International Student Admissions [Students on Nonimmigrant Visas]

In addition to satisfying admissions criteria outlined in the catalog, international applicants from non-English-speaking countries must demonstrate English proficiency. English proficiency requirements can be met by:

- Achieving a minimum score of 550 on the TOEFL IBT (paper-based test),
- A minimum score of 80 on the TOEFL IBT (Internet-based test),
- A minimum score of 6.5 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test,
- A minimum score of 67 on the Pearson's Test of English Academic (PTE), or
- A passing grade in level 112 of English from the ELS Language Centers.

Students must have taken the test within two years of the date of admission. Admitted international students must meet the requirements of the Texas Higher Education Assessment prior to enrolling in classes (see Texas Success Initiative).

Deadlines

International applicants are strongly urged to meet all published deadlines and submit the application and supporting materials at least six months ahead of the intended date of enrollment. Applicants providing foreign credentials/documents should send all materials to the following address:

Office of Admission and Enrollment Services, ROC 11
The University of Texas at Dallas
800 West Campbell Road
Richardson, TX 75080-3021
Fax: 972-883-6803
Telephone: 972-883-2270

Fees

Certified English translations are required for documents prepared in a language other than English. There is an additional foreign credential evaluation fee for any student who has been educated outside of the United States. These processing fees are required of all international students applying for admission to The University of Texas at Dallas.

Financial Responsibility

International students who plan to study with an F or J visa status must also provide evidence of financial support in order to obtain an I-20 or IAP-66 document.

Health Insurance and Documentation

International students are required to maintain approved comprehensive health insurance while enrolled at The University of Texas at Dallas. At registration, international students will be assessed a health insurance fee for the purchase of the UT System Student Health Insurance Plan. If there is evidence of continuing coverage under
the UT System Employee Health Plan, a comparable mandatory employee plan, continuing mandatory coverage through a government sponsored health plan, or continuing coverage that satisfies the requirements of USIA regulations with regard to J1 and J2 visa holders, the student can request that the health insurance charge be waived.

- International students are required to have a mantoux tuberculin skin test and a bacterial meningitis vaccination prior to registration.
- Mail the mantoux tuberculin skin documentation and form to the following address:
  
  Student Health Center, SSB 43  
The University of Texas at Dallas  
800 West Campbell Road  
Richardson, TX 75080-3021

- Mail proof of bacterial meningitis vaccination and form to the following address:

  Office of the Registrar, SSB 13  
The University of Texas at Dallas  
800 West Campbell Road  
Richardson, TX 75080-3021

- OR email bacterial meningitis vaccination documentation to the Office of the Registrar.

See the UT Dallas website for more information. International students will not be permitted to register until these requirements are met.

Orientation and Registration

In addition to the requirements listed above, UT Dallas holds a mandatory orientation session for new F and J visa status international students. Students will not be allowed to register without a permit showing that they have attended orientation.