

It is not required to get a Minnesota Driver's License or State ID, but F-1 students are eligible to apply for these IDs. Students are responsible for following the processes to obtain a Minnesota State ID or Minnesota Driver's License.

Both IDs require a "**sealed letter**" which can be obtained from the International Student Advisor. Please email the International Student Advisor to request this letter.

## **Minnesota Driver's License**

You can [apply for a Minnesota Driver's License](#). A new F-1 student would apply for a "Class D license" as a "new resident".

### **To apply for a Minnesota Driver's License, you must have:**

- Valid passport (not a copy)
- Valid I-20 (not a copy)
- Your I-94
- [Official, paper transcript from Saint Paul College](#)
- Sealed letter which you can obtain from the International Student Advisor
- Something with your address on it (utility bill, cell phone bill, bank statement, lease, etc.)
- Driver's license from home country (if applicable)

You must first take a **written test** and pass a **vision test**. If you pass the written and vision tests and have a driver's license from another country, you can schedule the road test at the next available appointment. If you do not already have a driver's license, you will receive your learner's permit, and must wait six months before scheduling the road test.

You must have your own vehicle with insurance to take and pass the **road test** before you are issued a driver's license. The road test is given at limited locations – the closest locations to Saint Paul College are in Eagan and Arden Hills. Click here to find [locations for the road test](#).

## **Minnesota State ID**

You apply for a Minnesota State ID at a Minnesota Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) office location. The closest location to Saint Paul College is in downtown Saint Paul: 445 Minnesota Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101.

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Take the Request for Official Transcript to the Tuition Office, and pay the \$6.25 fee. It can take a few business days for your official transcript to be prepared.

If you have a Social Security Number or other forms of ID, you should plan to bring those items with you to the DVS office as well. It takes 1 to 3 weeks to be mailed your State ID card.