Applicants who would like to take graduate courses for personal enrichment or to fulfill prerequisites for another program can take course(s) as a non-degree-seeking student. Non-degree-seeking students are not pursuing any of The Graduate College’s degree programs.

Admission Requirements for U.S. Citizens and applicants with Permanent Resident status

The items listed below are required for admission consideration:

- completed online application
- $20 nonrefundable application fee

OR

- $60 nonrefundable application fee for applicants with international credentials
- a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited university
- official transcripts (and marksheets if applicable) from the institution that shows the highest degree earned
- completed non-degree-seeking student form for each semester for which enrollment is sought

Admission Requirements for International Applicants

An international applicant is defined as an applicant who is not a citizen. All international applicants fall under regulations of the United States Department of Homeland Security. Federal law governs university rules regarding non-U.S. citizens; hence, admission requirements for international applicants differ from those for U.S. citizens.

The following items, in addition to those listed for U.S. citizens, are required for admission consideration.

- official transcripts from every institution attended: one in the native language of the country where the university is located and one certified English translation (if transcripts are issued in a language other than English).
- two copies of the graduation/degree certificate (diploma) showing the type of degree and the date in which the degree was earned, one in the native language of the country where the university is located and one certified English translation.
- official English proficiency exams scores

Refer to the International Admission Documents section of this catalog or The Graduate College’s website for more information about these requirements.

F-1 Visa Enrollment Requirements

A student under F-1 international student visa status must be enrolled full-time (nine hours) in the fall and spring terms. The only exception to this rule is if you are currently under a Post-Completion OPT period and in good F-1 status. An F-1 student does not have to enroll during the summer if the student is eligible and intends to register for the next term.

A new initial F-1 student who recently gained admission into the U.S. with a program start date set to begin in the summer session must enroll full-time for that summer session. Please contact the International Student and Scholar Services at 512-245-7966 or international@txstate.edu for more information.