## **Undergraduate Admission**

# 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 Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) PBT (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 <u>ELS Language Centers</u>.

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 <u>Texas Success Initiative</u>).

## **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 The University of Texas at Dallas 800 West Campbell Road Richardson, TX 75080-3021

## **English Translations**

If your documents are issued in your country's official language, you will need to submit a certified English translation along with your documents in the original language. Translations must be from a certified translation company, the college/university or from the authorized governmental agency.

#### **Fees**

Students with foreign academic credentials to review will be assessed an additional international credential evaluation fee. These processing fees are required of all students with academic credentials outside the US 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.

## Student 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 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. See the UT Dallas Student Health Insurance website for more detailed information.

## **TB Screening Required for International Students**

- International students are required to have an Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA) blood test (T-Spot) and a <u>bacterial meningitis vaccination</u> prior to registration. Screening for TB must be administered, regardless of prior BCG vaccination, no more than (6) months prior to the first day of class.
- The only acceptable TB screening option is the Interferon Gamma Release Assay (IGRA) blood test (T-Spot). The Mantoux tuberculin skin test is not acceptable.
- The T-Spot test must be administered and interpreted in the United States by a licensed medical provider.
- International students who do not complete a TB screening or who do not submit the appropriate documentation will NOT be allowed to register for classes.
- Appropriate documentation secured from a U.S. licensed medical provider may be sent to the following address:

Student Health Center, SSB 43 The University of Texas at Dallas 800 West Campbell Road Richardson, TX 75080-3021

See the UT Dallas Student Health Center for more information.

## **Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine**

Beginning January 1, 2012, state law requires that all entering Texas college students, who are under the age of 22, must receive a vaccination or booster (if the vaccination is five years old) against bacterial meningitis before enrollment.

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 <u>UT Dallas website</u> 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.

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