Admission Requirements for Students
Educated in Panama

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.

Freshman Applicants

Minimum High School Course Preparation
- 4 years of native language
- 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 must have completed the Bachiller en Letras or Ciencias with a 3.7 cumulative grade point average in academic subjects at secondary level, and rank in the top half of their high school graduating class.
- The following subjects are not included in the CGPA: character development, work and occupational education, music, home economics, and physical education.

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 cumulative grade point average of 2.75 out of 4.00 (or 80 out of 100, or 1.75 out of 3.00) in all transferable courses is required for engineering applicants; a 2.30 out of 4.00 (or 77 out of 100, or 1.30 out of 3.00) is the minimum for applicants to other majors.

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