Why Ohio?

Getting to know Kent State and the region

• Safe and Friendly – 11th safest campus in the nation
• Low Cost of Living – 88% less expensive than NYC
• Students can walk to everything – a true American college campus fee within a vibrant small city
• Outdoors and Nature – “tree city”
• Entertainment – Greater CLE area nearby
• Prosperous Business environment – America’s industrial heartland
Kent State Flash Facts

Getting to know Kent State and the region

• Located in Kent, OH; the Great Lakes Region
• Founded 1910
Kent State
Flash Facts
Getting to know Kent State and the region

• Over 300 programs from Bachelors to Masters to PhD
• Over 1500 international students from 104 countries
• Top Aeronautics, Architecture, Business, Communication, Counseling, Education, Fashion, Nursing, and Translation Programs in the nation
• 8 campuses, plus centers in NYC, Florence and Geneva
Student Life & Services

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

• #1 ranked dining service in the U.S. (collegerank.com)
• Free campus bus service
• Beautiful college town
Student Life & Services

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

- Student events and festivals throughout the year
- First Class Recreation and Fitness Center
- Free WIFI service campus-wide
Live on Campus

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

• 25 different residence halls, and 6500 students living on campus
• Unique Living-learning Communities
• Higher GPA standing, more credit hours, and engage more in communities
Campus Safety
Make KENT your HOME away from Home

• Kent State University is the safest campus in Ohio, and the 11th safest campus in the U.S. (FBI Uniform Crime Report).
• Kent State Police Services – “Flagship Agency”
• Police patrol 24 hours a day, nighttime campus escorts
• Campus security and courtesy phones are available in all buildings and parking lots
• FlashALERTS
Affordable Education

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(Academic Year 2018-2019)
Academic & Career

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

- Small Class Sizes – More than 56% of classes have fewer than 20 students
- Strong Faculty – More than 70% have the highest degree in their field
- Research priority – No. 5 for both US and Canada
Academic & Career

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

- 14 Libraries, and a Global Education Librarian
- Academic Success Center – subject-specific tutoring
- Global Education, & National Student Exchange Program
- Personalized, professional career advising
Student Organizations

Make KENT your HOME away from Home

• Over 400 student organizations and clubs:
  • Professional
  • Sports
  • International
Prestigious Programs
Aeronautics & Engineering

College of Aeronautics and Engineering

- The only aeronautic program in State of Ohio that is accredited by Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI) along with 31 other institutes globally
- Unique programs including Aerospace Engineering, Aeronautics, Air Traffic Control, Airport Management
- Home to Kent State Airport, air traffic control simulator, CAD, and many other hi-tech labs
- Internship and co-op opportunities
Architecture

College of Architecture & Environmental Design

- **Nationally accredited** by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) and the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)
- Award-winning faculty – 3 of the 25 “most admired educators of 2018” are from Kent State *(Design Intelligence)*
- Urban Design Center in downtown Cleveland
- Sustainable, state-of-the-art new building
- Study abroad in Florence, Italy
Arts

College of the Arts

• Fashion School – the 17th best in the world, 3rd and 4th best in the nation for Fashion Merchandising and Fashion Design.
• NYC studio, Florence program
• School of Art – U.S. News & World Report ranks Visual Arts graduate program in the top 100
Arts

College of the Arts

• School of Music – Accreditation of National Association of Schools of Music, Cleveland Orchestra. Programs include Music Education, Conducting, Music Performance

• School of Theatre and Dance – students-leading year-long production, Porthouse Theatre.

• State of the art facilities
Arts and Sciences

College of Arts and Sciences

- A wide variety of academic disciplines
- Research-oriented
- Computer Science, one of the most popular programs in Kent campus
- Liquid Crystal Institute, the birthplace of liquid crystal technology
- Applied Linguistics (IAL), one of the best Translation programs in the nation

Unique programs offered: Applied Mathematics, Biomedical Sciences, Computer Science, Physics, Political Science, and Translation
Business

College of Business Administration

- One of the best business programs in US (Princeton Review)
- AACSB accredited for both Business and Accounting (fewer than 1% of schools worldwide hold this dual accreditation)
- #1 public university business program in NE Ohio (US News & World Report)
- Degrees from undergraduate to doctoral level, as well as many chances to explore international business
- A dedicated career advising office
Communication

College of Communication and Information

- Library and Information Science – Top 20 in the nation
- The School of Visual Communication Design is nationally recognized with NASAD accreditation, with emphases in visual design, illustration and photo-illustration
Communication

College of Communication and Information

- **Communication Studies** – Ohio’s distinguished program by Ohio Communication Association
- **Journalism and Mass Communication** – creative thinking within a diverse and global society
- **Digital Sciences** – unique interdisciplinary program
Education

College of Education, Health & Human Services

• Athletic Training program (prevention, assessment, treatment and rehabilitation)
• Sports Administration, Sport & Recreation Management
• Hospitality Management
• Early Childhood Education, Higher Education Administration, Counseling
Nursing
College of Nursing

• One of the largest and most comprehensive nursing programs in the U.S.
• Variety of degrees, small clinical class sizes
• Designated as a National League for Nursing (NLN) Center of Excellence in Nursing Education (2013-2017), the 2012 Innovations in Professional Nursing Education Award by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) as well as the 2011 Innovation Award by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)
Public Health

College of Public Health

• One of only 55 CEPH (Council on Education for Public Health) accredited schools of public health in the U.S and is one of only two colleges of Public Health in Ohio.

• Variety of specializations

• Combination of academic study and hands on experience

• Study abroad with world-around experience – Geneva, United Nations, Red Cross and World Health Organization
Admissions & Applications
Application Type

ESL
Study English only

Undergraduate
Bachelor’s degree
New Freshman
By the time of enrollment, the applicant has completed the equivalent to Senior High School in USA
Transfer
If the applicant has ever taken courses in a higher education (tertiary) institution.

Graduate
Master’s or Doctorate
Master’s
Some programs allow student to apply without Master’s degree
Doctorate
# Requirements

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Application Workflow

Submit Application
- Submit Online Application
- Submit documents through intladm@kent.edu

Evaluate Application
- Only review COMPLETE application
- Review and evaluated at International Admissions

Decision Making
- Undergraduate - Decision made at International Admissions Office
- Graduate - After Int’l Admission Off. evaluation, the department makes the final decision

ISSS issues Immigration Documents
KSU awarded **over $900,000 to international students** last year; this year we will increase that even more.

Find the complete list of international student scholarships here: [https://www.kent.edu/globaleducation/international-students-scholarships-resources](https://www.kent.edu/globaleducation/international-students-scholarships-resources)

Degree-seeking undergraduate applicants will be automatically considered for these 2 scholarships:

**KSU Global Scholarship**
- Freshmen or Transfer students from all countries, any term

**KSU International Freshman Scholarship (Fall Only)**
- GPA > 3.60, 27 ACT Composite or 1280 new SAT (1210 old SAT Critical Reading + Math)
- Minimal English – TOEFL 71 or IELTS 6.0
- Must be fully admitted prior to Feb 15th
Scholarships & Work

Graduate Assistantships
- Administrative, Teaching or Research assistant
- Check with department for deadline and availability

Campus Work Opportunities
- All jobs posted through Career Services
- Personalized, professional career advising available to each student
- Students may work 20 hours/week on campus while classes are in session; 28 hours/week during the breaks
Application Q & A

Official Test Score

• Request official score through the test center: ACT, SAT, GRE, GMAT, TOEFL, and MELAB
• Submit scanned official report: IELTS, ELS 112 English for Academic Purpose Certificate
• Submit scanned official report and request score to be assigned for Kent State: PTE
For faster processing, application documents should be scanned as one multi-page PDF (within 5MB) and sent to the International Admissions Office at intladm@kent.edu.

New this year: documents for graduate applications should be submitted directly through the online application.

If you attended a U.S. institution, we must have official transcripts for admissions purposes. We cannot accept copies.
Kent State conducts the GPA calculation within the International Admissions Office and we do not accept any third party evaluations.

For authenticity verification, sometimes International Admissions may specifically request the applicants to submit a WES ICAP or CDGDC report.
Application Q & A

Deferral

Student’s application documents and fee are valid for one year. If a student is qualified for a deferral and would like to defer to a different term without having to re-apply, please provide the following:

- Deferral request through email or a written request (with name and ID and which term you would like to change to);
- Updated transcripts if any;
- Updated financial documents if more than 3 months old
Our Kent campus has a dedicated ESL Center, which offers 7-week long modules and allows students to develop the language skills needed in an academic environment as measured by standardized tests such as TOEFL.

- Student must graduate from high school before attending ESL program.
- ESL Only application is available for applicants. Student can start on January, March, May, August or October.
Application Q & A

Status Checking

• Application status can be monitored online.
• Please allow three weeks for the status of the application to be updated.
• If the application status has not been updated in three weeks, please contact intladm@kent.edu to request an update.
• Items sent to Kent State become the property of the university and will not be returned.
For admissions purposes, we accept scanned documents of international credentials. After admission, the final, official transcripts and diploma should be brought to the International Admissions Office for verification as soon as possible upon arrival.

Note: if this is not done within the first semester (or the first module, for ESL students), the student's account will be put on HOLD.
Pre-Arrival Information
Housing

1. Is the student 20 years old or older?
2. Is the student at least a Junior (at least 60 credit hours)?
3. Is the student married?

- If YES to any of the above – Live on OR off campus
- If NO to all the questions – Must live on campus
Airport Information

- Cleveland-Hopkins International Airport (airport code: CLE) approximately 50 minutes
- Akron-Canton International Airport (airport code CAK), approximately 30 minutes
- Airport Pickup is normally provided for the Fall intake only
Orientation Week

Orientation week is mandatory, and includes the following activities designed to help students transition to KSU and be successful: International Student Orientation, ESL placement tests, campus tours, class registration, social events, and more!

• Arrive before the Program Start Date on I-20, and report to Office of Global Education within 10 days to check in
• Late arrival might result in difficulties entering the country and miss mandatory orientation and/or ESL placement tests.
Connecting at Kent

- **Kent State ID** – Unique ID number, beginning with an “8”
- **Flashline Username** – On Admission letter
- **Flashline** – Most important student portal
- **Kent State Email** – Link between the student & the university
- **Blackboard Learn** – course materials, grades, assignment and tests
- **KSUMobile App** – find your way around campus, course schedule and campus events
Questions?
Thank you!

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