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The University of Houston

Founded in 1927, the University of Houston is Texas' premier public metropolitan research and teaching institution. Located in the fourth largest city in the United States, our students are in the midst of a vibrant, entrepreneurial, and economically diverse environment.

Each year, we serve more than 35,000 students in twelve academic colleges and in the inter-disciplinary Honors College. We offer 109 bachelor's, 131 master's, 51 doctoral, and three professional degree programs. UH awards more than 6,500 degrees annually.

We are the most ethnically diverse research university in the United States. Our student body is 39.5 percent white, 18.7 percent Asian/Pacific Islander, 18.1 percent Hispanic, 13.0 percent African American, 8.1 percent International, 0.4 percent Native American, and 2.2 percent unspecified. UH students represent more than 126 nations and 88 percent are Texas residents.

We stand at the forefront of education, research, and service. Our students gain real-world experience through a combination of academic excellence in a mentoring community of stellar faculty and dynamic programs coupled with an innovative curriculum.

UH graduates can be found in leadership positions from Capitol Hill to community nonprofits. Cougars are connected to the community. Our alumni have done it all—from walking in space to leading major corporations to winning Olympic gold.

That's what makes a great university, a great university.

Top-Notch UH Programs

The **UH Law Center's Health Law and Policy Institute** is ranked number two in the nation while the Intellectual Property Law Program is ranked fourth, according to *U.S. News & World Report*. Our faculty includes nationally recognized experts who help students mesh legal theory with practical applications of the law. www.law.uh.edu

Our **Creative Writing Program** is ranked second in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report* and is one of the most competitive programs in the country as well as one of only two offering a Ph.D. Leading poets, short story writers, and novelists make up our dynamic faculty. www.uh.edu/cwp

The **Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management** is consistently ranked as one of the top hospitality programs in the world with students from thirty-eight countries studying here. Our students benefit in countless ways from industry connections spanning decades. This includes two job fairs a year, internships, and a well-placed alumni network. Our graduates frequently obtain career-level positions from local, national, and international companies. www.hrm.uh.edu

The science journal *Nature* ranked the **College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics** tenth in the nation in physical sciences (physics, chemistry, earth science, engineering, mathematics, and applied sciences) based on how frequently UH faculty members' research was cited by other scientists. www.nsm.uh.edu

The **College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences'** doctoral psychology program is ranked second in Texas, with the doctoral and the clinical neuropsychology programs ranked among the top five in the nation, according to the National Research Council. www.class.uh.edu

Students in the **Moores School of Music** consistently place first in regional and national competitions. www.class.uh.edu

The American Educational Research Association ranked the **College of Education** among the top schools in the country in research productivity. We use pioneering technologies for teaching and learning, and we are recognized as one of the most innovative colleges in the country. www.coe.uh.edu

Students at the **Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture** frequently earn top honors in regional, national, and international competitions. Six of our students earned multiple awards in the International Competition of Ideas held in Milan, Italy. Another architecture student took top honors in the first Interfaith Sacred Space International Competition held in Barcelona. www.arch.uh.edu

The **Cullen College of Engineering's** chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, and civil engineering programs are ranked among the top programs in the nation. With our new undergraduate program in biomedical engineering, combined with recent strides in nanoengineering, we are poised to become one of the premier players in bionano research. **www.egr.uh.edu**

The **C.T. Bauer College of Business** is ranked nationally in the following programs: the MBA Program ranked fifth among public universities for CEOs of S&P500 companies; the Executive MBA Program ranked in the top twenty among public universities; the undergraduate program ranked sixty-sixth in the nation and number one in Houston; and the accounting department consistently ranked first or second for Texas CPA exam pass rate.

We also have the top **Entrepreneurship Program** in Texas. Additionally, the Bauer College is one of five U.S. schools with multiple members in the Academy of Management Hall of Fame; and our marketing faculty is ranked number one in Houston and is in the top 5 percent worldwide.

Our **Information Systems Program** is number one in the Gulf Coast Region and seventeenth worldwide; and we have the number one selling program with the largest enrollment and most extensive curriculum. **www.bauer.uh.edu**

Our **College of Pharmacy** has partnered with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to develop and exchange scientific resources and educational opportunities—it is the first such partnership in the nation. Our faculty and students will be cross-trained in various FDA departments. **www.uh.edu/pharmacy**

The **Department of Anthropology** offers more field-based research opportunities for undergraduate students than any similar program in the state of Texas. **www.anthropology.uh.edu**

Our **Graduate School of Social Work** is the only school of social work in Houston. With more than 2,000 nonprofit organizations in the Greater Houston/Harris County area, our American Humanics Nonprofit Certificate Program prepares our students to meet the growing need for qualified professionals in nonprofits. We offer our students outstanding faculty like Jody Williams, 1997 Nobel Laureate for Peace; diversity of field practice education sites; and numerous community projects and cutting-edge research centers. **www.sw.uh.edu**

Groundbreaking Research

We conduct research in every academic department and operate more than forty research centers and institutes. Through these facilities, we maintain more than 300 creative partnerships with corporate, civic, and governmental entities. Our interdisciplinary research makes new discoveries in vital and groundbreaking areas including bionanotechnology, superconductivity, space commercialization, biomedical engineering, economics, education, petroleum exploration, and virtual technology. With \$88.6 million in research expenditures in 2004, including federal grants of \$39.4 million, UH is a leading research institution. As a reflection of our commitment to excellence in education, research, and service, the university anticipates continued support and growth in the number of grants and awards.

A \$2.8 million National Institutes of Health grant will help us develop a new type of interdisciplinary scientist in the emerging field of nanobiology—combining the tools, ideas, and materials of nanoscience and biology. We received the grant through our Institute for Molecular Design for the Keck Center for Computational and Structural Biology. Funds will be disbursed to undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral students over a five-year period as competitive fellowships among students at UH, Rice University, Baylor College of Medicine, the University of Texas Health Science Center, the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, and the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center. www.undergraduateresearch.uh.edu

World-Class Athletics

We have a proud athletics history—sixteen football bowl games; five men’s basketball NCAA Final Four appearances, eighteen NCAA basketball tournaments, and six preseason NIT tournaments; sixteen golf NCAA championships; and berths to baseball’s College World Series. In 2004, the Lady Cougars basketball team clinched its first Conference USA championship; and the U.S. Basketball Writer’s Association and ESPN.com named the Lady Cougars head coach, Joe Curl, National Coach of the Year.

Seventy-seven UH athletes and coaches have participated in an Olympic competition, and UH student-athletes have earned thirty-three medals. This past year, ninety-four student-athletes were named to the Conference USA Commissioner’s Honor Roll. Former Lady Cougars forward/guard Chandi Jones was a three-time Conference USA Player of the Year and the first player in UH and Conference USA history to be named a Kodak All American. Jones was the WNBA’s first-round draft pick and is now with the WNBA’s Detroit Shock.

Renowned athletes Carl Lewis, Hakeem Olajuwon, Clyde Drexler, Elvin Hayes, Fred Couples, Andre Ware, and Leroy Burrell competed for UH under legendary coaches Guy V. Lewis, Bill Yeoman, Dave Williams, and Tom Tellez. Burrell, U.S. Olympian and alumnus, is the current men’s track and field head coach; and UH alumnus Art Briles is our head football coach. www.uhcougars.com

University of Houston 2005-2006 Statistics*

Student Enrollment

College	Undergrad.	Postbac.	Graduate	Special Professional	Total
Architecture	662	6	87	–	755
Business	4,298	232	1,069	–	5,599
Education	2,221	152	1,002	–	3,375
Engineering	1,547	71	612	–	2,230
HRM [^]	797	9	72	–	878
Law	–	–	96	1,043	1,142
CLASS [†]	7,489	358	1,040	–	8,887
NSM [≈]	2,769	156	783	–	3,708
Optometry	–	–	28	396	424
Pharmacy	–	10	39	478	527
Social Work	–	–	343	–	343
Technology	1,579	60	66	–	1,705
University Studies	5,597	174	–	–	5,771
Total	26,959	1,228	5,240	1,917	35,344

[^]HRM (Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management)

[†]CLASS (College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences)

[≈]NSM (College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics)

Student Distribution by Ethnicity/Gender

	Female		Male		Total	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
African American	3,131	16.9	1,780	10.6	4,911	13.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	3,388	18.3	3,290	19.6	6,678	18.9
Hispanic	3,600	19.4	2,931	17.5	6,531	18.5
International	1,199	6.5	1,553	9.3	2,752	7.8
Native American	74	0.4	61	0.4	135	0.4
White/Other	6,800	36.6	6,809	40.6	13,609	38.5
Unknown	363	2.0	365	2.2	728	2.1
Total	18,555	100.0	16,789	100.0	35,344	100.00

Student Distribution by Level, Full-Time/Part-Time Status and Mean Age

	Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Mean Age
Undergraduate				
Freshman	5,986	5,118	868	19.2
Sophomore	5,517	3,918	1,599	21.6
Junior	6,676	4,589	2,087	23.4
Senior	8,780	5,998	2,782	25.5
Subtotal	26,959	19,623	7,336	22.8
Postbaccalaureate				
Subtotal	1,228	243	985	31.2
Graduate				
Master's	3,772	2,019	1,753	30.3
Doctoral	1,468	939	529	34.6
Subtotal	5,240	2,958	2,282	31.5
Special Professional				
Subtotal	1,917	1,676	241	27.5
Total	35,344	24,500	10,844	24.6

Student Residency

	Headcount	Percent
Texas		
Harris County	21,469	60.7
Adjacent Counties	5,823	16.5
Other Texas Counties	3,837	10.9
Subtotal Texas	31,129	88.1
Out-of-State	1,463	4.1
International	2,752	7.8
Subtotal Non-Resident	4,215	11.9
Total	35,344	100.0

Top 10 Places of Student Origin

Texas County	Total	State	Total	Country	Total
Harris	21,469	Louisiana	693	India	447
Fort Bend	3,347	California	86	China (PRC)	381
Brazoria	920	New York	49	Mexico	151
Galveston	791	Florida	37	Nigeria	143
Montgomery	604	Illinois	37	Pakistan	116
Dallas	569	Pennsylvania	28	Taiwan	108
Travis	326	Michigan	27	South Korea	89
Bexar	292	Georgia	26	Columbia	82
Tarrant	280	Virginia	25	Turkey	78
Jefferson	205	Oklahoma	23	Vietnam (North)	57

*Statistical data (fall 2005) provided by the UH Office of Institutional Research.

Freshman Admissions

Automatic Admission

Freshman applicants who graduate in the top 20 percent of their high school class will be admitted to the University of Houston. All applicants still must submit their SAT 1* or ACT scores.

Applicants also will be admitted if they rank in the next 30 percent of their high school graduating class and have a minimum SAT 1* score of 1000 or ACT score of 21.

* Only the critical reading and mathematics sections are used to calculate score.

Individual Review

Applicants who do NOT meet the requirements for Automatic Admission will be individually reviewed by UH admission officers. Additional information and factors available from a completed Texas Common Application (Parts I and II) will be considered. Additional factors include, but are NOT limited to the following: first-generation college attendance, socioeconomic background, extent and rigor of the student's high school curriculum, special talents, abilities and awards earned, family responsibilities, leadership activities, public service, and extracurricular activities. Applicants in this category may submit additional information if such material would strengthen the student's claim for admission, such as a letter of recommendation or a persuasive statement from the student explaining special circumstances.

High School Academic Core Requirements

Freshman applicants MUST have completed each of the high school academic courses below in order to be eligible for admission:

Required High School Courses	Unit/Credits
English	4
Mathematics (including at least Algebra I, Algebra II, and Geometry)	3
Laboratory Science (including at least one unit/credit in biology, chemistry, or physics)	2
Social Studies	3

NOTE: Applicants who plan to seek a bachelor's degree in the arts and sciences areas are urged to earn at least two units/credits in one foreign language.

Majors with Additional Requirements

Bauer College of Business and Cullen College of Engineering Requirements

Class Rank	Minimum Test Scores		
	SAT 1 Total & SAT Verbal	OR	ACT Composite & ACT English
Top 10%	970 and 480		22 and 19
I Quarter	970 and 480		22 and 19
II Quarter	1050 and 480		24 and 19
III Quarter	1180 and 480		26 and 19
IV Quarter	Not Admissible		

NOTE: Engineering majors also *MUST* complete one semester of pre-calculus or calculus.

Computer Science

Class Rank	Minimum Test Scores		
	SAT 1 Total	SAT 1 Verbal	ACT Composite
Top 10%	1100	550	24
I Quarter	1100	550	24
II Quarter	1150	550	25
III Quarter	1200	550	26
IV Quarter	Not Admissible		

NOTE: Applicants who meet the general admissions requirements, but not those of their individual college or major will be accepted to the university with a major as undecided. Students can apply to the college or major again after completing 15 credit hours and will be reviewed based on the transfer requirements ([see page 13](#)).

Architecture

All applicants who indicate architecture or industrial design as their major go through a separate review process completed by the Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture. Students interested in pursuing the environmental design degree program should apply as architecture majors. After admission, students may meet with an advisor to update their major to environmental design. This assures that the student understands that the degree in environmental design does not directly lead to becoming an architect. Students may send supplementary information that might help influence admission into the college, including evidence of creative efforts in design, drawing, photography, painting or sculpture, letters of recommendation, letters of intent and interest, prizes and awards won, competitive recognition, etc. See [page 23](#) for more information or visit www.arch.uh.edu/adm/uProc.html.

Moore School of Music

Applicants who wish to pursue music as their major must audition. Audition dates can be found at **www.music.uh.edu/prospective/undergraduate.html**.

Appeal

As always, applicants who have been denied admission to the University of Houston have the right to appeal by completing an appeal form and submitting a personal statement and two letters of recommendation. The Admission Review Committee and a faculty committee appointed by the Provost of the university will determine the academic readiness of the applicant by carefully reviewing the additional information submitted. The Admission Appeal Form can be found at **www.uh.edu/admissions**.

Mail all test scores and transcripts to:

University of Houston
Office of Admissions
122 E Cullen Building
Houston, Texas 77204-2023

Transfer Admissions

Applicants are considered transfer students if they have attempted college work after high school graduation.

Students must be eligible to return to the final institution attended. A maximum of 66 freshman- and sophomore-level hours of credit are transferrable to the University of Houston. Transcripts **MUST** come from a U.S. regionally accredited institution. In order to determine which classes transfer to UH, visit transfer course equivalences at: **www.uh.edu/admissions/pages/tCreditInfo.htm**.

Applicants with less than 15 semester credit hours **MUST** meet freshman criteria (submission of college and high school transcripts along with test scores is required).

Transfer Requirements*

- Applicants who have completed between 15 and 29 semester hours of college credit **MUST** have a 2.50 or higher cumulative GPA.
- Applicants who have completed 30 or more semester hours of college credit **MUST** have a 2.00 or higher cumulative GPA.
- Admission will be granted to applicants who have earned an associates of arts/science degree from the last school attended if the school is a U.S. regionally accredited school. Official transcripts **MUST** be received from previous institutions attended. (The associate's degree and graduation date **MUST** be posted on the official transcript.)
- The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) examination is required for transfer applicants who complete high school or college outside of the United States in a country whose native language is **NOT** English. The required score is 550, based on the paper examination, or 213 if taken by computer. TOEFL exams are only valid for two years. TOEFL scores should be sent directly to the university from the Educational Testing Service (ETS). The University of Houston ETS school code is **6870**.

*All grades earned from college-level courses, including repeated courses, are used in computing the GPA.

All transcripts must be forwarded by the registrar directly to:

Office of Admissions
University of Houston
122 E Cullen Building
Houston, Texas 77204-2023

Majors with Additional Requirements

The following majors have other selection criteria in addition to the general admission requirements.

Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture

www.arch.uh.edu

713-743-2400

Admission to the college is normally granted for the fall semester. Preference is given to applicants who have completed the application process by March 1. Applicants are encouraged to send supplementary information that may influence admission into the college, such as examples of creative efforts in design, drawing, photography, painting, sculpture, letters of recommendation, letters of intent and interest, prizes/awards won, competitive recognition, etc. This information must be presented in a nonreturnable 8 1/2 x 11 portfolio/binder clearly marked with the applicant's name. Applicants should NOT send original work, only reproductions.

C.T. Bauer College of Business

www.bauer.uh.edu

713-743-4900

Applicants who have completed:

- between 15 and 59 semester hours MUST have a 2.75 cumulative GPA, or higher.
- 60 or more semester hours MUST have a 2.75 cumulative GPA on the last 60 hours of college-level work attempted.

Computer Science

www.cs.uh.edu

713-743-3350

Transfer applicants who have earned less than 15 semester hours of college credit will NOT be directly admitted to the Department of Computer Science. Applicants intending or majoring in computer science should:

- enter the university as University Studies Division or any other major of the applicant's choice. (Courses necessary to satisfy the criteria for change of major to computer science for UH students are listed below.)
- obtain advising from the computer science department.

UH students who have earned 15 or more semester hours of college credit must have all of the following:

- at least 15 hours of UH course work with a GPA of B- or better.
- at least two UH computer science courses and at least one UH math course, all of which are applicable to the degree and approved by the director of undergraduate studies for the computer science department.
- a GPA of B- or better for all UH computer science courses applicable to the degree attempted.
- a GPA of B- or better for all UH math courses applicable to the degree attempted.

Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management

www.hrm.uh.edu

713-743-2492

Applicants who have completed:

- Less than 20 semester hours of college credit must meet the requirements for freshman admission.
- Between 20 and 60 semester hours of college credit must have a 2.75 or higher cumulative GPA.
- More than 60 semester hours of college credit must have a 2.75 or higher cumulative GPA on the last 60 semester hours.

Cullen College of Engineering

www.egr.uh.edu

713-743-4200

Applicants who have completed:

- fewer than 15 semester hours of college credit **MUST** meet the engineering requirements for high school graduates.
- 15 or more semester hours of college credit **MUST** have:
 - 2.5 GPA or higher for all college-level work attempted.
 - 2.50 GPA or higher on all college-level work attempted (mathematics, chemistry, physics, English, and engineering courses).
 - attempted at least one college-level mathematics course **AND** one college-level physics or chemistry course.

Information Systems Technology

www.tech.uh.edu

713-743-4100

Applicants who have attempted 15 semester hours or more **MUST** have a GPA of 2.50 or higher for all college-level work attempted.

Moore School of Music

www.class.uh.edu

713-743-3009

Applicants to the Moore School of Music are expected to pass a satisfactory audition and achieve a minimum standing at the freshman level in a major or principal instrument or voice. Successful performance on a music theory examination is also expected for all students seeking admission to the Moore School at any level. Applicants **MUST** apply for admission through the UH Office of Admissions and the Moore School of Music before attempting to audition for the School of Music. Additionally, applicants **MUST** have a 2.50 GPA in all music courses attempted.

Pre-Pharmacy

www.pharmacy.uh.edu

713-743-1264

Applicants who have attempted 15 to 45 semester hours of credit **MUST** have all of the following in order to declare a pre-pharmacy major:

- a GPA of 2.75 or higher for all college work attempted.
- a GPA of 2.75 or higher for all pre-pharmacy mathematics and science coursework attempted (calculus, statistics, general biology I and II with labs, general chemistry I and II with labs, microbiology with lab, organic chemistry I and II with labs, and physics).

International Admissions

Requirements

Applicants who have never attended a college or university and have completed the equivalent of twelve years or more of elementary and secondary schooling will be considered for freshman admission. International students graduating from a U.S. accredited high school MUST meet the domestic freshman admissions requirements.

International undergraduate students are encouraged to apply online using the Texas Common Application website at www.applytexas.org. Students must also apply early, even though all the test scores and transcripts may not be available. Applicants who do not file an early application may experience delays in receiving admission-related services.

International undergraduate students are encouraged to apply for admission early, even though all the test scores and transcripts may not be available. Applicants who do not file an early application may experience delays in receiving admission-related services.

International Application Deadlines

- Fall Semester: April 1
- Spring Semester: October 1
- Summer Sessions: April 1

Required Documentation

- International freshman applicants MUST submit evidence of satisfactory completion of qualifications necessary for admission to university-level studies in their home country. Documents such as secondary school transcript(s), diploma(s), and any national test examination required for entry into the home university are required.
- Transcripts are considered official only when they bear the signature of the registrar and seal or stamp of the high school or university. The documents should indicate the date of the student's studies, the grades or marks earned, and the subjects covered; and they must be sent to UH directly from the granting institution. One copy must be in the original language; the other copy must be an official English translation. Once submitted, all records become the property of the University of Houston. **(Transcripts from Nigeria must be sent directly from the issuing institution.)**
- Applicants from India, Pakistan, or Bangladesh need mark sheets for each year of study beginning with the Secondary School Certificate. All mark sheets must show "maximum possible marks," "minimum passing marks," and "marks obtained." All transcripts from Taiwan must have grades indicated in percentages. If primary and secondary schools include only eleven years, students must submit one year of university or pre-university study for freshman admission or a statement of purpose along with three letters of recommendation.

TOEFL Test Scores

The university bases admissions on above to average performance in all academic studies and on TOEFL results prior to actual enrollment at UH. The minimum required score on the TOEFL paper exam is 550, 213 on the computerized test and 79 on the internet-based test. Test scores must be sent directly from ETS to the University of Houston. **UH ETS school code is 6870.** See **page 67** for more testing information.

TOEFL Exemptions

Applicants are exempt from the TOEFL requirement if they:

- Have earned a high school diploma or bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited U.S. high school, college, or university.
- Speak English as their native language. This exemption refers to students from Australia, the Bahamas, Belize, the British Isles, English-speaking Canadian provinces, the Fiji Islands, Guyana, Jamaica, Liberia, New Zealand, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Trinidad, The Virgin Islands, the West Indies, and Zimbabwe. This exemption also applies to secondary school or university graduates when their degree was earned in one of the above countries.

International Admissions Checklist

All freshman applicants are required to submit the following documents:

- Completed International Undergraduate Application.
- Nonrefundable application fee of \$75 (U.S. dollars) made payable to the University of Houston. Payments are accepted by credit card, personal check or money order denominated in U.S. dollars. If mailed from outside of the United States, payment must be in the form of an American Express money order or a draft from a U.S. bank.
- Certified academic grades, transcripts, diplomas, certifications and/or national examination results in the original language and a copy with an official English translation.
- Official TOEFL test score report showing a minimum of 550 on the paper exam, 213 on the computerized test and 79 on the internet-based test. **UH ETS code: 6870**
- Educational Experience Form.
- A Letter of Financial Backing Form with the signature of a parent, sponsor, or relative indicating sufficient funds to cover the applicant's expenses during enrollment at the University of Houston. Without the Letter of Financial Backing, the student's admission application is considered incomplete. **NOTE:** Students on a F or a J Visa are NOT eligible to sponsor other students.
- Statement of Understanding with applicant's signature.
- Permission Release Form.
- Two passport-sized photographs.
- Copy of passport showing student's name, date of birth, country of birth, nationality, and visa (when applicable).
- If a student attends a U.S. institution on F-1 Visa, the International Transfer Form is required for the approved student, in order for the I-20 to be processed.

The link to supplemental forms can be found at:

www.uh.edu/enroll/admis/OIA/pdffiles.htm

The Honors College Philosophy

The Honors College at the University of Houston serves the intellectual needs of gifted undergraduates in more than 100 fields of study. We provide the careful guidance, flexibility, and personal instruction to nurture excellence. For the 300 students who join us each fall, we offer the advantages of a small college without sacrificing the resources and rich diversity of a large university. Our faculty and staff believe that a university education should offer more than the acquisition of skills for the workplace. The Honors College challenges the university's finest students to develop the attributes of mind and character that enhance all facets of life.

Membership in a Community

Honors students enjoy special privileges, including Honors College scholarships, priority registration, computer facilities, reserved lounge and study areas, study abroad opportunities, and special housing in The Honors College residence halls. Many intangible benefits come with participation in the Honors community—friendships that develop in the classroom carry over into other areas of student life. We foster an atmosphere of collegiality and a spirit of camaraderie through informal gatherings, social activities, and on- and off-campus cultural events.

Talented Classmates

When admitted to The Honors College, students will enter the company of the most academically talented undergraduates at the university. Members bring a variety of interests, aptitudes, and ambitions to their studies. Students will discover the broad range of academic programs at the university through daily association with other Honors students.

Honors Curriculum

Our curriculum is designed to coordinate with the university's core curriculum. Students will fulfill many of their university core requirements through Honors courses that take the place of regular required classes. One key sequence of courses, *The Human Situation*, is team-taught by Honors faculty and is designed to ensure that Honors students are introduced to the great books of the Western tradition. For many Honors students, the Senior Honors Thesis represents the exciting culmination of a bachelor's degree. A thesis provides an excellent opportunity for students to work under the direction of faculty in their chosen field of study, applying their skills and knowledge toward the completion of a scholarly creative project.

Special Classes and Course Selection

We draw on the talents of the finest faculty members within the university to provide a wide range of special courses with limited enrollment. Honors courses encourage student participation, interaction, and discussion.

The Human Situation

As part of the Honors education, students take The Human Situation sequence during their freshman or sophomore year. In the first semester of the sequence, students explore “Antiquity” by examining the Greek, Roman, Hebrew, and Christian cultures. Key texts or “classics” present compelling, though not entirely harmonious, insights into the excellences proper to human beings; the character of the human soul; and one’s relations to family, friends, lovers, and strangers.

In the second semester of the sequence, “Modernity,” students continue the study and interpretation of these cultural traditions. Guided by careful readings of what others have written, students attempt to discover their own ideas and convictions by speaking and writing about these texts and learning to develop and refine their participation in the “Great Conversation.”

Student Life

Through their participation in organizations and activities, students make significant contributions to the life of the University of Houston and The Honors College. In addition to the 300 student organizations on campus, several activities are specific to Honors students:

- Each year, incoming Honors College students participate in the Honors Retreat, a two-day event designed to build community and orient students to the college and the university. Upperclassmen, faculty, staff, and alumni participate with new students in social activities, athletics, and advising sessions.
- The Student Governing Board, as a liaison between students, faculty, and administration, conducts student evaluations of The Honors College courses and plan numerous activities.
- The Honors Advocates recruit and welcome new students to UH and The Honors College.
- Annually, The Honors College sends a delegation to the national Model Arab League conference in Washington, D.C.

The Honors College considers Houston an extension of its campus. We encourage our students to take advantage of the opportunities the city offers for cultural enrichment and entertainment. Our students receive tickets to select performances of the Houston Grand Opera, the Alley Theatre, and the Houston Symphony.

Graduation With Honors

Students who fulfill The Honors College course requirements and complete a Senior Honors Thesis graduate with “University Honors and Honors in Major,” the highest distinction an undergraduate can earn at UH. Students who fulfill Honors course requirements but elect not to undertake a senior thesis graduate with “Membership in The Honors College.” Students who earn these academic distinctions receive special recognition at commencement ceremonies.

Criteria for Admission

Students admitted to The Honors College also must be admitted to the University of Houston. To apply to Honors, students may use the online form at www.uh.edu/honors/admissions/index.html. Supporting materials should be mailed directly to The Honors College. For application to the University of Houston, students should use the Texas Common Application at www.applytexas.org.

Every applicant is evaluated on an individual basis. The Admissions Committee considers the high school and/or college academic record, extracurricular activities, test scores, and the essay. The average Honors College student has graduated in the top 10 percent of their high school class and score above 1270 on the SAT. The committee, however, does not use these numerical norms as required thresholds for admission and encourages all interested students to apply.

Honors Admission Deadlines

The Honors College welcomes applications from academically serious students who are entering the university as freshmen, have been enrolled at UH for a semester or two, or are transferring from other colleges and universities. The majority of applicants are admitted for the fall term, but it is possible to begin in the spring term. Application deadlines are as follows:

- December 1:** Spring semester admission
- February 1:** Priority admission fall semester
- April 1:** Fall admission to the University of Houston

Beginning in September, The Honors College admissions committee meets regularly to review applications. The Honors College will continue to process and review applications until the fall class is filled. Final decisions for spring admission are made during the first two weeks in January.

Application Instructions

A completed Honors College application should include the following supporting materials:

- Academic writing sample (300-word minimum)*
- Resume or list of interests and activities
- High school transcript
- Transcripts of all college-level work
- SAT or ACT score report
- \$20 application fee

*A full-length academic essay of three to five pages, such as a literary analysis or research paper, with a central thesis and strong supporting documents.

More Information

Mail completed Honors College application and supporting materials to:

University of Houston
The Honors College
212 MD Anderson Library
Houston, TX 77204-2001
713-743-9010

www.uh.edu/honors

Scholarships

In addition to being considered for scholarships from the University Scholarship Committee, incoming Honors students also may qualify for one of the following Honors College Scholarships:

- **William Randolph Hearst Scholarship**—awarded on the basis of leadership.
- **Temple Foundation Scholarship**—awarded to qualified students graduating from a high school in the East Texas region and have scores of at least 1300 on the SAT or 29 on the ACT and who are ranked in the top 15 percent of their high school graduating class.
- **National Merit Finalist Scholarship**—provides for full tuition and fees, room and board, and a \$250 semester stipend for books. To qualify, scholarship finalists must list the University of Houston as their first choice in accordance with the rules of the National Merit Corporation.
- **Terry Foundation Scholarship**—provides a full scholarship for students with academic and leadership abilities demonstrating financial need. Students must complete a separate application and provide supporting documents to be considered.

Profile of The Honors College

Distribution by Class Rank in High School		Distribution by SAT Scores	
Valedictorian	5%	1400-1600	14%
1st Quarter	73%	1300-1399	32%
Below 1st Quarter	14%	1200-1299	31%
Not Ranked	13%	1100-1199	14%
		1000-1099	7%
		Below 1000	2%
Distribution by College			
Architecture	3%		
Business	14%	Gender Distribution	
Education	2%	Men	46%
Engineering	15%	Women	54%
Hotel and Restaurant Management	1%		
Liberal Arts and Social Sciences	25%	Ethnic Distribution	
Natural Sciences and Mathematics	22%	African American	6%
Pre-Optometry	1%	Anglo	45%
Pre-Pharmacy	5%	Asian	23%
Technology	2%	Hispanic	21%
University Studies	10%	Other	5%

Undergraduate Majors

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting
Entrepreneurship
Finance
Management
Management Information Systems
Marketing
Operations Management
Pre - Business Administration

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Human Development and Family Studies
Health
Human Nutrition and Foods
Interdisciplinary Studies
Kinesiology
Kinesiology - Sports Administration
Kinesiology - Exercise Science
Kinesiology - Movement & Sports Studies

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Biomedical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Computer Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Engineering - Unspecified
Industrial Engineering
Mechanical Engineering

HILTON COLLEGE OF HOTEL AND RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT

Hotel and Restaurant Management

THE COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Anthropology
Art
Art History
Studio Art
Classical Studies
Communication - Public Relations/Advertising
Communication Science and Disorders
Communication - Interpersonal Communication
Communication - Journalism
Communication - Media Production
Communication - Organizational/Corporate Communication
Communication - Media Policy/Media Studies
Communication - Unspecified
Dance
Economics
English - Creative Writing
English
English - Preprofessional
French
German
German Area Studies
History

Italian Studies
Liberal Arts and Social Sciences - Unspecified
Composition
Applied Music
Music
Music Theory
Philosophy
Political Science
Psychology
Russian Studies
Studio Art - Graphic Communications
Studio Art - Photography/Digital Media
Studio Art - Printmaking
Studio Art - Painting
Studio Art - Sculpture
Sociology
Spanish
Theater

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

Biochemical/Biophysical Sciences
Biology
Biology - Medical Technology
Chemistry
Computer Science
Computer Science - Business
Computer Science - Systems
Earth Science
Geology
Geophysics
Interdisciplinary Science
Mathematics
Natural Sciences & Mathematics - Unspecified
Physics
Physics - Geophysics

COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY

Pre-Optometry

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

Pre-Pharmacy

COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Computer Engineering Technology
Construction Management Technology
Construction Management Technology - Surveying and Mapping
Consumer Sciences and Merchandising
Electrical Power Technology
Information Systems Technology
Logistics Technology
Mechanical Technology
Technology Leadership and Supervision
Technology Leadership and Supervision /Occupational Tech
University Studies Division
University Studies (undeclared major)

Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture

www.arch.uh.edu

We seek applicants to our programs that possess mechanical inventiveness, aesthetic awareness, creativity, commitment, and initiative contributing to their potential to become leaders in architecture and industrial design. We strive to produce graduates who question deeply and who are skilled in their craft; who can utilize advanced technology and advanced methods of industrialized production; who understand and respect the power of design to shape our lives; and who are equipped to use their design skills to be effective in the world.

The College of Architecture offers numerous options for degrees:

- Bachelor of architecture: five-year NAAB accredited program
- Bachelor of science in environmental design: four-year pre-professional program
- Bachelor of science in industrial design: four-year program

Our college now houses Texas' first program in industrial design (product design). Complementing architecture's concern for the built environment, industrial design emphasizes how humans interact and produce artifacts of our culture.

First-Time Freshman

Admission to the College of Architecture is normally for study beginning in the fall semester. Preference is given to applications completed by March 1. Applications completed after March 1 will be considered on a space-available basis only. Enrollment in studio courses is restricted to students admitted to the college. Applicants **MUST** first meet general university admission requirements in order to be considered by the College of Architecture.

Applicants are allowed, but not required, to submit supplementary information to the college to help the College Admissions Committee better evaluate applicants. Supplementary information may include:

- examples of creative work (designs, drawings, photographs, paintings, sculpture, writing, etc)
- awards
- work experience
- recommendations
- personal letter of intent

Format for Submitting Supplementary Information

All information must be submitted in one 8 1/2 x 11 inch binder, (maximum 1 1/2 inch thick), clearly marked with the **applicant's name**. Students should only submit reproductions of work. Slides should not be submitted. Use prints of slides. A brief statement describing each of the items submitted will help the committee better evaluate the work. We will attempt to return the work if a self-addressed, stamped envelope or mailer is included. All other submissions of work will be discarded upon completion of the admissions review.

All supplementary information for admission to the Hines College of Architecture should be sent to:

University of Houston
Gerald D. College of Architecture
Admissions Committee
122 College of Architecture Building
Houston, TX 77204-4000

Basis for Selection

The college will review all pertinent information available concerning an applicant when making its selections for admission. We will be looking for reasons to select rather than reasons to reject. Our basis for selection are students who show promise of success in architecture or industrial design and are academically qualified. No specific priority is established between first-time college students, change of major students, and transfer students without architecture design work.

Creative Work

Evidence of creative work is not limited specifically to architectural work. Examples of creative work might include: designs, drawings, photographs, paintings, sculptures, writing, etc. For information on how to submit evidence of creative performance work such as music or dance, contact the college.

Notification

The College of Architecture Admissions Committee will review applications and will mail notification of the admission decision beginning April 15. Those accepted will be expected to respond and to attend a one- or two-day summer orientation session to retain their place.

Summer Program

First-year architecture courses (ARCH 1100, 1101, 1500, 1501) are offered as a block in the summer on a limited basis. This series of courses allows students who are transferring or changing their major to architecture to complete the first year in the summer and begin the second year in the fall. Applicants who are accepted for the fall semester are evaluated for participation in the summer program.

Preference is given to those who have completed ENGL 1303 and 1304 (Freshman Composition I,II), and MATH 1330 (Elementary Functions or its equivalent). Notification of acceptance will include an invitation to those offered participation in the summer program.

The Summer Program is only for students who can attend the full summer and who have no other courses or part-time employment. Those offered the Summer Program may choose to begin in the summer or fall, but must notify the College of Architecture of their intention.

Architecture for High School Students

The Summer Discovery Program is a five-week program open to Houston-area students in grades 10-12 or entering college freshmen. Instruction consists of basic building design projects and lectures on fundamental concepts of structure, architectural theory, and history. All classes are taught by college-level faculty. Students also participate in field trips to job sites, architects' offices, and buildings of special interest, including one out-of-town trip to the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth and Charles Moore's house and studio in Austin, Texas.

Classes are held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tuition is \$650. Full and partial scholarships are available for students demonstrating financial need.

For more information, contact the director of the Summer Discover Program at 713-743-2400 or **uhSumDisc@aol.com**.

More Information

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www.arch.uh.edu

C.T. Bauer College of Business

www.bauer.uh.edu

Named in August 2000 to honor former Houston business leader and philanthropist Charles T. Bauer, the C.T. Bauer College of Business has been in operation for more than sixty years. Our undergraduate program is ranked sixty-sixth in the nation among public universities, according to *U.S. News & World Report America's Best Colleges 2006*. Our academic programs are focused on preparing students for the real world of business. Bauer students are Houston's working professionals—a primary source of new talent for many Houston-area companies. Currently, there are more than 40,000 Bauer alumni living and working in Houston. As the single most significant source of business talent in the city, we fuel the Houston economy.

Bauer Facts

- Consistently #1 or #2 in Texas CPA exam pass rate
- #1 or #2 in four national and international business plan competitions in the past two years
- #1 finance faculty in the Gulf Coast region and top 5 percent worldwide
- 1 of 5 U.S. schools with multiple Academy of Management Hall of Famers
- #1 marketing faculty in Houston and top 5 percent worldwide
- #1 Department of Information Systems in the Gulf Coast region and #17 worldwide
- #1 in selling—largest enrollment and most extensive curriculum
- #4 in the nation for minority graduates (more than 60 percent of all B.B.A.s)

All students who major in business administration take a common set of core pre-business and business courses. They then select an area of concentration in accounting, entrepreneurship, finance, management, marketing, management information systems, or operations management. Career opportunities in these fields are personally and financially rewarding.

ACCOUNTING graduates exceed the national average in first-time pass rate on the CPA exam. This allows accounting firms in the Houston area to recruit Bauer College graduates with confidence. Students can earn a B.B.A. and an M.S. in accountancy in the Professional Program in Accounting. Accounting is the most popular major with 29 percent of our graduates.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP involves courses directed toward owning and operating a business. More than 85 percent of businesses in Houston are entrepreneurial ventures. This unique program can be the key to success for those who want to be their own boss. Local entrepreneurs share their business expertise and mentor Bauer students.

FINANCE students can pursue financial service careers in banking, insurance, or investments, or work in finance departments of major corporations. Finance majors who take additional math and economics also may focus on global energy management—a track that provides internships with local energy companies. Finance is the second most popular major with 28 percent of our graduates.

MANAGEMENT focuses on the behavior of individuals and groups within formal organizations, with particular emphasis upon the application of theory and research to management practice. Topics of primary emphasis include leadership and motivation, decision-making, the adaptation of organizations to their environment, and the planning for and use of human resources in public and private sectors.

MARKETING is the science of buying and selling and all of the collateral activities that support it. It is developing great products and services, creating a strategy to sell them, and effectively implementing that strategy. One track in Marketing focuses on a series of courses leading to a certificate in professional selling, with a focus on business-to-business sales. Marketing is the third most popular major with 21 percent of our graduates.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (MIS) coursework may include multimedia programming, the development of Internet applications for business, and basic computer programming. MIS prepares students to become managers of IT departments with both technological and business expertise.

OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT course work may include demand forecasting inventory management, shop floor control, project management, facility location and layout, production and personnel scheduling, total quality management, and service operations management.

The Bauer Experience

The Bauer Experience is a program designed to introduce new students to Bauer College and prepare them with the professional skills necessary for a career in business. The program uses a combination of workshops and seminars along with an online component. Featured topics for workshops include choosing a major, finals preparation, time management, and understanding your learning style.

Bauer's Centers of Excellence

Centers of Excellence combine research and academic programs as well as corporate and community partnerships to focus on key areas that drive the Houston economy.

- AIM Center for Investment Management
- Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation
- DISC Supply Chain Research Center
- Global Energy Management Institute
- Institute for Diversity & Cross-Cultural Management
- Institute for Health Care Marketing
- Information Systems Research Center
- Sales Excellence Institute
- UH Small Business Development Center

Bauer Business Honors Program

This is a special program for Honors College students that are business majors or minors. Bauer Honors provides a unique business honors curriculum, social and networking events, and academic services. The 200+ students in Bauer Honors have access to a complete set of junior-level honor courses taught in smaller (30 students or less) classes with a more interactive format by experienced faculty. For more information, visit www.bauer.uh.edu/bauerhonors.

Bauer Student Life

The Bauer College of Business has twenty undergraduate student organizations. Students have the opportunity to network and develop leadership skills, as well as share common career goals. For more information, visit www.bauer.uh.edu/current/groups.htm.

Bauer Career Services

Assistance with internships and career services is available through the Elizabeth D. Rockwell Career Services Center within Bauer College. For more information, visit www.bauer.uh.edu/csc.

Bauer Scholarships

In addition to the University of Houston scholarships, the Bauer College offers eligible students more than \$1 million a year in scholarships. In addition, there is a Technology Bursary Award of 100 laptop computers each year. Students can apply for Bauer scholarships online at www.bauer.uh.edu/scholarship.

More Information

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College of Education

www.coe.uh.edu

If you can think of one teacher who made a difference in your life, you know the tremendous impact a special individual can have on others. The University of Houston College of Education is the Gulf Coast region's premier educational institution for teachers, principals, and superintendents.

We also train counseling and school psychologists, dietitians, exercise scientists, and other health and human service professionals and researchers. Our collaborations with top health, cultural, technical, and educational institutions in the greater Houston community offer exceptional programs that respond to public need. And our dietitian program offers the second largest internship program in the nation.

Facts and Figures

- More than ninety full-time nationally and internationally recognized faculty members
- Accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
- More than 3,200 students studying in nearly forty programs from certificates to bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees
- More than 20,000 alumni
- Strong urban outreach programs with close ties to area school districts
- Largest recruitment source for the Houston Independent School District
- Doctoral program in counseling psychology accredited by the American Psychological Association
- Approved to offer a Ph.D. in school psychology in collaboration with UH-Clear Lake
- Collaborations with major organizations including NASA, The Texas Medical Center, and the Houston Children's Museum

Cutting-edge Programs

- We create pioneering technologies for teaching and learning—recognized as one of the most innovative in the country.
- We launched a classroom management system implemented in Houston, other major U.S. cities, and around the world.
- We develop novel approaches to identifying and nurturing academic gifts in all children.
- We provide real-world training for future teachers.
- We offer solutions to critical shortages of teachers and for the principalship of public and private schools.

Undergraduate Majors

- Health
- Human Development and Family Studies
- Human Nutrition and Foods
- Interdisciplinary Studies**
- Kinesiology
- Kinesiology-Exercise Science
- Kinesiology-Movement and Sports Studies
- Kinesiology-Sports Administration

Teacher Certification Program

The university and the College of Education offer bachelor's degree programs that meet the State Board for Educator Certification and the Higher Education Coordinating Board requirements for the standard teaching certificate. Students are required to have a Texas teaching certificate to teach in Texas public schools.

The college offers the following standard teaching certificates:

- Early childhood through 4
- 4 through 8
- 8 through 12
- All-level (EC -12) for specific subjects
- Special Education all-level
- Special Education Supplemental
- Bilingual Supplemental

****Interdisciplinary Studies**

The interdisciplinary studies major is composed of five components: academic foundations, pre-professional development courses, specific B.S. and Coordinating Board requirements for mathematics and science, and the Professional Development Sequence. This degree requires 120 to 139 semester hours. Degree outlines are available in the college.

Students seeking early childhood through 4 and 4 through 8 certification **MUST** complete the requirements for the interdisciplinary studies major. Students should apply for an official degree plan in the college when they reach 60 semester hours of completed course work. Students wanting to teach at the high school level should major in the subject area that they want to teach.

Scholarships

All scholarship applications can be accessed online at www.coe.uh.edu/mycoe/coestu/scholarship.cfm. Students should pay attention to deadlines, which are usually before the university's admission application deadline. All current College of Education scholarships are for students who have been enrolled at least one semester prior to application.

- Administaff Educational Endowment Scholarship
- Barry C. Pelton Endowment Scholarship—Health & Human Performance
- Cecile Foerster Scholarship
- College of Education Alumni Association Scholarship Endowment
- Dr. Allen R. Warner Endowed Scholarship
- Joshua Weinstein Memorial Endowment
- Judy McCollough Butler Endowment Scholarship
- Leslie and Kim Wheless Scholarship Endowment
- Lilie Family Early Childhood Endowment Scholarship—Curriculum & Instruction
- Mary Louise White Scholarship—Educational Psychology or Health & Human Performance
- Mylie E. & Charles A. Durham Scholarship
- Patricia Sue and Loise B. Dodds College of Education Scholarship
- Rudolph Capobianco Memorial Scholarship—Curriculum & Instruction
- The Faith Gladstone Marshall Endowment Scholarship
- Velma Glass Chambers Scholarship

More Information

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Fax: 713-743-9870
www.coe.uh.edu

Cullen College of Engineering

www.egr.uh.edu

The Cullen College of Engineering, established in 1941, has produced five astronauts, ten members of the National Academy of Engineering, and provides degree programs that have ranked in the top ten nationally. With more than 2,600 students (1,800 undergraduates), the college offers accredited undergraduate and graduate degrees in biomedical, chemical, civil and environmental, electrical, computer, industrial, and mechanical engineering. We also offer specialized programs in aerospace, materials, petroleum engineering, and telecommunications.

Our motto is “Quality Education with a Personal Touch,” and in many cases that philosophy is placed into action even before students decide to enroll at UH. This one-on-one personal connection has become the hallmark of the undergraduate experience. Smaller-than-average classes and a faculty of internationally renowned scientists are two reasons students choose to pursue an education at our college.

Exceptional Scholarship Offers

Engineering offers a robust scholarship program with a broad range of academic credentials. High school students who graduate in the top 15 percent of their class and achieve at least a 1,200 combined score on the math and critical reading sections of the SAT automatically qualify for a minimum of \$6,000 per year. At UH, these merit-based awards can cover most tuition and fees. Students with higher SAT scores and class ranking automatically qualify for increasingly larger scholarships. Scholarship offers are available on a first-come, first-served basis and students are encouraged to apply early. For more information on Engineering Merit Scholarships, contact Dr. J. Trenor at 713-743-3299.

Small Class Sizes

Because of our low student-to-faculty ratio—less than twenty students per faculty member—the college ensures that classes are taught by engineering faculty or industry practitioners, not by teaching assistants. Every student has the opportunity to receive personal attention from some of the best scholars and engineers in the country.

Outstanding Engineering Professors

Engineering faculty are recognized by students and the university for their outstanding teaching practices. Many of our faculty have received national recognition. Eight professors and alumni are members of the National Academy of Engineering. In addition, our traditionally strong faculty produces compelling, innovative ideas and programs that benefit students, industry, and science.

Exposure to Research

Students learn first-hand how advanced engineering research is conducted by having access to research labs as undergraduates.

Leadership Opportunities

The Engineering Leadership and Entrepreneurism Program (ELEP) combines two of the university's academic strengths—engineering and business. In preparing students for the real challenges of today's global economy, ELEP grooms them for success in a technical-type business and provides the competitive edge often linked to success. Seniors who are accepted into the program are guided through a two-course project-focused program that teaches students how to assume leadership roles and how to conquer real-world business challenges such as technical business strategy, finance, product design, ethics, and communications. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/elep.

Students are encouraged to join one or more of our thirteen student organizations and six honor societies to learn the importance of volunteerism and becoming responsible members of their profession. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/people/?e=studentorgs.

Women in Engineering

Women currently make up 26 percent of our undergraduate engineering students—well above the national average. We recently launched the Women in Engineering Learning Community for Maximizing Excellence (WELCOME) that offers female engineering students a strong network of peers, faculty, staff, and local professionals to support them throughout their college experience and beyond. Incoming female students will have the opportunity to be paired with a junior- or senior-level undergraduate mentor in their major, meet with local practicing female engineers, participate in professional development seminars and workshops, and take part in discussions aimed at addressing issues pertinent to women in engineering.

Engineering's Relationship with The Honors College

Students in The Honors College have an intimate academic learning community for non-engineering introductory classes. Also, professors associated with The Honors College are typically some of the top teaching professors at UH, and they concentrate on giving the students a broad education. For more information, visit www.uh.edu/honors.

Engineering also offers a special freshman-level Honors course (ENG1 1100 Honors), which is a team-based, project-oriented course that introduces six central themes essential to success in any engineering discipline: open-ended thinking, design, communication, engineering ethics, career choices, and career development. This fun, hands-on course focuses on fostering creative, open-ended thinking and team-based engineering design, and will enhance further study in the seven undergraduate engineering disciplines at UH.

Undergraduate Programs

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering

Biomedical engineers solve problems in biology and medicine. They develop tools for studying new areas in biology or physiology, research new methods for diagnosing diseases, and help improve therapies for treatment of diseases. Biomedical engineering is the application of engineering and technology to the life sciences. The field of biomedical engineering is broad, ranging from traditional areas such as bioinstrumentation and biomechanics to exciting new areas such as tissue engineering and biosensors. Students with a bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering have a wide range of career paths. They can work for a biotechnology or medical device company or pursue graduate degrees in medicine, law, biomedical sciences, or biomedical engineering. The biomedical engineering program at UH strikes a careful balance between the study of life sciences and engineering sciences, with an emphasis in bioanalytics and biosensing. The biomedical engineering program is housed and administered in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/bioe.

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

Chemical engineers investigate and develop techniques and processes to convert raw materials into useful products including many areas of manufacturing and refining, resource management, and environmental concerns. Graduates may work with biochemical agents, computer systems and process control, electronic materials, environmental control, petrochemicals, petroleum engineering, pharmaceuticals, superconductivity, and synthetics. Opportunities in academia also exist. The chemical engineering undergraduate program, located in the heart of the nation's petrochemical industry, is ranked among the top in the nation. UH engineers graduate with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering, a minor in chemistry, and a specialty in one of six areas of chemical engineering: chemical process engineering, biotechnology, process control, electronic materials, environmental engineering, or petroleum engineering. For more information, visit www.chee.uh.edu.

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Civil engineers plan, design, construct, and maintain structures that improve the lives and safety of the public. Civil engineers are employed in government, consulting and contracting firms, and industry. The main areas of specialization of civil engineering are structural, geotechnical, hydraulics and water resources, environmental, materials, and transportation. The undergraduate program is designed to offer students a broad-based education in the freshman and sophomore years and a more focused learning experience in the junior and senior years. Employment opportunities are found in industry, municipalities, consulting firms, research establishments, and federal and local regulatory agencies. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/cive.

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering

Computer engineers design and maintain computers and computer-based systems. These include not just PCs, workstations, and super-computers, but systems found in cars and airplanes, appliances, communication networks, and many other products. Computer engineers typically design the hardware as well as much of the software in computer-based systems. They work for companies such as Intel, Hewlett-Packard, and Texas Instruments as well as in industries that build or use computer-based systems including telecommunications, automotive, and aerospace. At UH, all computer engineering students receive a basic foundation in math, science, and electrical engineering fundamentals as well as advanced courses in both software and hardware. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/ece.

Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering

Electrical engineers conceive and design a variety of electrical and electronic products and systems. Some examples of systems that electrical engineers might work on or design are antennas, computer components, robotic systems, integrated circuits, and power distribution systems. Electrical engineers can work in almost any type of company. Electrical engineering also provides an excellent foundation for both patent law and medicine. At UH, the EE option provides breadth and depth in the concentration areas of electromagnetics and solid state devices, power and controls, signals and communications, and electronics. The computer option requires advanced courses in data structures and algorithms, digital and computer system design, operating systems, and computer architecture. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/ece.

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering

Industrial engineers focus on effectively utilizing the basic factors of production—people, machines, materials, information, and energy—to make or process a product or service. Although their skills can be useful in almost any type of organization, many industrial engineers are hired in the manufacturing, service, and retail industries. Industrial engineering students who are interested in business-oriented distribution or sales processes find the program extremely valuable. It is ideal for people-oriented students who enjoy math and science, anticipate eventual leadership opportunities, and have a desire to maintain career flexibility. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/ie.

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Mechanical engineers address problems in such areas as energy conversion, aerospace, design of mechanical components and systems, man and machine environments, product reliability and safety, materials, design, and instrumentation and control of processes. Mechanical engineering encompasses more than just the traditional areas of machine and mechanism design. It also is involved with spacecraft design, polymers, and other diverse applications. Mechanical engineering students learn how to think creatively and logically and to address complex problems with newfound knowledge. For more information, visit www.egr.uh.edu/me.

Special Programs

PROMES

The Program for Mastery of Engineering (PROMES) helps students achieve and sustain success through academic and social support. PROMES students enroll in special courses and workshops and receive academic guidance. The program also helps students obtain work-study opportunities. For more information: 713-743-4222 or www.egr.uh.edu/promes

Engineering Career Center

The center offers engineering students employment assistance including full-time, intern, and co-op employment information. The center also helps with job listings, and assistance with resumes, interview scheduling and training. For more information: 713-743-4230 or www.egr.uh.edu/career

Cooperative Education Program

Housed within the Engineering Career Center, the Cooperative Education Program offers students career training with pay as they work with professionals in their major fields. Work experience with the program is documented on student transcripts. Both part-time and full-time positions are available. Positions are available in government, business, industry, and human services. For more information: 713-743-4230 or www.egr.uh.edu/coop

Industrial Scholar Interns Program (ISIP)

ISIP offers undergraduate engineering students the opportunity to receive scholarship funding and earn additional money along with valuable work experience through an internship. ISIP takes advantage of the location of the university to form alliances with local industry for the benefit of the college's students. Industrial partners provide scholarship funds for students throughout their undergraduate studies and also offer internship opportunities. For more information: 713-743-4230 or www.egr.uh.edu/isip

Engineering Computing Center (ECC)

ECC houses more than 150 computers that are available to engineering students for more than ninety hours per week. All ECC computers are linked to the UH campus network and the Internet, and nearly all areas within the college have wireless access. All engineering students are provided with accounts for e-mail and personal Web pages.

Summer Camps for High School Students

www.egr.uh.edu/news/?e=camps

GRADE Camp

GRADE Camp is a week-long day program designed specifically for high school girls who want to discover what engineering is all about through hands-on experience. Applications are accepted and evaluated on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information: 713-743-5939 or

www.egr.uh.edu/grade

Mentoring and Enrichment Seminar in Engineering Training (MESET)

MESET is a two-week summer program for high school students who have completed their junior year. Participants learn various engineering disciplines through demonstrations and hands-on activities. MESET highlights include short courses taught by university, community college, and high school instructors; plant visits to local industries; guest lectures; recreational activities; and special evening and weekend events. Room, board, and all fees are provided by the program sponsors. For more information: 713-743-4222 or www.egr.uh.edu/promes/?e=camps

More Information

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Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management **www.hrm.uh.edu**

Our curriculum is designed to prepare students for the changing business conditions and to present both a theoretical and practical approach to the diverse needs of the hospitality industry. With this in mind, faculty members are selected from appropriate academic disciplines and from the professional community on the basis of their knowledge, teaching skills, and practical experience.

Students who choose to pursue a bachelor's degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management enjoy a specialized business education that prepares them for leadership roles in the creative, people-centered, hospitality industry. Traditional business courses in accounting, economics, and law are complemented by social science, marketing, and communication courses. Students thrive in a multicultural environment that emphasizes teamwork and collaboration. Students will develop social, personal, and leadership skills, log a minimum 600 hours of industry experience, and make lucrative contacts through on-campus programs and events. Upon graduation, Hilton College students typically have their choice of job opportunities in the U.S. and abroad along with a solid foundation for post-graduate work.

Hilton College students work and learn in a \$28.8 million complex that includes the eighty-six-room Hilton University of Houston Hotel, a 40,000 square-foot conference center, two full-service restaurants, three ballrooms, banquet facilities, a wine cellar, and numerous labs and test kitchens. The college also maintains one of the world's largest hospitality libraries, and students benefit from on-site access to the hospitality industry archives. Our Academic Services department offers students the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional advisor regarding their degree plans. Our advisors are dedicated to assisting students with their course selections and specialization options to help them achieve their educational and career goals.

Scholarships

Our scholarships are donated by various sources who have made a serious commitment to students interested in the hospitality industry. Scholarships are granted based on academic achievement, leadership, participation in student organizations, honors and awards, work experience, quality of references, accuracy, and timeliness in the application process. All scholarship recipients must maintain full-time enrollment status each semester and be adequately progressing toward a degree from the Conrad N. Hilton College, including completion of at least one hotel and restaurant management course each semester.

For the last five years, we have awarded between \$200,000 and \$300,000 annually to our best and brightest students. We seek to identify those students who have the requisite skills to become leaders in the hospitality industry. To achieve this objective, the awards process takes into account three criteria: academic achievement, citizenship, and work experience.

Academic Achievement—the most critical of the three criteria—is evaluated using the applicant’s GPA. For incoming freshman, the SAT or ACT is used as an indicator. And for incoming master’s degree students, the GMAT or GRE is used as an indicator.

Citizenship is evaluated based on a student’s meaningful involvement in school and community activities. Indicators used to evaluate citizenship are organization memberships and leadership roles the student has assumed.

Work Experience in relevant hospitality related employment is more important than non-hospitality employment. A variety of job experiences or a stable employment history with supervisory or managerial advancement are positive indicators.

Scholarship Application Procedures

Scholarship awards are just one way of recognizing some of our top students. Everyone is encouraged to apply.

Before beginning the online application process, however, we recommend that students have the following information available:

- Calculated GPA (all applicants)
- Calculated Class Rank (incoming freshman only)
- SAT/ACT scores (freshman only)
- GRE/GMAT scores (incoming master’s degree students)

Students can complete the online scholarship application at www.hrm.uh.edu.

Transcripts and Test Scores Guidelines for HRM Scholarships

- Incoming freshman—(high school transcripts and SAT or ACT scores)
- Current UH students—(provide cumulative GPA)
- Master’s degree and transfer students—(transcripts of college courses and GMAT or GRE scores)

Mail transcripts to:

University of Houston
Conrad N. Hilton College
Scholarship Committee
229 C.N. Hilton Hotel and College
Houston, TX 77204-3028

Deadlines

All applications and supporting documents **MUST** be submitted by **March 1**. Applicants will be notified by April 15 regarding the outcome of our selection process. If no notification is received by May 1, contact 713-743-2492.

Scholarship Policies

Students should be aware of the policies regarding scholarship administration that can affect the amount of the scholarship award and degree planning. Students **MUST** apply for scholarships each year. There are no automatic renewals.

To receive full scholarship benefit, students **MUST** maintain 12 or more credit hours as an undergraduate or 9 or more hours as a graduate. Students who are graduating at the end of a semester and fall below this minimum will have the semester scholarship award prorated based on credit hours remaining in the student's degree plan (semester award divided by required credit hours multiplied by actual credit hours).

Scholarship Distribution

- Half of the award is made in the fall semester and the remaining amount is awarded in the spring semester. Students who do **NOT** accept the award during the fall semester will receive half of the original award, if the student returns in the spring semester.
- If students receive an award for the academic year and attend only the fall semester, the award will be halved.
- Students that are unable to accept an award for the academic year in which the award was made, **MUST** reapply.

Career Placement

Our career placement office is devoted to helping our students and alumni determine the employer and the position that will be the best match for them. For more than twenty years, international companies have participated in our Career Fairs. Twice a year (fall and spring), soon-to-be graduates get the opportunity to network with more than fifty hospitality industry recruiters.

Questions about the Hilton College?

Contact Danny Arocha, director of enrollment, at darocha@uh.edu or 713-743-2446.

More Information

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College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS)

www.class.uh.edu

CLASS, the intellectual, cultural, and artistic heart of the university, is the largest and most diverse of UH's thirteen colleges, serving approximately 8,000 undergraduate majors and more than 1,000 graduate students. We prepare tomorrow's creative artists and performers, economists, historians, journalists, linguists, literary critics, political scientists, psychologists, and philosophers; and provide all graduates with communication and research skills, cultural awareness, and the capacity for informed ethical and aesthetic judgments.

In addition to fourteen major departments and schools with nearly forty different majors and nearly as many minors, we also have eight programs and centers offering minor concentrations in ethnic, gender, religious and military studies. The newest additions to our minor programs are Latin American Studies, as well as World Cultures and Literatures. The CLASS Career Center is available to majors and minors in the college, as well as CLASS alumni, to help develop career plans and increase their marketability before and after graduation.

Undergraduate Admissions

All students interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences should first complete an application to the University of Houston. Students wishing to gain admission to programs in the Moores School of Music also must audition and complete the Moores School application process. For more information, visit the Moores School Web site: **www.uh.edu/music** or call 713-743-5934.

Academic Affairs Center

www.class.uh.edu/advising.html

The Academic Affairs Center oversees the advising of all majors in CLASS. Our goal is to ensure that each student is provided with quality service and assistance from their first day until graduation. All students considering a major or minor in the college or who have questions about required or elective courses are welcome to visit the Academic Affairs Center.

The Academic Affairs Center provides:

- Assistance with major and minor selection
- Orientation programs for freshman and transfer students
- Guidance with policies and procedures
- Review of petitions for transfer credit equivalency at UH
- Clarification of degree requirements and degree certification
- High school and community outreach
- Advising for CLASS majors when department advisors are not available

Career Services

www.class.uh.edu/ccsc

The CLASS Career Center provides specialized services and resources to cultivate a student's career exploration and career development. Students are encouraged to begin working with the CLASS Career Center their first day at UH in order to participate in a four-year plan that will greatly increase their marketability upon graduation. For more information: 713-743-4058.

The CLASS Career Center provides services that include:

- Career counseling
- Resume and cover letter assistance
- Mock interview program
- Job search assistance
- Presentations, workshops, and seminars
- Information about majors and related careers
- Current part-time and full-time job listings
- Career reference library

Study Abroad

Study Abroad programs are available for CLASS students primarily through the Department of Modern and Classical Languages (MCL). MCL Programs are offered to Spain, China, Germany, France, and Mexico as well as other countries. The African American Studies Program also offers programs to countries in Africa and the Caribbean. The Office of International Studies and Programs also has study abroad information for Exchange and Affiliated Studies programs around the world.

CLASS Scholarships

CLASS offers several scholarships at the college and department level. Scholarships offered by the college are typically awarded to juniors and seniors, though requirements vary for departmental scholarships. For more information, contact the Office of the Dean at 713-743-3000.

Teacher Certification Programs

The University of Houston offers bachelor's degree programs that meet the Texas State Board of Education requirements for the Provisional Teaching Certificate. Programs of study leading to certification are approved jointly by CLASS and the College of Education. In CLASS, students may pursue certification in art, dance, English, French, German, history, Italian, journalism, Latin, music, Spanish, social studies composite, and speech communication.

CLASS Undergraduate Majors

The College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences provides a link between the studies of human behavior and human experience. CLASS offers courses that explore the human condition through scientific knowledge, social structures, literature, language, philosophy, history, and the arts.

Anthropology (B.A., B.S.)

Art (B.F.A.)

Graphic Design

Painting

Sculpture

Photography/Digital Media

Art (B.A.)

All-level teacher certification

Art History

Communication (B.A.)

Organizational/Corporate Communication

Interpersonal Communication

Journalism (Broadcast or Print Media)

Media Production

Media Policy/Media Studies

Public Relations/Advertising

Communication Science and Disorders (B.A., B.S.)

Economics (B.A., B.S.)

English (B.A.)

Creative Writing

Language Arts

Literary Studies

History (B.A.)

Modern & Classical Languages (B.A.)

Classical Studies

French

German

German Area Studies

Italian Studies

Spanish

Music (B.A., B.M.)

Instrumental Performance

Applied

Composition

Theory

Philosophy (B.A.)

Political Science (B.A., B.S.)

Psychology (B.A., B.S.)

Sociology (B.A., B.S.)

Theatre (B.A.)

Acting/Directing

Dance

Design Technical

Minor Programs

In addition to minors in all the major departments (including several additional languages), CLASS offers minors in the following areas:

Air Force Science (Air Force ROTC)

African American Studies

American Cultures

Latin American Studies

Mexican American Studies

Military Science (Army ROTC)

Naval Science (Navy ROTC)

Religious Studies

Values, Law and Policy

Women's Studies

World Cultures and Literature

More Information

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

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www.class.uh.edu

College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

www.nsm.uh.edu

The College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics is committed to excellence in teaching and research in the natural sciences and mathematics. Academic departments within the college are biology and biochemistry, chemistry, computer science, geoscience, mathematics, and physics. Natural Sciences and Mathematics faculty members are engaged in the creation of new knowledge through research. They bring the latest information to their classrooms and teaching laboratories. Departmental curricula and courses are designed to help students acquire appropriate content knowledge and develop well-honed critical thinking and scientific literacy skills. Natural Sciences and Mathematics graduates are competitive in the job market and students aspiring to attend medical or graduate school often have opportunities to participate in research with faculty members.

Academic Support Programs

The Scholar Enrichment Program (www.sep.uh.edu) and the Houston-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (www.hlsamp.uh.edu) offer workshops associated with certain core courses in mathematics, chemistry, and physics. Participation in these programs hones problem-solving skills for success in more advanced coursework and facilitates mentoring relationships. The Center for Academic Support and Assessment provides tutorial services for students in lower-level mathematics courses.

Student Organizations

- Alpha Epsilon Delta (National Pre-Medical Honor Society)
- Allied Health Professions Society
- Delta Delta Sigma (Biology and Biochemistry Undergraduate Association)
- Geosociety
- Mu Delta (African American Pre-Health Association)
- Natural Sciences and Mathematics Ambassadors
- Pi Mu Epsilon (Mathematics Honor Society)
- Pre-Dental Professional Society
- Pre-Optometry Professional Society
- Sigma Gamma Epsilon (National Honorary Earth Science Society)
- Sigma Xi (National Scientific Research Society)
- Society of Physics Students
- University of Houston Math Enthusiasts

Scholarships

NSM has limited scholarships for qualified first-time-in-college freshman and continuing students.

For more information and for application forms, visit www.nsm.uh.edu/students/financial_aid.htm.

Declaring a Major

Students who have a well-defined career objective and major course of study are advised to declare their major upon entering the college and to seek academic counsel from their major department. Freshman students who are uncertain of their major may enroll as natural sciences and mathematics unspecified majors. Academic advising for these students is provided by the Office of the Dean.

Undergraduate Majors

Biology and Biochemistry

Students interested in a career in any aspect of the life sciences, including medicine, allied health, biomedical research, molecular and cellular biology, biotechnology, ecology and evolutionary biology, and field or conservation biology should consider a major in this department.

A major in either biology or biochemical and biophysical sciences offers excellent preparation for medical, dental, optometry, or veterinary school. Students may pursue graduate study in fields such as organismal biology, biochemistry, biophysics, cellular and molecular biology, neuroscience, pharmacology, physiology, developmental biology, immunology, microbiology, plant and animal sciences, public health, nutrition, and epidemiology.

Faculty research and teaching fields include biochemistry and biophysics; cell, molecular and developmental biology; neurobiology; and evolutionary biology and ecology. Undergraduate research opportunities may be available in faculty laboratories and participation is encouraged for students interested in pursuing advanced degrees.

Graduates with baccalaureate degrees may pursue careers in science, journalism, pharmaceutical or scientific sales, laboratory management, or K-12 teaching. Teaching at the university-level generally requires a doctorate.

Chemistry

Chemistry deals with the composition, structure, properties, and reactions of matter. Students also have the option to receive a B.S. in environmental science with an option in atmospheric chemistry. Students considering a major in chemistry should have a strong mathematics background and excellent critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Teaching and research in the Department of Chemistry include theoretical, structural, and synthetic studies of biomolecules; theoretical, structural, surface, and synthetic studies of materials and nanostructures; geochemistry; and the traditional fields of organic, inorganic, analytical, and physical chemistry. As preparation for joining the workforce or entering graduate school, chemistry majors are invited and strongly encouraged to participate in undergraduate research beginning in their sophomore year.

Graduates with a chemistry degree typically find employment in the chemical, pharmaceutical, oil, and petrochemical industries. In addition, there are opportunities for chemists in law, library and information science, and publishing. Chemistry is also a well-regarded major for those wishing to pursue further education in the medical field and other related fields.

Computer Science

Computer science is the systematic study of computing systems and computation. Students majoring in computer science choose one of two options: the B.S. in computer science with science option, or the B.S. in computer science with business option. Students planning to continue into graduate work are encouraged to pursue the B.S. with science option degree program. This program is extremely rigorous. All students majoring in computer science must take a substantial number of courses in mathematics due to the strong correlation between logical thinking needed in mathematics and computer science. Students considering a major in computer science should have shown considerable ability in mathematics and logical reasoning. Students also receive extensive instruction in state-of-the-art software engineering methods and practices. They combine good mathematical background with the ability to design and develop quality software on a large scale.

The department's teaching and research fields of specialization include: artificial intelligence, bioinformatics, biomedical image analysis, computer networks, computer vision, computer graphics, databases, video-on-demand, high-performance computing, Internet computing, operating systems, parallel and distributed computing, physics-based modeling and simulation, real-time systems, software engineering, scientific computing, and theory. Several faculty members have interdisciplinary interests in chemistry and the biological/medical sciences.

Numerous professional opportunities exist for graduates with computer science degrees including hardware development, software engineering, Internet systems and technology, game design, computer graphics, animation, robotics, artificial intelligence, security, medicine, biotechnology, business management and consulting, modeling, as well as graduate study in computing related fields.

Note: Freshman applicants will be admitted as computer science majors if they meet the higher admission standards as indicated on **page 10**.

Geosciences

Geoscientists are concerned with how the Earth works, the processes that shape its internal and external structure, and the development of our planet and other bodies in our solar system. It includes the study of the solid Earth as well as its fluid envelopes. Geoscientists are charged with a wide variety of tasks such as finding adequate supplies of natural resources, protecting our natural environment from environmental degradation, reducing the risks associated with geologic hazards, documenting and understanding the evolution of life, and providing insights into past and future changes in global climate. The B.S. is offered in both geology and geophysics. The B.A. is offered in earth science. Students also may choose an option in either environmental geosciences or atmospheric sciences for a B.S. in environmental science.

Department of Geosciences faculty members are geologists, geophysicists, and atmospheric scientists. Their research and teaching encompasses a wide range of topics including sedimentology and stratigraphy, geochemistry, petrology, structure and tectonics, environmental and atmospheric geosciences, remote sensing and geographic information systems, and applied and fundamental seismology. Many faculty members have backgrounds in basic research or in applied industry and government service.

Undergraduate research opportunities exist with faculty members and participation is strongly encouraged. Since Houston is home to numerous energy companies, there are many opportunities for geosciences undergraduates to gain valuable experience prior to graduation as well as employment after graduation. Graduates, with a B.A. degree in earth science, are prepared for careers in teaching K-12 or a graduate program in law, business, environmental studies, or public policy.

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Mathematics

Mathematics is a formal discipline dealing with inference, deduction, proof, and the development of analytical models for biology, chemistry, physics, engineering, finance, and social sciences. Students considering a major in mathematics should have a strong mathematics background and excellent analytical skills. Students may pursue a B.A. or a B.S. degree in mathematics, or may pursue at B.S. in environmental science with an option in environmental modeling. Each of these degrees have a wide range of flexibility which allows students to augment their mathematics education with additional courses within mathematics or complementary to the discipline. Departmental research and teaching interests include applied mathematics, differential geometry, analysis, differential equations, dynamical systems, scientific computation, medical imaging, mathematical biology, probability and statistics, financial mathematics, and teacher education.

Mathematics majors find employment in many different areas: scientific and biomedical research, financial institutions, financial mathematics, actuarial firms, engineering, government agencies, and various groups related to the military. In industry, mathematicians are often important members of multidisciplinary teams working on complex projects and are a part of operations and logistics groups.

Physics

Physicists formulate mathematical descriptions of nature that constitute a set of theories to provide the best and most detailed predictive capability in all situations. Physicists also devise and carry out experiments designed to probe the unknown and test those theories. When confronted with experimental evidence that contradicts theories or are beyond their reach, physicists either revise them to accommodate the new data or abandon them in favor of better models. Students majoring in physics must have a strong foundation in mathematics and an overwhelming curiosity about how nature works. Generally, physicists are either primarily focused on doing experiments or on making mathematical models. The department's teaching and research fields of specialization include atmospheric and space physics; biological and medical physics; statistical physics; physics of finance; radiation science; superconductivity; surface physics; signal and image processing; high energy, medium energy, and heavy energy ion physics; high performance distributed computing; and seismic physics. Research opportunities are available for highly motivated undergraduate students in faculty laboratories. Participation is strongly encouraged.

The demand for trained physicists is strong. Physicists can have careers in the aerospace industry, the high-tech materials and electronics industries, and in fields as diverse as commodities or stock brokerage, health-care, and the energy industry. Graduates with a B.A. in physics are generally prepared to teach physics at the high school level once they have obtained the appropriate teacher certification.

More Information

College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
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Houston, TX 77204-5008
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www.nsm.uh.edu

Undergraduate Interest Areas Pre-Professional Programs

Pre-Optometry

www.opt.uh.edu

The College of Optometry is one of seventeen schools and colleges of optometry in the United States and the only one in the Southwest. It is home to the University Eye Institute (UEI), which serves more than 30,000 community-based patients each year and is equipped with the latest ophthalmic instruments and diagnostic systems. The average student will see approximately 1,500 patients in UEI's clinical services and externship locations prior to graduation. Undergraduate preparation for the study of optometry requires a strong foundation in science, mathematics, humanities, and social sciences.

Requirements

- A baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution is required prior to matriculation
- 55-60 hours of prerequisite course work must be completed prior to enrollment
- Optometry Admissions Test (OAT) Scores

Students may apply for admission while completing their admission requirements. Students taking pre-optometry coursework at other undergraduate programs are encouraged to consult the UH Office of Student Affairs and Admissions to ensure prerequisite course equivalence.

Prerequisite Courses

BIOLOGY

Biological Sciences with laboratory**	8
Advanced Physiology with laboratory**	4
Human Anatomy with laboratory**	4-8*
Microbiology with laboratory**	4

CHEMISTRY

Fundamentals of Chemistry with laboratory**	8
Organic Chemistry with laboratory**	4
Biochemistry	3

MATHEMATICS

Elementary Functions	3
Calculus I	3-4*

PHYSICS

General Physics with laboratory**	8
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PSYCHOLOGY

Introduction to Psychology	3
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STATISTICS

Statistics with application in biological and social sciences	3
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SUBTOTAL:

55-60

*Hours of required course work dependent on course content

** Online laboratory course work NOT accepted

Pre-Pharmacy

www.uh.edu/pharmacy

Founded in 1946, the University of Houston College of Pharmacy combines the opportunities and experiences of the Texas Medical Center's world-class healthcare community with resources of the university to offer students the best possible education in pharmacy.

We recommend that students apply during the fall semester of their senior year, as university scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Students may choose to complete their pre-pharmacy courses at the University of Houston or at another university or community college. Earning a Pharm.D. takes a minimum of a six-years. The process consists of two to four years of pre-pharmacy coursework; three years of pharmacy coursework; and a one-year externship in the doctor of pharmacy program.

Location

The college has facilities both on the UH campus in the Texas Medical Center (TMC). At TMC, students have the opportunity to train with physicians, medical students, and members of our clinical faculty. In addition to faculty and staff offices, TMC houses research laboratories, classrooms, and the Contemporary Pharmacy Practice Laboratories.

Pharmacy Admissions

A two-year pre-pharmacy program, or its equivalent, is required for admission into the professional program. Students who wish to enter pre-pharmacy at UH must apply for admission through the university.

Degrees

The UH College of Pharmacy offers a four-year Pharm.D., a Ph.D. in pharmacology or pharmaceuticals; a dual Pharm.D./Ph.D., and a M.S. in pharmacy administration.

Faculty

Our faculty, recipients of patents and prestigious National Institutes of Health grants, is one of the most diverse in the nation and includes more than fifty full-time faculty, 700 plus preceptors who serve during clinical rotations, and many healthcare providers from the community who serve as volunteer faculty.

Patient Care

Patient care activities begin in the first year through the college's Community Wellness Program. We partner with a multitude of community organizations that allow our students to enhance traditional ways of learning, foster a concern for social problems, and develop patient and professional relationships to actively understand healthcare.

Clinical rotations for Pharm.D. students begin in the summer of their second year and culminate in a full-time internship program during their fourth year. We offer more than 440 rotation sites throughout Texas and expanded placement opportunities for our students throughout the U.S.

College Highlights

- 99 percent pass rate for Pharm.D. graduates on the NAPLEX Exam, the national licensing exam for pharmacists. The 2004 national pass rate average as reported by NABP was 92 percent.
- 100 percent of our graduates for the past three years received job offers before graduation.
- First Place winner, APhA-ASP National Patient Counseling Competition for 2004 and 2005.
- State and national pharmacy residencies.
- Selected for an exchange program to study pharmacy practice in Spain.
- Captured first at the 2005 TPA Innovative Pharmacy Project competition.
- Presented papers, posters, and projects at national conventions, including NACDS, AACP, APhA, and ASHP.
- More than 200 students were awarded \$200,000 in scholarships and dean's tuition grants in 2004.
- Elected National President of the American Pharmacists ASSN-ASP

Pre-Law

The University of Houston does not consider the status "pre-law" to be a major. Students must choose a particular field of study in which they will earn a bachelor's degree while also completing the prerequisite courses for medical or dental school admission.

In partnership with the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) and with the UH University Career Services, the University Studies Division's Pre-Professional Advising Office provides services to students considering pre-law training. Students may access services either at USD, Career Services, or through the CLASS Department of Political Science, depending on where the student is in the process of pre-law preparation.

UH Law Center

www.law.uh.edu

The University of Houston Law Center is distinguished by its outstanding faculty, strong academic programs, affordability, great student and career development, and an ever-growing supportive legal community. The Law Center offers two graduate-level degrees—the juris doctorate (J.D.) and masters of laws (L.L.M.). the law school enrolls approximately 1,100 students and offers a full-time and part-time (evening) programs. For admission to the UH Law Center, students must have a baccalaureate degree and recent LSAT score.

There are no specific course requirements for admission to the law school, but prospective students are encouraged to select courses that will help them develop strong writing and analytical reasoning skills. Cumulative GPA and LSAT scores are key factors in the admission decision.

Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental

The University of Houston does not consider the status “pre-med” or “pre-dent” to be a major. Students must choose a particular field of study in which they will earn a bachelor’s degree while also completing the prerequisite courses for medical or dental school admission. Pre-med and pre-dent students may choose any undergraduate major at the University of Houston and are not restricted to science majors. Generally, the best choice of major is one that will allow the student to demonstrate skill in a variety of classes (liberal arts as well as natural sciences and math) and that offers the student the best chance of achieving an outstanding grade point average. Grades in science classes are extremely important, regardless of the student’s specific major, and overall GPA is one of the key factors in admission decisions.

PPB Services

The Pre-professional Studies Office (PPB) provides advising for undergraduate and postbaccalaureate pre-medical and pre-dental students. We also offer a file maintenance and reference service for students who wish to participate. Students who have a complete file with our office have the opportunity to be reviewed by the Health Professions Advisory Committee. Our primary responsibility is to provide students with information and assistance as they pursue their goals and to help evaluate the options available. Students should discuss with their advisors any issues of concern regarding application to medical or dental school.

General advising is available on a walk-in basis. Advising hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5p.m. During the fall and spring semesters, while classes are in session we offer evening advising hours on Mondays and Tuesdays until 6 p.m.

Pre-Professional Student Organizations

UH Pre-Health Professional Student Organizations

www.uh.edu/ahps/

Phi Alpha Delta UH Pre-Law Professional Society

www.uh.edu/phialphadelta

Alpha Epsilon Delta Pre-Medical Honor Society

www.uh.edu/~aed/

Mu Delta Pre-Health Society

www.uh.edu/mudelta/

American Student Dental Association

www.uh.edu/asda/

Pre-Optometry Professional Society

<http://pops.opt.uh.edu>

Pre-Pharmacy Association

www.uh.edu/pre-pharmacy/

More Information

Pre-Professional/Post-Baccalaureate
Studies Office
320 Student Service Center 1
Houston, TX 77204
713-743-8982

College of Technology

www.tech.uh.edu

The College of Technology has provided the highest quality education for students in practical fields of technology and consumer science since the early 1940s. While the College of Technology is one of the oldest colleges on the UH campus, our programs instruct students in some of the most cutting-edge technologies available today. New technologies are constantly integrated into the curriculum, making our college an exciting place to study in a wide variety of fields. Our students study the possible applications of the most current technologies in their field and graduate with practical skills that allow them to transition seamlessly into a work environment.

We offer numerous fully accredited undergraduate degrees in areas of practical technology as well as fully accredited master's degrees in some highly select and competitive areas. These degrees are offered through our four departments: engineering technology, human development and consumer sciences, information and logistics technology, and life sciences technology.

College Highlights

- Abramson Family Center for the Future of Health—dedicated to accomplishing the research, prescribing the action, and training the people to provide Houston and its surrounding areas with the finest health care available in the world.
- The Center for Life Sciences Technology focuses on workforce education and training programs to support the life sciences research enterprise and industry in the state of Texas.
- The college graduated 101 students in 2005 from our international extension program in Trinidad and Tobago.
- The college awarded more than \$65,000 in scholarships for the upcoming academic year.

Engineering Technology (ET)

Engineering Technology focuses primarily on analyzing, applying, implementing, and improving existing and emerging technologies. The program prepares graduates for the practice of engineering in product improvement, manufacturing, and engineering operational functions.

The Department of Engineering Technology has five B.S. degrees available: computer engineering technology, electrical power technology, mechanical technology, construction management technology, and construction management—surveying and mapping.

The Department of Engineering Technology offers an inviting, nurturing, and challenging environment that is responsive to the intellectual, social, and cultural needs of a diverse learning community. The department's success is reflected in the success of its alumni, who are known for their leadership, adaptability, and commitment to high professional standards.

Our faculty provides a student-centered learning environment that:

- Attracts students who aspire to excel,
- Nurtures students to persist and to achieve,
- Prepares regionally, nationally, and globally competitive graduates actively sought by employers,
- Provides a foundation and opportunity for life-long learning and adaptation to a changing world,
- Cultivates technology literacy in the general population,
- Instills a problem-solving capability in our students, and
- Provides students with a solid basis in professional and ethical standards.

Highlights

- Optical Networking Research Lab—a partnership with SBC Communications Inc. and supported by Sprint Inc.,—facilitates research in fiber optics, digital telephony, and wireless communications.
- Students in Construction Related Industries has consistently won awards from Associated Builders and Contractors including first place in safety.
- Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board First-Generation-In-College Grant Program— ET was awarded a grant for the recruitment, retention, and scholarship of first-generation college students for the second year in a row.
- Senior Projects—ET majors participate in a capstone project, which culminates in presentations before industry leaders.

Human Development and Consumer Sciences (HDCS)

The Human Development and Consumer Sciences department continues to grow in its reach across the community of Houston and beyond, bringing the latest technical and marketing trends to the fields of merchandising and consumer sciences. The HDCS department has one undergraduate major—consumer sciences and merchandising (CSM).

Consumer Science and Merchandising is a unique undergraduate program that focuses on consumer-oriented business practices in the fields of merchandising, technology entrepreneurship, retailing, e-tailing, sales, customer services, and public relations. Consumer orientation is key in meeting customer demand that drives business success.

Our curriculum is designed to develop professionals who can integrate knowledge of consumers and merchandising processes to technology-based consumer practices in the fields of merchandising, technology entrepreneurship, retailing/e-tailing, sales/consumer service, training and development.

The Consumer Science and Merchandising program is a unique on-campus and online program committed to preparing students to:

- Understand the processes of retail marketing.
- Develop skills in consumer affairs.
- Integrate knowledge of consumers and merchandising processes and apply that knowledge to an array of challenges facing retailers, consumers, families, and service agencies.

The HDCS department is very active in assisting students with their career goals. Success for CSM interns is believing their contribution to an organization makes a difference. Another mark of success is when they are hired after their internship—more than 30 percent of interns had placements as department managers or store managers.

Highlights

- CSM Program—eCSM is an online version of the Consumer Science and Merchandising degree plan at UH. Several programs are available to the public, pending admission to UH.
- Merchandising Star Awards—An event honoring outstanding contributors to the industry and academia. The events are dedicated to a CSM endowment, allowing scholarship opportunities for UH students.
- Retail.Fashion.Forum “Movers, Shakers & Makers”—This one-day event for local high school and college students include presentations from leaders and entrepreneurs in the fashion and retail industry and a career fair.

Information and Logistics Technology (ILT)

The Department of Information and Logistics Technology provides educational opportunities designed to prepare technical and management-oriented professionals for careers in business, industry, government, and education.

Graduates are workforce leaders who bring high levels of technology expertise to the workplace and are prepared to guide technological change. In addition, many are teachers or trainers across a myriad of settings from public schools to industry and government.

Students completing the program earn a B.S. degree. Degrees in information systems technology, logistics technology, and technology leadership and supervision, which includes an emphasis in graphic communications technology have been designed so that graduates will:

- Apply critical thinking skills related to the discovery, application, and integration of appropriate basic principles.
- Apply problem-solving techniques at a level required for professional practice.
- Demonstrate effective oral, written, and interpersonal communication skills for application in the global workplace.
- Indicate a commitment to learn, improve the profession, and maintain professional ethics throughout their lifetime.

The mission of the Department of Information and Logistics Technology is to produce new ideas and knowledge within the fields of information, logistics, graphic communications, and leadership technology while educating highly capable and diverse technology leaders for the state of Texas, the nation, and the global community.

Graduates will know or know how to:

- Acquire the basic and in-depth knowledge and skills required in their professions.
- Apply and refine their technological knowledge and skills in leadership, critical thinking, problem solving, decision-making, teamwork processes, and project management to solve novel, ambiguous, and routine problems.
- Integrate their knowledge of technological, social, organizational, and value systems to improve the creation and application of technological solutions.
- Contribute to the improvement of their professions and society through the discovery, application, integration, and assessment of technological capability.
- Anticipate and fulfill their need for new knowledge and capabilities as their disciplines progress.
- Employ effective oral, written, graphic, and interpersonal modes of communication for expressing technical concepts to diverse audiences.

Highlights

- Recently, nine faculty in the ILT department were awarded grants of more than \$1.5 million, which benefit research and curriculum development.
- Students in the Logistics Technology program provide logistics support for community organizations like Tech Corps Tech, which provides technical training to low-income neighborhoods, and Medical Bridges, which organizes and distributes medical equipment to world organizations.
- Students in all programs are required to participate in an internship or practicum experience that allows them hands-on experience in major organizations.

More Information

College of Technology
Academic Services Center
108 Technology 1 Building
Houston, TX 77204-4021
713-743-4100

www.tech.uh.edu

Education Costs

The average cost for 12-15 hours is between \$2,500 and \$3,000. Tuition is calculated differently based on each class; therefore, it is best to visit www.uh.edu/sfs for a better idea regarding fees.

Resident (Based on 15 semester credit hours per fall and spring semester)		Non-Resident (Based on 15 semester credit hours per fall and spring semester)	
Tuition and Fees*	\$ 6,450	Tuition and Fees*	\$ 12,326
Books and Supplies	\$ 1,050	Books and Supplies	\$ 1,050
Room and Board	\$ 8,600	Room and Board	\$ 8,600
Transportation	\$ 2,350	Transportation	\$ 2,350
Personal Expenses	\$ 2,900	Personal Expenses	\$ 2,900
Total Resident	\$21,350	Total Resident	\$27,226

Keep in mind that the tuition and fee amount may be less due to differentiated tuition. The range is actually \$6,000 and \$7,280.

* Tuition and mandatory student fees are subject to change by University and legislative action. Figures do not include parking, lab, and other fees.

The Graduation Pledge

The Graduation Pledge offers students scholarship funds for successfully completing 30 hours of credit each academic year. It is designed to encourage incoming freshmen to reach their graduation goals in four years. Students also must maintain steady enrollment while remaining in good academic standing. Through the Graduation Pledge program, students have the opportunity to obtain \$3,000 in scholarships throughout their college career and a \$1,000 Undergraduate Tuition Rebate upon receiving their baccalaureate degree.

\$3,000 in Scholarships

- Entering freshmen who complete 30 hours in good standing within in one academic year will be eligible for \$500 toward their next year's tuition and fees.
- By completing 60 hours after two years, students will then receive a \$1,000 scholarship.
- Students who finish 90 hours by the end of their third year will receive \$1,500 toward their fourth year at UH.

\$1,000 Undergraduate Tuition Rebate*

The University of Houston offers \$1,000 tuition rebates to students who meet all of the following criteria:

- The student enrolled for the first time in a institution of higher education in the fall of 1997 semester or later.
- The requested rebate is for work related to the student's first baccalaureate degree received from a Texas public university.
- The student must have been a resident of Texas, must have attempted all coursework at a Texas public institution of higher education, and must have been entitled to pay resident tuition at all times while pursuing the degree.
- Students must have attempted no more than three hours in excess of the minimum number of semester credit hours required to complete the degree under the catalog under which they were graduated.

*Students must apply to their colleges for the rebates prior to receiving their baccalaureate degrees.

Jump Program

Through this program, students can earn six hours of college courses that will count toward these scholarships during the summer session before they begin their college career. For more information on the Jump Program, call 713-743-4001, visit www.uh.edu/thejump, or e-mail thejump@uh.edu.

More Information

Office of Financial Aid

31 E Cullen Building

Houston, TX 77204-2010

713-743-1010, option 3

www.uh.edu/enroll/sfa

Scholarships

www.uh.edu/scholarships

Academic Scholarships for Incoming Freshman

To be considered automatically for these scholarships, students must simply:

- apply for admission to the University of Houston by **April 1**
- meet the minimum scholarship requirements
- have a completed admissions file

Selected recipients will be notified in writing. Scholarships will be awarded as long as funds are available.

Academic Excellence Award (Estimated)

SAT Score*	Class Rank/GPA
1400 or better	Top 5% or 3.90
1300-1390	Top 10% or 3.75
1200-1290	Top 15% or 3.50
1200	Top 25% or 3.25
1100	Top 10%

Award Amount: \$1,500 to \$6,500 per year—renewable for up to four years

*Only math and critical reading scores are considered.

The Cullen Leadership Scholarship

Students who have been awarded the Academic Excellence Scholarship are eligible for the Cullen Leadership Scholarship. Students' progress will be reviewed at the end of each year.

Requirements

- Submission of leadership activities, including extracurricular activities
- Autobiographical statement and letters of reference
- Completed admissions application

Achievers Scholarship

Students who rank in the top 10 percent and do **NOT** meet the Academic Excellence Scholarship requirements will be awarded a \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship.

National Merit Finalist Scholarship

The University of Houston will automatically award scholarship support to cover the cost of tuition, required fees, room, board, and a \$250 per semester book stipend to National Merit Scholarship Finalists who select the University of Houston as their first choice in accordance with the rules and deadlines established by the National Merit Corporation. The overall scholarship package includes any scholarship awarded by the National Merit Corporation or any Corporate Sponsored Merit Scholarship. The university's contribution will be adjusted for the recipient of these types of awards.

Also, the total room and board portion will only be awarded to those who choose to live on campus; this will be adjusted for those who choose to live off campus. Scholarships will be awarded as long as funds are available.

Award Amount: Approximately \$8,846 per year for Texas residents. (Approximately \$14,950 for residents of other states.)

Valedictorian Scholarship

The highest ranking graduate of each accredited high school is eligible for the Valedictorian Scholarship. In order to be eligible, the student must have a certificate issued by the state of Texas and must have a completed admissions application. Students receiving National Merit program awards are NOT ELIGIBLE to receive the Valedictorian Scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded as long as funds are available.

Award Amount: \$3,000 per year—renewable for up to four years

Private Donor Scholarships

Scholarship checks may be dropped off or mailed to the address below:

University of Houston
Office of Scholarships
ATTN: Treanell Scott
31 E Cullen Building
Houston, TX 77204-2010

Donors should make sure to include the student's name, social security number, and semester for which the scholarship funds are to be applied. A full-time enrollment status will be assumed unless otherwise specified by the donor.

Awards for Out-of-state Residents

Students may be entitled to an out-of-state tuition waiver* if they are a:

- nonresident of Texas AND
- recipient of UH or individual college scholarships totalling more than \$1,000 annually (National Merit Scholarship award, Cullen Leadership Scholarship, or Academic Excellence Scholarship).

The waiver allows a student to pay tuition at the same rate as a Texas resident, providing a savings of \$6,104 per semester in nonresident tuition to a student enrolled for 12 credit hours each semester.

*Since waivers are limited by the state, students seeking a waiver are encouraged to apply early as possible.

Competitive Scholarships Waiver

International or nonresident students who hold competitive scholarships of at least \$1,000 for an academic year or summer session may be entitled to pay resident tuition and fees provided they compete with other students, including Texas residents, for the scholarship. The scholarship must be

awarded by a scholarship committee officially recognized by the university. The number of nonresident tuition and fee waivers for academic competitive scholarships is limited to 5 percent of the previous year's total university head count and at the discretion of the dean of the college or appropriate scholarship committee.

More Information

Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid
31 E Cullen Building
Houston, TX 77204-2010
713-743-9051
Fax: 713-743-9098

www.uh.edu/enroll/sfa/scholarships.html

Financial Aid

www.uh.edu/enroll/sfa

Eligibility for Financial Assistance

Students must be enrolled for at least 6 semester hours. For summer aid, students must be enrolled at least half-time for the full six-, nine-, and/or twelve-week sessions. Visiting summer students are **NOT** eligible for financial aid. Students holding permanent resident visas are eligible to apply for financial aid; however, non-U.S. citizens holding only student visas are not eligible for federal aid through the Office of Financial Aid. Satisfactory academic progress must be maintained to continue eligibility for federal funds.

Applying for Financial Aid

Entering freshmen, transfer students, or presently enrolled students who wish to apply for financial aid must submit a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid by the **April 1** priority deadline. Applications may be obtained at www.fafsa.ed.gov or from the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid. Students who receive correspondence from the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid should respond as soon as possible to avoid delays in the processing of their application. In some cases, other forms may be required after initial application forms are submitted, such as financial aid transcripts from previously attended postsecondary institutions, special scholarships, or loan supplemental forms. The processing period for an aid application is approximately six weeks.

Grants

These are gift aid awards provided to students who demonstrate financial need. Amounts range from \$200 to \$4,050 per year depending upon the amount of need demonstrated and the availability of funds. Federally funded grant programs include the Federal Pell Grant, which is available to undergraduates. Students may apply for this grant by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, which is available through the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid. The amount of an award is based on the student's eligibility, the cost of attendance at the university, and a payment schedule issued by the United States Department of Education. Other grant programs administered by the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid include the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, the Texas Public Education Grant, the Leveraged Educational Assistance Partnership Grant, and the Texas Grant.

Deadlines

The priority deadline for financial aid is **April 1** of each year. We will process aid after the priority deadline, but a student must have completed their file by the end of the semester in order to receive aid for that semester. Students should include their social security number on the top of EVERY page of information submitted to our office.

Enrollment Services Online

Students may check their financial aid status with Enrollment Services Online at www.stu.uh.edu/uoh/newmenusys/intro.jsp.

Individual College Scholarships

The majority of scholarships that are awarded by UH are through individual colleges. The following are colleges that currently have online scholarship information.

Gerald D. Hines College of Architecture
C.T. Bauer College of Business
College of Education
Cullen College of Engineering
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
College of Pharmacy
College of Technology
Conrad N. Hilton College Hotel and Restaurant Management
UH Law Center
The Honors College

Other Scholarship Sources

University Scholars Program
FastWeb
Collegeboard
USA Funds
FinAid.org
Houston Alumni Organization
Hope Scholarship
College for Texans

Visit www.uh.edu/enroll/sfa/scholarships.html for more information.

More Information

Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid
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31 E Cullen Building
Houston, TX 77204-2010
713-743-1010
Fax: 713-743-9098
www.uh.edu/enroll/sfa

Texas Success Initiatives Exemptions

Students who claim one of the following exemptions are not required to take the Success Initiative Assessment Test. Students must still meet specific course placement requirements as established by the UH academic departments.

Score Exemptions*

- SAT total of 1070 and critical reading 500 and math 500
- ACT composite of 23 and English 19 and math 19
- *Scores may not be more than five years old at the time of exemption.
- TAKS with Mathematics 2200, English Language Arts 2200, and writing subscore of 3**.

**Scores may not be more than three years old at the time of exemption.

Degree Exemption

Students who have graduated with an associate or baccalaureate degree from an accredited Texas public institution of higher education. This exemption does not include associate of applied science degrees.

Coursework Exemption (Out-of-state/private school transfer students)

Transfer students who have successfully completed college-level course work as determined by the University of Houston.

Non-degree Seeking Exemption

Students who wish to take courses for personal enrichment but are not pursuing an undergraduate degree.

Military Service Exemption

Students serving on active duty as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, the Texas National Guard, or as a member of a reserve component of the U.S. Armed Forces and have been serving for at least three years preceding enrollment.

Prior Military Service Exemption

Students who on or after August 1, 1990, were honorably discharged, retired, or released from active duty as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, the Texas National Guard, or service as a member of a reserve component of the U.S. Armed Forces. Documentation of exemption is required. Students may be asked to provide test scores, transcripts, military documents, etc., in order to claim an exemption.

More Information

University Studies Division
320 Student Service Center 1
713-743-8982
Fax: 713-743-8998
<http://usd.uh.edu>

Assessment Testing

All entering undergraduate students (unless exempt) are required to take an assessment test prior to enrolling in classes. The approved assessment tests are:

- THEA (formerly TASP)
- ASSET
- COMPASS
- ACCUPLACER

SAT I - Institutional

The Institutional Scholastic Aptitude Test I (ISAT I) is administered to applicants seeking admission ONLY to the University of Houston. It is a four and a half hour test, primarily multiple choice that measures verbal and mathematical abilities as well as an essay. Students can obtain the SAT I Reasoning Test bulletin from our office or any four-year college institution for details.

Results of this test will be sent to the Office of Admissions within ten working days after the test date. Test scores cannot be reported to any institutions other than the University of Houston.

Fee: \$60

Walk-in Fee: additional \$10

Duration: three hours

Results Availability: Two weeks

Online Registration: www.las.uh.edu/UTS

University of Houston ETS school code: 6870

For SAT I - Institutional testing times, call 713-743-5444.

Institutional TOEFL

The Institutional Test of English as a Foreign Language (ITOEFL) is normally taken by non-native English speaking students who wish to ONLY enroll at the University of Houston System. UH recognizes ITOEFL as an official test score for undergraduate and postbaccalaureate applicants only—NOT graduate applicants. UH-Clear Lake and UH-Victoria, however, accept ITOEFL scores for undergraduate, postbaccalaureate, and graduate applicants.

The test uses a multiple-choice format to measure the ability to understand English. ITOEFL consists of three sections:

- Listening Comprehension (50 items)
- Structure and Written Expression (40 items)
- Reading Comprehension (50 items)

Fee: \$60

Walk-in Fee: additional \$10

Duration: three hours

Results Availability: four weeks

Online Registration: www.las.uh.edu/UTS

University of Houston ETS school code: 6870

The scores for ITOEFL are reported to the University of Houston System ONLY and cannot be transferred from the University of Houston. Students who need TOEFL scores for admission to universities and colleges other than the University of Houston System must take the official TOEFL computer-based administration. Please see TOEFL-Computer Based information below.

All registrations are processed by our office at least one day before the date of the test. All three of the following requirements must be met in order to take the test. Test administrators reserve the right to deny admittance of any student who does not meet the listed requirements. ITOEFL registrants MUST:

- register at least 48 hours before the scheduled test time and date. After 48 hours, students MUST come to Room 204 SSC1 to register.
- complete photo identification form.
- valid passport or Alien Registration Card—students will NOT BE ALLOWED to take the test without this type of identification.

For Institutional TOEFL testing times visit www.las.uh.edu/UTS or call 713-743-5444.

TOEFL - Computer Based

Students may obtain information on the computer-based TOEFL procedures, test dates, and test centers at www.toefl.org. They also can download forms needed to make a testing appointment (test scheduling form and voucher request form) and practice questions.

Registration

For registration and testing times, call 713-743-5386. Students may register via phone, walk-in (only when space is available), or online at www.ets.org/register.html or www.2test.com/toefl. Or call toll free 1-800-GOTOEFL to schedule appointments.

TOEFL Fees

The fee is \$140 and payable by MasterCard, Visa, or American Express if registering by phone; or by MasterCard, Visa, American Express, check, or money order for walk-in registration.

Test Dates

Test dates are set by the Educational Testing Service and are limited. Registration is based on first-come, first-served basis. Tests are not administered on Sundays.

Scores

Scores can be:

- viewed on screen upon completion of test
- canceled prior to viewing
- mailed to the student and the institute(s) of their choice within ten to fifteen working days
- saved at ETS and be requested for a two-year period

Internet-based Testing (iBT)

The new TOEFL will be delivered via the Internet. Access and scores from the new TOEFL Internet-based test (iBT) will provide information about performance in the four skill areas students need for success in an academic environment. The score reports will include four skill scores: Listening: 0-30; Reading: 0-30; Speaking: 0-30; and Writing: 0-30 as well as the Total Score: 0-120.

NOTE: The minimum required score on the iBT TOEFL is pending approval from the UH Undergraduate Council.

Test-Taking

Students, who are registered for a test at the University of Houston, should arrive thirty minutes before the scheduled appointment to complete the registration process.

Since 2003, a CD-ROM containing POWERPREP Software (Preparation for the Computer-based TOEFL Test) will be automatically mailed to individuals upon registering to take the computer-based TOEFL test. As part of the continuing expansion of ETS online services, POWERPREP Software also may be downloaded at **www.toefl.org** at no charge. In addition, the TOEFL Sampler, containing sixty-seven computer-based TOEFL test questions and tutorials, can be downloaded at no charge.

POWERPREP software is a timed computer-based test operating under the authentic TOEFL testing protocol used by examinees around the world. POWERPREP software includes two timed computer-based tests, three essay topics for writing practice, and samples of actual essay responses written by TOEFL test takers.

Test Refunds

Cancellation must be done no later than at least seven business days before the student's appointment. ETS will refund the \$65 registration if the appointment is cancelled within the proper time period.

More Information

University of Houston
Student Service Center 1
Houston, Texas 77204-3025
Test Center Number: **7514**
www.las.uh.edu/UTS



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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

The University of Houston recognizes the comprehensive and rigorous curriculum of the International Baccalaureate (IB) and offers possible credit for scores of 4, 5, 6 or 7 on higher-level examinations. IB (HL) scores sent to the University of Houston will be reviewed for credit. An entering freshman who holds an IB diploma will be granted at least 24 college credit hours if he or she has scored 4 or better on the IB exams. Below is a list of IB test subjects and the minimum score needed to be awarded UH course credit. Please pay particular attention to the footnotes when reviewing the scoring information. IB courses not listed here will be reviewed on an individual basis.

Test Program	Test Subject	Course	Course Number	Minimum Score	Credit Hours	Notes
IB (HL)	Biology	BIOL	1431-1432	4, 5	8	
IB (HL)	Chemistry	CHEM	1301, 1101 1302, 1102	4	8	
			1331, 1111 1332, 1112	5-7	4-8	1
IB (HL)	Economics	ECON	2304, 2305	4, 5	6	
IB (HL)	English A1/ A2/ B	ENGL	1303-1304	4	6	
IB (HL)	French A1/ A2/ B Spanish A1/ A2/ B Russian A1/A2/ B German A1/A2/ B Chinese A1/A2/B Arabic A1/A2/B Other language	FREN SPAN RUSS GERM CHNS ARAB	Electives	4	5-10	1,2
IB (HL)	History (the Americas)	HIST	Electives	4	3-6	1
IB (HL)	History (Europe)	HIST	2353	4	3-6	1
IB (HL)	Mathematics	MATH	1431, 1432	4	8	
IB (HL)	Physics	PHYS	1301, 1101 1302, 1102	4	8	
IB (HL)	Geography	GEOG	2340	4	3-6	
IB (HL)	Theater Arts	THEA	1331	4	3-6	
IB (HL)	Philosophy	PHIL	1301	4	3-6	

Test Program	Test Subject	Course	Course Number	Minimum Score	Credit Hours	Notes
IB (HL)	Psychology	PSYC	1300	4	3-6	1
IB (HL)	Visual Arts	ARTH	1380:1381	4	3	
		ART	Electives		3	1
IB (HL)	Business and Management	MANA	Electives	4	3-6	1

Notes:

- 1 Course number(s) or amount of credit is determined by departmental faculty review.
- 2 Course number(s) or amount of credit is determined by a language placement test.



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ADVANCED PLACEMENT

The University of Houston recognizes the efforts of high school students who take the Advanced Placement (AP) exam. AP scores sent to the University of Houston will be reviewed for credit. Below is a list of AP test subjects and the minimum score needed to be awarded UH course credit. Please pay particular attention to the footnotes when reviewing the scoring information.

Test Program	Test Subject	Course	Course Number	Minimum Score	Credit Hours	Notes
AP	Biology	BIOL	1431-1432	3	8	
AP	Chemistry	CHEM	1331	4	3-6	1, 14, 22
			1372	4	3-6	1, 14, 22
AP	Microeconomics	ECON	2304	3	3	
AP	Macroeconomics		2305	3	3	
AP	English Language & Composition	ENGL	1303	3	3	
			1304	4	3	
			1303-1304	4	6	
AP	English Literature & Composition	ENGL	2397	3	3	
AP	French Language	FREN	2301	3	3	
			2302	3	3	
			3313	4 or 5	3	5
AP	French Literature	FREN	2301	3	3	
			2302	3	3	
			3313	4 or 5	3	5
AP	German Language	GERM	2332	4	3	6
			2332-3333	5	6	7
AP	American History	HIST	1377-1378	3	3	25
				4 or 5	6	
AP	European History	HIST	2353	3	3	
AP	Calculus AB	MATH	1431	3	4	
AP	Calculus BC	MATH	1431	3	4	26
			1432	3	4	26
AP	Statistics	MATH	2311	3	3	
AP	Physics B	PHYS	1301	5	3	27
			1302	5	3	27
AP	Physics C (mechanics)	PHYS	1301	4 or 5	3	28
			1321	5	3	

Test Program	Test Subject	Course	Course Number	Minimum Score	Credit Hours	Notes
AP	Physics C (electricity & magnetism)	PHYS	1302	4 or 5	3	28
			1322	5	3	
AP	American Government	POLS	1336-1337	4	3	2
				5	6	
AP	Comparative Government & Politics	POLS	3311	5	3	
AP	Psychology	PSYC	1300	3	3	
AP	Spanish Language	SPAN	1505	3	5	29
			1505, 2301	4	8	30
			1505, 2301, 2302	5	11	31
SAT II	Chemistry	CHEM	1101	630	1	13, 15
			1301	630	3	13, 15
SAT II	Writing	ENGL	1303	620	3	
			1304	660	3	
			1303-1304	660	6	

Notes:

- 1 Course number(s) or amount of credit is determined by departmental faculty review of applicant's exam or test scores.
- 2 Students who receive AP credit for POLS 1336-1337 must then complete three hours of advanced political science from sub fields of public administration, public law, and American politics, or from POLS 3331, 3349, 4361, and 4366.
- 5 No additional credit given for BOTH French Language and French Literature.
- 6 Plus a grade of B or better in GERM 3333.
- 7 Plus a grade of B or better in GERM 3334.
- 13 For Core Curriculum requirement - Not for Science, Math, Engineering, or Computer Science majors.
- 14 Introductory level for Computer Science, Engineering, Math, and Science majors.
- 15 Plus a departmental review of test scores.
- 22 Must not have taken either CHEM 1331 or 1372, or equivalent at another college-level institution.
- 25 Students must take HIST 1378 or an approved substitute, or take the CLEP: History of the United States II test (*note: students may petition to receive credit for HIST 1378 instead of HIST 1377, but must do so by filing a general petition with the History Department; otherwise, credit will be given for HIST 1377 only).
- 26 Students who score a 3 on AP Calculus BC may receive a total of 8 hours credit for MATH 1431-1432.
- 27 Students who score a 5 on AP Physics B may receive a total of 6 hours credit for PHYS 1301-1302.
- 28 Students who score a 4 or 5 on AP Physics C may receive a total of 6 hours credit for PHYS 1301-1302.
- 29 For consideration of additional credit for SPAN 2301, students must take the University of Houston's Spanish Placement test given by the University Testing Services (students from Spanish-Heritage speaking background must take the Spanish-speaker placement test at the Spanish Department).
- 30 For consideration of additional credit for SPAN 2302, students must take the University of Houston's Spanish Placement test given by the University Testing Services (students from Spanish-Heritage speaking background must take the Spanish-speaker placement test at the Spanish Department).
- 31 For consideration of junior level credit in place of credit for SPAN 1505, student must take the University of Houston's Spanish Placement test given by the University Testing Services (students from Spanish-Heritage speaking background must take the Spanish-speaker placement test at the Spanish Department).

Concurrent Enrollment

High school students who are concurrently enrolled in both their high school and a local college can receive credit for their college-level courses if a grade above a "C" is earned. Transcripts from the college must be received by the UH Office of Admissions in order for credit to be awarded.

In order to find the UH course equivalent to college class(es) taken, students should visit **www.uh.edu/admissions/pages/tCreditInfo.htm** to view the transfer credit information.

New Student Orientation

The University of Houston offers new incoming students a one-of-a-kind orientation experience that will make them feel at home on campus. The program is designed to provide individualized attention and comprehensive exposure to academic and campus life. During the two-day conference, students will:

- meet other new students, current students, and faculty
- receive placement test screening (meet with faculty advisors from their specific major)
- register for the fall classes
- become familiar with campus

For most students, starting college is an exciting, but intimidating experience. By participating in the orientation program, students take the first step toward ensuring their academic and personal success. The evening and overnight portions of the conference will help the students form new friendships and ease the transition into our college community. All students, especially those not planning on living on campus during the school year, should make every effort to take part in these events.

Advising and Class Registration

All first-time-in-college freshmen **MUST** be advised before registering for classes, which can be done during orientation. If a student is unable to attend orientation, a meeting with an advisor is required. Additionally, all new undergraduate students at the University of Houston are required to meet Texas Success Initiative requirements before registering for classes.

Selecting an Orientation Date

Orientation is held in May, June, July, and August. New students will be able to arrange and confirm their class schedules. For the best selection of classes, students should attend the earliest conference available. Students select an orientation conference that corresponds to their major. Advising services are available based on the student's major. Students approved for admission will be mailed a brochure outlining specific conference dates, times, fees, and reservation information. Those who do not receive an orientation brochure by April 15 should contact the Office of the Dean of Student orientation hotline at 713-743-5475 or visit **www.uh.edu/dos**.

New students with learning or physical disabilities should contact the Center for Students with DisABILITIES at 713-743-5400 or 713-749-1527 (TDD), for information on special individualized orientation sessions. For more information on the Center for Students with DisABILITIES, **see page 89** of this guidebook.

Campus Visit Program

The Office of Admissions offers a year-round campus visit program Monday through Friday at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. that includes a presentation given by an admissions counselor. Our office is also open on Saturdays for visiting students from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.— a Saturday campus tour is offered at Noon. Reservations are not required but are gladly accepted. To make a reservation for a tour (groups tours also are available), contact our visit coordinator at 713-743-9621 or vc@uh.edu.

The Office of Admissions will gladly document a student's visit to the UH campus.

Cougar Preview

The University of Houston's official Open House is a day filled with answers about admission requirements, degree plans, scholarships and financial aid opportunities, and campus housing. Prospective freshman and transfer students will have the opportunity to interact with faculty, staff, and current students. Additionally, on-site admissions will be available to those students who bring all of their admission materials required to complete their file. Family members and guests are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

For more information or to register, students should call 713-743-9595 or visit www.uh.edu/cougarpreview.

Cougar Fridays

The University of Houston is excited to offer this program. Held on a Friday in September, December, February, April, and July. The day includes campus and housing tours as well as information on:

- admissions requirements, degree plans, scholarships and financial aid
- The Honors College
- study abroad program
- greek life
- campus organizations
- student life
- individual majors and interest areas.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided on campus, and students will receive a UH t-shirt. For more information or to register, students should visit www.uh.edu/cougarfridays or call 713-743-9595.

More Information

Office of Admissions
122 E Cullen Building
Houston, Texas 77204-2023
www.uh.edu/admissions

Home Away from Home

While living on campus is not mandatory for incoming students, we feel that it enriches a student's college experience. It allows the student to become fully immersed in campus life by encouraging them to make friends, join our more than 300 student activities, or just relax. Residence living is convenient, affordable, and fun!

Students have a choice of several distinct residential areas in which to live: Moody Towers, the Quadrangle, and Cougar Place. All residence hall areas include study lounges, computer labs, laundry facilities, mail services, and parking options. Each room is furnished and includes basic cable, Ethernet, and local phone connections. UH also offers public/private partnership properties: Cambridge Oaks, Cullen Oaks, Bayou Oaks, and Greek Park at Bayou Oaks. These facilities include a wide variety of apartments and townhomes while continuing to offer the "perks" of on-campus living.

Costs for on-campus living will vary depending on which housing plan students choose and where they reside. All students that live in Moody Towers and the Quadrangle are required to have a meal plan. Meal plan options vary from \$1,940 to \$2,852 per year.

The cost to live in Moody Towers can range from \$3,352 to \$4,190 per year depending on the living arrangements. To live in the Quadrangle, a student would pay a flat rate of \$3,632 per year. Please know that students are not permitted to live in Cougar Place until their third year in college. It usually costs \$4,032 to \$4,422 per year to live in Cougar Place.

UH's public/private partnership properties offer several additional choices for on-campus housing. Cambridge Oaks residents typically pay \$3,168 to \$8,010 per year; students at Cullen Oaks pay from \$4,970 to \$6,490 per year; and students that live at our Greek Park at Bayou Oaks pay from \$5,220 to \$6,432 per year.

UH housing is determined on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested students should apply immediately. Students are able to apply for housing before an admission to the university.

More Information and a Housing Application

University of Houston
Office of Residential Life and Housing
4631 Wheeler
Houston, TX 77004-3018
713-743-6000

www.uh.edu/housing

Campus Activities

www.uh.edu/ca

713-743-5180

As the heartbeat of campus life, the Department of Campus Activities provides direct service to campus organizations, students, faculty, and staff. Campus Activities advises the leaders of the Activities Funding Board, Council of Ethnic Organizations, Frontier Fiesta Association, Fraternities and Sororities, Metropolitan Volunteer Program, Organizations Board, Student Government Association, and Student Program Board.

Campus Activities provides services to more than 300 registered student organizations. Campus Activities also seeks to educate student organizations on university policies and procedures, funding sources, campus resources, and technical assistance in planning student events. Our professionally trained staff assists students in deciding which organizations are right for their particular needs.

Overall, Campus Activities gives the students an environment conducive to learning through involvement, leadership, and membership development.

Council of Ethnic Organizations

713-743-5190

www.uh.edu/ceo

The Council of Ethnic Organizations (C.E.O.) is the official representative body of ethnic and international student organizations at the University of Houston. C.E.O.'s mission is to showcase UH's diverse student body by gathering different groups to work together and create events so students receive an authentic cross-cultural experience.

C.E.O. creates fun and excitement on campus through diversity, while displaying a professional environment. C.E.O. sponsors and co-sponsors multicultural programs that include daily racial issues, cultural talent, cultural exploration, and education to help students to understand and appreciate our cultural differences. Other major programs include Diversity Week, Mes de la Raza, International Food Fair, Unity Day, Apollo Night, and various food and culture nights.

An example of C.E.O.'s member groups are the four independent umbrella organizations—Asian Student Association, Black Student Union, Hispanic Student Association, and the International Student Organization.

Greek Life

www.uh.edu/ca/organizations/fraternity.html

713-743-5180

Joining one of the forty national fraternities and sororities at UH will provide students with leadership opportunities, academic services, community service, and social outlets. Membership also allows students to develop lifelong friendships, social skills, and valuable contacts.

Many leadership opportunities exist within the Greek community. Students may become an officer within an organization or choose to serve on one of the Greek organizations' governing bodies (Houston Collegiate Panhellenic Association, the Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, or National Pan-Hellenic Council and their many committees).

Scholarship is the foundation for future success, and Greek organizations strive to create an environment conducive to individual academic achievement. Each fraternity and sorority offers scholastic programs that may include tutoring services, grants and scholarships, study files, and information on campus resources.

Greek organizations also recognize individuals and chapters for academic excellence. Service to the community and to the university is an important part of Greek life. Each year, UH Greeks donate hundreds of hours and thousands of dollars that benefit organizations in Houston and their national philanthropies. Greeks also are active in campus service clubs and organizations and sponsor social activities on campus. Members participate in Homecoming, Step Shows, Greek Week, Frontier Fiesta, intramurals, and fraternity/sorority mixers.

Frontier Fiesta Association (FFA)

www.uh.edu/fiesta

713-743-5181

This Texas-style festival is part of a long-standing tradition at UH. The major components of Frontier Fiesta include Fiesta City, Broadway-style shows, carnival booths, cultural and educational performances, living-historical exhibits, concerts by nationally known recording artists, carnival booths, a world-class cook-off, and a scholarship competition.

The variety shows are the heart of Frontier Fiesta. The shows are traditionally produced by UH student organizations and are patterned after famous Broadway hits or original concepts. They usually have six to eight acts with music and choreographed routines.

Cultural and living-historical exhibits have included Native American exhibits, Ballet Folklorico Dance Troupe, the Buffalo Soldiers Regiment, and the Texas Rangers Frontier Company. These organizations, along with petting zoos, blacksmiths and others, seek to educate the audience as well as entertain.

Metropolitan Volunteer Program (MVP)

www.uh.edu/MVP

713-743-5200

How important are you? The Metropolitan Volunteer Program feels that everyone helps to make this world a better place. The light and beauty one brings to others are proof of that. MVP is available with resources to help a fellow woman, man, or child. On the more pragmatic side, volunteer hours enhance a student's resume, strengthen graduate school applications, and develop invaluable skills for a chosen field of specialty.

MVP volunteers are invaluable players in our community. They tutor and mentor youth, comfort the ill, visit the elderly, protect the environment, feed the hungry, and help shelter the homeless. They also sponsor several community service programs through the MVP office. Every student can make a difference.

Student Government Association (SGA)

www.uh.edu/sga

713-743-5220

The Student Government Association is the official student government at the University of Houston. Since every UH student is a member of SGA, the association strives to improve campus life and the quality of education for all students. In addition, SGA influences the university's decision-making process by serving as a liaison between the students and governing bodies such as the UH administration and Texas State Legislature.

There are several ways to become involved in the Student Government Association. Students run for election to the Student Senate, are appointed to one of more than thirty standing university committees, or secure a judicial appointment to one of the student courts.

Student Program Board (SPB)

www.uh.edu/spb/

713-743-5210

The Student Program Board is the largest student-fee funded organization on campus. SPB consists of fourteen committees: homecoming, marketing/public relations, student video network, special events, speakers and lectures, novelty/comedy, recruitment/retention, sneak previews, commuter connections, visual and performing arts, hospitality, recreation and leisure, spring fling, and technical services. These committees are composed of students who aim to bring quality and diverse programs to UH. In addition to having fun and making new friends, students gain valuable career-related experiences. SPB is open to all students and provides an outlet to exercise and develop leadership skills, managerial abilities, and audio/visual techniques.

Honor Societies

www.uh.edu/ca/organizations/honors.html

713-743-5180

Membership in honor organizations provides recognition for scholastic achievement and the opportunity to meet and develop friendships with other students and faculty who share academic interests. The colleges have departmental honor societies that sponsor programs on career opportunities for specific majors. In addition to departmental honor societies, six honor societies accept majors from all disciplines.

Campus Recreation

www.uh.edu/recreation

713-743-PLAY (7529) - Welcome Desk

713-743-9500 - Administrative Offices

The Department of Campus Recreation coordinates many sports, fitness, recreation, and other wellness-related activities on campus for students, alumni, faculty, and staff. Participating in campus recreation activities provides an outlet for students and staff to clear their mind, stay in shape, and recharge their spirit. The UH community has many activities to choose from. Intramurals provides an opportunity for students to participate in more than twenty-six different competitive activities. Events for men, women, and co-ed competition are available. Sport Clubs offer students the opportunity to compete in various sports activities at local, regional, and national levels. Limited funding is available to help cover equipment, uniforms, and travel expenses. Classes offer many choices for group exercise aerobics, yoga, and dance. Outdoor Adventure offers indoor climbing, outdoor equipment rental, and group facilitations workshops. Future plans include organized outdoor trips. Aquatics offers various learn-to-swim programs as well as First Aid, CPR, Lifeguard Training, other Red Cross certification courses, and scuba.

Our award-winning Campus Recreation and Wellness Center is a 264,000-square-foot facility that includes: three gyms (the Main Gym with three basketball courts; the Center Court with two basketball courts; and the Multi-Activity Court); 24,000 square feet of fitness equipment; a 53-foot climbing wall; six racquetball and two squash courts; a seven-meter indoor competition pool with diving facilities, a dry sauna, and a hot tub; an outdoor leisure pool with a hot tub and a sand volleyball court; an outdoor equipment rental shop; six multi-purpose rooms; class/meeting rooms; office space; showers and dressing areas with more than 2,400 rentable lockers; more than 500 day lockers; a convenience food store and Smoothie King; a computer/study room; space for fitness assessment and wellness programs; and a short-term/drop-off childcare area.

Student Spirit Groups

www.music.uh.edu/bands

“Spirit of Houston” Cougar Marching Band

The “Spirit of Houston” Cougar Marching Band is the largest spirit organization on campus. Our Cougar Band is known for its die-hard support of the Cougars on and off the field. The band can be seen at all home football games and several other events across campus and around the country. The “Spirit of Houston” is the center of gameday enthusiasm at Robertson Stadium.

Marching band rehearsals are scheduled to allow all interested students to participate without conflicting with many classes. The band performs a wide variety of musical styles. A full calendar of the band’s rehearsal and performance schedule is provided at the beginning of the fall semester.

In addition to the instrumentalists, the Cougar Marching Band has other components: the Cougar Dancers, Cougar Color Guard, the Feature Twirler(s), and the University of Houston Cougar Cheer Teams.

Membership in the “Spirit of Houston” is open to any university student, regardless of major, with high school band experience. Auditions are held on the first day of summer rehearsals in the weeks before the first day of classes. Scholarships and grants are available through the Band Department.

Cougar Dolls Dance Team

The Cougar Dolls perform at scheduled campus athletics events and many events in the community. The Cougar Dolls are a visual component of the Cougar Marching Band, performing on the field during half-time shows and featured at scheduled home basketball games. They also compete in regional and national dance competitions. Auditions for the highly selective squad are held in the spring semester. All applicants should have previous dance experience and be prepared to compete at a national level.

Cougar Brass

Cougar Brass is the university’s nationally recognized basketball pep band. In addition to appearing at all men’s and women’s home basketball games, Cougar Brass also performs at many functions on campus and around the city of Houston as the university’s musical ambassadors. The group is composed of music majors and non-music majors. Auditions are held in October and rehearsals begin soon after for the upcoming basketball season.

Cougar Cheer Teams

www.cougarcheer.com

Steeped in tradition, the University of Houston Cheerleaders consist of two-squads: a large co-ed and a small co-ed team. Auditions for both squads are held in April for the following year and are open to all university students, including transfer students and high school seniors who have been accepted to the university. The cheer teams represent the university at scheduled athletics events including home football and basketball games. Cheerleaders compete at regional and national cheer competitions. In fact, the small co-ed team won the NCA Collegiate National Championship in 2001, 2003, and 2004.

Other University Bands

In addition to the "Spirit of Houston" and Cougar Brass, the Moores School of Music has four performing concert bands: the Moores School Wind Ensemble, Moores School Symphonic Winds, Moores School Symphonic Band, and the University Concert Band. The Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Winds are primarily composed of music majors and admission is only by audition at the beginning of each semester. The Symphonic Band is composed of a mixture of non-music majors and music majors who audition for placement at the beginning of the spring semester. The Concert Band is primarily composed of non-music majors and meets in the spring semester.

More Information

Office of University Bands

168 Moores School of Music

Houston, TX 77204-4017

713-743-3175

www.music.uh.edu/bands

Justin Dart Jr. Center for Students with DisABILITIES (CSD)

www.uh.edu/csd

The Center for Students with DisABILITIES helps to ensure that qualified students who have disabilities are able to successfully compete with non-disabled students at the University of Houston. CSD provides accommodation recommendations and numerous support services to individuals who have any type of learning disability, health impairment, physical limitation, or psychiatric disorder. CSD staff works closely with other campus departments to provide a wide range of services, including accommodations, advocacy, and disability-related counseling. CSD also serves as a resource center and refers students to other UH departments, community organizations, and agencies.

What does CSD offer?

Counseling

- Determining student's needs for accommodation
- Disability-related counseling
- Peer support groups
- Information and resource assistance
- ADHD coaching
- Disability-related academic counseling

Computer Labs

- Computers with CCTV interactive
- Word prediction software
- Voice-activated software
- Voice output software
- Large computer monitors
- Adjustable computer workstations

Services

- Priority registration
- Note-taking accommodations
- Testing center and testing accommodations
- Audio textbooks
- Sign language interpreters/captioning services
- Time management/organizational skills training

Advocacy

- Advocating for the provision of reasonable accommodations for students
- Assisting students with petitions for foreign language course substitutions
- Environmental accessibility
- Interagency collaboration

Who should utilize CSD services?

Students who have:

- Learning disabilities
- Health impairments
- Physical disabilities
- Psychological disorders
- Hearing impairments
- Visual impairments

Testing Accommodations

Students, with disabilities who have not taken the SAT or ACT, may qualify to take these tests with accommodations. Students should carefully follow the testing booklet's instructions for special registration procedures. A student's admission status to the university will NOT be affected if they are exempt from taking the TAAS. Most students who are accepted to UH, however, are required to take placement tests during orientation to determine which English and math courses would be most appropriate. Some students are required to take the TSWE (Test of Standard Written English). Unless a score of 40 is received, UH students are required to take a basic course, English 1300 (without credit).

Regardless of where students attend college in Texas, they are required to take the TASP (Texas Academic Skills Program) exam prior to completing 15 college credit hours. Once again, with appropriate documentation of a disability, you may be allowed to take the TASP with accommodations.

More Information

University of Houston
100 CSD Building
Houston, TX 77204-3022
713-743-5400
TTY: 713-749-1527
FAX: 713-743-5396
www.uh.edu/csd

UH Athletics - Varsity

www.uh.edu/athletics

UH has a Division I athletics program and participates in Conference USA. We encourage the prospective athlete to submit a profile to the Cougar athletic program(s) that he or she is interested in.

In order to submit a profile, the student must first register on College Sports Online, Inc. for an interactive account. Once logged in, the student will have the ability to create and maintain his or her own personal profile, which may be submitted to one or more Houston athletic programs, and to all participating athletic programs partnered with College Sports Online Inc. A profile consists of "Personal," "Academic," and "Athletic" questions, which are found on Prospective Student-Athlete questionnaires used by the majority of the athletic programs around the country. Profile information will only be seen by athletic department personnel at the school(s) in which the profile is submitted.

UH Rules of Compliance

Complimentary Admissions to Home Athletics Events for Prospects

NCAA rules permit prospective student-athletes to receive no more than three complimentary admissions to a home contest. These complimentary admissions are obtained by the coaching staff member that is recruiting the student. The staff member places the student's name and the names of individuals accompanying the student on a pass list created by the Athletics Ticket Office. Hard copies of tickets will not be provided to the student at any time. Individuals receiving these complimentary admissions are required to present a photo identification at the pass gate at the site of the contest. Prospective student-athletes are prohibited by NCAA rules from selling their complimentary admissions or receiving any type of benefit for the use of these complimentary admissions.

Elements of an Athletics Scholarship

Athletics scholarships can be awarded in various ways. The total value of a scholarship is restricted by NCAA rules. A full athletics scholarship at any NCAA institution can cover no more than tuition and required fees, room, board, and required books. Room and board can be provided by paying the actual cost of the student-athlete living in an on-campus housing facility and utilizing the dining facility or by providing student-athletes that live off-campus with room and board stipends to be utilized to cover their living expenses. Tuition and fees scholarships will typically pay the actual cost of these expenses unless a specific dollar amount is set in the student-athlete's scholarship agreement.

Headcount sports (football, men's basketball, women's basketball, women's tennis, and women's volleyball) typically provide their scholarship student-athletes with full scholarships. Equivalency sports (baseball, men's golf, women's soccer, softball, women's swimming and diving, and track and field) typically provide their scholarship student-athletes with partial scholarships that are determined by the program's head coach.

Employment Restrictions for Prospective Student-Athletes

NCAA rules permit prospects to be employed by an institution or its representatives only after the completion of the high school prospect's senior year in high school. Two-year college prospects may not be employed until the individual has withdrawn or graduated from the two-year college. NCAA rules require that student-athletes and prospects be paid only for work actually performed and that they be paid at a rate commensurate with the work being performed, their level of experience, and the amount of time committed to the work. Employers of student-athletes and prospects cannot provide transportation for student-athletes to and from work unless the employer provides transportation to all employees doing the same type of work as the student-athlete being transported. Also, employers of student-athletes and prospects may not utilize the student-athlete's name, picture, or likeness in promoting their business or product. Any student-athlete or prospect that accepts pay for work not performed, excessive pay, impermissible transportation, or permits his or her name, picture, or likeness to be used to promote a business or product has put his or her eligibility at risk. For more information, contact the Office of Athletics Compliance.

Fees and Expenses Not Covered by an Athletics Scholarship

Even student-athletes that are on full scholarship will likely have expenses related to their admission, enrollment, housing and meal plans at the University of Houston that are not covered by their athletics scholarships. Fees, such as admissions application fees, housing application fees and deposits, and parking permit fees, are not covered by an athletics scholarship and will be placed on a student-athlete's fee bill. It is the responsibility of each student-athlete to pay these fees not covered by his or her scholarship in order to maintain enrollment at the institution. Most importantly, parking tickets and fines are not covered by an athletics scholarship and must be paid by the student-athlete. For questions regarding a fee bill, contact the Bursar's Office at 713-743-5880 or the Office of Athletics Compliance at 713-743-9394.

First Permissible In-Person, Off-Campus with Prospects

NCAA rules strictly regulate the initial date that institutional staff members may have the first in-person, off-campus contact with a prospective student-athlete. All sports, except football, may have their first permissible in-person, off-campus contact with a prospect during the month of April of the prospect's junior year in high school. This contact must take place on the campus of the prospect's high school and may occur on only one occasion during the month of April. A second in-person, off-campus contact with a prospect may not occur until July 1 following the prospect's junior year of high school and must be within a permissible contact period for that specific sport.

For football prospects, the first permissible in-person, off-campus contact may not take place during the contact period of the prospect's senior year in high school. This period usually begins each year on the last Sunday of November and will extend into the third week of December before starting again in early January and ending just before the national signing date in early February. Two-year college prospects that were not certified by the clearinghouse as qualifiers upon graduating from high school must not have in-person, off-campus contact with a staff member until after the prospect has completed a full academic year (two regular semesters as a full-time student) at a two-year college. Two-year college prospects that were certified as qualifiers by the clearinghouse may be contacted during their first year at the two-year college during a permissible contact period in their specific sport.

First Permissible Telephone Contact with Prospects

NCAA rules regulate when the first permissible telephone contact may be made with a prospect. Like permissible contacts, telephone contacts vary by the sport of the prospect. All sports, except football, may make one telephone contact to a prospect during the month of March of the prospect's junior year of high school. In sports other than football and men's and women's basketball, telephone contact with a prospect can not be made again until July 1 following the prospect's junior year in high school and can be made only once per week. Prospects in men's and women's basketball are permitted to be called once on or after June 21 following the prospect's junior year of high school and only three times (but no more than once per week) during the month of July following the prospect's junior year of high school. Thereafter, only one call per week can be made to prospects.

Football prospects may be contacted by telephone once during the month of May during the prospect's junior year of high school. Additional calls may not be made to football prospects until on or after September 1 of the prospect's senior year of high school and can only be made once per week. Unlimited calls can be made to a football prospect during that sport's contact period.

Restrictions on the one call per week are exempted during the five days immediately prior to a scheduled official visit, the initial signing date of the National Letter of Intent, and the two days immediately following the initial signing date.

National Letter of Intent Program

The University of Houston participates in the National Letter of Intent program and has implemented policies related to the use of the program that adhere to NLI guidelines and related NCAA recruiting legislation.

NCAA Amateurism Regulations

NCAA rules restrict student-athletes from receiving pay, prize money, or benefits for their participation in athletics even before the student-athlete enrolls in college. In addition, NCAA rules prohibit student-athletes from participating on teams in which players are compensated as professionals for their participation, even if the student-athlete was not compensated in any fashion. NCAA rules can be quite complex and should be reviewed in detail by prospective student-athletes prior to participating in any competition.

NCAA Banned Substances List

Student-athletes that participate in intercollegiate athletics at the NCAA Division I level are subject to year-round and postseason drug testing to determine if student-athletes are utilizing any substances on the NCAA Banned Substances List. Any student-athlete found to have excessive levels of any banned substances faces possible suspension from participation or the loss of all eligibility to participate.

NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse

The NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse is used by all NCAA Division I and Division II institutions to certify the eligibility of student-athletes to practice or compete in intercollegiate athletics and to receive athletics scholarships during the student-athletes' initial year of full-time collegiate enrollment. It is the responsibility of each student-athlete to register with the clearinghouse and submit all documents needed to certify the student's eligibility, including final high school transcripts and ACT or SAT test scores.

NCAA Initial-Eligibility Requirements

A student's eligibility to practice, compete, and receive an athletics scholarship during their first year of collegiate enrollment is dependent upon the student's performance in core courses at the high school level, performance on either the ACT or SAT, and the completion of all requirements to be certified by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse. NCAA Initial-Eligibility Requirements can be accessed by visiting the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse Web site.

Official Paid Visit, Limits, and First Permissible Opportunities

NCAA rules strictly regulate the initial date that a prospect may be provided an official paid visit to an institution's campus. In all sports, except men's basketball, prospects may not be provided an official paid visit prior to the opening day of classes of the prospect's senior year of high school. Men's basketball prospects may be provided an official paid visit after January 1 of the prospect's junior year in high school; however, official visits to men's basketball prospects may not occur during the summer between the prospect's junior and senior year of high school. A prospect that was not certified as a qualifier by the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse and is enrolled at a two-year college may not be provided an official paid visit until he or she has completed an academic year at a two-year college.

Prospects are limited to five official paid visits and must submit an academic transcript (high school or college) and a score from a PSAT, SAT, PLAN, or ACT test taken on a national testing date in order to be provided an official visit. Prospects may be provided only one official visit by an institution. Official paid visits must be completed within a forty-eight-hour period. NCAA rules strictly limit the type of benefits and expenses that can be provided to prospects and their families during an official paid visit. For additional information, contact the Office of Athletics Compliance.

Prospective Student-Athletes' Responsibilities Related to Admissions and Housing

Each prospective student-athlete that intends to enroll at the University of Houston and participate in intercollegiate athletics is responsible for submitting necessary applications, transcripts, test scores, and deposits related to the admissions and housing process. An athletics scholarship at the University of Houston, like any other NCAA Division I institution, does not exempt a future student from completing these processes and the responsibility for submitting any needed admissions applications and fees, housing application and deposits, and all required high school and/or college transcripts and standardized test scores (ACT or SAT). Please note that a prospective student that has not been admitted to the University of Houston when preseason practice and/or the semester begins may not participate in any practice or game activities until the admissions process has been successfully completed. For prospective student-athletes entering from high school, the admissions and housing processes should be completed independent, but concurrent with the certification process of the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse.

Any questions by prospective student-athletes regarding the University of Houston's admissions process and the determination of on-campus housing assignments should be initiated with the assistant athletics director for student services at 713-743-9983.

UH Official/Unofficial Visit Policy

The University of Houston is committed to providing prospective student-athletes with a positive recruiting experience that accurately reflects the manner in which our student-athletes traditionally live, socialize, and interact with the community while enrolled as students. Like all NCAA Division I institutions, we have developed a visit policy that reflects our commitment to positive process.

Unofficial Visits, Restrictions Based Upon NCAA Recruiting Calendar

A prospect may visit an institution at his or her own expense an unlimited number of times and may make unofficial visits prior to his or her senior year in high school. Men's basketball prospects may not make unofficial visits during the month of July. In addition, NCAA rules prohibit prospects from making unofficial visits during designated dead periods as outlined in the prospect's sport's NCAA recruiting calendar. As a result, prospects should communicate with a member of the coaching staff before visiting our campus in order to verify that his or her planned unofficial visit is not during a designated dead period.

Contact Names and Numbers

Sport	Head Coach	Phone	E-mail
Football	Art Briles	713-743-9388	plwright@uh.edu
Men's Basketball	Tom Penders	713-743-9430	mbrandle@central.uh.edu
Cross Country	Theresa Fuqua	713-743-9376	tfuqua@uh.edu
Women's Soccer	Bill Solberg	713-743-9377	bsolberg@uh.edu
Women's Volleyball	Bill Walton	713-743-9472	wwalton@uh.edu
Women's Basketball	Joe Curl	713-743-9460	jcurl@uh.edu
Women's Swimming	Mark Taylor	713-743-9373	swim@uh.edu
Women's Diving	Jane Figueiredo	713-743-9372	jfigueiredo@houston.rr.com
Track and Field	Leroy Burrell	713-743-9467	leroyburrell@uh.edu
Women's Softball	Kyla Holas	713-743-9339	kholas@uh.edu
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Women's Tennis	John Severance	713-743-0836	dsevera@uh.edu
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