Welcome!

2008 Counselor Update
Undergraduate Admission Types

• Regular Freshmen Admission
• Alternative Freshmen Admission
• High School Concurrent Enrollment
• Transfer Student Admission
• Transient Admission
• International Student Admission
• Postbaccalaureate Admission
Applying for Admission as a Freshman

A student applying for admission to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a freshman student is:

• A citizen or permanent resident of the United States; someone who has applied for permanent residency; or who qualifies for Texas residency based on Senate Bill 1528;

• A degree-seeking applicant without college credit, or an applicant that has earned 1-29 transferable college credit hours. These credits include hours transferred from another institution, high school dual credit, and credit awarded by examination (e.g., Advanced Placement).
Application Process

In order to be considered for admission, you must submit the following items:

• Completed the [ApplyTexas U.S. Freshman Application for Admission](https://www.applytexas.org)

• Submit a $25.00 non-refundable application fee

• Submit official high school transcript or GED certificate

• Submit SAT or ACT scores, sent directly from the testing agency (SAT code number: 0366; ACT code number: 4045)

• Submit official college transcript(s) from all institutions attended (if applicable)

Note: Other documents recommended for submission (but not required) include: Letter(s) of recommendation, Resume, Essay, Personal statement, and/or Special circumstances.
# Academic Preparedness Requirements

All applicants must meet the following high school academic preparedness requirements:

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<th>Courses</th>
<th>Number of credits</th>
<th>Special notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>English</td>
<td>4 credits</td>
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<td>Laboratory science</td>
<td>3 credits</td>
<td>At least one credit must be in Biology, Chemistry, or Physics</td>
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<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>3 credits</td>
<td>Algebra I or higher; may include Plane Geometry</td>
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<td>Social Studies</td>
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<td>Foreign Language</td>
<td>2 credits</td>
<td>Must be 2 credits in one foreign language or 2 credits in American Sign Language</td>
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NOTE: It is recommended that high school students have at least 1 credit in computer literacy. Competency is required prior to graduation from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.
Gaining Admission to A&M-Corpus Christi

Applicants that have met the designated criteria may obtain automatic admission to the University by meeting the Regular Admission Requirements.

Students who have graduated in the Top 10% of their high school class are eligible for Regular Freshman Admission with no minimum SAT or ACT score requirements. Students must, however, have either the SAT or ACT official test results on file with the Office of Admissions.

Those applicants who do not meet these standards will be considered for admission under our Alternative Admission Procedure.
Gaining Admission to A&M-Corpus Christi
Applicants that wish to be considered for Automatic Admission have met the Regular Admission Requirements below:

Regular Admission Requirements (High School Graduates)

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<th>Class ranking</th>
<th>SAT Composite Score</th>
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<td>Top 15%</td>
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The SAT scores reflected in the two tables below include the combination of the Critical Reading and Math Sections. Our current test score requirements do not include the writing section component.
Alternative Admission Procedure

Students who do not meet the Automatic Admission Requirements will be considered under our Alternative Admission Procedure.

Our Undergraduate Admissions Committee will review student applications and will consider other factors in addition to class rank and standardized test scores.

Factors considered include extracurricular activities, community service, talents and awards, extenuating circumstances, employment, internships, and summer activities.

Applications reviewed under this procedure are considered on a case-by-case basis.
Application Deadlines

To ensure full consideration, all documents and items required for admission must be submitted to the Office of Admissions by the deadlines posted below. Documents and items received after the deadline but before the beginning of regular class registration will continue to be processed as quickly as possible to allow for admission and enrollment in courses.

Spring semester: **November 1**
Summer I/II semester: **April 1**
Fall semester: **July 1**
Finding a Counselor

Our admission counselors assist prospective students as they navigate through the various steps of the admission process. We invite you to contact our counselors with any of the questions you may have regarding the admission process at the Island University.

**Freshman Admissions Counselors**

Serves: Freshmen students from all Texas counties and all states and U.S. territories.

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- **Dr. Christopher Fleming**
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A student applying for admission to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a standard transfer student is:

- A citizen or permanent resident of the United States; someone who has applied for permanent residency; or who qualifies for Texas residency based on Senate Bill 1528;

- A degree-seeking applicant with 30+ transferable college credit hours from other accredited institutions (no remedial or duplicate credits may be transferred)
Application Process

In order to be considered for admission, you must submit the following items:

• A completed ApplyTexas U.S. Transfer Application for Admission
• A $25.00 non-refundable application fee
• Official college transcript(s) from all institutions attended

Admission Requirements

In order to meet admission requirements, all transfer applicants must have at least a cumulative grade point average of a 2.0 on a 4.0 scale and be eligible to return to the institution at which they were previously enrolled. The cumulative GPA includes all work attempted, excluding remedial, high school, or duplicate courses.
Transferring Course Work
It is important to note that some vocational and technical courses can only transfer into specific degree programs. To determine which courses will transfer, please contact our Academic Advising Transition Center at 361.825.5931.

Application Deadlines
To ensure full consideration, all documents and items required for admission must be submitted to the Office of Admissions by the deadlines posted below.

- Spring semester: **December 15**
- Summer I/II semester: **May 15**
- Fall semester: **August 15**
**Transferring Core Curriculum**
Students need to have either completed a minimum of 42 core curriculum semester hours at another accredited institution, or will need to complete core curriculum requirements at TAMU-CC. Students transferring from out-of-state will be required to complete the TAMU-CC core curriculum.

**Transfer Credit**
Most academic coursework typically transfers; however, you must set an appointment with your academic advisor within the college of your intended major to discuss the applicability of coursework to your specific degree program. No more than 45 semester hours of undergraduate work may be transferred from among the following: military service, credit by examination, and vocational-technical courses (applicable only for specific programs). This limit applies to work completed prior to or after matriculation.
At Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, academic advising centers are housed in each college and staffed by full-time academic advisors. Undeclared or exploratory students are advised through the Academic Advising Transition Center (AATC).

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TALK2ME Hotline: 361-TALK2ME (361-825-5263)
Texas Success Initiative
Though not required to gain admission, all students who intend to enroll at A&M-Corpus Christi must submit proof of assessment or exemption to our University to meet requirements set forth under the Texas Success Initiative. Under the Texas Success Initiative (TSI), all undergraduate students entering a Texas public institution of higher education must be assessed for readiness to enroll in freshman-level academic coursework. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board has approved the following testing instruments to be used to determine readiness to enroll in college level courses:

- ACCUPLACER
- ASSET
- COMPASS
- Texas Higher Education Assessment (THEA)

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi only administers the THEA and COMPASS, but accepts scores from any of the assessments listed above. Unless you are exempt or have received a waiver, you are considered TSI-liable and will need to take one of the above-mentioned approved assessments in order to meet TSI requirements. For further information regarding the TSI, please consult our Academic Testing web site at http://testing.tamucc.edu/tasp.html.
The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi core curriculum is a 45 semester-hour program of study which is required of undergraduates, and provides a foundation for all majors.

A&M-Corpus Christi's First-Year Learning Communities Program (FYLCP) is an innovative nationally recognized program which helps students to make successful academic and social transitions from high school to the University.
A&M-Corpus Christi students enroll in their first year in specially selected groups of 3 or 4 classes known as Triads and Tetrads.

The students and teachers within each Triad or Tetrad form a learning community.

For example, students might enroll in a Triad which includes:
- First-Year Seminar (UCCP 1101 or UCCP 1102)
- English Composition (English 1301 or English 1302)
- Human Societies (Sociology 1301)

A Tetrad which the University frequently offers consists of the following courses:
- First-Year Seminar (UCCP 1101 or UCCP 1102)
- English Composition (English 1301 or English 1302)
- U.S. History to 1865 (History 1301)
- U.S. Government and Politics (Political Science 2305)
• Collaborate with Tutoring and Learning Center
  – College Student Inventory. (Student’s perception of needs such as math, verbal, financial, social, stress, career etc.)
    • Provide ASAP (Academic Student Achievement Plan)
    • Provide Informational Surveys throughout the semester with opportunities to interact with professionals in the AATC.

• Collaborate with Counseling Center & TLC.
  – STAR workshops (Students Taking Academic Responsibility)
    • Note Taking, Test Taking, Financial Mgt., Time Mgt, Decoding TAMU-CC, Stress Mgt., Career, Public Speaking.
    • Open to all students.
• The Tutoring & Learning Center's Retention Office strives to help all students who feel that they might need some help with their classes, registration or any other issue that might prevent academic success.

• The TLC, Academic Advising Transition Center, Student Affairs and the University Faculty have initiated an Early Alert System to identify students at risk for academic or social concerns.
Campus Tours

The Office of New Student Programs provides campus tours to all prospective students and their guests. These tours are conducted by the Island Ambassadors, a group of volunteer students who are trained in campus history, admissions information, and are able to answer your questions about campus life, events, and classes.

For more information about touring the university, or to schedule a campus tour, visit http://tour.tamu.cc.edu.
Island Day is Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's campus preview program, designed especially for prospective students to get a first-hand look at what it takes to become an Islander. At Island Day, students will have the opportunity to:

» Take a campus tour with our Island Ambassadors
» Learn about the University's top-rated programs
» Explore your academic interests with our University's outstanding faculty
» Discover the many ways to get involved at the University
» Speak with admissions counselors, financial assistance representatives, and on-campus housing associates

Program dates for 2008-2009 are:

Saturday, October 18, 2008
Saturday, November 8, 2008
Saturday, February 14, 2009
Saturday, April 25, 2009

The cost for attendance is $10 per person, which includes breakfast, our famous Islander lunch, and program materials. Island Day is a family event, so all the family is welcome to attend.
Orientation Programs

> Programming designed to provide information to students regarding University Services and Offices, Traditions and History, and also provide local placement testing, advising and registration for the student

> Purpose of programming to help aid in the transition from high school to college, to provide knowledge and familiarity to campus, and introduce students into a growing community

New Student Orientation
> Offered in January for student attending in Spring and in May-August for students attending in Fall
> Parent/Guest Program that run simultaneously to provide information regarding how to pay for college and university services
> **Required** for student with 24 or less credit hours

Transfer Workshop
> Offered in January for students attending in Spring and in July for students attending in Fall
> **Recommended** for students with 25 or more credit hours
Questions???