Admission Requirements for Students Educated in Colombia

Please note: These are minimum requirements. The university reserves the right to enforce higher requirements as needed without notice to meet the university’s enrollment needs.

Freshmen Applicants

Minimum high school course preparation
- 4 years of Spanish
- 3 years of mathematics (including beginning algebra, geometry and advanced algebra)
- 3 years of science (including one year each of two of the following: biology, chemistry or physics)
- 2 years of social studies [3 years for applicants to our College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS)]
- Applicants to majors in the LAS and Engineering colleges must have 2 years of a single foreign language (English may be used).

Minimum Academic requirements
- Applicants who’s school is on a 10-point grading scale must have a B or 8.00 cumulative grade point average in academic subjects at secondary level and have earned the Bachiller. Those who’s school is on a 5 point scale must have a 3.5 cumulative grade point average and have earned the Bachiller.
- The following subjects are not included in CGPA: music appreciation, physical education, vocational/technical courses or religious subjects.

Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT)
- The SAT is not required for admission to Iowa State for students educated in non-American patterned schools

Transfer Applicants

Minimum academic requirements
A minimum transfer cumulative grade point average of B- (3.75) in all transferable courses is required for engineering applicants; a C+ (3.50) is the minimum for applicants to other majors.