

ADMISSIONS

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN

At the time of application, students with no college credits since graduation from high school or entering Tarleton directly from a Texas public high school accredited by the Texas Education Agency or a Texas non-public school accredited by the Texas Private School Accreditation Commission are first-time freshmen.

Regular Admission

To be granted regular admission status, first-time freshmen must:

Rank in the Top 10% of the high school graduating class and provide SAT and/or ACT scores, including the essay writing component*;

or

Meet one of the following combinations of high school quarter rank, entrance scores and high school program listed below:

Rank	On Recommended Plan	Not on Recommended Plan
1st quarter	Provide SAT or ACT scores	**See UAP below Provide SAT or ACT scores
2nd quarter	Provide SAT or ACT scores	SAT 950 or ACT 20
3rd quarter	SAT 950 or ACT 20	SAT 1030 or ACT 22
4th quarter	SAT 1030 or ACT 22	SAT 1110 or ACT 24

***SAT total for Admission consists of Critical Reading (Verbal) and Mathematics only.**

**** State of Texas Uniform Admission Policy (UAP)**

The Texas Education Code (TEC) 51.803-51.809 requires that all students meet one of the following college readiness standards in order to be eligible to be considered for admission to a Texas Four-Year Public Institution.

1. a. Successfully complete the recommended or advanced high school program or complete the portion of the program that was available to them; or
b. Successfully complete a curriculum that is equivalent in content and rigor to the recommended or advanced high school program at a high school that is exempt from offering such programs; or
c. Satisfy the College Readiness Benchmarks on the ACT or SAT assessment.
SAT - 1500 out of 2400 (Critical Reading, Math AND Writing)
ACT - 18 English, 21 Reading, 22 Math and 24 Science

Students applying to Tarleton State University from a non-Texas public high school are required to submit a completed high school certification form along with your high school transcript. Please visit www.tarleton.edu/admissions/freshman.html.

Early Notification of Admission

Students seeking early notification of admission must submit all required application materials. Upon graduation, a final high school transcript showing graduation date and class rank must be submitted.

COMPLETION OF SIXTH HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER

Students who are in the top ten percent of their class or who meet the SAT/ACT requirement shown above will be admitted after completion of their sixth semester. High school transcripts showing grades through the junior year, projected date of graduation, estimated rank, and SAT or ACT score must be submitted before a decision will be made regarding admission to the University.

COMPLETION OF SEVENTH HIGH SCHOOL SEMESTER

Students submitting a seventh semester transcript and SAT/ACT scores who meet regular admission requirements will be given early notification.

General Educational Development (GED) Tests

A GED will be considered equivalent to a high school diploma, provided the average standard score is at least 55 or no subscore is less than 50. An official copy or photocopy of the results must be submitted. Application to the university must be one calendar year after the student's intended date of graduation. Applicants must submit official SAT or ACT scores with a minimum score of 950 on the SAT or 20 on the ACT. ****Student must meet UAP benchmark scores listed above.**

Home-Schooled or Non-Accredited High School Graduates

Students who graduate from high schools not accredited by the Texas Education Agency or who are home-schooled will be admitted if they have a score of 1110 or above on the SAT or 24 or above on the ACT. Those with SAT scores of 950-1100 or ACT of 20-23 may be considered based on the records provided. Statements from the school about ranking and curriculum equivalent to recommended or advanced program will be considered. Home schooled students must provide proof of curriculum completed from an agency or teacher. ****Student must meet UAP benchmark scores listed above.**

Advised Admission

First-time freshman applicants who do not meet regular admission requirements are encouraged to apply for the summer advised admission program, Tarleton Transition Program. The summer Tarleton Transition Program typically has less restrictive eligibility conditions than the comparable fall and spring programs. The advised admission programs for fall and spring, Gateway Programs, require applicants to be very near the requirements for regular admission to be considered. Applicants for any advised admission program must

be within a few months of high school graduation. Students who are eligible for an advised admission program will be contacted by the Office of Admissions and asked to sign a contract before being allowed to enroll at Tarleton. The contract may specify course and grade requirements, may restrict the number of hours to be taken, and may be more restrictive than certain university rules such as the Warning/Probation/Suspension policy. Students should review all contract conditions carefully before signing as students who fail to meet conditions in the contract may not be allowed to re-enroll at Tarleton until they succeed academically at another institution and meet Tarleton's transfer requirements. The number of students granted advised admission may be limited by the Academic Affairs Office at Tarleton without prior notice.

Limited Admission for Outstanding High School Students

Students who (1) have completed their junior year of high school; (2) are ranked in the top quarter of their graduating class; and (3) have scores of at least 1100 on the SAT, or 110 on the PSAT, or 24 on the ACT or PACT may apply for one of the following programs. Applicants must provide a letter of recommendation from their high school principal or counselor addressing students' maturity and academic capabilities and a letter of consent from a parent or legal guardian. All high school/home school students must successfully complete all sections of a TSI assessment or have obtained a TSI exemption prior to course registration. For information on TSI please see the following page.

Summer Program

Those admitted to this program typically are awarded the credit earned at Tarleton following their graduation from high school.

Concurrent Enrollment Program

Students admitted to this program may enroll in a maximum of 6 hours and will be awarded the credit earned at Tarleton following graduation from high school. University and high school course loads must be agreed upon before enrollment.