Attached are the forms necessary to apply for admission to Pacific Lutheran University. Be sure to read the instructions below and complete all requirements as listed.

Students are admitted for either the Fall (September) or Spring (February) Semester. Acceptance to the Fall Term also approves enrollment in the prior Summer Session. Spring Semester acceptance approves enrollment in the January Term. Candidates are notified of their status as soon as their completed application has been received and evaluated.

Application Requirements for International Students

Submit the following to the Office of Admission:

1. **International Student Application** (pages 3-6) with a non-refundable $40.00 USD application fee payable to PLU. The application fee will be waived for online application, which may be accessed at [www.choose.plu.edu/international/apply](http://www.choose.plu.edu/international/apply)

2. **OFFICIAL Transcripts** with English translation from each: (a) secondary school, (b) English as a second language program, (c) college or university attended in the United States, home country or other country. Transcripts must be sent directly from each institution in a sealed envelope. Faxed or scanned copies are not acceptable.

3. **English proficiency**, if your first language is other than English, measured by one of the following:
   a. TOEFL - Internet Based: 79, Computer Based: 213, Paper Based: 550; IELTS: 6.5, PTE: 56, or
   b. Two quarters or one semester of college-level English writing from a U.S. college with grades of “B” or better
   c. Completion of designated ESL program

4. **Academic Recommendation** (pages 7-8) from school officials or others in a position to evaluate your ability to succeed in a baccalaureate program.

5. **Transfer Statement of Good Standing** (page 9) only for students who have previously attended college or university in the United States prior to attending PLU.

6. **Personal Essay**, included in the online application or submitted to intl@plu.edu.

7. **Copy of Passport photopage**

Forms listed above may be found online at [www.plu.edu/admission/international/apply](http://www.plu.edu/admission/international/apply)

**Contact Information:**
Office of Admission  
Pacific Lutheran University  
Tacoma, WA 98447-0003  
U.S.A.

Phone: 1-253-535-7151  
Fax: 1-253-536-5136  
E-mail: admission@plu.edu  
Web site: www.plu.edu
Finalizing All Offers of Admission

Once admitted, you will receive an acceptance packet containing the necessary forms to confirm your enrollment. The following must be submitted before you may register for classes:

- Enrollment Deposit of $200.00 USD
- Residential Life Information Form
- Medical History Record
- New Student Information Form
- Official Final Transcripts

**PLEASE NOTE** An I-20 will not be sent to you until the $200.00 USD Enrollment Deposit and a copy of your passport photopage have been received by PLU.

Housing Assignments

After receiving a letter of acceptance, you may apply for on-campus housing by submitting the $200.00 USD Enrollment Deposit with the New Student and Residential Life Information forms.

Insurance

All international students are required to purchase the PLU health insurance plan for international students. A copy of this plan may be obtained from the Health Center online at [www.plu.edu/health-center](http://www.plu.edu/health-center).

Financing Your Education

PLU costs are outlined on the International Student Declaration of Finances. Students must demonstrate the ability to meet all costs of attending Pacific Lutheran University.
Certification of Accuracy

Signing this form certifies that all application information is accurate, and complete. I understand that failure to submit complete, official transcripts from all schools, colleges or universities attended may result in the denial of this application. Furthermore, I understand that submitting falsified or fraudulent documents or information will jeopardize admission status and enrollment privileges.

Signature of applicant ____________________________ Date ____________________

Application Information

Please check the box next to the semester you are applying for:

- Fall Semester, September Year ____________ (Priority date May 1)
- Spring Semester, February Year ____________ (Priority date December 1)

Are you applying as:

- Freshman (first year)
- Transfer
- Second Bachelors
- Non-Degree Seeking

Intended major/area of study: ________________________________________________________________

If undecided, what subject area or career interests you? ________________________________________________________________

Have you previously applied for admission to PLU?  
- Yes Year ____________  
- No

Do you plan to apply for on-campus housing?  
- Yes  
- No

Are you applying under any of the following programs?  
- PLU Namibia  
- PLU Sichuan Program  
- PLU Trinidad and Tobago Program  
- Market Economist  
- Non-Degree Study Abroad Home Institution ________________________________________________

Personal Information

1. Legal name (as it appears on passport):

   LAST/SURNAME ____________________________ FIRST/GIVEN ____________________________ MIDDLE ____________________________

   Preferred name: ________________________________________________________________

   Former name (If previous academic records under a different name): ________________________________________________________________

2. Date of birth _______/_____/______  

3. Male  

Female

4. Country of citizenship: ________________________________________________________________

5. Country of birth: ________________________________________________________________

6. Visa type/classification (if currently reside in the U.S.): ________________________________________________________________
Personal Information

7. Student home country address:

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY                      STATE/PROVINCE    POSTAL CODE    COUNTRY

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________
(INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)   (INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)

8. Mailing address (If different from above):

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY                      STATE/PROVINCE    POSTAL CODE    COUNTRY

Phone: ___________________________ Fax: ___________________________
(INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)   (INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)

9. Home E-mail: ___________________________ School E-mail: ___________________________

10. Agency address (If applicable):
    If an agency address is provided, all materials will be sent to the agency, unless requested otherwise.

Agency name: ________________________________________

Representative name: ________________________________________

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY                      STATE/PROVINCE    POSTAL CODE    COUNTRY

Agency Phone: ___________________________ Agency E-mail: ___________________________
(INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)

Fax: ___________________________
(INCLUDING COUNTRY/AREA CODE)

11. Religious preference (Optional) ________________________________________

12. Are you a child of clergy?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

13. How did you learn about Pacific Lutheran University? (example: web site, advertisement, family friend, etc.) ________________
Educational Information

14. List below the names and dates of each school you have attended, beginning with high school and including college.

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<th>NAME OF INSTITUTION ATTENDED</th>
<th>LOCATION (CITY/COUNTRY)</th>
<th>DATE OF ENTRANCE (MONTH/YEAR)</th>
<th>DATE OF LEAVING (MONTH/YEAR)</th>
<th>CERTIFICATE, DEGREE, OR DIPLOMA RECEIVED</th>
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15. Have you taken any of these standardized tests? If yes, please indicate dates and scores:

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(Note: Official test scores must be provided)

16. Are you willing to study English as a Second Language before enrolling at Pacific Lutheran University if it is determined you need to improve your English skills?  Yes  No

Current Academic Year Information

To be completed by beginning freshman and transfer students if currently enrolled in high school or college.

17. List all courses to be completed during the current academic year:

______________________________________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________________________________

Family Information

18. Parent/Spouse Information:  Relationship to You: ________________________

LAST/SURNAME  FIRST/GIVEN  MIDDLE

ADDRESS

ADDRESS

CITY  STATE/PROVINCE  POSTAL CODE  COUNTRY

19. Please list all dependents that will be living with you while attending PLU:

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<th>FIRST/GIVEN</th>
<th>DATE OF BIRTH</th>
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<th>COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP</th>
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20. Please list names of family members or friends who have attended Pacific Lutheran University:


21. Language(s) spoken at home: __________________________________________________________

22. Where would you like to receive the I-20?  □ Home Country  □ Mailing  □ Parent  □ Agent  □ Other (If other, fill in below)

NUMBER AND STREET  
CITY  
STATE/PROVINCE  
POSTAL CODE  

23. Have you ever been dismissed from school for disciplinary reasons?  □ Yes  □ No  If yes, include an explanation.

_____________________________________________________________________________________________________

Statement of Character and Signature

24. Have you ever been convicted of a crime?  
□ No  □ Yes  If yes, please attach written details with your application.

NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT)  
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT  
DATE  

Supplements

25. Personal Essay (Required for degree seeking students only)

The essay allows the admission committee to get to know you as a person, as well as to evaluate your writing ability. We are interested in learning more about you and your interests, and the essay is a great way to understand you beyond your test scores and grades. Please choose from the following admission essay options and check the box of the option you have selected. Using a separate sheet of paper, please write an essay on one of the following topics.

□ Option 1: PLU encourages students to consider the question inspired by the poet Mary Oliver: “What will you do with your one wild and precious life?” What hopes and plans do you have for your future at PLU and how will you use your unique leadership skills and past experiences to make a positive contribution to campus and your life after college?

□ Option 2: Please submit an essay on a topic of your choice.

□ Option 3: Describe a time that you have been both challenged and supported. Which was more important and why?

Please type or print legibly and write your name on each page.

26. Describe any special circumstances you believe should be considered in connection with this application (attach additional page).
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT APPLICATION

ACADEMIC RECOMMENDATION

To be completed by applicant

Name of Applicant: ____________________________________________________________

NUMBER AND STREET

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE

COUNTRY

Birthdate ___________ – ___________ – ___________ Term Beginning _____________________________

In compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, effective November 21, 1974, this letter of recommendation, which will be placed in the applicant’s admission file, may be reviewed by the applicant upon request unless this waiver has been signed.

Do you waive the right to be shown information on this form, which is to be used for undergraduate admissions purposes only.  
☑ Yes  ☐ No

____________________________________      ________________________________________      ___________________
NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT)        SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT                      DATE

To be completed by respondent (a qualified person such as a principal, teacher or counselor)

Name: ________________________________________________________________________________

SCHOOL ADDRESS

CITY

STATE/PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE

School: ___________________________________________________________ Title: _____________________________

Office Phone: ______________________________________________________ E-mail: __________________________

_________________________________________      ___________________
SIGNATURE OF RESPONDENT                                                                       DATE

Please respond to the following questions, which will be considered in the application and scholarship process. PLU welcomes the inclusion of letters of recommendation in an applicant’s admission file.

How long have you known the applicant and in what context?

________________________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

What course(s) have you taught this student?

________________________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

________________________________________________________________________________________

(continued on back page)
What four words would you use to describe this applicant?
________________________ / __________________________ / __________________________ / __________________________

Do you believe that the applicant’s academic record is reflective of his or her ability?  □ Yes  □ No
________________________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________________________
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________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Based on academic potential and skills, how would you rate this student’s ability to succeed in a rigorous baccalaureate program?
□ No Basis  □ Below Average  □ Average  □ Good  □ Top 10%
□ One of the best I have encountered in my career

How familiar are you with PLU?
□ I am a PLU alum  □ I know PLU well  □ I am familiar with PLU  □ I know very little about PLU

Do you recommend this applicant for admission to PLU?
□ Yes, without reservation  □ Yes  □ Yes, but with concern  □ No

Return this completed form to:
Office of Admission, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma WA, 98447-0003, U.S.A.
INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER APPLICATION – STATEMENT OF GOOD STANDING

This form must be submitted to PLU before final action can be taken on your application for admission. Please sign the following release and give the form to the Dean of Students at the college/university you have attended most recently in the U.S.A.

“I have applied for admission to PLU and I authorize the release of the following information.”

_______________________________________________  _______________________________________________
STUDENT’S NAME (PLEASE PRINT)             STUDENT’S SIGNATURE

Date of Birth ____________________________________

Dean of Students:
The student named above has applied for admission to Pacific Lutheran University. This form must be on file before a final admission decision can be made. Please complete this form and return directly to PLU in an official, sealed envelope.

1. When was this student in attendance at your college/university?

2. Has the student been:
   - On scholastic probation? □ Yes □ No
   - On disciplinary probation? □ Yes □ No
   - In violation of conduct standards? □ Yes □ No
   If yes to any of the above, please explain: _________________________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________

3. May the student continue in good standing at your institution? □ Yes □ No
   If no, please explain: _________________________________________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________

4. If known, indicate reason student is leaving your institution: __________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________________________________________

5. Please report any additional comments on the reverse side of this form.

6. Report based on:
   - □ Records only
   - □ Close personal contact
   - □ Casual contacts/observations
   - □ Intensive counseling contacts

By signing this statement of good standing, you are acknowledging that you have the authority to release the above information.

Your name: _________________________________________ School name: _______________________________________
Position or title: _____________________________________ Phone: ( _________ ) _____________________________
Signature: __________________________________________ Date: __________________________________________

MM/DD/YY

Return this completed form to:
Office of Admission, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma WA, 98447-0003, U.S.A.