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# **International Students Required to Obtain and Maintain Health Insurance**

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## **Policy**

The financial ability to obtain needed health care services is important to both the individual student and to the maintenance of a healthy learning environment at Dakota State University. Medical cost coverage from other countries typically either does not apply to medical expenses incurred within the United States or the coverage is inadequate to meet the relatively higher costs for medical treatment in the United States.

As a condition of acceptance to Dakota State University, all international students with F-1 and J-1 visas (and any dependents who would be living with them in the United States) are required to be enrolled in the Student Accident and Sickness Insurance Plan designed for students of Dakota State University. The student must maintain this coverage as long as he/she is enrolled at Dakota State University.

## **Procedures**

Dakota State University's Admissions Office will provide student health insurance information and an explanation of this policy to all prospective international students. Prior to acceptance, the prospective international student must complete the enrollment form. Payment of insurance premium is due at the time of registration.

Failure on the part of an international student to maintain required medical insurance coverage will result in administrative suspension from the University.