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## Under 18 Years Old Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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**Q: I am under 18 years old can I apply?**

A: Yes, as long as you have completed high school and provide proof of being a high school graduate at the time of applying.

**Q: I won't be graduating high school until after the deadline, but I will be a high school graduate before the start of the term. Can I still apply, or do I need to wait for the following term?**

A: To receive an acceptance offer and I-20, minors must submit proof of being a high school graduate, along with the other required application documents.

If an applicant wishes to submit proof of high school completion after the application deadline, it will be at the discretion of the admissions advisor if an acceptance will be given for the term applied. The ability to make a visa appointment, travel arrangements, and class availability to make up 12 units will all be factors in granting a late acceptance.

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**Q: I've completed all my high school coursework, but I won't receive my diploma before the deadline. What can I do?**

A: If unable to provide a copy of the high school diploma/certificate by the application deadline, the applicant may submit a letter from the school headmaster stating the applicant is considered a high school graduate. In addition, you will need to submit an original or certified English translation of your transcripts from secondary school or high school.

Please see example letter templates:

Proof of high school graduate letter must be on school letterhead:

**Example 1:**

Date

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding: Verification of High School Graduation

**Student name** has been a student in **school name** and is one of our students in **grade level**.

He/she has completed and passed the study of all courses required and passed the graduation test.

He/she can get the graduation certification issued by the school on **date**.

**Signed by school official**

**Example 2:**

Date

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding: Verification of High School Graduation

**Student name** has been a student in **school name** and currently enrolled in **grade level**.

His/her expected date of graduation is **date**. He/she has completed and passed the study of all courses required by the school and will receive his/her final results and certification on **date**.

**Signed by school official**