TEXAS COMMON APPLICATION

TRANSFER, TRANSIENT FORMER STUDENT

TEXAS PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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2005 - 2006

Texas Common Application for Admission of Transfer/Transient/Former Students to Texas Public Universities

THIS APPLICATION SHOULD NOT BE USED BY INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS.
You are encouraged to complete this application online at www.applytexas.org.
This application is intended for use in applying for Academic Year 2005-2006.

Part I.
Name and Address Information

1. Social Security Number: _____ 2. Date of Birth (Required): _____
(Optional: This will ensure your documents are matched and processed promptly. (Month/Day/Year)
You will be assigned an identification number if you do not provide a Social Security number.)

3. Full, Legal Name: _____
(Last/Family) (First) (Middle) (Suffix: Jr., etc.)

4. Other Names Which May Appear on Academic Records: _____

5. Gender: Male ___ Female ___ 6. Place of Birth: _____
(City) (State) (Country)

7. Ethnic Background: Please indicate which of the following groups **best** describes your ethnic background. The information will be used for federal and/or state law reporting purposes and may be used by some institutions in admission or scholarship decisions.

____ American Indian or Alaskan Native ____ Asian or Pacific Islander ____ White, Non-Hispanic
____ African American, Black ____ Hispanic or Latino

8. Permanent Address: _____ Apt # _____ City: _____
(Number) (Street)
County: _____ County Code: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____ Country: _____
(See Instructions.)
Permanent Phone: ( ) _____

9. Current Address (if different from permanent address): _____
(Number) (Street)
Apt #: _____ City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Country: _____
Current Phone (if different from permanent phone): ( ) _____ Current Address Good Until: _____
(Date)

10. Emergency Contact Name: _____
Phone: _____

11. E-Mail Address for Student: _____

Educational Data

12. Check One Semester and Indicate Year You Expect to Enter: Fall _____ Spring _____ Summer I _____ Summer II _____
Mini or short semester: (please specify) _____ Year _____

13. Are you a: **Transfer** _____
Total Prior College Hours Earned: _____
Have Bachelor's Degree _____
Nondegree Seeker _____
Seeking Second Bachelor's Degree _____

Transient _____
Summer Only _____
Fall Only _____
Spring Only _____

Former Student _____
If you are a former student, for what term were you last enrolled?
_____

14. Write in the name of the university or universities to which you are applying. On the line below the university name, write in your first and second choice of major. You can find the majors and codes/abbreviations in the Code Book or at www.applytexas.org. (Click on "Apply Online," then select option 5, "View Degrees Offered.") Before beginning this section, read #14 of the instructions (page iv of this booklet), and page 8 of this application.

- University: _____
  Major: _____/_____ _____/_____
  (Major Name--First Choice) (Code) (Major Name--Second Choice) (Code)
- University: _____
  Major: _____/_____ _____/_____
  (Major Name--First Choice) (Code) (Major Name--Second Choice) (Code)
- University: _____
  Major: _____/_____ _____/_____
  (Major Name--First Choice) (Code) (Major Name--Second Choice) (Code)

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Social Security Number: _____ Name: _____

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15. High School Attended: _____
(Complete Name of High School) (City) (State)
Graduation Date: _____ (Month/Year) Home-schooled: Yes ____ No ____
(Have an official transcript sent to each university to which you apply.)

16. If you did not graduate from high school, do you have a GED? Yes__ No__ If yes, which version: English ___ Spanish ___

17. If you plan to pursue a pre-professional program, please specify which one (e.g., pre-law, medicine, nursing, veterinary, physical therapy). _____

18. Will you seek teacher certification? Yes ___ No ___ If Yes, indicate which level:
Elementary Level (Early Childhood-Grade 4) ____ ; Middle School/Junior High Level (Grades 4-8) ____;
High School Level (Grades 8-12) ____; or All-Level (Early Childhood-Grade 12)____

19. Please list the college or university courses you are currently enrolled in or courses you anticipate completing the semester or quarter prior to your transfer.

Institution	Exact Course Title	Dept. Abbr.	Course Number	Semester or Quarter / Year Taken	Credit Hours

20. Please list ALL colleges or universities you have attended or are attending currently, including college coursework completed while in high school (i.e., dual credit and concurrent enrollments) and enrollments in extension, correspondence and distance learning courses. Failure to list all colleges and universities will be considered an intentional omission and may lead to forced withdrawal. Attach additional information if necessary. Have an official transcript sent to each university to which you apply.

Institution	Code	City and State	Attendance From Thru	Hours/Type of Degree Earned	Month/Year Degree Earned

21. Indicate if you will have earned either of the following degrees by the time you plan to enroll: Bachelor's ___ Associate's ___
Granting Institution (highest degree):_____
(University / College) (City) (State) (Country)
Date Conferred: _____ (Month / Year)

22. Are you currently on academic suspension from a college or university? Yes ____ No ____

23. Are you a member of Phi Theta Kappa? Yes ____ No ____

Admissions Test

24. Please have official test scores sent directly from the testing agency to the universities to which you apply.
TOEFL - Date taken or plan to take (if your native language is not English): _____ (Month/Year)

Residency Information (Please answer all questions. Use n/a if the question does not apply to you.)

25. (a) Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes ___ No ___ If "No," of what country are you a citizen? _____
(b) If you are not a citizen, do you hold Permanent Residence status (valid I-551) for the U.S.? Yes ___ No ___
If "Yes," date permanent resident card* issued: _____/_____/_____ Number: _____
*Enclose a copy of both sides of the card. (Month) (Day) (Year)
(c) If you are not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, do you have an application for permanent residence (form I-485) pending with the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (BCIS)? Yes ___ No ___
(If "Yes," enclose a copy of your notice of action or receipt from the BCIS.)

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(d) If you are not a citizen or permanent resident or have no application pending with the BSIC, have you lived in Texas for three years preceding high school graduation or receipt of a GED in Texas and lived part of the time while attending high school with a parent or court-appointed legal guardian? Yes ___ No ___
(If "Yes," please submit a completed "Affidavit of Intent to Become a Permanent Resident.")

26. List your address or addresses for the last three years:

Street Address	City	State	From (Month/Year)	Thru (Month/Year)

27. List employers and employment dates for the last two years (full-time work only):
Employer: _____Location _____ From_____ Thru _____
Employer: _____Location _____ From_____ Thru _____

28. Are you a resident of Texas? Yes ____ No ____ If "No," of what state are you a resident? _____
(If you are not a resident of Texas, skip to question 32.)

29. (a) Did your parent or court-appointed legal guardian claim you as a dependent for U.S. federal income tax purposes for the tax year preceding the semester you plan to enroll/attend? Yes ___ No ___ .
(b) Will this person claim you as a dependent for the current tax year? Yes ___ No ___. If you checked "Yes" for (b) (claimed as a dependent), answer question 31. If you checked "No" for (b) (self-supporting and not claimed as a dependent), answer question 30.

30. If you are self-supporting and not claimed as a dependent on your parent's or court-appointed legal guardian's most recent tax return, please answer the following:
(a) How long have you lived in Texas? Years _____ Months _____
(b) Previous state or country of residence: _____
(c) If you came here within the past five years, why did you move to Texas?
Education ____ Employment ____ Military Assignment ____ Other (explain)_____
(d) Are you currently on active military duty assignment in Texas? Yes ___ No ___ If "Yes," provide proof.
(e) What state is your home of record with the U. S. Armed Forces? _____

31. If your parent or court-appointed legal guardian will claim you as a dependent for the current tax year, please answer the following (if court-appointed legal guardian, copies of guardianship papers must be provided):
(a) Name of person who will claim you as their dependent: _____
(b) Relationship to self: Parent _____ Court-Appointed Legal Guardian _____
(c) How long has this person resided in Texas? Years _____ Months _____
(d) Previous state or country of residence: _____
(e) If this person came here within the past five years, why did this person move to Texas?
Education ____ Employment ____ Military Assignment ____ Other (explain): _____
(f) Is your parent or court-appointed legal guardian currently on active military duty assignment in Texas?
Yes ____ No____ If "Yes," provide proof.
(g) What state is the home of record with the U. S. Armed Forces for your parent or court-appointed legal guardian?
_____
(h) Is this person a U.S. citizen? Yes ___ No ___ If "No," does this person hold a valid I-551 (Resident Alien) card?
Yes ___ No ___ If "Yes," enclose a copy of both sides of the card.

Failure to complete, sign, and date this portion will result in your application review being delayed.

32. I certify that this information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. If my application is accepted, I agree to abide by the policies, rules and regulations at any university to which I am admitted. I authorize the university to verify the information I have provided. I further understand that this information will be relied upon by the officials of the university in determining my admission and residence status for tuition purposes and that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection of my application, withdrawal of an offer of acceptance, cancellation of enrollment, and/or disciplinary action. I also authorize the university to electronically access my records regarding the Texas Success Initiative.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Social Security Number: _____ Name: _____

(Optional: This will ensure your documents are matched and processed promptly.
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33. Please indicate the highest level of your parents' or court-appointed legal guardian's educational background:

Father/Legal Guardian:	No high school	___	Some high school	___	High school diploma or GED	___
	Some College	___	Bachelor's Degree	___	Graduate/Professional Degree	___
Mother/Legal Guardian:	No high school	___	Some high school	___	High school diploma or GED	___
	Some College	___	Bachelor's Degree	___	Graduate/Professional Degree	___

34. Please indicate, for the most recent tax year, your family's gross income. Include both untaxed and taxed income.

Less than $20,000 ____
$20,000-$39,999 ____
$40,000-$59,999 ____
$60,000-$79,999 ____
more than $80,000 ____

35. In addition to English, what languages do you speak fluently?

Language _____ Years Spoken _____
Language _____ Years Spoken _____

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Application Fee

You may pay your application fee by check or money order or, at some universities, by credit card. For application fees and payment methods, see the "General Application Information" on pages ii and iii. (Be sure the university to which you are applying will accept the kind of credit card you list below.)

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Social Security Number: _____
(Optional: This will ensure your documents are matched and processed promptly. You will be assigned an identification number if you do not provide a Social Security number.)

Your application fee is for the: Fall Semester_____ Spring Semester _____ Summer Session _____ Year _____

Please check method of payment:

- Check or money order ____ (Be sure to include the student's name and Social Security number on the check or money order.)
- Credit card: Visa _____ MasterCard _____ Discover ____ American Express _____ Other: _____

  Account Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

  Name of Cardholder: _____

  Cardholder Signature: _____

- Request for fee waiver is attached: Yes ___ No ___
  (See Instructions, page v, "Application Fee.")

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Exemption Approved _____
Exemption Denied _____
By _____
Date _____

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No information is required on this page. For office use only.

Admission to any of the state four-year public universities and any of their sponsored programs is open to qualified individuals regardless of race, color, sex, creed, age, national origin or educationally unrelated handicaps.

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Part II.
Additional Information

See "General Application Information" on pages ii and iii to determine if this part is required for your application to the institution(s) of your choice. In addition, you may also attach a résumé. Résumé attached: Yes ____ No ____

Employment/Internships/Summer Activities

Name of Employer/Sponsor	Your Specific Role/Job Title	From-Thru	Hours Per Week
Examples:	Examples:		
Grocery Store	Sacker: Sacked groceries, helped customers	6/03-5/04	10
Exchange Program	Spent two months with host family in Spain	6/04-7/04	n/a

Essays

Institutions do not require all four essays. See "General Application Information" on pages ii and iii to determine if you are required to write an essay or essays as part of your application for admission. Unless otherwise specified, your essay(s) should be typed and be no longer than one page (8 1/2" x 11"). Put your name and Social Security number at the top of each page.

Topic A. **Statement of Purpose**: The statement of purpose will provide an opportunity to explain any extenuating circumstances that you feel could add value to your application. You may also want to explain unique aspects of your academic background or valued experiences you may have had that relate to your academic discipline. The statement of purpose is not meant to be a listing of accomplishments in high school or a record of your participation in school-related activities. Rather, this is your opportunity to address the admission committee directly and to let us know more about you as an individual, in a manner that your transcripts and the other application information cannot convey.

Topic B. **If you are applying as a former student** and were suspended for academic reasons, describe briefly any actions you have taken to improve your academic abilities and describe why you should be readmitted. **If you are applying as a nondegree-seeking or postbaccalaureate applicant**, briefly describe the goals you wish to accomplish if admitted, including the courses you would like to enroll in.

Topic C. What additional information do you wish to be considered in the decision to admit you?
For example:
1. exceptional hardship or personal experience that has shaped your abilities or academic credentials
2. personal responsibilities
3. exceptional achievements or special talents such as poetry, art, bilingual proficiency, etc.
4. educational goals and choice of major
5. ways you contribute to the commitment that the university has made to create an institution with a diverse learning environment

Enclose documentation and references to contact for verification, if appropriate.

Topic D. Describe an aesthetic experience you have had that was brought about by an architectural space or sequence of spaces, either interior or exterior. Try to link the nature of the experience to the nature of the space.

Topic E. Many students expand their view of the world during their time in college. Such growth often results from encounters between students who have lived different cultural, economic, or academic experiences. With your future growth in mind, describe a potential classmate that you believe you could learn from either within or outside a formal classroom environment.

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Procedure for Applying to More Than One University

The Texas Common Application was created to help make applying to Texas public four-year universities easier. To simplify the application process, the following procedure is recommended for students who wish to apply to more than one public four-year university:

1. Each university has its own unique admission instructions and required credentials. Before mailing your application, refer to the web site or contact the admissions office of each university to which you apply for additional institutional information.

2. Complete Parts I and II of the Texas Common Application. Leave item #14 blank as you are completing the application.

3. Photocopy the original completed application and make one copy for each university to which you are applying. Keep the original application for your files in the event you wish to apply to other universities at a later time.

4. On each copy of the application, complete item #14 by entering the name of the university to which you are applying and your first and second choice of major. Follow the instructions for completing the Texas Common Application to ensure proper listing of major(s).

5. Submit one completed application to each university to which you are applying, including Part II, essays and application fee if these items are required by the university. Not all universities require applicants to send in the same parts of the common application. See the general application information section on page ii of this booklet to determine what items are required by the universities to which you apply.

✓ Checklist ✓

_____ Has each college or university you have attended sent your official transcript to the university/universities to which you wish to transfer?

_____ Have you written your name and Social Security number on each page of this application?

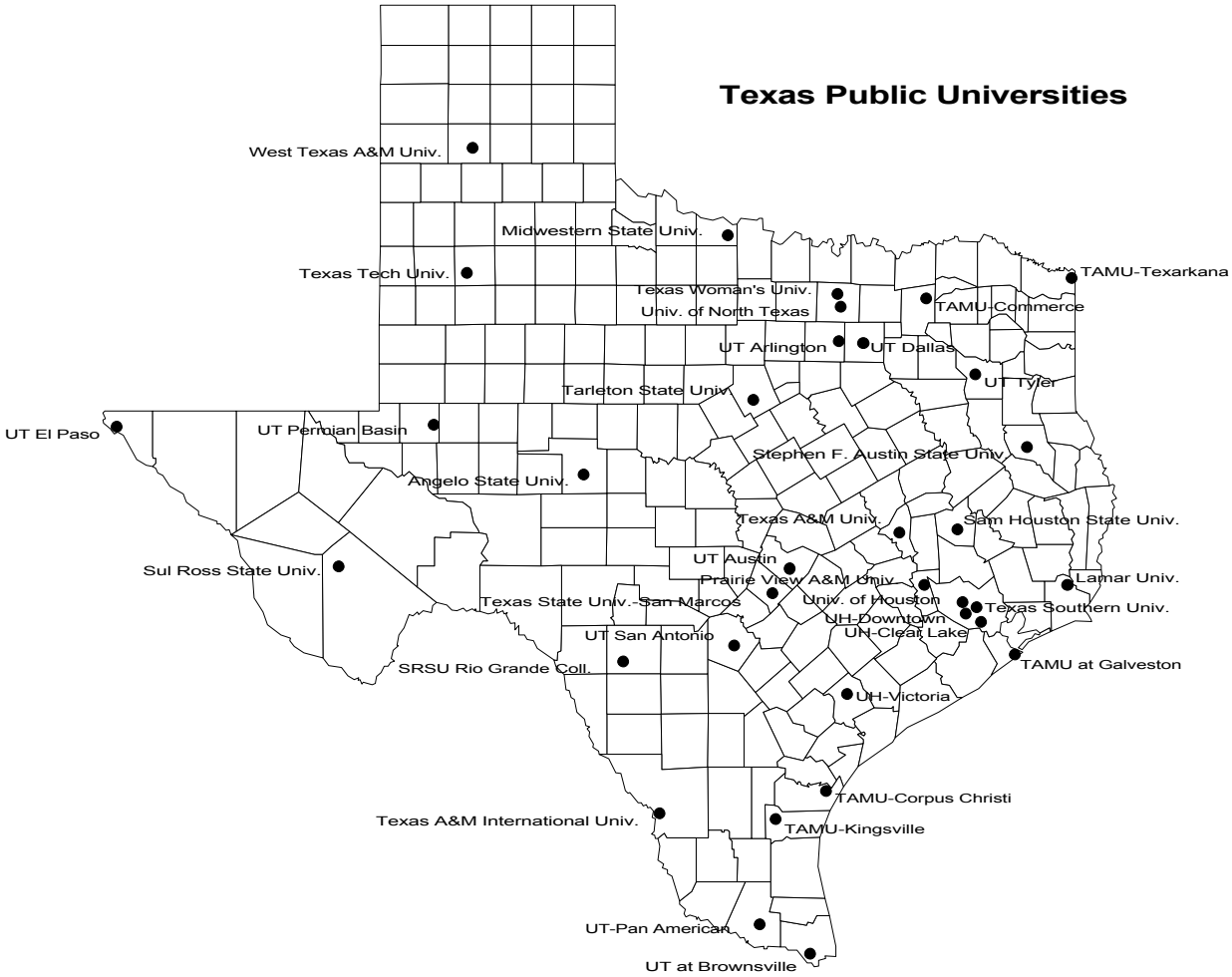
_____ Have you answered each question? Refer to the "General Application Information" on pages ii and iii of this booklet for the parts of the application to complete.

_____ Have you removed the application from the rest of the information in this booklet? Mail only the actual application to the university, not the entire booklet.

_____ Have you made a copy of your application for each university to which you wish to apply? Mail a copy of your application to each university and keep the original application for your records.

_____ Have you included the application fee and essay(s), if required by the university/universities?

_____ Have you taken one of the required state-approved assessment tests?
The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) Program, formerly TASP, mandates that you must take one of the following state-approved assessment tests before enrolling in any college-level coursework: THEA, ASSET, ACCUPLACER, OR COMPASS. Test results are not used for admission purposes; you must however, have test results prior to enrolling, unless you are exempt. PLEASE CONTACT THE UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE YOU PLAN TO ATTEND FOR EXEMPTIONS OR TEST INFORMATION.



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Universities prefer that you apply online at www.applytexas.org. However, you may print the application by going to http://www.collegefortexans.com > Applying for College > Texas Common Application.

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Information collected about you through this application may be held by any institution of higher education to which you apply. With few exceptions, you are entitled on your request to be informed about the collected information. Under Sections 552.021 and 552.023 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to receive and review the information. Under Section 559.004 of the Texas Government Code, you are entitled to correct information held by an institution that is incorrect. You may correct information held by any institution to which you apply by contacting the institution's Public Information Officer. The information that is collected about you will be retained and maintained as required by Texas records retention laws (Section 441.180 et seq. of the Texas Government Code) and rules. Different types of information are kept for different periods of time.