



WELCOME TO SAE INSTITUTE!

International Student Guide



TRANSFORM YOUR DREAMS INTO A CAREER.

SAE Institute delivers a student-centered approach to learning. Collaborate alongside passionate professionals who provide a real-world experience in a studio environment.

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Navitas is a leading global education provider that offers an extensive range of educational services through three major Divisions to students and professionals including university programs, creative media education, professional education, English language training and settlement services.



WHY SAE INSTITUTE?

- 1 WE ARE ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING EDUCATORS IN THE CREATIVE MEDIA INDUSTRIES.** We know creative media industry graduates need practical training. We recognized this back in 1976 – that's why we pioneered our hands-on, industry-focused, and curriculum, delivered to you by professionals.
- 2 WE HAVE CAMPUSES IN MAJOR CITIES IN NORTH AMERICA.** Our students and teachers are a unique, diverse, and creative community who come together for a collective purpose—a passion for creative media. Depending on your program, you can choose from campuses in the US and Canada.
- 3 OUR COURSES IN CREATIVE MEDIA ARE RESPONSIVE TO THE DYNAMIC AND EVOLVING NATURE OF THESE INDUSTRIES.** We keep our finger on the pulse and think outside the box to help you reach your potential and realize your dreams.
- 4 WE OFFER HANDS-ON LEARNING.** Our programs provide you with the skills and hands-on experience you need for an entry-level career in the creative media industry.
- 5 OUR FACULTY HAVE REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE.** We employ teachers with real-world experience, and we deliver practical education in industry-standard facilities that prepare students for life after graduation.
- 6 WE ARE COMMITTED TO A STUDENT-CENTERED, ACTIVE EDUCATIONAL APPROACH.** We know these industries and are committed to educate students in ways that prepare them for entry-level employment in the creative media industries. Our method includes practice-based learning, guided discussion and support from experienced faculty.



MEET OUR ALUMNI

PABLO LAFROSSIA
SAE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
NEW YORK '17
AUDIO

“Without SAE I would not have the opportunities that presented themselves after graduation. SAE has been a tremendous learning experience, and allowed me to pursue my dream in the audio industry.”



NINA BEARD
SAE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
NASHVILLE '17
ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS

“SAE Institute has opened so many doors for me. I’m so proud that I trusted my gut to enroll. The instructors are amazing and the campus was an inspiration in itself. I knew right away, SAE Institute was where I wanted to be.”



ANTHONY BLACKMAN
SAE INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
MIAMI '19
AUDIO

“My experience at SAE Institute was one of the most amazing things I’ve ever experienced. It taught me another skill set. It also introduced me to some amazing instructors, teachers, administrators, and professionals staff and students.”



MARCUS RAMSAY
SAE INSTITUTE
VANCOUVER '16
AUDIO

“The staff and fellow students at SAE Institute Vancouver have helped me turn a passion for music into a career. The course really puts into perspective the amount of hard work it takes, while providing you with the skills necessary to be prepared for whatever the music industry can throw at you. Dedicated and experienced faculty make the program an exciting and rewarding experience, and the relationships made result in a network of professionals that will be with you for years after the course is over.”

WHERE SAE INSTITUTE GRADUATES WORK

People find jobs more easily when they have a network to pull from. SAE Institute's Career Service Advisors expand graduates' network by utilizing our relationships to help them find opportunities after graduation and into their future—support along their career journey.

Here are a few of the organizations our grads have worked for: Barclays Center, Encore Global, NBC Universal, House of Blues, Pinnacle Live, Univision, RedBull Music Studios, Sweetwater, and many more.

After graduation, SAE Institute Alumni are also qualified for a number of entry-level jobs:

Audio and Audio Technology:

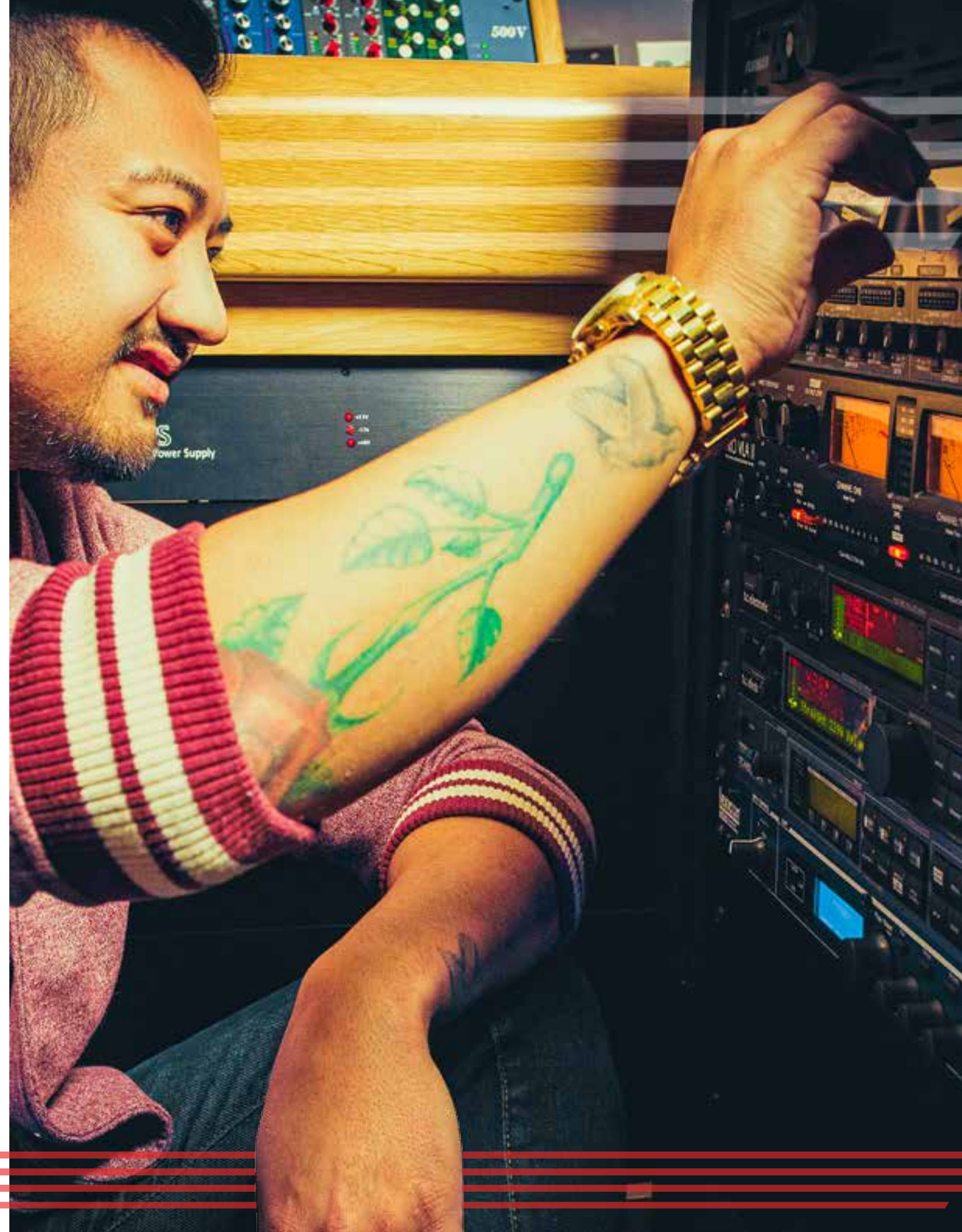
- Sound Engineer
- Live Sound Technician
- A/V Technician
- Assistant Audio Engineer
- Media Manager
- Acoustic Consultant
- Sound Technician
- Film Sound Engineer
- Producer
- Sound Cutter

Entertainment Business:

- Digital Marketing Strategist
- Music Director
- Artist Liaison
- Music Supervisor
- Assistant Studio Manager
- Booking Agent
- Production Assistant
- Promotions Manager
- Tour Manager
- Event Planner

Digital Film:

- Production Assistant
- Assistant Director
- Production Designer
- Camera Operator
- Casting Director
- Producer
- Script Supervisor
- Grip
- Location Manager
- Videographer



OUR PROGRAMS

Across the world, the Creative Media Industries represent some of the most exciting and dynamic sectors of the economy. At SAE Institute we offer student-centered Degree and Diploma programs in key areas of Creative Media, giving you the opportunity to develop your talent and stand out from the crowd.

*Program availability varies by campus.



AUDIO



Learn the practical skills and theoretical knowledge you need for a successful career in the Audio Industry. Our experienced faculty help develop your skills using professional-quality equipment such as AMS Neve, Solid State Logic, Audient, and others, with industry-standard software including Pro Tools, Logic Pro, and Ableton Live.*



DIGITAL FILM



From script development and pre-production, to the set where you will be in charge of your very own productions, we help you develop the essential skills and theoretical knowledge used in digital film production across a range of independent and collaborative projects.



ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS



Learn innovative business strategies for a digital age— applied across a wide variety of scenarios such as artist management, entrepreneurship, publishing, e-music, and event management. Our programs provide a foundation in key aspects of the music industry, from cultural and historical perspectives, business analysis, legal frameworks and more.

*Equipment and software varies by program and campus.

NORTH AMERICAN CAMPUSES

SAE Institute operates over 50 campuses across the globe, giving you a world of choice. Our North American campuses are located in major destinations for creative media opportunities.





**THRIVE
WITHIN A
STUDENT-
CENTERED
APPROACH
TO LEARNING.**

PROGRAM & DEGREE OFFERING BY CAMPUS

ATLANTA

Associate of Applied Science in Audio	19 months
Diploma in Audio	12 months
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	19 months
Diploma in Entertainment Business	12 months
Associate of Applied Science in Digital Film	19 months

CHICAGO

Associate of Applied Science in Audio	16 months
Diploma in Audio	12 months
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	16 months
Diploma in Entertainment Business	12 months

MIAMI

Diploma in Audio Technology	12 months
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NASHVILLE

Bachelor of Applied Science in Audio	16 months*
Associate of Applied Science in Audio	16 months
Diploma in Audio	12 months
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	16 months

NEW YORK

Diploma in Audio Technology	12 months
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VANCOUVER

Diploma in Audio Engineering and Music Production	9 months
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Our campuses offer a number of start dates for programs throughout the year. Traditionally, programs start in September, January and May, with additional dates at select campuses at other times throughout the year. For an up-to-date list of program & degree offerings, please visit our website: usa.sae.edu. Program length may vary and is subject to change at any point.

*An associate degree in Audio is required to enroll in this program.

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

CAMPUSES IN THE UNITED STATES

To learn more, please visit: usa.sae.edu/international-representatives/

ENTRANCE EXAM

SAE Institute requires all applicants to successfully complete the Wonderlic SLE-Q to enroll into a program. For prospective students from non-English speaking countries, you will also be required to demonstrate English proficiency using one of the exams listed to the right.

PASSPORT

Submit a copy of your passport, valid for at least 6 months beyond the date of intended stay in the United States. Prospective student will be added to the SEVIS system by the campus Designated School Official for review.

ACADEMIC ENTRY CRITERIA

Foreign secondary school transcripts that indicate an equivalency to an accredited US High School Diploma.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Students applying with a High School Credential earned outside the United States must have their transcript(s) evaluated by a member of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), the Association of International Credentials Evaluators (AICE) or the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) to determine the equivalency with a United States high school diploma. Proof of graduation in languages other than English must be translated into English.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Submit a recent bank account statement in order to meet United States Embassy Visa requirements. Students need to obtain an M1 or F1 visa, depending on campus, and desired program in order to study in the USA.

ENTRANCE EXAM CRITERIA

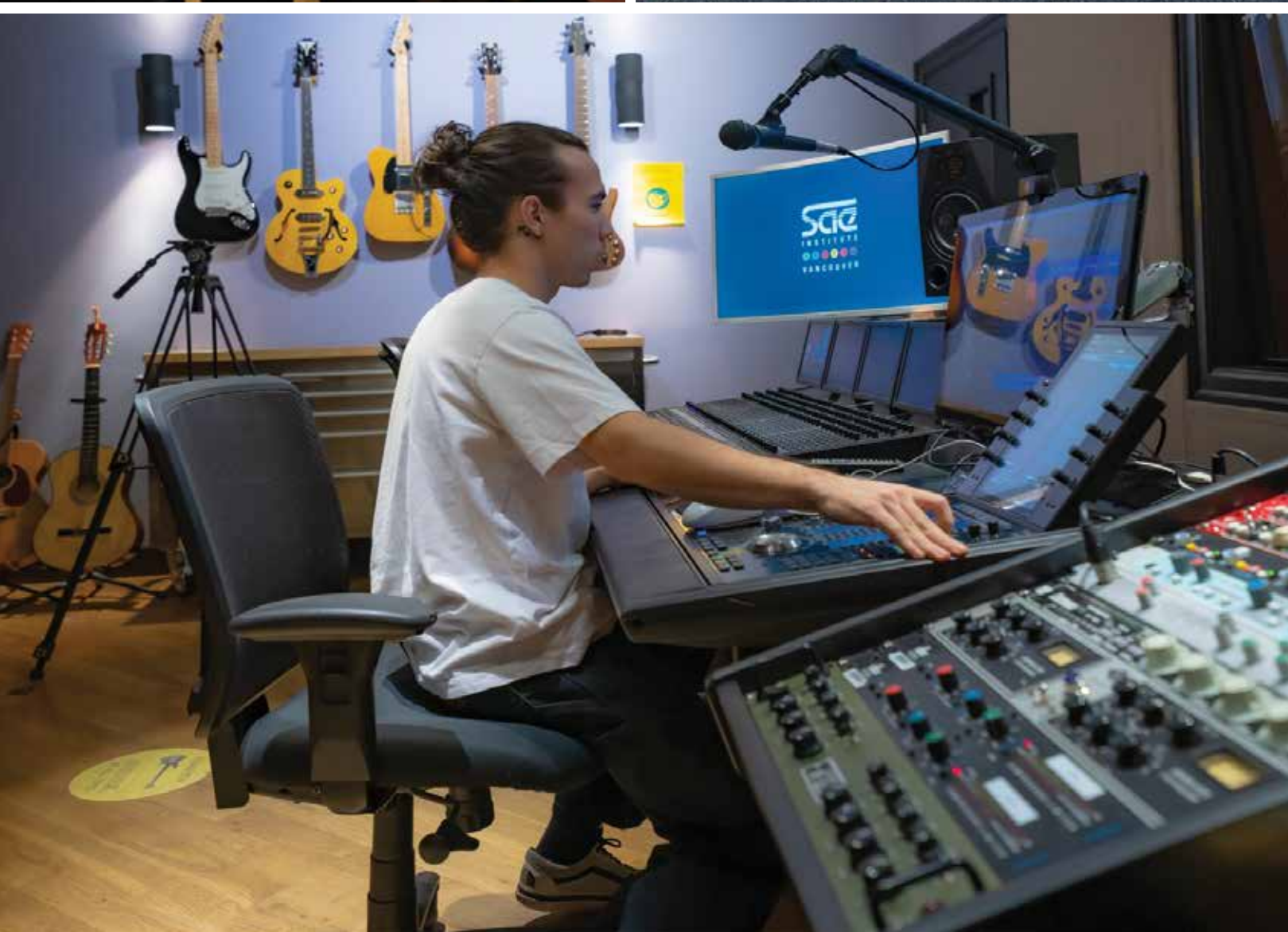
	MINIMUM REQUIRED SCORE
WONDERLIC SLE-Q	14

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY CRITERIA

Applicants to SAE Institute who have completed secondary school in the following English-speaking foreign countries do not need to demonstrate English language proficiency: Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Botswana, Canada, Cameroon, Denmark, Fiji, Finland, Ghana, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Nigeria, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Papua, New Guinea, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, St. Lucia, Sweden, Tonga, Trinidad & Tobago, United Kingdom, Virgin Islands, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Applicants from all other countries not listed above must demonstrate English language proficiency by taking one of the below exams and achieving the minimum score.

	MINIMUM REQUIRED SCORE
INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TESTING SYSTEM (IELTS)	6.0
TOEFL INTERNET BASED TEST (IBT)	61
PEARSON TEST OF ENGLISH ACADEMICS (PTE)	44
PEARSON VERSANT	56
DUOLINGO	95



SAE INSTITUTE VANCOUVER, CANADA

Admission to SAE Institute is open to any individual who is seriously interested in creative media industries and meets all necessary entrance requirements. No previous experience is required. An overview of entry requirements and application process is available below:

ENTRANCE CRITERIA

- Applicants must have a high school diploma, or equivalent, or be at least 19 years of age by the time studies begin.
- All applicants under the age of 19 must have completed high school and submit a transcript. In addition, on their behalf, they will require the signature of a parent or guardian on the student contract.
- Final acceptance will be based on a personal interview with the applicant, to assess their aptitude, level of interest and basic computer skills.
- Must obtain a valid study permit before the first day of class.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENTRY CRITERIA

With the exception of applicants from the U.S., UK, and Australasia, International students are required to show proof of English proficiency with minimum scores in one of the following:

	SCORE	ADDITIONAL INFO
IELTS (ACADEMIC)	5.5	Overall with no band less than 4.5
TOEFL	59	Overall Reading and Writing minimum of 12
IB ENGLISH	3	
CAEL CE	50	Overall with no band below 50
DET (DUOLINGO ENGLISH TEST)	85	

TUITION AND FEES

ATLANTA	TUITION	FEES	TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE**
Associate of Applied Science in Audio	\$35,648.00	\$1,325.00	\$1,399.00
Diploma in Audio	\$24,552.00	\$875.00	\$1,399.00
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	\$35,648.00	\$1,325.00	\$1,280.00
Diploma in Entertainment Business	\$24,552.00	\$875.00	\$900.00
Associate of Applied Science in Digital Film	\$35,648.00	\$1,325.00	\$1,280.00

CHICAGO	TUITION	FEES	TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE**
Associate of Applied Science in Audio	\$34,688.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,399.00
Diploma in Audio	\$24,068.00	\$875.00	\$1,399.00
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	\$34,688.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,280.00
Diploma in Entertainment Business	\$24,068.00	\$875.00	\$900.00

MIAMI	TUITION	FEES	TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE**
Diploma in Audio Technology	\$22,788.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,000.00

NASHVILLE	TUITION	FEES	TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE**
Bachelor of Applied Science in Audio	\$33,728.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,399.00
Associate of Applied Science in Audio	\$33,728.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,399.00
Diploma in Audio	\$23,364.00	\$875.00	\$1,399.00
Associate of Applied Science in Entertainment Business	\$33,728.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,280.00

NEW YORK	TUITION	FEES	TECHNOLOGY PACKAGE**
Diploma in Audio Technology	\$23,072.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

VANCOUVER	TUITION	TEXTBOOKS/SUPPLIES
Diploma in Audio Engineering and Music Production	\$23,800.00	\$1,712.30

*Tuition reflects the “completer” version of the degree where the Bachelor is taken upon completion of an Associate.

**All courses at SAE Institute USA require the use of a tablet, headphones, an external hard drive, and required electronic book subscriptions. These materials are required for successful program completion. The cost of the technology package is not included in the cost of tuition, and students may elect to purchase the equipment from vendors other than SAE Institute USA.

HOW TO ENROLL



- 1** Check the entry criteria online at usa.sae.edu or talk with an admissions representative.
- 2** Contact an admissions representative who will be able to provide you with information on SAE Institute and help you navigate the enrollment process.
- 3** Submit your application with all of your financial documents, certificates, transcripts, and academic and English language results to your admissions representative.
- 4** If accepted, sign an enrollment agreement, meet with Student Financial Advisor to finalize tuition payment plan, and pay entrance costs.
- 5** Make arrangements for your visa, flights and housing accommodations — and prepare for the start of your career in Creative Media!



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