INTERNATIONAL ADMISSION DOCUMENTS

In addition to all general admission requirements, applicants with international credentials (including any study abroad or exchange course work) or English proficiency exam scores, may be required to submit the following requirements for admission consideration.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)/International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

English proficiency exam scores through the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (http://www.ets.org/toefl) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (http://www.ielts.org) are required of all applicants if English is not their native language or if they are not eligible for an automatic TOEFL/IELTS waiver (http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/intl_home/lang.html) through The Graduate College.

Fluency in English is expected of all accepted students, specifically in the areas of listening, reading, speaking, and writing; therefore, applicants must submit a TOEFL internet-based test (iBT) score of at least 78 overall or an IELTS (academic) test score of at least 6.5 overall with 6.0 in each individual module scores. Only students currently enrolled in the Texas State Intensive English (TSIE) Bridge Program may submit a TOEFL paper-based test score of at least 550 for regular admission. Please note that some programs may require a higher overall score or 4 out of 4 minimum individual iBT section scores in order to be considered for regular admission. Additionally, some programs may require that applicants submit scores for one specific type of test.

In conjunction with the Texas State Intensive English (TSIE) Bridge Program, certain programs may allow English-based conditional admission. “Bridge Admission” requires a TOEFL internet-based overall score 59-77 or an IELTS (academic) overall score of 5.5-6.0 with minimum individual module scores of at least 5.5. Please note that some programs may require 4 out of 4 minimum individual iBT section scores in order to be considered for English-based conditional admission.

All TOEFL or IELTS scores submitted for admission consideration must be less than two years old as both Educational Testing Services (ETS) and International English Language Testing System (IELTS) will not maintain or release official score records beyond this time. All TOEFL or IELTS scores must be submitted to The Graduate College by ETS or IELTS directly – score reports bearing the designation of “applicant copy” or “institutional scores” will not be considered official for admission purposes.

The TOEFL and IELTS are administered at various centers in the United States and abroad at least six times each year. Information, practice materials, and registration for these tests are found through their respective organization’s websites: http://www.ets.org/toefl for TOEFL and http://www.ielts.org/ for IELTS.

International Evaluation Fee

If an application requires the review of any non-US credentials (including any courses taken through a study abroad or exchange program) or English proficiency exam scores, the applicant must submit a non-refundable international evaluation fee of $50 in addition to the $40 application with the ApplyTexas application. No application will be considered until the necessary fees have been paid.

Immigration Documents

All immigration-related documents will be collected by the International Office. Please visit http://www.international.txstate.edu/ for more information or contact the office directly at 512-245-7966 or international@txstate.edu.