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Admission of international students to graduate programs will be based upon holding a valid U.S. equivalent bachelor's-level degree from an accredited college or university. The quality of the applicant's college-level work is judged from the scores, grade point average and writing sample. A non-refundable processing fee of \$130 (US) made payable to Tarleton State University must be included with the application. Along with the application, the student must include all previous university academic records officially translated in the English language. Applicants must provide official transcripts and evaluations of all previous university academic records. Evaluations must be done by recognized evaluation services and typically must adhere to standards of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and include items such as course names, course descriptions, course credit, course grades, grade point average, and degree earned and the date earned as recommended by the National Council on the Evaluation of Foreign Educational Credentials. Applicants must provide official transcripts and evaluations of all previous university academic records. Evaluations must be done by recognized evaluation services and typically must adhere to standards of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers and include items such as course names, course descriptions, course grades, grade point average, and degree earned and the date earned as recommended by the National Council on the Evaluation of Foreign Educational Credentials. The International Academic Program office can provide a list of evaluation service providers but it is the applicant's responsibility to secure and pay for the evaluation and to make sure it is done early enough to meet admission deadlines.

In addition to a signed application requirement and evaluated documents, the College of Graduate Studies requires a minimum admission score average (CGPA) of 3.0 for the Bachelor Degree, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) minimum score of 80 on the Internet-based test, a minimum score of 213 on the computer-based test, or a minimum score of 550 on the paper-based test, and evidence of a GRE or GMAT* score, the applicant may be required to attend additional English classes to improve speaking and writing skills, or on the recommendation of the Head of the Department, may be required to take leveling classes in a particular field of study as instituted by the Department.

The international applicant must have a reliable financial sponsor. A sponsor is obligated to endorse all expenditures for the applicant during the entire course of study. Note that a copy of all financial statement documentation must be included with the admission packet.

International applicants must submit two passport-style color photos taken within six months of application. Additionally, Tarleton State University requires that all students have medical insurance with coverage in the United States. Students may wish to purchase insurance through the University upon arrival.

All application materials must be sent to the Office of International Academic Programs. Applications cannot be processed and an I-20 cannot be issued until all materials are received and the applicant is admitted in the College of Graduate Studies.

For more details about admission for international students, please consult our web page at www.tarleton.edu/international.

*Students planning to pursue a master's program in business may submit GMAT scores instead of GRE scores.