Lincoln University of Pennsylvania

Application for International Admission



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Message to the Applicant

Dear Prospective International Student:

Interested in Lincoln University? Lincoln University is very much interested in you and we hope you'll have the determination to succeed. Lincoln's mission has always been to provide education of the highest possible quality to students who have demonstrated promise, potential, and the desire to succeed.

Founded in 1854, Lincoln University (PA) is the first of four Lincoln universities in the world and is the nation's first degree-granting Historically Black College and University (HBCU). Lincoln offers a diverse student body of approximately 2,200 men and women more than 35 liberal arts and science-based undergraduate programs and select graduate programs to meet the needs of those living in a highly technological and global society. The University possesses an international reputation for preparing and producing world-class leaders such as Langston Hughes '29, the noted poet; Thurgood Marshall '30, the first African American U.S. Supreme Court Justice; Nnamdi Azikiwe '30, the first president of Nigeria; Kwame Nkrumah '39, the first president of Ghana; Lillian Fishburne '71, the first African American woman promoted to rear admiral in the U.S. Navy; Sheila Oliver '74, the lieutenant governor of New Jersey; Saara Kuugongelwa '94, the first female prime minister of Namibia; and a myriad of others.

Lincoln University offers an education that will prepare international students for success in a world of rapid scientific and technological changes. Regardless of your career goals, Lincoln University will prepare you to achieve them. The university's 3-2 and 3-3 cooperative programs, in conjunction with several area universities, ensure that you will be able to compete successfully in the international job market as well as in the United States.

An application for admission and other pertinent information are enclosed to assist your process to enroll at Lincoln University. If you desire further assistance, please contact our office at 484-365-7786 to speak with one of the university's international student advisors.

Please accept this invitation to become a part of the Lincoln University of Pennsylvania family!

Sincerely,

Office of International Programs and Services Lincoln University Lincoln Hall, Room 103 Lincoln University, PA 19352 Phone: 484-365-7785

Fax: 484-365-7822

http://www.lincoln.edu/departments/international-programs-and-services

Financing Your College Cost at Lincoln University

Education in the United States can be very expensive. The estimated total cost for a 9-month academic year of study at Lincoln University is approximately \$28,442, which covers tuition, fees, room and board. A graduate education may be more expensive. There is very little financial assistance for International students to study here with the possible exception of citizens of Canada and Mexico. Most public and private sources are restricted to United States Citizens and permanent resident aliens.

Before an I-20 can be issued to an admitted student, United States immigration law requires Lincoln University to verify that the student has sufficient funds to finance their studies, undergraduate Bachelor's first time college degree: 4 years; undergraduate Bachelor's lower level transfer degree: 3-4 years; Undergraduate Bachelor's upper level transfer degree: 2 years.

You must submit the following information with your application:

- 1. Financial Statements
- 2. Bank Statement or official letter showing sponsor's funding, assistantship, scholarship and/or Fellowship award letter that supports your Affidavit of Support. This data must be dated within 6 months of the planned term of entry.
- 3. Confirmation of Financial Support (Promissory Note) from financial sponsor (s) that clearly states their intention to support you financially during your entire stay at Lincoln University. Student may have multiple sponsors but the total amount from all sources of funding must exactly match the total required to attend Lincoln University for "all" years of attendance.

Be sure to go over the necessary financing with your sponsor. He or she must realize tuition, fees, room and board are payable on a **strict deadline**. Your money must not only be here, but it must also be cleared by the bank before classes start. Funds from overseas may take four (4) weeks or more to be clear by the bank and be usable, so you must plan ahead. A little planning now will save you much worry later.

You should bring bank drafts, traveler's checks and some cash for immediate personal expenses. Opening a bank account when you arrive will be a priority.

Please note that you will be required to pay the remainder of your balance in FULL for tuition and fees, UPON YOUR ARRIVAL TO THE UNIVERSITY to secure your classes.

Student and Exchange Visitor Program: SEVIS I-901 Fee

Instructions for completing form I-901

The SEVIS fee of \$200.00 must be paid and fully processed before the applicant arrives at the consulate for the visa interview. A receipt will be sent to you by mail to the address that you indicate with your payment. Further, for those who pay the SEVIS fee online, a payment confirmation can be printed out immediately after the payment is made, and used as a receipt until the mailed receipt is received. Please note that if you are subject to this fee and do not pay it, you will not be issued an F-1 visa for admission to the United States.

You must take the SEVIS fee payment receipt with you for the visa interview. Having a receipt for the SEVIS fee payment will facilitate the visa application process. However, if you are unable to print a receipt from an on-line payment and/or do not receive your mailed receipt in time for your visa interview you can still go to your interview as long as your fee has been processed by the Department of Homeland Security.

Please note that Lincoln University will not pay your I-901 fees. This is your responsibility.

For more detailed information on the fee payment process, go to the Student and Exchange Visitor Program's website.

Instructions for Completing the International Application

Documents submitted to Lincoln University become the property of Lincoln University and cannot be returned to the student or forwarded to another institution.

Section A: High School Students

- Complete and mail your application to
 Office of International Programs and Services
 Lincoln University
 1570 Old Baltimore Pike
 Lincoln University, PA 19352-0999
- 2. Answer each question completely and accurately; international students do not have social security numbers.
- 3. Enclose the \$20.00 application fee. This fee is required to process your application and should be mailed with the application. Send a money order or cashier's check; <u>PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED</u>.
- 4. Indicate the academic program (Major) you intend to pursue at Lincoln University, even if you are unsure at this time.
- 5. List your accomplishments, both academic and non-academic.
- 6. Ask your teacher, minister or someone other than a family member who knows you well to write a letter of recommendation telling us about your intellectual qualities, academic work, leadership skills and community service. (2 Required)
- 7. National Examination or an official high school/secondary school transcript, showing grades received in all courses from 9th through 12th grade is required of all applicants for the freshman year. Applicants seeking admission to Lincoln University should request the appropriate official transcript of their high school/secondary school and forward the most recent transcript available to the Office of International Programs and Services.

All transcripts of academic work completed outside the United States must be

- ▶ Official, that is, in the original, sealed envelope of issuing institution
- ► In English or accompanied by a certified translation.
- 8. Write an essay of 150-200 words and answer the following: What would you like to accomplish at Lincoln University and how does this relate to your future career goals?
- 9. Test Scores Applicants are encouraged to take any required tests as early as possible to avoid delays in the processing of their applications. Only official Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) Service are considered official documents. NOTE: Photo copies are considered <u>unofficial</u> and any admission to Lincoln University made upon unofficial scores will not be finalized until official scores are received. The institution code for Lincoln University is 003290.
- 10. All international students should be proficient in the use of the English language. All applicants from countries where English is not the official language must take the Test of English As a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scores. All TOEFL scores must be dated within 2 years of the desired semester you wish to study at Lincoln University. The acceptable scores for admission are as follows; Internet-Based 71, Computer-Based 200, and the Paper-Based 500.

Section B: Financial Information

- 1. No Federal or State financial aid will be awarded to international students entering Lincoln University from other countries.
- 2. International students must provide Affidavit of Support and financial documentation to show proof that they can finance their education at Lincoln University.
- 3. International students planning to enroll at Lincoln University must provide financial documents to support the current availability of funds and that adequate funding that will be available for subsequent years. One year's payment of tuition, fees room and board must be paid in full before any immigration documents can be prepared or mailed to you. This fee is refundable if you do not obtain your F-1 visa.

Section C: Transfer Students

Follow instructions in Section A.

- 1. A transfer student is considered to be any person who has been enrolled in a college or university other than Lincoln University.
- 2. To qualify for admission as a transfer applicant, the student must be in good standing at all previously attended institutions, and have completed 15 or more semester hours with a minimum 2.7 cumulative grade point average.
- 3. Official transcripts from all previously attended institution(s) must be mailed to the Office of International Programs and Services directly in a sealed envelope.
- 4. Transferable credits are determined by the Registrar's Office at Lincoln University.

Section D: Notice of Admission

When your application is received, we will notify you by letter. Once test scores, transcripts, application fee, recommendations and other supporting documents have been received, the Office of International Programs and Services will read your application and inform you of our decision at the earliest possible date.

Section E: International Scholars Scholarships

The International Scholars Scholarship is awarded during the academic year, which begins each fall semester. The International Scholars Scholarship is renewable with a 3.3 cumulative GPA and 30 earned credits each year. Scholarships are awarded annually through the Office of International Programs and Services.

Your application must be accepted by March 1 to be considered for the International Scholars Scholarship.

Authorization to Disclose Information

A frequent question that comes up is whether the FERPA privacy act applies to international students, and if so, under what circumstances can a school disclose "personally identifiable records" that FERPA protects from non-consensual release.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended [20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 C.F.R. Part 99], abbreviated as "FERPA," protects the privacy of all students studying at institutions to which funds have been made available under any program administered by the Department of Education, including funds provided to the school or agency by grant, agreement, or contract, and funds provided to students through Government student loan and grant programs. This protection extends to student records maintained by "educational agencies" that provide administrative control or direction of, or perform service functions for, covered public elementary or secondary schools or postsecondary institutions. [34 C.F.R. § 99.1]

The FERPA statute itself does not distinguish between students based on their immigration status. The basic protection of FERPA is that "personally identifiable information" from student "educational records" cannot be released to any third party without the consent of the student.

I authorize the Office of International Programs and Services to disclose information on my application status to the person(s) identified below for the purposes specified in each case. The Office of International Programs and Services <u>WILL NOT</u> disclose <u>ANY</u> information to anyone other than the student without this consent form being completed, this includes parent(s), grandparents, guidance counselors, agencies, etc.

SURNAME	FIRST NAME
Full Name	Relationship
Address	
Home Phone	Work Phone
Cell Phone	
Type of information The Office of International Pro- Application status Outstanding Documents Received document	grams and Services may release to this person:
Person 2	
. 5.55 2	Relationship
Full Name	Relationship
Full NameAddress	·
Full NameAddress	Work Phone

Dean of Students Certification Form

Prospective Transfer Student: This certification is to be completed by the Dean of Students or the Administrative Office in charge of Disciplinary Records at each post-secondary school you have attended as a student regardless of length of time that has passed since you were enrolled.

You may photocopy this form. Please inform the above office to return this form directly to the Office of International Programs and Services at the address above. All items listed should be completed to the best of the student's knowledge.

To Be Completed By the Studen	nt				
Surname	First Name				
Institution completing questionnaire					
Dates of Attendance					
Degree/Major granted or expected					
I have made application for admission to Lincoln University	o the Dean of Students or the administrative Officer in charge of Disciplinary Records: have made application for admission to Lincoln University, PA I authorize you to furnish any information in your files regarding any disciplinary ction(s) taken or sanctions imposed during the time of my enrollment in your institution.				
Student signature Date					
To Be Completed By the School	l Officer				
NO disciplinary action or sanctions have ev	rer been imposed against the above-named applicant.				
YES disciplinary action or sanctions have explain below or attach any documentation.	ver been imposed against the above- named applicant.				
Name of College/University Officer					
Title	(Please Print)				
Phone Number					
Signature	Date				
Thank you for your assistance. All information suppl Office of International Pr Lincoln University of Pen 1570 Baltimore Pike Lincoln University, PA 193	ograms and Services nsylvania				

Student Information Surname_

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First Name Middle Name	I will take SAT/ACT (Dates)_	
	Candidate's High School Rank	c in a class of
PHYSICAL ADDRESS	Percentile Rank Is	rank weighted? Yes • No •
Number and Street	Cumulative grade point avera Please ask your high school c	ageounselor for this information.
City State Zip	FAMILY BACKGRO	OUND
Country	Full Name	
Telephone Number Cell Phone Number	Address	
Email Address Please PRINT clearly. We will communicate via email.	City/Country	
PERSONAL INFORMATION Sex Female	Home Phone Number	Cell Phone Number
Date of Birth	Occupation	Work Phone
Month Day Year	FATHER	
Place of Birth City Country	Full Name	
Country of Citizenship		
HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION	Address	
(If you graduated from high school more than 2 years ago, please explain on the Supplementary Information form what you did during that time.)	City/Country	
	Home Phone Number	Cell Phone Number
High School Name Graduation Date		
TRANSFER STUDENTS List all colleges and universities you have attended.	Occupation	Work Phone
List all colleges and universities you have attended.	LEGAL GUARDIAN (if other the	han mother or father)
	Full Name	
LIST YOUR CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:		
Activity Grades Participated		
Activity Crades Participated	City/Country	
Activity Grades Participated	Home Phone Number	Cell Phone Number
Activity Grades Participated		
have taken the SAT Yes Pool No Combined Score	Occupation	Work Phone

INTENDED MAJOR

Circle your intended major(s). You may also select a minor(s) if applicable.

Majors

Accounting (BS, BA, minor) **Environmental Science** Mathematics Anthropology **Finance** Music **BHS-FLEX** Foreign Languages Nursing Biochemistry and Molecular Bio General Science Pan-Africana Studies Biology Health Science Philosophy Chemistry History **Physics** Computer Science **Human Services** Political Science Psychology Criminal Justice Information Technology **Economics** Liberal Studies Religion **Engineering Science** Management Sociology **English Liberal Arts** Mass Communications Visual Arts Minors Accounting **Ethics** Music Anthropology Finance Philosophy Biology Foreign Languages **Physics Black Studies** History Political Science Computer Science **Human Services** Psychology Information Technology Criminal Justice Religion **Economics** International Relations Sociology **English Liberal Arts** Management Visual Arts Entrepreneurial Studies Mass Communications **Environmental Science Mathematics Pre-Professional Programs** Pre-Law Dentistry Medicine Nursing Veterinary Science **CLASSIFICATION** () Freshman () Transfer (2-year college) () Transfer (4-year college) **ALUMNI** List any family members who have attended Lincoln University. Name(s) Relationship Year(s) Name(s) Relationship Year(s) Have you been convicted of a criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation? Yes -No 🖪 Are there such criminal charges pending against you at this time? Yes -No 🖪 Have you ever been dismissed, suspended or placed on probation by ANY school? Yes -No 🖪 If you answered yes to any of the three questions above, please explain these circumstances on a separate sheet. I certify that the information provided on this application is true, to the best of my knowledge; and I understand that my omission or misrepresentation of facts or failure to furnish information to the Office of International Programs and Services will automatically invalidate consideration of this application and/or acceptance to the university. I further understand that upon enrollment, I am expected to become familiar with and abide by the student rules and regulations as set forth in the Lincoln University Bulletin and Student Handbook. Signature of Applicant_____ Date

Affidavit of Support Certification of Financial Responsibility

Please return all forms with financial documentation. No fax copies will be accepted.

After the events of September 11, 2001, *Lincoln University is required by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Services to verify the availability of adequate funding for your tuition, fees, and living expenses for the duration of your academic program. All documentation of Support is valid for one year. Only official, original statements in English are accepted. We cannot issue the I-20 form necessary to obtain your visa until these forms are completed.

Evidence should consist of any or all of the following documentation listed below that is applicable to your situation. Failure to provide evidence of sufficient income and/or financial resources may result in the denial of the student.

*Statement from an officer of the bank or other financial institution where you have deposits, giving the following details regarding your account:

- Date account opened
- Total amount deposited for the past year
- Present Balance

Salary verification letters are not acceptable.

This document needs to be completed, notarized and mailed with supporting documentation.

Part I: Student Information

Name					
	Surname	First		Middle Name	
Mailing Address_					
_	Number and Street	City		Country	
Date of Birth					
	month/day/year				
City and Country	y of Birth		Country of Citizenship		

Part II: Actual Cost for 2018-2019

The costs below are for the 2018-2019 academic year. These figures are estimated costs for 9 months and are subject to increase without notice. Annual increases in tuition and fees are anticipated; therefore, your financial certification should reflect sufficient funds to cover the increases. Please note that tuition is subject to change without notice.

TUITION AND FEES \$18,704.00 ROOM AND BOARD \$9,738.00 TOTAL \$28,442.00

Undergraduate tuition and fees are based on estimates of 18 credits per semester for two terms. Students must register for a minimum of 12 credits for each semester.

The above costs are for on-campus housing and meal plan. Off-campus housing costs may be higher. Please note that students may need about \$1,500 for their books and supplies. Please also note that summer school costs are additional.

Part III: Source of Funding

Please indicate your source (s) of funding for the duration of your program at The Lincoln University and include the required documentation. You must have a minimum of \$28,442.00 available for undergraduate study. Please include an additional \$5,722 if you intend to attend summer school. All amounts must be in US dollars.

Amount available	e each year of study:	Required Documentation:		
Personal Savings	\$	Official letter or statement, signed and dated, from your <u>bank or financial</u> <u>institution</u> indicating a current balance to cover the entire length of the program.		
Sponsor	\$	Official letter or statement, signed and dated from your Sponsor's bank or financial institution, indicating funds for the first year of study.		
Scholarship Other	\$ \$	<u>Salary verification letters are not acceptable.</u> Official letter from the awarding institution. The award letter must state the applicant's name, the amount of money available for each year of study, the duration of the award, the degree and academic program, and the name "Lincoln University" as the academic institution that the applicant has been approved to attend.		
Total	\$	Please specify and enclose original documentation.		
I certify that the	consor Statement e above information is correct and the reach subsequent year of study duri	nat funding in the amount of \$ (<i>minimum \$28,442.00</i>) is currenge the duration of the academic program.	entl	
		oport for a minimum of 4 years for the bachelor's degree. I have enclose instrating availability of funds for the first year.	d	
Name of Sponso	r (Please Print)			
Relationship to	Applicant			
 I will submit the sum of \$28,442.00 payable to "Lincoln University" for tuition, fees, room and board to remain account for the full academic year. 				
2. I understand and agree that I may not withdraw any of the aforementioned monies from the student's a proper notification that the student will not attend Lincoln University of Pennsylvania.				
3. I under	stand and fully accept my financial o	obligations to Lincoln University.		
Address of Spons	sor			
Telephone				
Sponsor's Signat	ure	Date		
Part V: Stu	udent Statement			
I hereby accept	responsibility for payment of my tui	tion should my Sponsor be unable to fulfill this obligation.		
Student's Signat	ure	Date		