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Dear International Student:

Congratulations on your acceptance to New England Conservatory!

This letter introduces you to some of the services available to you as an International Student.

About one third of our student population is International, coming from nearly thirty different countries. Our Academic and International Advisors Mary Weber, Rebecca Teeters and I are here to advise you on important immigration matters.

When you have confirmed your intention to attend the Conservatory by sending in the Candidate Response Form and \$500 tuition deposit, which is due by April 15th for graduate students and May 1st for undergraduate students, we will begin processing your visa paperwork. Most international students at NEC are on an F-1 student visa. You will need an I-20, or visa sponsorship form, from our office before you can apply for your student visa. In order for us to send the I-20, we need to receive the Certification of Finances form and appropriate Bank Statements by May 15th, 2011.

When your file is complete, you will receive the I-20 Form and complete instructions on obtaining the F-1 student visa. We must send these important immigration documents by express registered mail, and the charge for this will appear on your student account. Please be sure that I have the best address to send this information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about these procedures. I can be reached at studentservices@necmusic.edu or 617-585-1310. You can also find more information on our web site through the International Students link at <http://www.necmusic.edu/student-life/international-students>.

Once again, congratulations on your acceptance. We look forward to meeting you in August!

Sincerely,

Suzanne Hegland