International Transfer Applicant:

An "international transfer" applicant:

- is **not** a citizen or permanent resident of the United States (or applicant for permanent residency), and
- has not graduated from a Texas high school after three years of residence in Texas. (If this applies to you, please apply as a U.S. transfer applicant based on Senate Bill 1528.)
- is an applicant seeking the attainment of a bachelor's degree
- has graduated from high-school or equivalent
- has enrolled in a post-secondary institution

Application Dates - Summer 2021 Application Dates - Fall 2021 Application Dates - Spring 2022 Opening August 1, 2020 Opening September 1, 2020 Opening April 1, 2021

Closing November 1, 2020 Closing March 1, 2021 Closing August 1, 2021

<u>Documents Needed/</u> Required Credentials

All materials must be received (not postmarked) by the application deadline.

Checklist:

- 1. Application
- 2. Application fee
- 3. Official transcripts and records
 - **a.** College/university post secondary institutions
 - b. High school/secondary school Diploma
- 4. Proof of English Proficiency
 - a. Minimum TOEFL score
 - b. Minimum SAT score
 - c. Minimum ACT
 - d. Minimum IELTS
 - e. Minimum PTE
 - f. U.S. high school
 - g. U.S. institute of higher education
- 5. Essay topic A
- 6. Document ID Sheet

1. State of Texas ApplyTexas Application - Completed.

- Please select the Transfer International Application option.
- When completing your application, enter your name as it appears on your passport.

2. Nonrefundable \$90 application fee -

- 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.

Official Transcripts and records – Submit official transcripts, with graduation dates, from:

- All post-secondary (university and college-level) courses taken.
 College work from one institution posted on the transcript of another institution will not be accepted.
 - Copies of official foreign transcripts on file at a previously attended U.S. institution are acceptable if verified by the U.S. institution.
- All official senior secondary (high school) transcripts and diplomas according to the educational system of your country

Admission Criteria/Conditions Additional Information

Admission Review

 Complete application files are reviewed and decisions made by the Academic College/Major to which you are applying.

Admission Criteria/Conditions

- You must have at least 24 hours of graded transferable course work with a minimum of 2.5 grade point ratio (GPR) for consideration. Hours in progress will not be included in the total.
- Applicants who drop or withdraw from courses frequently and who do not achieve satisfactory grades (B or C, depending upon the intended major) will be at a disadvantage in the review for admission.

Additional Information

Transferring Grades

Grades for all transferable courses are used in the calculation of the GPR.

This includes:

- Failing grades, repeated courses, Incomplete, Withdraw Failing (WF), etc.
- Grades reported as Incomplete are calculated as Fs.
- Plus and minus grade designations are not used; C+ is calculated as a C, B+ is calculated as a B, etc.

Credit by Examination

Credit by examination courses which are transcribed from other colleges or universities may be transferred if sequential course work with credit is also indicated. If there is evidence that the credit by examination courses are part of the student's program of study at that institution, credit will be awarded for those courses that meet the transfer guidelines.

Residence Requirements for Graduation

A minimum of 36 semester hours of 300 and/or 400 level course work with a minimum of 12 of the course hours in the major **must** be completed in residence at Texas A&M University to qualify for a Baccalaureate degree

(minimum of the last three years of senior secondary education). If a graduation date is not listed on your high school/secondary school transcript an official diploma or certificate with the date of graduation will also be required. The final transcript and high school diploma must be received by the application closing date. Credit transferred from foreign high schools and listed on a U.S. high school transcript will 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, only the US transcript is needed.

4. Proof of English Proficiency

- 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.
 - a. a minimum TOEFL score of:
 - i. 80 internet-based testing (i-BT),
 - b. a minimum SAT
 - Test date after March 2016 -(Evidenced Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) score of 560
 - 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.
 - g. Transfer from an accredited U.S. institution of higher education with at least 30 credit hours which include the equivalent to Texas A&M's English 103 or 104 with a 'C" or better.
- 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.
- Tests should be taken at least eight weeks prior to the appropriate application deadline to ensure timely receipt and processing of results.
- To report SAT/TOEFL or ACT scores: The Texas A&M University SAT and TOEFL code is 6003, and the ACT code is 4198.
- 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.

- Essay topic A is required. Explain any extenuating circumstances that you feel could add value to your application.
- 6. 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,

Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine

ALL new students under age 22 are required to show evidence of a bacterial meningitis vaccination within five years from the start of the semester for which they intend to enroll. More information will be available at time of admission.

General transcript information

Which transcripts do you require?

If you attended more than one post-secondary college/university, we require an official transcript from each school, including universities attended in the U.S.

What makes transcripts official?

Post-secondary transcripts are considered official if they have an original signature of a school official or an original school seal. Accepted signatures include the Registrar and The Ministry of Education. Official secondary school/high school transcripts are considered official if they have an original signature of a school official. 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. U.S. transcripts must be sent directly from the institution electronically or indirectly by having them mailed from the Registrar in a sealed and signed school envelope that is addressed to the applicant. If the Registrar will not release your transcripts to you in a sealed envelope, transcripts may be sent by the Registrar directly to us at the address below. Photocopies or other duplications of a transcript, such as notarized, faxed or scanned copies are not considered official. The most current information can be found here: admissions.tamu.edu/international/transfer

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. 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 or as a substitute for required transcripts.

Do you accept consolidated or provisional transcripts/mark-sheets?

Consolidated transcripts or provisional mark-sheets are not considered official. Please ask the registrar to send individual mark-sheets that list grades earned in each term. What if I have only one copy of my transcript? Send the original copy with a request that it be returned to you upon completion of processing. If you have already sent it to a U.S. institution, the institution can also provide us with a copy of their records (see 3a). Where do I send transcripts? The address specific to international documents is: International Admissions Processing **Texas A&M University** P.O. Box 40002 College Station, TX 77842-4002 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 Phone: 979-845-1060