Polk State College District Board of Trustees Rule

Rule	Subject	Rule Making	Statutory	SBE Rule	Effective
Number		Authority	Reference	Reference	Date
4.15	International Students	FS 1007.263			3/26/12

1. **Definition.**

Polk State College is authorized to enroll nonimmigrant alien students. Non-immigrant alien students are classified as either international students (F-1) or other non-immigrant visa students. People in the United States with a B1/B2 Tourist visa, an M-1 Vocational Student visa, or a J-1 Exchange Student visa are not eligible to attend Polk State College until after completion of the admission requirements for international students and until after they have obtained an F-1 visa or a USCIS-approved change of status to F-1. B1/B2 visa holders and J-1 Exchange student visa holders may submit a new application for an F-1 visa at a U.S. embassy in their home country or other foreign country, or they may submit a change of status application to the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) while here in the United States to change their visa status to F-1. M-1 visa holders must travel to their home country with their SEVIS I-20 Certificate of Eligibility for Non-Immigrant F-1 Student Status) to apply for an F-1 visa at a U.S. embassy abroad. Change of status while in the U.S. is not available.

2. **Purpose.**

Students interested in applying to and maintaining enrollment at Polk State College as an international student will meet the criteria set forth in this rule and supporting procedures.

History

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