

Securing your I-20

I-20 documents provide proof that you have the finances available to attend a nine-month academic year of education at Marist. I-20 estimated costs do not includes costs for living during the Summer.

Your I-20 is required to complete the online DS-160 and I-901 forms so you can schedule a VISA interview.

Complete Instructions and Affidavit Forms are here. https://www.marist.edu/admission/graduate/intl/i-20

Send official <u>TOEFL</u> (school code 2400) or <u>Duolingo</u> English language scores from your testing company directly to Marist. (IELTS, and PTE do not need official score reporting)

Passport, Affidavit, and Bank Statement

- Email scans of your Passport, Affidavit, and Bank Statement to graduate.processing@marist.edu.
- The bank statement and affidavit must be less than six months old at the time an I-20 is issued.
- The bank statement and affidavit also be less than six months old at the time of your interview. You may need to update your documents before an interview.
- Complete an Affidavit on Stamp Paper, or complete Marist Declaration of Finances form.
 - Marist Declaration of Finances forms must be stamped/attested, and are found at https://www.marist.edu/admission/graduate/intl/i-20

DS-160 and I-901 documents to start the VISA process

Once you receive your I-20, complete the DS-160 and I-901 forms.

Start at this site to start your VISA application. https://ceac.state.gov/genniv/

Pay the I-901 before you schedule your VISA appointment. Students who come to an interview without paying the I-901 fee are frequently denied. https://www.fmjfee.com/i901fee/index.html. This fee goes to the United States government to cover the cost of processing your VISA request. This fee is not sent to Marist.