Union University
Statement of Understanding for International Students

Please read the statements below carefully. Please acknowledge your understanding of each of these statements by initialing each blank. This form must be completed and received at Union University before you will be considered for admission.

____ 1. I understand that Union University is a Christian university, affiliated with the Tennessee Baptist Convention, and I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the college. [www.uu.edu/studentservices/handbook]

____ 2. I understand that I must submit with my application a non-refundable, one-time only application fee of $35.00. I also understand that, if requested, I must have my academic transcript(s) professionally evaluated by an organization or individual approved by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. I acknowledge that I will be responsible for any evaluation fees, which can cost between $100.00 and $200.00. I agree to request that the official evaluation be forwarded to Union University. [http://www.uu.edu/international]

____ 3. I understand that I must pay a pre-tuition deposit of $200.00 before an I-20 form will be sent to me. (The deposit is refundable if I do not receive a visa.) Payment may be made by credit card, wire transfer or other forms of certified payment.

____ 4. I understand I will have to pay a one-time only fee of $200.00 to the Dept. of Homeland Security for the operational costs of the Student Visa and Exchange Visitor Information Systems (SEVIS). Payment should be done prior to your visa appointment at [www.fmjfee.com](http://www.fmjfee.com) after the I-20 is received.

____ 5. I understand that I may be required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or ACT or SAT prior to admittance and have the official scores sent to the Admissions Office at Union University. [www.uu.edu/admissions/undergraduate/requirements.cfm]

____ 6. I understand that I must attend the orientation for new international students, in addition to the freshman/transfer orientation in the fall.

____ 7. I understand that I am responsible for the direct cost of my education, as well as any expenses related to traveling to or from, or living in, the United States. I acknowledge
that tuition, room and board at Union is approximately $37,000.00 each academic year and is subject to increase each year. www.uu.edu/admissions/financialinfo

___ 8. I understand that I am responsible for paying the total cost of each semester in advance, and in the event that I cannot meet the cost, I must make satisfactory arrangements. www.uu.edu/admissions/financialinfo

___ 9. I understand that as an F-1 student I can work only on campus (if a job is available). I cannot work off campus until the second year and then only with permission from the Union University International Student Advisor and the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

___ 10. I understand that I must purchase and maintain insurance required of all international students while enrolled at Union University. The cost will be billed to my student account at Union University.

___ 11. I understand that I am not allowed to request funds from churches or groups within the U.S.A.

___ 12. I understand that transportation to and from Jackson, TN, is my responsibility. I also understand that if requested well in advance of my arrival and/or departure, that Union University may be able to provide transportation to or from campus to airports or bus stations located in Jackson, Memphis or Nashville. I understand that in the event I am leaving Jackson, TN, at the end of a semester I am to arrange my transportation such that I attend my regularly scheduled final examinations for my courses as listed in the academic catalog.

___ 13. I understand that all students under the age of 22 are required to live in university housing, and that students who have already reached the age of 22 are permitted to live off-campus if they apply. I also understand that I must purchase a meal plan consisting of a set number of meals per semester with costs ranging from $795.00 to $1,985.00. www.uu.edu/studentservices/residenceliferesources/mealplans.cfm

I understand each of the following statements as stated above.

Signature of Applicant __________________________ Date ______________

Any questions? Please feel free to contact Mrs. Pam Whitnell at pwhitnell@uu.edu or 731.661.5010.

Please return this form, signed and dated, with your completed application and application fee for admission.

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