INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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International Student Admission

For admission purposes, Texas Woman's University defines an "international applicant" as a foreign national who is or will be studying at a U.S. institution on a non-immigrant visa. This includes applicants who hold asylum, refugee, temporary protected status and are pending U.S. permanent residents. These applicants must complete the international application. For questions regarding immigration status, please contact International Student and Scholar Services (http://www.twu.edu/international-education/).

Applicants should submit:

- An international graduate application (https://twu.edu/admissions/international-admissions/)
- Non-refundable U.S.$75 application fee
  - The application fee applies to all applicants (new and returning) and can be paid by:
    - Credit card online through the university application.
    - U.S. certified check or money order payable to Texas Woman's University and mailed to the Office of Admissions (https://twu.edu/admissions-processing/). The applicant's full name, date of birth, and TWU ID number must be included.
    - Cash (no personal checks) at the Bursar's Office (https://www.twu.edu/bursar/).
- An official transcript from each U.S. college or university attended for all undergraduate and graduate coursework attempted and/or completed.
- Provide a course-by-course transcript evaluation for coursework and degree(s) from all post-secondary schools completed outside of the U.S. to verify that courses, degree(s) and overall GPA meet admission standards.
  - The evaluation must be provided by a NACES (https://www.naces.org/members/) (National Association of Credential Evaluation Services) or AICE (https://aice-eval.org/members/) (Associate of International Credential Evaluators, Inc.) accredited evaluator. The course-by-course evaluation report must be sent to TWU directly from the evaluation service provider and must include a copy of the academic documents received by the evaluation provider in order to complete the admission review process.
  - A course by course evaluation is considered to be an evaluation which includes individual course titles, grades, credit hours and GPA along with the provider's summary of the recommendation.

International Application Credentials

Applicants should submit all required admission documents and test scores to the Office of Admissions (https://twu.edu/admissions-processing/). See International Admissions Requirements (https://twu.edu/admissions/international-admissions/) for a list of document requirements and application deadlines.

All international and permanent residents are also required to provide the following score reports to demonstrate English language proficiency or meet one of the English language proficiency exemptions noted on the English Proficiency Test Exemption Form (https://twu.edu/admissions/international-admissions/english-proficiency-requirement/):

- Test of English as a Foreign Language (http://www.ets.org/toefl/) (TOEFL) score of 79 (iBT); or
- International English Language Testing System (http://www.ielts.org/) (IELTS) Academic score of 6.5 or higher; or
- Pearson Test of English (https://pearsonpte.com/) (PTE) Academic score of 53 or above; or
- Duolingo English Test (https://englishtest.duolingo.com/applicants/) score of 100 or higher; or
- Graduate Record Examination (http://www.ets.org/gre/) (GRE) a verbal score of 153 (500, former GRE) or above; or
- Graduate Management Admission Test (https://www.mba.com/exams/gmat/) (GMAT) a score equivalent to the 50th percentile.

Certain academic programs may require an additional English language proficiency score. For more information on TWU's English language proficiency requirement, see TOEFL Requirements (https://twu.edu/admissions/international-admissions/english-proficiency-requirement/).

Criteria for Graduate International Admission

Applicants may be considered for graduate admission if the following criteria are met:

- Applicants who have earned a U.S. bachelor's degree or the equivalent of a regionally accredited U.S. bachelor's degree based on a course-by-course evaluation prepared by a NACES (https://www.naces.org/members/) or AICE (https://aice-eval.org/members/) member evaluation service provider; and
- Applicants who meet graduate school and departmental admission requirements and deadlines.

Applicants applying for an F-1 student visa will be issued an I-20 (form required to obtain a student visa) after the applicant has been admitted to TWU. Documents required for the I-20 (financial statement, passports, etc.) must be submitted and approved by International Student and Scholar Services (http://www.twu.edu/international-education/) before an I-20 will be issued. In addition, F-1 visa holders:

- Are not eligible to enroll in a TWU non-degree seeking, certification, or fully online degree program.
- Must comply with the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulations by maintaining full-time student status during the school year (nine or more graduate semester credit hours each semester).
- Must meet the International Student and Scholar Services immigration deadlines (https://international.twu.edu/?go=Initial).

For additional information and requirements, refer to the International Student and Scholar Services (http://www.twu.edu/international-education/) website.

To determine status for tuition purposes, applicants must submit proof of Texas residency by completing the Residency Questionnaire (https://twu.edu/media/documents/registrar/coreresques.pdf).

All international students are required to have medical and hospital insurance (see Student Health Services (https://twu.edu/student-health-services/international-students/)).

International Student and Scholar Services

Applicants should contact International Student and Scholar Services to obtain information regarding document requirements for issuance of an I-20, F1 visa holder restrictions, and other visa-related questions.

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