

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### August 1, 2019

Admission Application opens.  
Housing Application opens.

#### October 1, 2019

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) opens.

#### November 1, 2019

Priority application deadline.  
Priority applicants will receive a decision by February 1, 2020, which may include a deferred decision until March 1, 2020.

#### December 1, 2019

Application deadline.  
Decision notification will occur by March 1, 2020.

#### January 1, 2020

Application decision appeal system opens.

#### January 15, 2020

Priority deadline for applying for financial aid.

#### February 1, 2020

Priority applicant decision notifications completed, which may include a deferred decision until March 1, 2020.

#### March 1, 2020

Final application decision notifications completed.

#### March 15, 2020

Deadline to submit application decision appeal.

#### April 1, 2020

Appeal decision notifications completed.

#### May 1, 2020

Deadline to accept admission and satisfy enrollment deposit.

For complete application instructions, visit our admission application checklist at

[admissions.utexas.edu/apply/freshman-admission](https://admissions.utexas.edu/apply/freshman-admission)

### ESSAY AND SHORT ANSWER PROMPTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS

#### Required Essay (500–700 words)

Tell us your story. What unique opportunities or challenges have you experienced throughout your high school career that have shaped who you are today?

#### Required Short Answers (approximately 250–300 words)

1. Why are you interested in the major you indicated as your first-choice major?
2. Leadership can be demonstrated in many ways. Please share how you have demonstrated leadership in either your school, job, community, and/or within your family responsibilities.
3. Please share how you believe your experiences, perspectives, and/or talents have shaped your ability to contribute to and enrich the learning environment at UT Austin, both in and out of the classroom.

#### Optional Short Answer

Please share background on events or special circumstances that may have impacted your high school academic performance.

### MAJOR SELECTION AND TRANSCRIPTS

#### First-Choice Major

We encourage you to select a first-choice major that is aligned with your interests and strengths, not just what you hope to do as a career.

#### Second-Choice Major

You may be considered for your second-choice major if you qualify for automatic admission and are not admitted to your first-choice major.

#### Transcripts

Official transcripts are required and must be sent directly to UT by your high school. If your high school does not rank students, include a statement from your school describing its policy, a copy of your school's profile and a GPA or grade distribution report. **We cannot accept transcripts submitted via email.**

**MAJOR-SPECIFIC SHORT ANSWER PROMPTS AND OPTIONAL SUBMISSIONS****ARCHITECTURE****Required Short Answer:**

What role has creativity played in your education? What are the ways you explore and express your creativity?

**Optional Photograph Submission:**

Take and upload up to three photographs from a camera, smart phone or mobile device that capture how you see the world. Describe what you are trying to evoke with these images. Please limit your response to 50–75 words.

**DEPARTMENT OF ART AND ART HISTORY****Required Short Answer:**

In 500 words or less, please tell us about a meaningful way in which an artwork, or artist, has changed your life. How has this prompted your ambitions for a life in the arts?

**DEPARTMENT OF RADIO, TELEVISION, AND FILM (RTF)****Optional Video Submission:**

If you wish, you may submit a video or short film to support your application. This may be something you did for school or on your own. This is an opportunity to show us your creativity and demonstrate your potential as an RTF student. The duration of the video should be no more than 5 minutes.

**NURSING****Required Short Answers:**

1. Discuss the factors that have influenced your desire to pursue a career in Nursing.
2. How have your academic and extracurricular activities prepared you to pursue a degree in Nursing?

**SOCIAL WORK****Required Short Answer:**

Discuss the reasons you chose Social Work as your first-choice major and how a Social Work degree from UT will prepare you for the future.

**OPTIONAL MATERIALS****Letter(s) of Recommendation**

You may submit **up to two optional letters of recommendation** with your admission application. These letters may be from teachers, mentors, or people who know you well, either within or outside of your high school. The letter should be able to give additional context or information to support your admission that is not already provided in your application or other submitted documents (résumé, transcripts).

**Expanded Résumé**

If you're unable to list everything on your ApplyTexas or Coalition for College admissions application, you may choose to submit an expanded résumé offering additional information about all of your achievements, activities, leadership positions, and student employment. Your résumé should include details about what each activity involved and the number of hours per week and weeks per year you spent on each activity.

**Please contact us if you have questions or need assistance.****Office of Admissions**

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