

SEVIS ID: N0037066426

SURNAME/PRIMARY NAME Thapar	GIVEN NAME Ritika	Class of Admission F-1 ACADEMIC AND LANGUAGE
PREFERRED NAME Ritika Thapar	PASSPORT NAME Thapar Ritika	
COUNTRY OF BIRTH INDIA	COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP INDIA	
CITY OF BIRTH Jalandhar	DATE OF BIRTH 13 SEPTEMBER 2001	
FORM ISSUE REASON INITIAL ATTENDANCE	ADMISSION NUMBER	

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL NAME Auburn University at Montgomery Auburn University at Montgomery	SCHOOL ADDRESS P. O. Box 244023, Montgomery, AL 36124
SCHOOL OFFICIAL TO CONTACT UPON ARRIVAL Brenna Jessie Raisor SEVIS Coordinator	SCHOOL CODE AND APPROVAL DATE ATL214F01486000 23 AUGUST 2002

PROGRAM OF STUDY

EDUCATION LEVEL MASTER'S	MAJOR 1 Computer Science 11.0701	MAJOR 2 None 00.0000
PROGRAM ENGLISH PROFICIENCY Required	ENGLISH PROFICIENCY NOTES Student is proficient	EARLIEST ADMISSION DATE 14 JULY 2025
START OF CLASSES 18 AUGUST 2025	PROGRAM START/END DATE 13 AUGUST 2025 - 31 JULY 2027	

FINANCIALS

ESTIMATED AVERAGE COSTS FOR: 9 MONTHS		STUDENT'S FUNDING FOR: 9 MONTHS	
Tuition and Fees	\$ 19,881	Personal Funds	\$ 0
Living Expenses	\$ 8,360	Merit Scholarship	\$ 5,000
Expenses of Dependents (0)	\$ 0	Sponsor - Family	\$ 48,965
Insurance and Books	\$ 2,650	On-Campus Employment	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 30,891	TOTAL	\$ 53,965

REMARKS

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SCHOOL ATTESTATION

I certify under penalty of perjury that all information provided above was entered before I signed this form and is true and correct. I executed this form in the United States after review and evaluation in the United States by me or other officials of the school of the student's application, transcripts, or other records of courses taken and proof of financial responsibility, which were received at the school prior to the execution of this form. The school has determined that the above named student's qualifications meet all standards for admission to the school and the student will be required to pursue a full program of study as defined by 8 CFR 214.2(f)(6). I am a designated school official of the above named school and am authorized to issue this form.

X	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
SIGNATURE OF: Brenna Jessie Raisor, SEVIS Coordinator	09 June 2025	Montgomery, AL

STUDENT ATTESTATION

I have read and agreed to comply with the terms and conditions of my admission and those of any extension of stay. I certify that all information provided on this form refers specifically to me and is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that I seek to enter or remain in the United States temporarily, and solely for the purpose of pursuing a full program of study at the school named above. I also authorize the named school to release any information from my records needed by DHS pursuant to 8 CFR 214.3(g) to determine my nonimmigrant status. Parent or guardian, and student, must sign if student is under 18.

X		
SIGNATURE OF: Ritika Thapar	DATE	
	X	
NAME OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS (city/state or province/country)
		DATE

SEVIS ID: N0037066426 (F-1)

NAME: Ritika Thapar

EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATIONS

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CHANGE OF STATUS/CAP-GAP EXTENSION

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AUTHORIZED REDUCED COURSE LOAD

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CURRENT SESSION DATES

CURRENT SESSION START DATE	CURRENT SESSION END DATE
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TRAVEL ENDORSEMENT

This page, when properly endorsed, may be used for re-entry of the student to attend the same school after a temporary absence from the United States. Each endorsement is valid for one year.

Designated School Official	TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE ISSUED	PLACE ISSUED
		X		
		X		
		X		
		X		

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS

STUDENT ATTESTATION. You should read everything on this page carefully. Be sure that you understand the terms and conditions concerning your admission and stay in the United States as a nonimmigrant student before signing the student attestation on page 1 of the Form I-20 A-B. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

FORM I-20. The Form I-20 (this form) is the primary document to show that you have been admitted to school in the United States and that you are authorized to apply for admission to the United States in F-1 class of admission. You must have your Form I-20 with you at all times. If you lose your Form I-20, you must request a new one from your designated school official (DSO) at the school named on your Form I-20.

VISA APPLICATION. You must give this Form I-20 to the U.S. consular officer at the time you apply for a visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you have a Form I-20 from more than one school, be sure to present the Form I-20 for the school you plan to attend. Your visa will include the name of that school, and you must attend that school upon entering the United States. You must also provide evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States.

ADMISSION. When you enter the United States, you must present the following documents to the officer at the port of entry: 1) a Form I-20; 2) a valid F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); 3) a valid passport; and 4) evidence of support for tuition and fees and living expenses while you are in the United States. The agent should return all documents to you before you leave the inspection area.

REPORT TO SCHOOL NAMED ON YOUR FORM I-20 AND VISA. Upon your first entry to the United States, you must report to the DSO at the school named on your Form I-20 and your F-1 visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements). If you decide to attend another school before you enter the United States, you must present a Form I-20 from the new school to a U.S. consular officer for a new F-1 visa that names the new school. Failure to enroll in the school, by the program start date on your Form I-20 may result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

EMPLOYMENT. Unlawful employment in the United States is a reason for terminating your F-1 status and deporting you from the United States. You may be employed on campus at your school. You may be employed off-campus in curricular practical training (CPT) if you have written permission from your DSO. You may apply to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for off-campus employment authorization in three circumstances: 1) employment with an international organization; 2) severe and unexpected economic hardship; and 3) optional practical training (OPT) related to your degree. You must have written authorization from USCIS before you begin work. Contact your DSO for details. Your spouse or child (F-2 classification) may not work in the United States.

PERIOD OF STAY. You may remain in the United States while taking a full course of study or during authorized employment after your program. F-1 status ends and you are required to leave the United States on the earliest of the following dates: 1) the program end date on your Form I-20 plus 60 days; 2) the end date of your OPT plus 60 days; or 3) the termination of your program for any other reason. Contact your DSO for details.

EXTENSION OF PROGRAM. If you cannot complete the education program by the program end date on page 1 of your Form I-20, you should contact your DSO at least 15 days before the program end date to request an extension.

SCHOOL TRANSFER. To transfer schools, first notify the DSO at the school you are attending of your plan to transfer, then obtain a Form I-20 from the DSO at the school you plan to attend. Return the Form I-20 for the new school to the DSO at that school within 15 days after beginning attendance at the new school. The DSO will then report the transfer to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). You must enroll in the new school at the next session start date. The DSO at the new school must update your registration in SEVIS.

NOTICE OF ADDRESS. When you arrive in the United States, you must report your U.S. address to your DSO. If you move, you must notify your DSO of your new address within 10 days of the change of address. The DSO will update SEVIS with your new address.

REENTRY. F-1 students may leave the United States and return within a period of five months. To return, you must have: 1) a valid passport; 2) a valid F-1 student visa (unless you are exempt from visa requirements); and 3) your Form I-20, page 2, properly endorsed for reentry by your DSO. If you have been out of the United States for more than five months, contact your DSO.

AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION BY SCHOOL. DHS requires your school to provide DHS with your name, country of birth, current address, immigration status, and certain other information on a regular basis or upon request. Your signature on the Form I-20 authorizes the named school to release such information from your records.

PENALTY. To maintain your nonimmigrant student status, you must: 1) remain a full-time student at your authorized school; 2) engage only in authorized employment; and 3) keep your passport valid. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in the loss of your student status and subject you to deportation.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SCHOOLS

Failure to comply with 8 CFR 214.3(k) and 8 CFR 214.4 when issuing Forms I-20 will subject you and your school to criminal prosecution. If you issue this form improperly, provide false information, or fail to submit required reports, DHS may withdraw its certification of your school for attendance by nonimmigrant students.

ISSUANCE OF FORM I-20. DSOs may issue a Form I-20 for any nonimmigrant your school has accepted for a full course of study if that person: 1) plans to apply to enter the United States in F-1 status; 2) is in the United States as an F-1 nonimmigrant and plans to transfer to your school; or 3) is in the United States and will apply to change nonimmigrant status to F-1. DSOs may also issue the Form I-20 to the spouse or child (under the age of 21) of an F-1 student to use to enter or remain in the United States as an F-2 dependent. DSOs must sign where indicated at the bottom of page 1 of the Form I-20 to attest that the form is completed and issued in accordance with regulations.

ENDORSEMENT OF PAGE 2 FOR REENTRY. If there have been no substantive changes in information, DSOs may endorse page 2 of the Form I-20 for the student and/or the F-2 dependents to reenter the United States. If there have been substantive changes, the DSO should issue and sign a new Form I-20 that includes those changes.

RECORDKEEPING. DHS may request information concerning the student's immigration status for various reasons. DSOs should retain all evidence of academic ability and financial resources on which admission was based, until SEVIS shows the student's record completed or terminated.

AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTING INFORMATION. Authority for collecting the information on this and related student forms is contained in 8 U.S.C. 1101 and 1184. The Department of State and DHS use this information to determine eligibility for the benefits requested. The law provides severe penalties for knowingly and willfully falsifying or concealing a material fact, or using any false document in the submission of this form.

REPORTING BURDEN. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement collects this information as part of its agency mission under the Department of Homeland Security. The estimated average time to review the instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the needed data, and complete and review the collection of information is 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to an information collection unless a form displays a currently valid OMB Control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: Office of the Chief Information Officer/Forms Management Branch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 801 I Street NW Stop 5800, Washington, DC 20536-5800. Do not send the form to this address.



**AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AT MONTGOMERY**

Ritika Thapar
India

June 9, 2025

Dear Ritika:

Upon reviewing your application for admission to Graduate School at Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM), I am pleased to inform you that you have been admitted into the Computer Science program. You are required to submit your official transcript and diploma of a completed B.S. degree before the end of your first semester of enrollment. If you are unable to provide the documents by that time, you must contact your academic advisor before being allowed to register for future semesters.

Degree:	Master of Science
Major:	Computer Science
Student ID#	S00481544
Term:	Fall 2025

Please note that it is AUM's academic policy that all graduate students maintain a 3.0 overall GPA to continue their enrollment in the program.

Check-in and International Student Orientation for all new international students **will be held on August 13, 14, 15, 2025. It is mandatory for all incoming AUM international students.** Fall 2025 classes begin August 18th, 2025.

Any questions concerning your graduate program should be directed to your advisor. If your surname begins with A-K, please contact your advisor, Krystal Lloyd (klloyd@aum.edu). If your surname begins with L-Z, please contact your advisor, Rebecca May (amay7@aum.edu). On page 2 of this acceptance letter, you will find some conditions that must be met by the end of your first semester of study.

Choosing Auburn University at Montgomery means engaging in challenging academic pursuits and exploring opportunities that will prepare you for your future—any future you can imagine. You will do this in one of the world's greatest cities, full of opportunities to enjoy culture, sports, the arts, and great food.

I am delighted you have chosen AUM to pursue your graduate education and hope you find your graduate work both enjoyable and profitable. On behalf of our faculty and staff, I look forward to welcoming you as a member of the AUM family.

Sincerely,

Dr. Matthew Ragland
Associate Provost for Graduate Studies and Faculty Services



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INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION

- Please submit final official transcripts and degree certificate sent directly to Auburn University at Montgomery at the following address:

Auburn University at Montgomery
Office of Global Initiatives-109 Administration Building
7440 East Drive
Montgomery, Alabama 36117

- The above conditions must be met within your first semester of study-Fall 2025. If the above conditions are not met before the end of your first semester, a hold will be placed on your account and further registration will be restricted.



**AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AT MONTGOMERY**

June 9, 2025

Ritika Thapar

Program: Computer Science, MS

Congratulations! Based on your academic achievements, I am pleased to award you the *International Graduate Focus Scholarship* at Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) for the 2025-2026 academic year. This is an outstanding accomplishment for which you deserve the highest commendation.

The *International Graduate Focus Scholarship* is an award totaling up to \$10,000 paid in increments of \$2,500 per semester for the length of your program.

Your scholarship will begin in Fall 2025. Your scholarship will be renewed automatically if you maintain good academic standing.

****Please note: Those receiving athletic waivers/scholarships, graduate assistantships, or any other tuition waivers will not qualify for this award.***

Again, congratulations on your selection as an *International Graduate Focus Scholarship* recipient. If you need additional information or assistance, please contact the Office of Global Initiatives at global@aum.edu.

Welcome to the AUM family!

Sincerely,

Sameer Pande, Ph.D.

Associate Provost for Enrollment Management and Student Success

Auburn University at Montgomery

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

In honor and recognition of academic excellence,
Auburn University at Montgomery proudly presents

RITIKA THAPAR

the

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Dr. Sameer Pande
Associate Provost for Enrollment Management and Student Success
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