

GSW POLICY STATEMENT ON NON-RESIDENT FEE WAIVERS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

To be eligible for these waivers, students must be full time undergraduate GSW students, have a minimum GPA of 2.50 at GSW, be active members in two or more official GSW student organizations, and be of legal immigration status. The waiver is not available for U.S. citizens, legal permanent residents, or international students who are studying at GSW as part of special programs. Waivers are given for one academic year, provided the students continue to meet the requirements. Students must reapply for the waivers each year. The waivers are limited to 8 semesters for each student.

1. Students must submit the following materials:

- application,
- two recommendation letters (continuing applicants do not have to submit these)
- a personal essay (1-2 pages) outlining why they seek waivers and how they can bring a better understanding of the world to GSW (continuing applicants do not have to submit these)

2. Students who receive waivers are required to meet the following conditions throughout the academic year. Students are monitored to ensure that they are meeting the requirements consistently.

- maintain status (12 or more credits in the fall and spring; 6 or more credits in the summer) throughout the semesters with a minimum overall GPA of 2.50
- meet service requirements including giving cultural presentations, participating in international campus events, and being an active member of two or more campus organizations (one of which must be ISA)-attendance at a minimum of 5 ISA meetings and/or events per semester is required

In addition, students must meet the following conditions:

- doing five hours of approved volunteer work per week in approved campus offices (Admissions, Academic Skills, Library, ELI, Student Life, etc.)
- live in on-campus housing (except in approved situations)

Return this form to:

John Fox

English Language Institute

Georgia Southwestern State University

800 GSW Drive

Americus, GA 31709

Out-of-State Fee Waiver Application

Name _____ GSW ID # _____

Local Mailing Address

Phone Number _____ E-Mail Address _____

Date of Birth _____

Home Country _____ Visa Type _____

Permanent Mailing Address

Major _____ Classification _____

GPA at GSW _____ Overall number of hours completed _____

Previous colleges/universities Dates attended Degrees earned

GSW organizations and positions held

I am requesting a waiver of non-resident fees for:

_____ summer term _____ year

_____ fall/spring term _____ year

I have read the GSW policy regarding the waiver and I agree to follow all of the guidelines. I understand that failure to follow the guidelines completely will result in the loss of the waiver.

SIGNATURE

DATE