.

Transfer Scholarships

International students who art transfers are eligible for additional scholarships based upon their GPA which range from \$9,000-\$11,000.

Athletic Scholarships

Athletic scholarships will vary across sports and are determined by individual coaches.





GRADUATE ADMISSION INFORMATION

MBA | MOL | MSBA | MSCM | MSITM | MSCS*

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION

Each graduate program has their own unique admission process and application requirements.

General Requirements

- Application
- \$40 (U.S. Dollars) application fee
- Official college transcripts (native language and English translation)
- Official WES evaluation (or NACES approved agency) of academic credentials
- English language proficiency: TOEFL: score minimum is 75 (internet)/220 (computer)/550 (paper), or IELTS: score minimum is 6, or ELS level 112 Completion Certificate or AGAPE level 5, or Dulingo score of 105 or above, or the Pearson PTE of 50 or above, or the iTEP of 3.7 or above

Possible Additional Requirements

- Minimum 2.75 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Three letters of recommendation
- GMAT (optional)

Applications with Three Year Bachelors

- Anderson University requires the equivalent of a four year US degree for acceptance
- WES evaluation service is highly recommended



Internship Program

Students have the opportunity to work legally off campus in a paid or unpaid, part time internship. At Anderson University, we understand that internship and work experience in the U.S. is extremely valuable to international studies. It helps students build their resume and assists them in making connections with professionals in the business world. Students who are interested in approved internship opportunities (called CPT) should speak with their academic advisor. They will need to register for the approved internship and obtain secondary approval from the Center for Global Engagement. Students on an approved research or graduate assistantship cannot also intern on CPT. Students need to be in legal FI status for at least a year and register for an internship class.

The MS degrees are STEM eligible programs. The MOL and MBA are **not STEM eligible programs.*

GRADUATE ADMISSION INFORMATION

MS PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS ANALYTICS

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION

Each graduate program has their own unique admission process and application requirements.

General Requirements

- Application
- \$40 (U.S. Dollars) application fee
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**The Professional MS in Business Analytics degrees is a STEM eligible program.*



MOL | MBA | MSBA | MSCS | MSITM | MSCM COST FOR 2024-2025

PROGRAM COST

Tuition and student fees - 1st year including 18 credits (3 semesters/6 credits each semester)	\$11,160
Books and supplies	\$1,800
Total.....	\$12,960*

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Additional costs for international students and I-20 issuance based upon the cost of attendance.

Room and board	\$12,720
Personal (\$2,662) and travel (\$2,894)	\$5,556
Mandatory health insurance	\$1,752
Total.....	\$20,028**

ESTIMATED TOTAL COST

Tuition, fees, books, and supplies	\$12,960*
Estimated additional costs	\$20,028**
Estimated Total.....	\$32,988

*The MS degrees are STEM eligible programs. The MOL and MBA are **not** STEM eligible programs.



Please Note

Required Documents

Anderson University offers a wide variety of graduate programs online and in hybrid form. For a complete list of required admissions documents for our other graduate programs please visit our website at www.AndersonUniversity.edu.

Health Insurance

All F-1 international students must enroll in the mandatory health insurance plan offered by Anderson University if they are athletes, graduate assistants, or research assistants. Students will be billed \$867 each semester with their tuition and fees. This charge is required and cannot be waived.

MS PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS ANALYTICS COST FOR 2024-2025

PROGRAM COST

Tuition and student fees - 1st year including 21 credits (3 semesters/7 credits each semester)	\$12,180
Books and supplies	\$1,800
Total.....	\$13,980*

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Additional costs for international students and I-20 issuance based upon the cost of attendance.

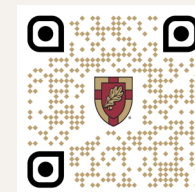
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ESTIMATED TOTAL COST

Tuition, fees, books, and supplies	\$13,980*
Estimated additional costs	\$20,028**
Estimated Total.....	\$34,008

For More Information

For more information about the admission and enrollment process for international students, please visit the International Admission page on the Anderson University website.



**The Professional MS in Business Analytics degrees is a STEM eligible program with immediate CPT for experiential learning.*



ANDERSON UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE	FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE
CENTER FOR CYBERSECURITY							
			Bachelor of Science				Minor(s)
o	+	+	Cybersecurity	o	+		Cybersecurity
o	+	+	Cybersecurity and Analytics				
o	+	+	Cybersecurity and Criminal Justice				
o	+	+	Cybersecurity and Mathematics				
CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND ORGANIZATIONS							
			Doctor of Philosophy				
◆			Leadership: Business				
◆			Leadership: Christian Studies				
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES							
			Bachelor of Arts				Minor(s)
o	+	+	Communication: Digital Media	o	+		Biomedical Science
o	+		Communication: Public Relations	o	+		Campaigns and Elections
o	+		English: Creative Writing	o	+		Chemistry
o	+		English: Literature	o	+		Coding and App Development
o	+		English: Writing and Digital Studies	o	+		Communication Studies
o	+		History	o	+		Digital Media
o	+		Human Development & Family Studies	o	+		English
o	+		Human Development & Family Studies (Pre-Certification)	o	+		Environmental Science
o	+		Interdisciplinary Studies	o	+		History
◆			Interdisciplinary Studies	o	+		Human Development & Family Studies
o	+		Political Science	o	+		Latin American Studies
o	+		Public Policy: Economic Policy	o	+		Mathematics
o	+		Public Policy: Environmental Policy	o	+		Political Science
o	+		Public Policy: Foreign Policy	o	+		Psychology
o	+		Public Policy: Social Policy	o	+		Public Policy
o	+		Spanish	o	+		Public Relations
			Bachelor of Science				Sociology
o	+	+	Biochemistry	o	+		Spanish
o	+	+	Biology	o	+		Writing
o	+		Coding: App Development				
o	+		Coding: Game Development				
o	+	+	Environmental Science				
o	+	+	Mathematics: Actuarial				
o	+	+	Mathematics: Pure Mathematics				
o	+	+	Neuroscience				
o	+	+	Psychology: Clinical				
o	+	+	Psychology: Research				
			Master of Science				
□	+	+	Computer Science				

+ Approved for I-20 issuance (I-20 column only) | Approved OPT STEM extension programs (STEM column only)
 o Not applicable/not approved for this degree program
 o Seated class format
 ◆ Online class format
 □ Hybrid (seated and online) class format

FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE	FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS							
			Bachelor of Science in Business				Master of Organizational Leadership
o	+		Accounting	◆	+		Organizational Leadership
o	+		Business				
o	+	+	Computing and Data Analytics				
o	+		Finance				
o	+		Human Resource Management	□	+		Master of Science
o	+		Management	□	+		+ Business Analytics
o	+		Marketing	□	+		+ Cybersecurity Management
o	+		Sport Management	□	+		+ Information Technology Management
o	+		Supply Chain Management	□	+		+ Professional Business Analytics
			Bachelor of Business Administration				Minor(s)
◆			Business Administration	o	+		Accounting
□			Business Administration: Accounting	o	+		Business
◆			Business Administration: Management	o	+		Computing and Data Analytics
◆			Business Administration: Marketing	o	+		Economics
◆			Business Administration: Marketing and Professional Sales	o	+		Entrepreneurship
◆			Business Administration: Project Management	o	+		Financial Analysis
◆			Business Administration: Supply Chain Management	o	+		Financial Planning
◆				o	+		Human Resource Management
◆				o	+		International Business
◆				o	+		Management
			Bachelor of Organizational Leadership	o	+		Marketing
◆			Organizational Leadership	o	+		Organizational Leadership
◆			Organizational Leadership: Human Resource Administration	o	+		Sport Management for Business Majors
				o	+		Sport Management for Non-Business Majors
				o	+		Supply Chain Management
			Master of Business Administration				
◆	+		Business Administration				
◆	+		Business Analytics				
◆	+		Healthcare Leadership				
◆	+		Human Resources				
◆	+		Supply Chain Management				
COLLEGE OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES							
			Bachelor of Arts				Master of Ministry
o	+		Christian Studies	□			Ministry
o	+		Christian Studies: Apologetics				
o	+		Christian Studies: Biblical Studies				
o	+		Christian Studies: Media Ministry	◆			Doctor of Ministry
o	+		Christian Studies: Missions				21st Century Ministry
o	+		Christian Studies: Pastoral Ministry				
o	+		Christian Studies: Preaching	◆			Doctor of Philosophy
o	+		Christian Studies: Theology and Philosophy				Preaching
o	+		Christian Studies: Women's Ministry				
o	+		Christian Studies: Youth Ministry				
			Bachelor of Christian Studies				Minor(s)
◆			Christian Studies	o	+		Christian Studies
				o	+		Women's Ministry
				o	+		Youth Ministry
			Master of Arts				
□			Biblical and Theological Studies				
			Master of Divinity				
□	+		Divinity				
□	+		Youth Ministry				

FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE	FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION							
◦	+		Bachelor of Arts • Secondary English Education (9-12) • Secondary Social Studies Education (9-12)	◦	+		Master of Arts in Teaching • Elementary Education
◦	+			◦	+		Master of Education • Education (non-certification) • Administration and Supervision
◦	+		Bachelor of Science • Biology Education with add-on certification in Broad Science • Early Childhood Education • Elementary Education • Elementary Education	◆	•		Master of Science • Instructional Design and Learning
◦	+		• Elementary Education with add-on certification in Early Childhood Education	◆	•		Education Specialist • Educational System Administration
◻	+		• Elementary Education with add-on certification in Early Childhood Education	◻	•		Doctor of Education • Education Systems Leadership • Leadership & Learning: Curriculum and Instructional Leadership • Leadership & Learning: School and Community Leadership
◦	+		• Elementary Education with add-on certification in Special Education: Learning Disabilities (K-12)	◻	+		
◦	+		• Physical Education				
◦	+		• Secondary Chemistry Education (9-12)				
◦	+		• Secondary Math Education (9-12)				
◦	+		• Special Education: Multi-Categorical				
COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS							
SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH							
◦	•		Bachelor of Science • Health Science: Medical Imaging • Healthcare Management	◦	+		SCHOOL OF NURSING Bachelor of Science in Nursing • Nursing (BSN) • Nursing - Accelerated (ABSN) • Nursing (RN to BSN)
◦◆	•		Bachelor of Science in Health science • Health Science: Medical Imaging	◆	•		Master of Science in Nursing • Family Nurse Practitioner • Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner
◆	•		Bachelor of Human Services • Human Services • Human Services: Behavioral Health • Human Services: Gerontology	◆	•		Doctor of Nursing Practice • Advanced Practice (MSN-DNP) • Executive Leadership (MSN-DNP) • Family Nurse Practitioner (BSN-DNP) • Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (BSN-DNP)
•	•		Minor(s) • Healthcare Management	◆	•		
SCHOOL OF CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENCES							
◦	•		Master of Medical Science • Pathologists' Assistant Studies				SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL THERAPY Doctor of Physical Therapy • Physical Therapy
SCHOOL OF HUMAN PERFORMANCE							
◦	+		Bachelor of Science • Kinesiology • Kinesiology: Athletic Training • Kinesiology: Exercise Specialist • Kinesiology: Pre-Physical Therapy	◦	•		
•	+		Minor(s) • Kinesiology • Sports Nutrition				
SCHOOL OF INTERIOR DESIGN							
◦	+		Bachelor of Fine Arts • Interior Design				

FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE	FORMAT	I-20	STEM	PROGRAM + DEGREE
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND ADMINISTRATION							
◦	+		Bachelor of Arts • Criminal Justice • Criminal Justice	◦	+		Master of Criminal Justice • Criminal Justice
◆	•		• Homeland Security and Emergency Services	◆	•		Master of Public Service and Administration • Public Service and Administration
◦	+		• Homeland Security and Emergency Services	◦	•		Minor(s) • Criminal Justice • Forensics and Criminal Investigation • Homeland Security and Emergency Services Management
◦	+		• Homeland Security and Emergency Services: Emergency Services Management				
◆	•		• Homeland Security and Emergency Services: Emergency Services Management				
THE SOUTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS							
◦	+		Bachelor of Arts • Art: 3D Studies • Art: Art Education • Art: Painting and Drawing • Art: Photography • Dance • Music • Theatre • Theatre: Design	◆	•		Master of Music in Music Education • Music Education
◦	+		Bachelor of Fine Arts • Graphic Design • Musical Theatre • Theatre: Acting				Minor(s) • 3D Studies • Art History • Art History for Art Majors • Commercial Music • Composition • Composition for Music Majors • Dance • Music • Painting and Drawing • Photography • Studio Art • Theatre • Worship Leadership
◦	+		Bachelor of Music • Commercial Music • Performance • Worship Leadership				
◦	+		Bachelor of Music Education • Music Education: Instrumental • Music Education: Vocal/Choral				

SYMBOL KEY

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- Indicates a program that is approved for I-20 issuance (*I-20 column only*)
- Indicates a program approved for OPT STEM extension (*STEM column only*)
- Not applicable
- Indicates a program that offers/requires an on-campus (at one of our campus locations) seated class format
- Indicates a program that is 100% online **or** primarily online with a set number of in-person meetings
- Indicates a hybrid program that consists of a combination of online on-campus classes



ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

Knowledge for your Journey

Anderson University Accreditations

Anderson University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award bachelor's, master's, and doctorate degrees. Questions about the accreditation of Anderson University may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097, by calling 404.679.4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org). Professional accreditation includes the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR), the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), National Association of Schools of Theatre (NAST), Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) through National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) Legacy, the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), and the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE).

Non-Discrimination Statement

Anderson University does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, disability, age, religion, genetic information, veteran or military status, or any other basis on which the University is prohibited from discrimination under local, state, or federal law, in its employment or in the provision of its services, including but not limited to its programs and activities, admissions, educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other University-administered programs. Please direct inquiries to Robyn H. Sanderson, Title IX Coordinator and Associate Vice President for Student Development & Dean of Student Development Office: G. Ross Anderson Jr. Student Center, Office 157, Phone: 864.231.5514, Mail: 316 Boulevard Anderson, SC 29621, title9@andersonuniversity.edu or to the Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education at 1-800-421-3481 or ocr@ed.gov.