International Transfer Applicant:

An "international transfer" applicant:
- is not a citizen or permanent resident of the United States (or applicant for permanent residency) and,
- has not graduated from a Texas high school after three years of residence in Texas. (If this applies to you, please apply as a U.S. transfer applicant based on Senate Bill 1528.) and,
- is an applicant seeking the attainment of a bachelor’s degree and,
- has graduated from high-school or equivalent and,
- has enrolled in a post-secondary institution and,
- is not eligible for readmission (has never enrolled at Texas A&M-Kingsville as an undergraduate degree-seeking student).

Application Dates/Deadline for Term  
Summer 2016  -  Opening Aug. 1, 2015  Closing April 1, 2016  
Fall 2016  -  Opening Aug. 1, 2015  Closing June 1, 2016  

Documents Needed/Required Credentials

All materials must be received (not postmarked) by the application deadline.

Checklist:
1. Application
2. Application fee
3. Official transcripts and records
   a. College/university – post-secondary institutions
   b. High school/senior secondary
4. Official test scores

1. State of Texas ApplyTexas Application – Completed.
   - Please select the Transfer International Application option on www.applytexas.org.
   - When completing your application, enter your name as it appears on your passport.

2. Nonrefundable $50 application fee -
   - Credit card payments via ApplyTexas are preferred.
   - Checks or money orders (U.S. dollars) should be made payable to TAMUK. Checks or money orders are accepted provided they display an agency bank in the United States and have magnetic ink character recognition (MICR) routing numbers at the bottom.
   - International applicants are not eligible for fee waivers.

3. Official Transcripts and records – Submit official transcripts, with graduation dates, from:
   a. All post-secondary (university and college-level) courses taken. College work from one institution posted on the transcript of another institution will not be accepted.
      - Copies of official foreign transcripts on file at a previously attended U.S. institution are acceptable if verified by the U.S. institution.
   b. All official senior secondary (high school) transcripts and diploma according to the educational system of your country (generally the last three to four years of senior secondary education). The final transcript and high school diploma must be received by the application closing date. If you attended a U.S. high school:
      - Credit transferred from foreign high schools and listed on the U.S. transcript will be accepted.

4. Official test scores – Applicants whose native language is not English are required to submit proof of English ability.

Admission Criteria/Additional Information

Admission Review
Complete application files are reviewed and decisions made by the Admission Office.

Admission Criteria/Conditions
Undergraduate applicants who have attended a postsecondary level institution and have completed 12 or more transferable semester credits at an accredited/recognized institution must satisfy the following criteria:
1. Post a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all postsecondary work attempted and;
2. Be in good standing with the college or university last attended.

Undergraduate applicants who have attended a postsecondary level institution and have completed less than 12 transferable semester credits at an accredited/recognized institution must satisfy the following criteria:
1. Meet the criteria for admission to a postsecondary school in the applicant’s home country and;
2. Have at least a 2.5 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) from a secondary school and;
3. Post a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for all postsecondary work attempted.

NOTE: Admission to all undergraduate engineering programs requires a 2.5 GPA.

Transferring Grades
Grades for all transferable courses are used in the calculation of the GPA. This includes failing grades. (Plus and minus grade designations are not used; C+ is calculated as a C, B+ is calculated as a B, etc.)

Transferring Credit
Credit on course work completed at the time of application to Texas A&M-Kingsville is transferable only when an official transcript from the originating institution is presented as part of the application. Course descriptions may be required for a more accurate articulation of credit to TAMUK equivalent courses.

Residence Requirements for Graduation
A minimum of 30 semester hours of 3000 and/or 4000 level coursework, with a minimum of 12 of the course hours in the major, MUST be completed in residence at Texas A&M University-Kingsville to qualify for a Baccalaureate degree.

TOEFL Alternatives
Students who have completed their entire formal education at the secondary or postsecondary level in the following countries are
- A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 61 (Internet-based) or 500 (Paper-based) is the university minimum requirement. A higher score of 79/550 is required for all applicants to programs in the College of Arts sciences and the Frank H. Dotterweich College of Engineering.
- Test scores should be from a test date within two years.
- Test scores must be sent directly from the testing agency to be considered official.
- We will use your highest test score from one test date.
- The Texas A&M University-Kingsville SAT and TOEFL code is 6822, and the ACT code is 4214.
- Tests should be taken at least eight weeks prior to the appropriate application deadline to ensure timely receipt and processing of results.
- There is no institutional code for the IELTS examination. Copies of test scores are not considered official, but they may help the University locate your official test scores and are therefore useful when the application is processed. Applicants should request their official IELTS scores be sent to:

  Office of Admission
  TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE
  MSC 128
  700 UNIVERSITY BLVD.
  KINGSVILLE, TEXAS 78363-8202

Where do I send my application materials?

The address to send documents through the US Postal Mail is:

  Office of Admission
  Texas A&M University-Kingsville
  MSC 128
  700 University Blvd.
  Kingsville, Texas 78363-8202

Our physical address for mail and packages delivered by courier services such as UPS, FedEx and DHL (or delivered in person) is:

  Office of Admission
  Texas A&M University-Kingsville
  Rm. 136 Memorial Student Union Bldg
  1050 W. Santa Gertrudis Avenue
  Kingsville, TX 78363
  USA

To contact our office directly, call (361) 593-2315 or email us at admissions@tamuk.edu.

exempt from the TOEFL requirement:

American Samoa, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Canada (except Quebec); Cayman Islands, Dominica, Federated States of Micronesia, Grenada, Guam, Guyana, Jamaica, Liberia, New Zealand, United Kingdom (all), Trinidad-Tobago, and Virgin Islands.

The following are considered equivalencies to the TOEFL scores of 61 (iBT)/500 (PBT):

- SAT* verbal 500; ACT* verbal 21 English; TAKS 2200 English/ 3 writing; TAAS 1770; IELTS 6.0 or above overall band score.
- TAMUK ELTC completion of program letter with a minimum average of 85% and levels from intermediate to advanced.
- Completion of the advanced-level Texas Intensive English Program (TIEP) offered by the Texas International Education Consortium (TIEC).

The following are considered equivalent to the TOEFL scores of 79 (iBT)/550 (PBT):

- IELTS 6.5 or above overall band score.
- TAMUK ELTC completion of program letter with a minimum average of 90% and levels from Low Advanced, Advanced Plus or High Advanced.

Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine

ALL new students under age 22 are required to show evidence of a bacterial meningitis vaccination within five years from the start of the semester for which they intend to enroll. More information will be available at the time of admission.

General transcript information

Which transcripts do you require?

If you attended more than one post-secondary college/university, we require an official transcript from each school, including universities attended in the U.S.

What makes transcripts official?

Transcripts are considered official if they have an original signature of a school official or an original school seal. Accepted signatures include the Registrar, Principal, Controller of Examinations, or The Ministry of Education. In addition, we will accept documents that have been stamped as official by the embassy/consulate. U. S. transcripts must be sent directly from the institution. Photocopies or other duplications of a transcript, such as notarized, faxed or scanned copies are not considered official.

What about transcripts not in English?

Applicants from an institution that does not issue a transcript in English must submit the official native language transcript with an official English translation. Official translations are prepared by a recognized translator and include all original seals and/or signatures; photocopies are not accepted.

Do you accept education evaluations?

Evaluations of transcripts are considered unofficial.

What if I have only one copy of my transcript?

You may submit a scan or copy of your non-US document(s). If admitted, you will be required to show your original(s) upon arrival on campus. If you have already sent your original to a U.S. institution, the institution can also provide us with a copy of their records (see 3a).