



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT GUIDE



THE UNIVERSITY
OF TAMPA



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Join a campus of future leaders! Each year, the University welcomes students from around the globe eager to take their education to the next level. What they find is an institution with an unwavering commitment to academic excellence, one that generates a passion for learning, leadership, achievement and cross-cultural appreciation.

The UT Campus

The University of Tampa is an international community set within a dynamic academic atmosphere. Home to 5,800 students, UT is a private, comprehensive university. Its reputation for academic excellence and international flair attracts students from all over the world.

Rich with history, it is recognized as one of the most established and venerable universities in the southeastern United States. Crowned by the towering minarets of historic Plant Hall, the campus is comprised of 48 buildings situated on an idyllic 100-acre campus on the banks of the Hillsborough River in downtown Tampa.

Tampa (population 326,000) is West Central Florida's center of government, commerce, shipping, banking, health care and culture. It also offers world class attractions like Ybor City, a renowned nightlife, dining and entertainment district. Busch Gardens, Sea World, Universal Studios and Disney World are all within 90 minutes of campus.

Tampa's subtropical climate allows year-round enjoyment of Florida's great outdoors and a myriad of recreational activities. World-famous white sand beaches are just 30 minutes away, the airport 15 minutes.

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Nestled along the Hillsborough River, UT's historic 100-acre campus is five minutes from downtown Tampa

Enjoy the best of big-city culture with small-town charm. Busch Gardens and the attractions of nearby Orlando, the sizzling nightlife of Tampa's historic Ybor City entertainment district, professional sports, and our beaches make this year-round playground an international hot spot — Tampa Bay has it all.



www.ut.edu

Exceptional Academics



Founded in 1931, the University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Universities. In addition, the College of Business is accredited by AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the premier accreditation for business schools worldwide.

The University provides an exceptional atmosphere for learning and growth. Professors hold doctorates from the most prestigious graduate schools. They value the relationships they develop with their students in classes where enrollment averages 21. The student to faculty ratio is 15:1. More than half the faculty has won teaching awards. Many have lived, worked, lectured and conducted research in other parts of the world.

Regardless of your major at UT, practical experience or “experiential learning” is an integral part of every course of study. Internships and practicums at major corporations, medical centers, international institutions and research facilities emphasize real-world learning and leadership skills.

Outstanding students are invited to participate in an Honors Program that features expanded instruction, research, travel and internship opportunities, including the Honors at Oxford Program in England.

An International Focus

Specially designed global issues courses, international guest lecturers and participation in the Harvard Model United Nations and Global Village Simulation programs help you connect to distant lands, people, events and philosophies. Tampa’s rich cultural heritage and its role as a major hub for international trade create even greater opportunities for cross-cultural understanding.



Over 500 international students attend from 100 countries.



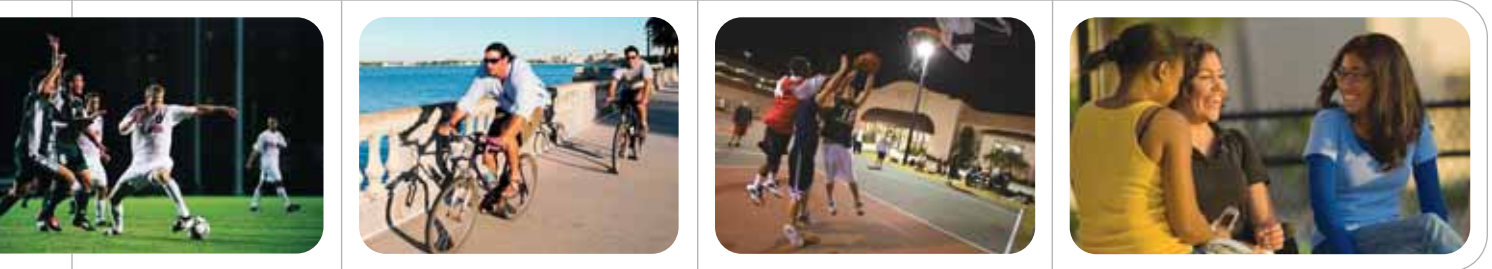
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Flexible Programs and Services

- ▶ International Programs and Study Abroad Office
- ▶ International student organization
- ▶ Faculty advisors
- ▶ Cutting-edge technology
- ▶ Free tutoring
- ▶ Campus housing
- ▶ Student Health Center and 24-hr on-call medical assistance
- ▶ Career Services and counseling
- ▶ Graduate school preparation
- ▶ Internships at major corporations
- ▶ Language programs
- ▶ Leadership programs
- ▶ 24-hour security



Inside and outside the classroom, students find a supportive and stimulating environment. More than 120 clubs and organizations are offered, including several intercultural student organizations. For a complete list of student organizations, see the Student Activities section of the University Web site at www.ut.edu.



Student Life

International orientation activities and residence life programs help students meet new friends and adjust to campus life and American culture. All residence halls are air conditioned, have free wireless internet access, and have basic telephone and cable TV services. Nearly all have private bathrooms. Most rooms are double occupancy, but there are some apartment-style residence halls for juniors and seniors. About 70% of all full-time students live in campus housing. Various meal plans are offered, and are required of all students living in residence halls. The University also provides a safe environment characterized by a low crime rate, 24-hour security and an evening transport service.

Student Services

International Programs Office staff develop awareness and appreciation of cultural differences within the community. Each year, hundreds of international students are assisted with pre-arrival information, orientation, and advice on academic, personal, social, cultural, career and employment matters. A festival is held annually on campus to celebrate the multi-cultural and international character of the Tampa Bay area. For more information, E-mail ipo@ut.edu.

Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) Tutoring assistance is available in many courses. Students also learn how to prepare for graduate school entrance exams. The Saunders Writing Center helps students become more successful and effective writers.

Career Services Office Using the latest technology, a full-time professional staff matches students with internships and jobs. Most UT graduates are employed or enrolled in graduate study programs within 90 days of graduation.

Student Health Center Conveniently located near the residence halls, the center is available for all minor medical needs. A doctor is on call 24 hours a day. For emergencies, Tampa General Hospital is located nearby. International students are required to have University medical insurance or proof of other medical insurance.

Vaughn Center is a state-of-the-art student center including dining services provided by Sodexo, Barnes & Noble Campus Store, conference center, student meeting rooms, theatre and more.

Academic Advising Office Faculty and a central Advising Office work together to ensure that every student is assigned a faculty academic advisor and that information about academic policies and procedures is available to every student.



Eric Butler

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My experience at UT was the best! Since graduation, not a day goes by that I haven't looked back on the good times I had with friends and professors. Thanks to the great education I received in Accounting, I passed all four parts of the CPA exam in one sitting, just months after graduating! Today, I am back in Nassau working as an executive accountant for a major wholesaler and retailer.





Admission Information

How To Apply For Admission

Basic Qualifications for Undergraduate Admission See chart on pages 9 and 10. If you have completed or you are in the final year of study to complete the equivalent diploma on the chart, you can apply for admission to UT.

Undergraduate Application for Admission Apply online at www.ut.edu. The fall term begins in August and the spring term begins in January. There also are two summer terms (May and July).

Print copies of all application, academic and immigration documents prior to submitting them to the University. It can take four to six weeks after all application documents are received for an admissions decision. Applications are processed on a rolling basis until the class is full! Students are encouraged to apply early.

Official Transcripts of all secondary school coursework and grades translated in English are required. Your grading system will be converted to equate with the U.S. system. "Official" means that you must request your school to send transcripts directly to the UT admissions office. If that is impossible, send copies that have been certified by your school as "true copies" of the originals after they are copied. An official at your school should sign the document as "true copy of original."

Essay written in English is required.

A Recommendation written by a counselor, teacher or headmaster is required.

TOEFL Score Request ETS to send the admissions office your score. The ETS code for The University of Tampa is 1538. You may include a copy of your TOEFL score report with your application. The TOEFL score requirement is waived for international students from the Commonwealth Caribbean, Bermuda, Canada, United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, Australia and New Zealand.

Cambridge Examinations are also accepted instead of the TOEFL. They include the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with a grade of 6.5 or the Certificate of Advanced English (CAE) or the Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) with grades of "C" or better.

The SAT or ACT (The writing test is not required) exam is required if you graduated or are graduating from an American high school abroad. Contact the admissions office if you are unsure. For more information about college entrance testing, contact:

TOEFL Educational Testing Service
toefl@ets.org
www.toefl.org

SAT Educational Testing Service
www.ets.org

Transfer students should have all university transcripts sent to the admissions office. Students who have completed less than two years of academic study at a university should have secondary school transcripts sent also. Transcripts should be in English. For transfer credit to be awarded, transcripts must include the length of the course, the course title, and the number of hours spent in the class each week. Also, please send a course catalog or description of the courses taken, if they are available.

International Student Clearance Form This form is required for an International student transferring from a high school, college or university in the United States. Contact the admissions office for this form.



Mary Ayebae
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Lagos, Nigeria

Immigration Procedures

- ▶ A Financial Statement for International Students is available by contacting the International Admissions Office or students can provide a financial statement from their sponsor's bank detailing their ability to cover the full cost of attendance. Remember that the statement should always include a US dollar amount to reflect the yearly cost of attendance. Costs may vary from year to year. Visit the University Web site to determine the current costs. The total costs include room, board, books, tuition and fees for a full academic year. The letter should be dated and signed, and should include your name, your sponsor's name and bank official's signature, and a statement that details your sponsor's ability to cover the entire cost of attendance for one year or more.
- ▶ If you are admitted to the University and you have successfully completed the Financial or Bank Statement, a SEVIS form will be sent to you from the UT admissions office. You will also receive instructions on how to pay the SEVIS processing fee.
- ▶ Take the SEVIS form to the local United States embassy or consulate in your country with a copy of your acceptance letter and financial statement. After an interview, the embassy or consulate will decide if an F-1 student visa can be granted. You will need this visa on your passport and the SEVIS (I-20 form) to enter the United States.
Do not enter the country on a tourist visa if you plan to study in the United States.

Please note that the University is unable to offer financial need-based assistance to non-U.S. citizens. Exceptional students with excellent records of academic achievement are selected each year to receive small partial scholarships (up to \$5,000). The award covers only a small portion of the total costs and NEVER the full cost of attendance. Possible alternative sources for funding are listed on the University Web site. Students may work on campus up to twenty hours per week.



ALL COUNTRIES AND SYSTEMS

International Baccalaureate Exam

International Baccalaureate

AFRICAAlgeria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon,
Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Gabon, Guinea,
Ivory Coast, Madagascar, Malagasy Republic, Malay,
Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Senegal, Togo, Tunisia,

Baccalaureat Part II or its Equivalent

D.R. Congo (Zaire)

Baccalaureat

Egypt

General Secondary Education Certificate

Ethiopia

School Leaving Certificate

Kenya

Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education

Liberia

Upper Secondary School Certificate

Libya

General Secondary Education Certificate

South Africa, Republic of

Senior Matriculation Certificate

Sudan

Higher Secondary School Certificate

ASIA

Afghanistan

Baccalauria or Baccalaureat

Cambodia

Baccalaureat d' Enseignement Secondaire

China (People's Republic) and Hong Kong

Senior Middle School Diploma, HKCEE

India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bangladesh

Intermediate Certificate;
Higher Secondary School Certificate

Bachelor of Arts, Science, or Commerce

Indonesia

Surae Tanda Tamat Belajar from SMA

Sarjana Muda

Japan

Graduation from Kotogakko

Korea (North)

Diploma of Graduation

Korea (South)

Diploma of Graduation

Myanmar (Burma)

Intermediate Certificate

Philippines

Graduation Diploma with a total
of 11 years of education

Sri Lanka

General Certificate of Education

General Certificate of Education
Advanced Level

Taiwan ROC

Senior High School Graduation

Thailand

Matayom VI Certificate

Vietnam

Baccalaureat II

BRITISH and COMMONWEALTH SYSTEMSUnited Kingdom, Malaysia, Singapore,
East and West Africa,
and the Commonwealth CaribbeanGeneral Certificate of Secondary Education
or the Equivalent (CXC) with five passes
including English and Math and three other
academic subjects.Advanced Level Passes
Higher National Diploma
Higher National Certificate
Bachelor's Degree (3 years)

Australia

Matriculation Examination Certificate;
Higher School Certificate

New Zealand

University Entrance Examination;
Higher School Certificate**EUROPE**

European Community

European Baccalaureat

European Baccalaureat Certificate

Albania

Maturity Certificate

Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan,
Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan,
Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

Maturity Certificate Diploma

Austria

Reifezeugnis

Belgium

Diploma d' Aptitud a Acceder a l'Enseignement
Superieur or Certificat d'Enseignmen Secondaire Superieur

Bulgaria

Zrelosto Svidetelstvo or Diplome za
zavarsen sredno obrazovanie

ALL COUNTRIES AND SYSTEMS

International Baccalaureate Exam

International Baccalaureate

EUROPE (continued)

Czech Republic	Maturity Certificate	
Denmark	Studentereksamen bevis or hojere for beredelseeksamen or hojere handelseksamen	Studentereksamen
Finland	Ylioppilastodistus/ Studentibetyg	Ylioppilastodistus/ Studentibetyg
France	French Baccalaureat Part II	French Baccalaureat Part II
Germany	Reifezeugnis or Zeugnis der Reife or Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife	Zeugnis der Reife or Zeugnis der Allgemeinen Hochschulreife
Greece, Republic of Cyprus	Apolyterion	Ptychion (teacher training)
Hungary	Erettsegi Bizonyirvany from 4-year gimnazium	
Iceland	Studentsprof	Studentsprof
Ireland	Leaving Certificate; Matriculation Certificate	
Italy	Diploma di Maturita	Diploma di Maturita
Luxembourg	Diplome de Maturite	
Netherlands and Netherland Antilles	Getuigschrift or Eindexamen from a VWO program, gymnasium, athenium, or lyceum	
Norway	Examen Artium or Okonomisk gymnas; Vitnemal with bestatt Studieretning for allmenne fag	Examen Philosophicum
Poland	Matriculation Certificate	
Portugal and Macao	Carta do Curso Complementar Liceus	
Romania	Diploma de Maturitate	
Slovak Republic	Maturity Certificate	
Spain	Titulo de Bachiller, Bachiller and completion of Curso de Orientacion Universitaria	
Sweden	Studentexamenbetyg (prior to 1968), Slutbetyg and the avgangsbetyg from the gymnaieskola	13 year studentexamenbetyg (prior to 1968) Slutbetyg and Augaugebetyg
Switzerland	Federal or Cantonal Maturity Certificate	Federal Maturity Certificate
Turkey, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus	Lise Diploması	
Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovenia, FYROM, Yugoslavia	Secondary School Certificate	

THE MIDDLE EAST

Bahrain, Jordan, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia	General Secondary Education Certificate	
Iran	Sixth Year Certificate (old system) or Fourth Year Certificate (new system) in university preparatory program	
Iraq	Baccalaureat	
Israel	Bagrut	
Lebanon	Baccalaureat Part II	
Syria	General Upper Secondary School Certificate Part II	
United Arab Emirates, Yemen	Secondary School Leaving Certificate	

NORTH, CENTRAL, and SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina	Bachillerato Universitario	
Brazil	Certificado de Conclusao de 2 grau.	
Canada	Secondary School Graduation	Diplome d'Etudes Collegiales
Chile	Licencia Secundaria	
Haiti	Baccalaureat Part II or its equivalent	
Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Uruguay, Venezuela	Bachiller	
Peru	Bachiller profesional	

Areas of Study

Majors

Accounting
 Advertising & Public Relations
 Art
 Athletic Training
 Biochemistry
 Biology
 Biology – Secondary Education
 Chemistry
 Communication
 Criminology
 Digital Arts
 Economics
 Education (Elementary & Secondary)
 Electronic Media Art & Technology
 English
 English – Secondary Education
 Entrepreneurship
 Environmental Science
 Exercise Science & Sport Studies
 Film & Media Arts
 Finance
 Financial Services & Operations Systems
 Forensic Science
 Government & World Affairs
 Graphic Design
 History
 International Business
 International & Cultural Studies
 Liberal Studies

Management
 Management Information Systems
 Marine Science (Biology or Chemistry)
 Marketing
 Mathematical Programming
 Mathematics
 Mathematics – Secondary Education
 Music
 Music Education (K-12)
 Music Performance
 Nursing
 Performing Arts
 Philosophy
 Physical Education (K-12)
 Psychology
 Public Health
 Social Sciences
 Social Science – Secondary Education
 Sociology
 Spanish
 Sport Management
 Theatre
 Writing

Minors or Concentrations

Adult Fitness
 Advertising
 Aerospace Studies
 American Government
 Art History

Art Therapy
 Arts Administration & Management
 Biology/Business
 Biology/Molecular
 Biology/Organismal & Evolutionary
 Biology/Preprofessional
 Business Administration
 Criminal Investigation
 Dance
 French
 Humanities
 Interdisciplinary Studies
 International Studies
 Journalism
 Law & Government
 Law & Justice
 Military Science (Army)
 Naval Science
 Psychology
 Recreation
 Social Sciences
 Speech/Theatre
 Urban Studies
 Women's Studies
 World Affairs

Pre-Professional Programs

Allied Health
 Chemistry
 Pre-Dentistry

Pre-Law
 Pre-Medicine
 Pre-Veterinary Science

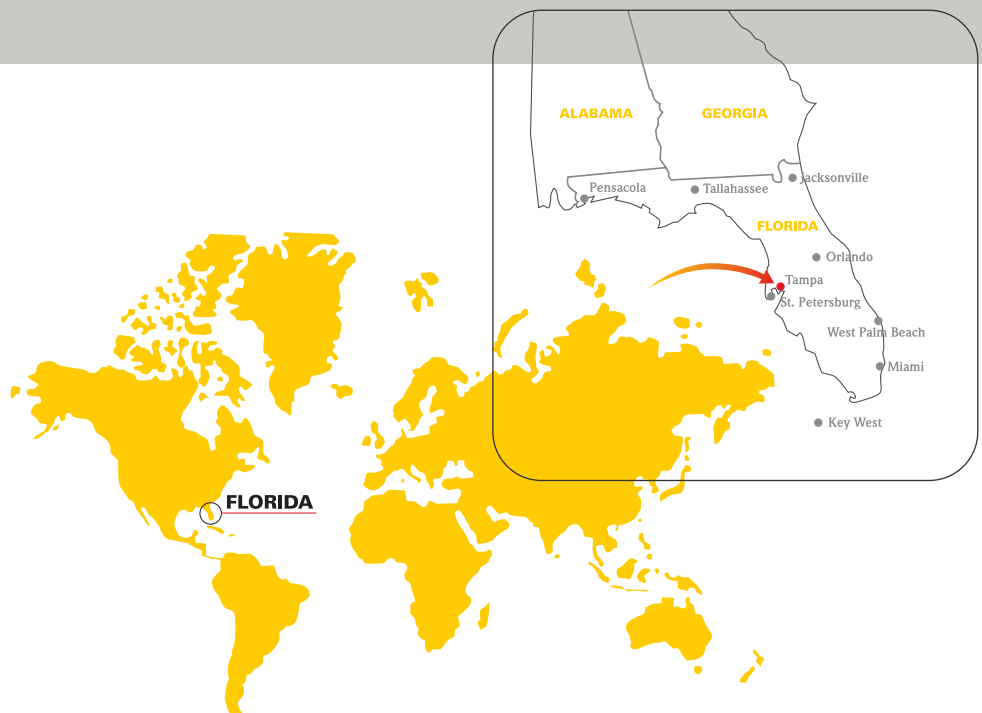
Certificate Programs

Early Childhood Education (3-8)
 European Studies
 French
 German
 Gerontology
 Information Design
 International Studies
 Italian
 Latin American Studies
 Spanish
 TESOL

Graduate Programs

MA – Teaching
 Master of Education
 Master of Business Administration
 MBA Joint Program/Chemistry
 MS – Accounting
 MS – Finance
 MS – Technology and Innovation Management
 MS – Marketing
 MS – Nursing

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The University of Tampa admits students of both sexes and all races, regardless of their age, color, religion, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation and/or any handicap. This policy of nondiscrimination extends, both in letter and spirit, to all areas of a student's experience at the University.