

International Freshman Applicant:

An “international freshman” applicant:

- is **not** a citizen or permanent resident of the United States (or applicant for permanent residency)
- is not graduating from a Texas high school after three years of residence in Texas. (If this applies to you, please apply as a U.S. freshman applicant based on Senate Bill 1528.)
- is a degree-seeking applicant without college credit or whose only college credit was received prior to high school graduation

Application Dates/Deadline for Spring 2018 Opening April 1, 2017 **Closing Aug. 1, 2017**

Application Dates/Deadline for Fall 2018 Opening July 1, 2017 **Closing January 2, 2018**

Application Dates/Deadline for Spring 2019 Opening April 1, 2018 **Closing Aug. 1, 2018**

<u>Documents Needed/ Required Credentials</u>	<u>Ways to be Admitted/ Additional Information</u>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>All materials must be received (not postmarked) by the application deadline.</i></p> <p>Checklist:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application 2. Application fee 3. Official test scores 4. Proof of English Proficiency 5. Official high school transcripts 6. Essay topics 7. Document ID sheet <p>1. State of Texas ApplyTexas Application – Completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please select the Freshman International Application option. • When completing the application, enter your name as it appears on your passport. <p>2. Nonrefundable \$90 application fee –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checks or money orders (U.S. dollars) should be made payable to Texas A&M University. Checks or money orders are accepted provided they display an agency bank in the United States and have magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) routing numbers at the bottom. • International applicants are not eligible for fee waivers. <p>3. Official test scores</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official SAT or ACT scores. Scores should be sent directly from the testing agency. The highest total test score from a single test date will be used. Test scores are valid within 5 years of date of enrollment. The Texas A&M University SAT school code is 6003 and the ACT school code is 4198. <p>4. Provide Proof of English Proficiency</p> <p>Applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit proof of English proficiency to be eligible for review. English proficiency can be demonstrated by one of the criteria below.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. a minimum TOEFL score of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. 550 for paper-based testing (p-BT), ii. 80 internet-based testing (i-BT), b. a minimum SAT 	<p>Admission Review</p> <p>Complete application files are reviewed and decisions are made by the Admission Selection Board.</p> <p>Admission Criteria/Conditions</p> <p>International applicants are required to complete or be enrolled in a secondary educational program that will permit them to be considered for admission to university in their home country. Examples include the completion of Grade 13, Sixth Form or three (3) General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (GCE A-level) exams following the General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE). If final results are not available, predicted or anticipated A-level exam results must be received by the application closing date. Successful applicants will rank near the top of their country’s educational system (B average or better) and score well above the average on national exams.</p> <p>State of Texas Uniform Admission Policy</p> <p>Texas Education Code (TEC) 51.803-51.809 requires that all students meet one of several college readiness standards in order to be eligible to be considered for admission at a Texas Four-Year Public Institution. More information concerning the Uniform Admission Policy can be found at: http://admissions.tamu.edu/TexasUAP</p> <p>Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine</p> <p>ALL new students under age 22 are required to show evidence of a bacterial meningitis vaccination within five (5) years from the start of the semester for which they intend to enroll or meet criteria for declining such vaccination. More information is provided on our website, Bacterial Meningitis Vaccination Requirement.</p>

- i. Test date after March 2016 -(Evidenced Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) score of 560 or better
- ii. Test date prior to March 2016 Critical Reading (Verbal) score of 500 or better.
- c. a minimum ACT English score of 21,
- d. a minimum IELTS score of 6.0 overall band, or
- e. a minimum PTE Academic score of 53
- f. Completion of all four years in a high school in the U.S.

- TOEFL, SAT (old or new), ACT, PTE & IELTS scores must be from a test date within two years of planned enrollment.
- Test scores must be sent directly from the testing agency to be considered official.
- We will use your highest test score from one test date.
- The Texas A&M University SAT and TOEFL code is 6003, and the ACT code is 4198.
- Tests should be taken at least eight weeks prior to the appropriate application deadline to ensure timely receipt and processing of results.
- **To report IELTS scores:** Texas A&M University only accepts scores submitted electronically by the IELTS test center. **No paper Test Report Forms** will be accepted. An institutional code is NOT required. Please contact the test center directly where you took the IELTS test and request that your test scores be sent electronically using the IELTS system to Texas A&M University, PO Box 40002, College Station, TX. Please note: there may be multiple addresses on file for the same university. Be sure you reference the PO Box 40002 address.

5. Official transcripts – Submit all official senior secondary or high school transcripts for all coursework completed and diploma according to the educational system of your country (minimum of the last three years of senior secondary education). Electronic upload using the Applicant Information System (AIS). (Faxed or emailed copies will *not* be accepted).

If you transferred your foreign credits to a US school and your foreign transfer credits and grades are listed on the US transcript, then only the US transcript is needed.

If you have graduated from high school/secondary school an official final transcript is required; it must include senior courses and the date of graduation. If completion of secondary school in your country is contingent on passing an external national exam, an official exam certificate must be submitted along with your final transcript. The final transcript and high school diploma will **not** be accepted via upload. Final official transcripts and proof of graduation must be submitted via TReX, postal mail, or in-person.

6. Essay Topics – Applicants are required to complete Essay Topics A and B, and strongly encouraged to complete Essay Topic C. To facilitate processing, please submit your essay either the same day or after you have submitted your application for admission.

7. Document ID Sheet – While most documents can be provided electronically or uploaded via our Applicant Information System, please include the appropriate Document ID Sheet with all documents you submit by mail in support of your application. This will help ensure that your documents are processed in a timely and efficient manner,

General transcript information

How do you handle incomplete transcripts?

If you are currently enrolled in your final year of senior secondary education when you submit your application, you are required to submit official transcripts for the completed years by the application closing date, this may include in progress coursework. The final transcript and high school diploma should be submitted upon completion of studies.

Which transcripts do you require?

If you attend more than one senior secondary school, we require an official transcript from **each** school, including U.S. accredited high schools.

What makes transcripts official?

Transcripts are considered official if they have an original signature of a school official or an original school seal. Accepted signatures include the Registrar, Principal, Controller of Examinations or The Ministry of Education. We will accept documents that have been stamped as official by the embassy/consulate. Final transcripts from U.S. institutions must be sent directly from the institution. Photocopies or other duplications of a transcript, such as notarized, faxed or scanned copies are not considered official. O-level and A-level Statement of Results are considered unofficial. The most current information can be found here: admissions.tamu.edu/international/freshman

What about transcripts not in English?

Applicants from an institution that does not issue a transcript in English must submit the official native language transcript with an official English translation. Official translations are prepared by a recognized translator and include all original seals and/or signatures; photocopies are not accepted.

Do you accept education evaluations?

Transcript evaluations from an evaluation service which is a member of the [National Association of Credential Evaluation Services](http://www.nacces.org) or from the [International Education Credential Services](http://www.iaees.org) provided by the American Association of the Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, **are recommended and will be accepted**. We recommend a document-by-document evaluation (with a GPA) for high school credentials from non-U.S. institutions. Credentials received from a credential evaluation service will be evaluated by staff and must meet all other admission credential requirements. As a reminder, credentials issued in a language other than English must include a word for word English translation, performed by a recognized translation provider, in addition to the credential evaluation. Credential evaluations will not be considered as a translation.

What should I do with incomplete exam results from Grade 13 and Form 6?

Applicants whose educational system includes Grade 13 and Form 6 should submit all results completed at

<p>Where do I send my application materials?</p> <p>The address specific to international documents is: International Admissions Processing Texas A&M University P.O. Box 40002 College Station, TX 77842-4002</p> <p>Credentials sent via overnight mail (or presented in person) should be sent to: International Admissions Processing Texas A&M University General Services Complex 0200 TAMU 750 Agronomy Road, Suite 1601 College Station, TX 77843-0200</p> <p>Phone: 979-845-1060</p>	<p>time of application, as well as a listing of currently enrolled courses.</p> <p>What should I do if my A-level results are not in yet? Applicants whose educational system includes O-levels and A-levels will be required to send the completed O-level certificate and projected A-level results. Final A-level certificate should be submitted upon completion.</p>