



UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

APPLICANT GUIDE FOR INDIAN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS



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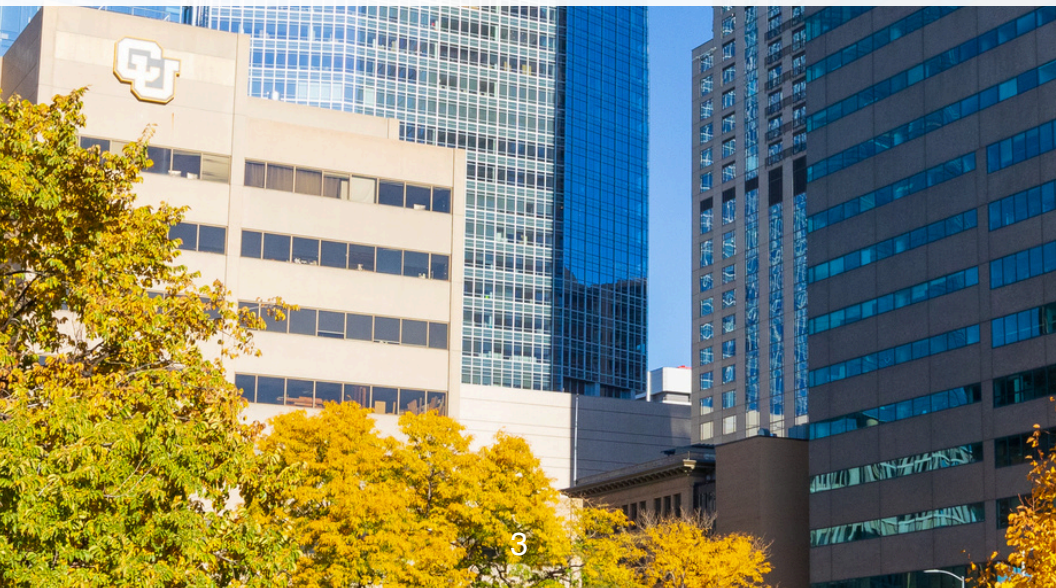


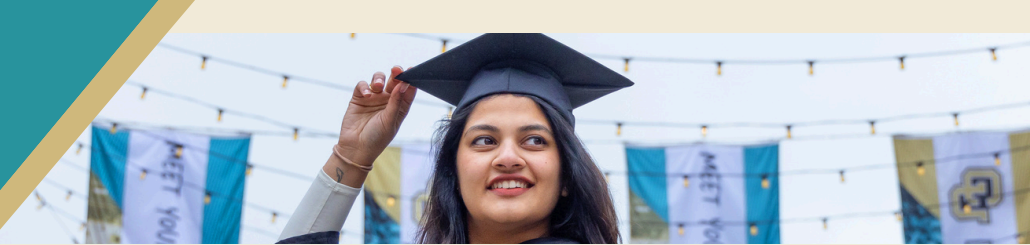
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ABOUT

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

- R1 Research University
- Career-Connected Campus
- Undergraduate Scholarships
- 150+ Programs (50+ STEM OPT)
- 15,000 Students (7% international)





APPLICATION CHECKLIST

INDIAN UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

- [Online Application](#)
- \$75 Application Fee**
- Proof of English Language Proficiency (see pages 6-8)**
 - You do not need proof of English language proficiency (ELP) in order to submit application!
- Complete transcripts (see below)**
 - If the transcript is not in English, a certified English translation must be included. Translations completed by an ATA-certified translator are recommended.

Transcript Requirements

First Year Applicants	Transfer Applicants
<p>If still in high school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary School Certificate (Grade X) • Transcript for Grade 11 	<p>If completed one semester:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary School Certificate (Grade X) • Transcript for Grade 11 • High School Secondary Certificate (Grade XII) • Individual marksheets, including failed exams of every semester completed issued, by the university (autonomous college)
<p>If high school is completed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary School Certificate (Grade X) • Transcript for Grade 11 • High School Secondary Certificate (Grade XII) 	<p>If completed two semesters or more:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual marksheets, including failed exams of every semester completed issued, by the university (autonomous college). No need to submit high school records



EDUCATIONAL AGENTS AND YOUR APPLICATION

INDIAN UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

Students must indicate agent affiliation at the time of application submission, by answering the agent affiliation question and choosing the correct company name from the drop-down list.

Did you apply with the help of an education agent?

- Yes
- No

Please choose your agent's company name:

If your agent affiliation is missing or needs to be added after submitting your application, please email intlagents@ucdenver.edu to request the **Agent Affiliation Change Form**.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

INDIAN UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

Option 1: English Language Proficiency Tests

You may meet the ELP requirement by fulfilling ANY of the four options listed in the following pages. You are required to submit documentation to prove your English ability.

Test	Required Score
Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations (CISCE) Grade XII English Exam	60 or better
IELTS	Overall: 6.5 minimum Sub scores: 5.5 minimum
TOEFL (before 1.21.2026)	Overall: 79 Reading: 8 Listening: 7 Speaking: 18 Writing: 16
TOEFL (after 1.21.2026)	Overall: 4 Reading: 3 Listening: 2.5 Speaking: 3.5 Writing: 3.5
Duolingo	Overall: 105 minimum Sub scores: 85 minimum
PTE Academic	Overall: 58 minimum Sub scores: 42 minimum



ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (CONT.)

INDIAN UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS

ACT English Section	18
SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section	480
Advanced Place (AP) – English Literature and Composition	3
International Baccalaureate (IB) – English A Literature (HL or SL) – English A Language and Literature (HL or SL)	4
IGCSE Ordinary Level Certificate, General Certificate of Education (GCE) A and AS-Level	E or higher

Option 2: CU Denver English as a Second Language Academy ESL (Level 5) Graduation

International applicants can meet CU Denver’s English Language Proficiency requirement by successfully completing Level 5 courses at the [CU Denver ESL Academy](#).



INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

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The University of Colorado Denver offers financial aid and scholarships for **international undergraduate applicants**.

- Automatic merit-based scholarships are awarded upon admission.
- Students may also be considered for the Additional Merit Scholarship with a separate application.
- Program-specific and external scholarships are available through CU Denver's scholarship database, Scholarship Universe.
- Scholarships can be combined with on-campus employment and other financial resources to contribute to the overall cost of attendance.

Scholarship Type	Application Required	Award Amount	Criteria
Automatic Merit	No	\$5,000-\$10,000 per academic year	GPA
Additional Merit	Yes - receive the link after applying	\$6,000 - \$8,000 per academic year	GPA and scholarship application
Program-Specific	Yes - apply on Scholarship Universe	\$500-\$2,500	Varies
External Scholarships	Yes - apply on Scholarship Universe	Varies	Varies

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS (CONT.)

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AUTOMATIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

Automatic merit scholarships are awarded automatically based on GPA. International Admissions will convert international GPAs to the U.S. 4.0 scale during the admission review. Students will be notified of the scholarship award upon admission. Students admitted in summer will receive their first award in the subsequent fall term.

GPA	Annual Award
3.0-3.29	\$5,000
3.3-3.69	\$7,500
3.7-4.0	\$10,000

ADDITIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

To apply for the additional merit scholarship, select “**Yes**” to the question “**Are you interested in applying for additional merit-based scholarships?**” in your online admission application. This will trigger an email with a link to the scholarship application. If you have already submitted your admission application, click “Apply Now” next to “Additional Merit Scholarship” in the [International Undergraduate Scholarships table](#).

Term	Priority Scholarship Consideration
Fall (August)	March 1
Spring (January)	October 1

DEADLINE & COSTS

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APPLICATION DEADLINES

CU Denver uses rolling admission processing for undergraduate applications. You will receive your admission decision within 10 business days of submitting a complete application.

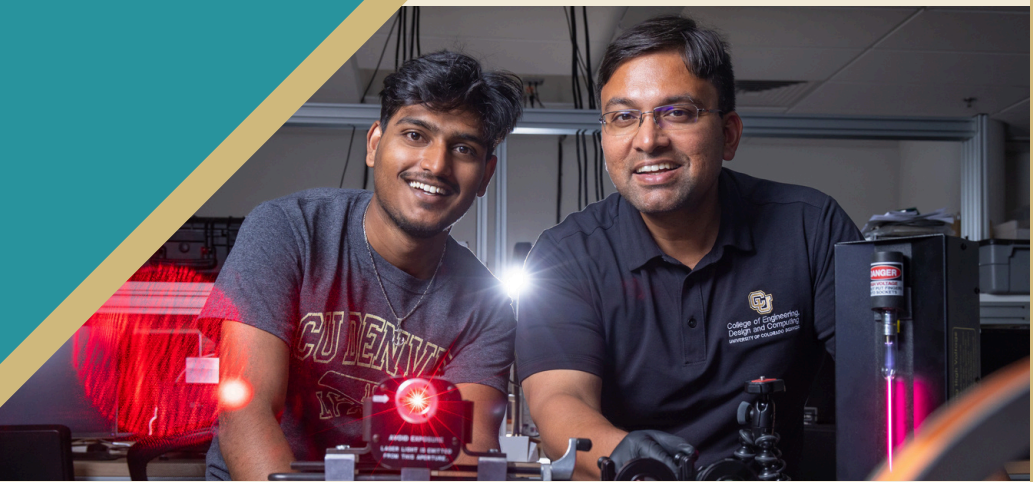
Term	Outside the U.S.	Inside the U.S.
Fall (August)	July 11	August 3
Spring (January)	December 3	January 1
Summer (June)	May 3	May 20

UNDERGRADUATE COST OF ATTENDANCE

Your total cost to attend CU Denver includes more than your tuition & fees – you will also need to consider your housing, food, travel, health insurance, textbooks, etc. Students should be prepared to pay tuition and fees for each year of study for the full duration of their program (typically four years for [undergraduate programs](#)).

Tuition & Fees	Living Expenses	Books & Insurance	Total (I-20 Amount)
\$33,645	\$20,380	\$5,294	\$59,318

***The cost estimates above are for the academic year 2025-2026.**



CURRICULAR PRACTICAL TRAINING (CPT)

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Curricular Practical Training (CPT) for Current F-1 Students

- Curricular Practical Training (CPT) is an F-1 work authorization to allow students to gain professional experience while meeting academic requirements for their degree program.
- According to [the F-1 regulations](#), CPT must be an integral part of an established curriculum. When you prepare to submit a CPT request, please consider how you will connect the internship or professional experience to your academic requirements.
- For more information on how to apply to CPT, please visit our [Curricular Practical Training Website](#).



OPTIONAL PRACTICAL TRAINING (OPT)

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Optional Practical Training (OPT) for Current F-1 Students

- Optional Practical Training (OPT) is a program that allows you to stay in the United States and gain work experience after you graduate while remaining on your F-1 visa status.
- Students in most majors can work for 12 months on OPT status, but majors in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) can work up to 36 months.
- For a list of STEM eligible programs, please visit our [Optional Practical Training Website](#).