

**COLLEGE
INFORMATION
NIGHT**

Post High School Options

- ▣ Military
- ▣ Work
- ▣ Trade/Technical School
- ▣ 2 Year School
 - Basics then transfer
 - Two year degree
- ▣ 4 Year College or University

Education Income Level for 2016

- ▣ Professional Degree \$89,960
- ▣ Doctorate Degree \$84,396
- ▣ Master's Degree \$69,732
- ▣ Bachelor's Degree \$59,124
- ▣ Associate Degree \$41,496
- ▣ High School Diploma \$35,256
- ▣ No High School Diploma \$25,636

A college graduate can earn up to \$1 million
more than a person with a high school
diploma.

Education Unemployment Rate for 2016

- ▣ **Doctoral degree** 1.6%
- ▣ **Professional degree** 1.6%
- ▣ **Master's degree** 2.4%
- ▣ **Bachelor's degree** 2.7%
- ▣ **Associate's degree** 3.6%
- ▣ **Some college, no degree** 4.4%
- ▣ **High school diploma** 5.2%
- ▣ **Less than a high school diploma** 7.4%

Military

- ROTC
 - Scholarship based on ability and grades
 - College funding
 - Reserves
- Enlist
 - High school graduate
 - College assistance
- Reserves
 - Part-time military
 - College assistance

2 Year School

- ⦿ Community College

- Tuition and fees based on residency
- Core classes
- Associates degrees
- Certifications

- ⦿ Junior College

- Athletic teams
- Core Classes
- Associates degrees
- Certifications

- ⦿ Trade or Technical School

- Certifications
- Focused Curriculum
- Community/State School
- Proprietary School

4 Year School

- Private
- Public
 - In State
 - Out of State
- Freshman admission
- Transfer admission
- Bachelors degree and higher

College/University Information

Where do I want to go?

How do I get in?

How do I pay for college?

Where Do I Want To Go?

- ▣ Location
 - Urban or Rural
- ▣ Distance
 - Transportation
- ▣ Size
 - Large, Medium, Small
- ▣ Public vs Private
 - Cost
 - Religious Affiliation
- ▣ Course of Study
 - Areas of interest
- ▣ Activities
 - Intramural Sports
 - Social Organizations
 - Cultural Events

Where Do I Want To Go?

- ▣ Attend college preview days
 - Every fall and spring
 - Saturdays
- ▣ Take a college day
 - 11th & 12th Grades

Where Do I Want To Go?

- ▣ Develop a wish list
 - Reach
 - ▣ Colleges where your chances of gaining admission are less than 50/50.
 - Target
 - ▣ Colleges where the likelihood of your admission is within range.
 - Likely
 - ▣ Colleges where you are confident that you will be admitted.

How Do I Get In?

- ▣ *Types of Admissions*
- ▣ *Required Testing*
- ▣ *Application Procedures*
- ▣ *Financial Aid/Scholarships*

Types of Admissions

- Open Enrollment
 - 2 Year Schools
 - No entry test required
 - High School Graduate
- Automatic Admit
 - Top 10% of Graduating Class
- Automatic Academic Admit
 - Rank + Test Scores (SAT/ACT)
- Selective/Holistic
 - No specific required test scores or rank
 - What can you bring to the campus
- Review
 - Did not meet Academic Admit
 - What can you bring to the campus
 - Special Circumstances

Examples of College Choices

		Likely	Target	Reach
Student A	1000 Rdg/Math SAT 2nd Quarter 3.4 GPA Some Activities	SHSU or SFA	Texas State Or Univ of North Texas	Texas A&M or Univ. of Texas
Student B	1400 Rdg/Math SAT 1st Quarter 3.8 GPA Activities with Leadership Roles	Texas A&M or Texas Tech	Baylor or SMU	Vanderbilt or Rice

University of North Texas Admissions



- Freshman
- Transfer
- International
- Graduate
- Why UNT?
- Academics
- Tuition, Costs & Aid
- Campus Life
- Contact Us




Get Started



- FRESHMAN
- TRANSFER
- INTERNATIONAL
- GRADUATE

Will I get in?



Freshman admission requirements



Guaranteed admission requirements

You are guaranteed admission to UNT if you:

- Rank in the top 10% of your high school class and submit SAT or ACT scores
- Rank in the next 15% and have a minimum 950 SAT/1030 New SAT* (combined Critical Reading/Verbal + Math) or 20 ACT
- Rank in the 2nd quarter and have a minimum 1050 SAT/1130 New SAT* (combined Critical Reading/Verbal + Math) or 23 ACT
- Rank in the 3rd quarter and have a minimum 1180 SAT/1250 New SAT* (combined Critical Reading/Verbal + Math) or 26 ACT
- Are a registered participant in [UNT's Eagle Advantage program](#)

Testing

○ SAT

- Critical Reading
- Math
- Writing (optional)

○ ACT

- Critical Reading
- Math
- Science
- Writing (optional)

○ ASVAB

- Interests
- Areas of strength

○ TSI Compliance

- Before the 9th hour of classes
- TSI Exempt
 - PSAT, SAT or ACT Score

SAT & ACT

- ▣ Create an account
 - www.collegeboard.org
 - www.actstudent.org
- ▣ Register on-line
- ▣ Request a fee waiver
 - 2 fee waivers per test
- ▣ When registering send scores to the university for free
- ▣ Photo ID required

TEST BY
SPRING OF
11th GRADE
TO MEET
APPLICATION
DEADLINES!!!

The Application Process

- ▣ Determine which application
 - Apply Texas
 - ◎ Create an account @ www.applytexas.org
 - ◎ Select the college/ university
 - ◎ Complete required application
 - Essays
 - Complete optional sections if you are not an automatic admit
 - *ALWAYS check for a scholarship application/link*
 - ◎ No recommendation letters required
 - Institution's Application

Common & Coalition Applications

- ▣ National applications
- ▣ Requirements
 - Transcript uploaded
 - Application
 - Application fee or waiver
 - Essays
 - Counselor recommendation letter
 - Teacher recommendation letters

The Application Process

- ▣ Complete application by deadline
- ▣ Submit payment or waiver
 - fee waivers available for those eligible
- ▣ Send test scores from testing agency (SAT and/or ACT)
- ▣ Request transcript(s)
 - High school
 - TJC
- ▣ Contact all schools to make sure all documents have been received

Recommendations

- ▣ Ask for 3 recommendations
 - Teacher
 - Counselor/ Administrator
 - Personal (non-family)
- ▣ Common Application recommendation must be emailed to the recommender
- ▣ Please give 2 weeks notice for all letters and forms

Financial Aid

- ▣ FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- ▣ Scholarships
 - ▣ University, Local, State and National
- ▣ NEVER pay a fee to receive help with financial aid applications!!!

Financial Aid

○ Grants

- Free money
- Based on family income, size and number of student's in college
- First generation college student

○ Scholarships

- Free money
- Based on academia, ability, student need and institutional need

○ Work Study

- Work on campus
- Money goes to tuition and fees first

○ Loans

- Must be repaid
- Subsidized
- Unsubsidized

FAFSA

- ▣ FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID
 - www.fafsa.ed.gov
- ▣ Apply starting October 1, 2017
 - Requires 2016 tax information
- ▣ Submit application to all schools
- ▣ Apply even if you think your parents make too much money
- ▣ FAFSA Night - October 30th in HS Library

TASFA

- ▣ Texas Application for State Financial Aid
- ▣ House Bill 1403/Senate Bill 1528
 - Foreign-born and immigrant student
 - Resident tuition rate
 - Eligible for state funded financial aid

Scholarships

- ▣ One time award
 - Local
 - Usually \$5,000 and under
- ▣ Four year award
 - Divided equally per semester
 - With stipulations
 - ▣ Must meet an academic GPA
 - ▣ Must participate in honors program/housing
- ▣ Enroll in a scholarship search engine
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.zinch.com
 - www.collegeboard.org
 - ▣ PSAT My Plan
- ▣ Apply for college and university scholarships
 - Ask financial aid office for applications and procedures

Scholarships

- ◎ Student driven
 - Involvement in extra-curricular and community activities
 - Academic
 - Athletic
 - Fine Arts
- ◎ Parent/Relative driven
 - Organizations and experiences
 - Employer
- ◎ First Generation student
- ◎ Hardship

Essays

- ▣ Tell your story
 - Be honest
 - Be memorable
- ▣ Plan ahead
 - Write an essay now
- ▣ Have 2+ people edit your essay
- ▣ Tell new information
 - Provide details not in the application

Essay Topics

- ▣ **Essay Topic A** - Describe a setting in which you have interacted with people whose experiences and/or beliefs differ from yours.
 - Are you a well-rounded person?
 - Can you handle new experiences?

- ▣ **Essay Topic B** - Describe a circumstance, obstacle or conflict in your life, and the skills and resources you used to resolve it. Did it change you? If so, how?
 - Your story

- ▣ **Essay Topic C** - Considering your lifetime goals, discuss how your current and future academic and extra-curricular activities might help you achieve your goals.
 - What can you bring to the campus?
 - Are you going to do whatever it takes to reach your goals?

What's Next

- ▣ Contact the college financial aid and admissions office to make sure your information has been received
- ▣ Compare acceptance letters, financial aid and scholarship offers
- ▣ Choose an accepting college
- ▣ Apply for housing

What's Next

- ▣ Notify school of decision and pay deposit for housing
- ▣ Contact other colleges to decline offer
- ▣ Have school send a final transcript to college of choice
- ▣ Participate in summer orientation programs for incoming freshman

Helpful Information

- ▣ Keep all websites, log-ins and passwords in a safe place
- ▣ Keep all documents
- ▣ Keep all social media and electronic communication clean and professional
- ▣ Think about your future!

Helpful Information

- ◎ Texas Common Course Numbering System
 - Compare courses at 2 schools
 - www.tccns.org/matrix.aspx
 - Does not take the place of meeting with an advisor
- ◎ Textbook Rental
 - ◎ www.chegg.com

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Thank you for coming!