



Nations College

International Program Guide

**A Comprehensive
Guide to the
Excellence in
Ministry
Certificate
Program.**



**Excellence in Ministry Certificate
International Audit Program
2024-2025**

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INTERNATIONAL AUDIT PROGRAM

Nations College extends a warm invitation to individuals worldwide into our full-time **International Audit Program**. While you won't receive academic credit for the classes you attend as auditing participants, you will be awarded the ***Excellence in Ministry Certificate*** upon completing this one-year, on-campus program. Get started by registering online today!

Nations College is not yet an approved institution under the SEVP (Student and Exchange Visitor Program). However, we are actively working towards obtaining this approval to better serve prospective students like yourself.

In the future, we pray we can begin accepting and enrolling international students under a student visa status. Please join us by praying for favor in this process as we take these next steps in receiving the nations at Nations College. In the coming days, our hope is to initiate the acceptance and enrollment of international students through educational visas.

HERE ARE THE PATHWAYS AVAILABLE TO YOU

Presently, full-time International Audit Participants may attend Nations College in person through a few “visa” options, which are listed below.

OPTION #1 | ESTA VISA WAIVER PROGRAM

The ESTA Visa Waiver Program is a 90-day visa that requires visitors to leave and reapply during program breaks. While this option has certain limitations, it could provide you with the opportunity to join our International Audit Program.

To learn more about this program and assess your eligibility, we encourage you to visit the provided link: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visa-waiver-program.html>.

For those opting to attend under the ESTA Visa Waiver Program, several prerequisites apply:

- Your stay duration from arrival to departure should not exceed 90 days.
- Proficient in reading, comprehending, and conversing in the English language is mandatory.
- Possession of a valid ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) is required.
- An e-passport, along with the ESTA, is necessary.
- Your passport must maintain validity for a minimum of 6 months beyond your planned departure from the United States.
- You must be a citizen or national of a country designated under the EVWP (Electronic Visa Waiver Program).

To see complete list of approved EVWP countries please go to:

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visa-waiver-program.html>

For prospects from countries participating in the ESTA Visa Waiver Program, it is imperative to adhere to the stipulated maximum stay duration of 90 days in the United States at a time. The following schedule covers a 90-day period for both the Fall 2024 and the Spring 2025 semesters for your first year at Nations College.

Moreover, this arrangement permits a return for the second year at Nations College in the Fall of 2025, granting an additional 90 days should one wish to come back to complete their training.

Please observe the outlined attendance dates/schedule to ensure presence at the commencement and conclusion of the academic year.

Semester 1:

- August 18, 2024 - Arrive in the United States
- August 19, 2024 – Attend International Audit Participant Orientation
- August 20, 2024 - International Audit Participant First Day on Campus at Nations College
- November 14, 2024 - International Audit Participant Last Day of instruction in the United States
- November 15, 2024 – Leave United States = 89 days total in the United States
- Once you leave the country, you will be able to complete the final week of instruction (November 19th-21st) by watching online.
- As soon as you arrive back in your home country, you should immediately reapply for another 90-day ESTA Visa Waiver

Winter Recess: December 6, 2024, through January 13th, 2024

Semester 2:

- January 12, 2025 - International Audit Participants arrive back in the United States
- January 14, 2025 - First day back on campus for instruction
- April 10, 2025 - Last Day at Nations College
- April 11, 2025 – Leave United States = 89 days total in the United States
- Once you leave the country, you will be able to complete the final 2 weeks of instruction (April 15th-17th and 22nd-24th) by watching online.

OPTION #2 | B-1 TEMPORARY BUSINESS VISITOR

B1 visas allow travelers to attend business-related training and education sessions for up to 6 months in 1 year.

Eligibility Criteria:

You must demonstrate the following to be eligible for a B-1 visa:

- The purpose of your trip is to enter the United States for business of a legitimate nature.
- You plan to remain for a specific limited period.
- You have sufficient funds to cover the expenses of the trip and your stay in the United States.

- You have a residence outside the United States that you have no intention of abandoning, as well as other binding ties that will ensure your return abroad at the end of the visit.
- You are otherwise admissible to the United States.

You can explore this option further here: <https://www.uscis.gov/working-in-the-united-states/temporary-visitors-for-business/b-1-temporary-business-visitor>.

Please follow the above timeline for our ESTA Visa Waiver participants.

CANADIAN CITIZENS

As a Canadian citizen, you have the freedom to travel to the United States for leisure, conference attendance, or any other purpose without requiring a specific visa, with a maximum stay of 180 days per year.

For further details, you can refer to the following link:

<https://ca.usembassy.gov/visas/#:~:text=Canadians%20typically%20do%20not%20require,of%20the%20State%20Department%20website>.

Please follow the above timeline for the ESTA Visa Waiver participants.

We understand that everyone's circumstances may vary, so we recommend contacting your embassy to explore available options in your country. Rest assured, there are alternatives beyond the M or F visas granted through the Student Exchange Visitor Program.

ADMISSIONS PROCESS

1. APPLY FOR NATIONS COLLEGE & GET ACCEPTED

Apply here: <https://nationscollege.org/>

Your application will only be considered for review upon payment of the \$50 USD Application Fee.

*Please note that the Application Fee is non-refundable.

After completing your application and submitting two references along with a Christian Essay, our Admissions Team will contact you to schedule a phone interview at your convenience. During this interview, you will be informed of your acceptance status for auditing at Nations College

Following your interview, you will receive an email from the Admissions Team containing your Nations College Populi login credentials. Additionally, our Registrar Team will reach out to assist you in completing your enrollment process. At this stage, you will gain access to your personal account and can proceed with making necessary payments.

2. BEGIN ESTA VISA WAIVER or B-1 VISA APPLICATION PROCESS

Begin your EVWP (ESTA) or B-1 Visa application process by visiting the website of your home country's consulate. Make sure to thoroughly review the requirements and gather all necessary forms specified by the consulate.

For more information on the EVWP visit: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visa-waiver-program.html>

To start your ESTA application, go to: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/>
There is an ESTA application fee that you will need to pay.

For More information on the B-1 Temporary Business Visa visit:
<https://www.uscis.gov/working-in-the-united-states/temporary-visitors-for-business/b-1-temporary-business-visitor>

3. START PREPARING

You will need to gather essential documents. This will include a valid passport, traveler's email address, home address, and phone number, as well as emergency contact details (phone and email).

Additional helpful information to prepare includes evidence of financial resources, a return airline ticket, and a description of your visit.

Please note: Proficiency in reading, comprehending, and speaking English is required. EVWP applicants are not required to attend a physical interview at the U.S. Embassy.

4. ESTA VISA WAIVER PROGRAM or B-1 APPLICATION APPROVAL

The website where you submitted your application is where you should check for approval updates. Once you receive confirmation, kindly inform us of the approval status of your ESTA or B-1 visa.

For more information, go to: https://www.help.cbp.gov/s/article/Article-1143?language=en_US

After your ESTA or B-1 visa is approved, you will then be required to pay your fees for that semester. Your fees **MUST** be paid in full by August 1st, 2024, to be able to attend our New Student and Participant Orientation.

5. BEGIN AT NATIONS COLLEGE!

Once again, please contact us once your ESTA Visa Waiver Program or B-1 visa has been approved. You are all set to travel to the United States. Kindly refer to our Calendar for crucial dates including deadlines, payment due dates, Orientation, the First Day of Instruction, and other important events.

IMPORTANT: All full-time International Audit Participants at NATIONS COLLEGE are required to adhere to the provided attendance dates/schedule. It is imperative to comply with the 90-day policy, meaning your stay duration from arrival to departure must not exceed 90 days at a time.

COST & FEES

If you are interested in attending the year-long program at Nations College as a Full-Time International Audit Participant, please be aware you have two options to pay.

1. You may pay for the full-year up front, by August 1st, 2024: \$5,100 U.S. dollars.
2. You may make two payments, one before each semester: Payment #1 of \$2,550 U.S. dollars is due by August 1st, 2024. Payment #2 of \$2,550 U.S. dollars is due by January 1st, 2025.

*Please understand that by completing our application form to attend, you are verifying you are financially able to pay the total amount of \$5,100 for the year.

WAYS TO PAY:

1. Utilizing your Populi login, you can conveniently make payments online. Moreover, this platform enables churches, family, friends, and sponsors to contribute toward your costs by making payments online. You simply need to share a direct link to your payment screen with them.
2. Please be aware that your attendance at Nations College's Orientation on August 19th, 2024, is contingent upon making a payment of at least \$2,550 on or before August 1st, 2024. Please note that we exclusively accept payments in U.S. Dollars; other currencies will not be accepted.

IMPORTANT: Failure to complete full tuition payment by August 1st, 2024, or earlier, will result in the inability to secure enrollment as a Full-Time International Audit Participant for the instructional year. In such a case, you will be required to return home.

We strongly encourage all Full-Time International Audit Participants to commence payments as soon as their EVWP or B-1 visa has been approved and their airline tickets have been booked.

Application Fee: \$50 USD

Nations College Year 1 Enrollment Fee: \$5,100 USD

Books & Materials: approximately \$300 USD

ADDITIONAL EXPENSES

While temporarily living in the United States, please budget for the following additional expenses: **Transportation, Food, Housing, and Living Expenses** (bills, fees, etc.).

CANCELLATION POLICY

International participants that have paid program fees are eligible to be reimbursed for 100% of their paid tuition fees if the registrar (registrar@nationscollege.org) receives a reimbursement request **before the first day of school**.

International participants that have paid program fees are eligible to be reimbursed for 50% of their paid tuition fees if the registrar (registrar@nationscollege.org) receives a reimbursement request **before the drop period**.

Tuition will not be refunded if the request is received after the drop period. (Please see dates in the Academic Catalog on the website).

Please note:

- The application fee and deposit are non-refundable and cannot be reimbursed.
- All credit card fees will be deducted from the amount paid back.
- Reimbursements will be paid out to people who donate to your tuition first and then the remaining balance will then go to the individual student.

LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES

Nations College is located on the Christ for all Nations campus, in beautiful Orlando, FL! The Spirit of God is moving in our midst at Nations College! Lives are being empowered and transformed, to the glory of God.

AIRPORT INFORMATION

When arranging your airline tickets, please plan to arrive at **Orlando International Airport (MCO)**. Alternatively, Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) is also available. Please note that international flight options to this airport are very limited due to its smaller size.

HOUSING

Nations College is a commuter campus, with its main campus facilities (CfaN Harvest Home and CfaN Ministry Center) located in Orlando.

Participants are responsible for arranging their own housing while attending Nations College. However, to help reduce costs, participants are encouraged to share the cost of renting 2 to 3-bedroom apartments.

Suggestions can be found on page 19 of the [Nations College Student Handbook](#).

For additional housing information and assistance, please contact our Admissions team at admissions@nationscollege.org.

GROCERY STORES

Grocery stores (or supermarkets) near Nations College include but are not limited to:

- Publix
- Walmart
- Target
- Kroger
- Aldi
- Sprouts
- Costco
- Sam's Club
- BJ's

HEALTHCARE

The United States currently operates on a fee-for-service health system, where most residents either obtain private health insurance or pay out-of-pocket for healthcare expenses. However, it is a legal requirement in the United States that Emergency Medical Services cannot be denied to any individual based on their ability to pay. In case of a genuine medical emergency, please dial 911 and provide your physical location to receive assistance; or proceed to the nearest hospital emergency room.

For less urgent health issues, you have the option to visit a walk-in medical clinic, where you will be charged for services rendered. If prescribed medication, you will need to take the prescription to a pharmacy for fulfillment unless advised otherwise by your doctor. We highly recommend downloading the "[GoodRX](#)" website, or app on your phone, as it can significantly reduce the cost of prescriptions that you may need to pay for out-of-pocket due to lack of insurance coverage.

The following are clinics, hospitals, and pharmacies near Nations College:

Walk-in Clinics:

- AdventHealth Centra Care
- Minute Clinic
- CareSpot Urgent Care
- Affordable Care Clinics
- Medical Care at Walmart Health Center

Hospitals:

- Orlando Health
- Advent Health

Pharmacies:

- CVS
- Walgreens
- Walmart

TRANSPORTATION

If you are going to be a non-immigrant resident, it is imperative that you have some form of transportation. The [LYNX Bus System](#) is one good option. If you do not have access to a car, a moped, electric scooter, or bicycle would be a workable option if your housing is not too far from Nations College.

We also encourage carpooling among students and participants, encouraging them to share rides with fellow classmates or roommates who have vehicles. Carpooling not only provides a convenient mode of transportation, but also allows for cost-sharing, as you can split the expenses for gas.

Please see the following links for more information on driving in the United States:

- U.S. Government: <https://www.usa.gov/non-citizen-driving>
- Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles: <https://www.flhsmv.gov/>

POSTAL SERVICES

The most convenient method for sending mail is through the U.S. Postal Service. You can buy books of stamps at local grocery stores or directly at the Post Office. Typically, one stamp is sufficient for a personal or business letter if mailed domestically. However, if the contents make the envelope heavier, it may require two or more stamps based on its weight. If unsure, you can have it weighed at the local Post Office, where you can pay for the postage and mail it directly from there. Additionally, alternative delivery services are listed below for your reference.

Mail delivery services in the U.S. include:

- United States Postal Service ([USPS.com](https://usps.com))
- Federal Express (fedex.com)
- DHL (dhl.com)
- UPS (ups.com)

For important dates, please refer to the 2024 - 2025 Nations Calendar. The Calendar can be found on our website: <https://nationscollege.org/>

- Application Deadline** | July 19, 2024
- Payment Deadline** | August 1st, 2024
- New Student and Participant Orientation** | August 19, 2024
- First Day of Instruction** | August 20, 2024

Thank you for selecting Nations College! Should you have any further inquiries, please don't hesitate to reach out to our Admissions Department. We are here and ready to support you in any way we can!

Nations College Admissions Department

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