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**UNDERGRADUATE  
APPLICATION  
FOR ADMISSION  
AND READMISSION**

Available on line at [www.tnstate.edu/admissions](http://www.tnstate.edu/admissions)

## INSTRUCTIONS

*A \$25 non-refundable fee is required of all applicants who have never attended Tennessee State University. An application will not be processed without the required fee. Checks or money orders should be made payable to Tennessee State University and submitted with a completed application form to the TSU Office of Admissions. All supporting documents for admissions must be received by the TSU Office of Admissions before acceptance can be granted.*

**DO NOT SEND CASH.**

## FRESHMEN

*Those applicants who have never attended a post-secondary education institution must:*

1. Submit an official high school transcript covering all academic work completed through the first semester of the 12th grade. A final transcript stating the date of graduation must be submitted the week following graduation.
2. Submit an official report of the ACT (American College Test) or the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) scores.
3. The following students will be required to complete the DIAGNOSTIC TEST. Students with sub-scores of 17 or below on Writing and/or 18 or below on the Math and/or Reading sections of the ACT; students with 450 or below on the Verbal and/or Math sections of the SAT and/or 900 or below on the composite of the SAT. Applicants 21 years or older must first take the COMPASS then take the DIAGNOSTIC TEST if indicated. The DIAGNOSTIC TEST is administered prior to registration for the fall, spring and summer semesters.
4. Have minimum composite score of 450 on the GED (General Education Development) Test, if 18 years or older and not a high school graduate. Applicant must:
  - Request the testing agency to forward GED results.
  - Request high school or record center to forward official transcript.
5. Have a 2.25 GPA or 19 ACT or 900 SAT (verbal + math), if in-state.
6. Have a 2.50 GPA or 19 ACT or 900 SAT (verbal + math), if out-of-state.
7. Meet the High School Unit Requirements, if high school graduation was after June 1989 (see page 2).

## TRANSFER STUDENTS

*Those applicants who have attended college prior to applying to Tennessee State University must:*

1. Submit official transcript from each college/university attended.
2. If applicant has earned fewer than 24 semester hours, ACT score must also be submitted.  
(ACT not required if applicant is 21 or older)
3. Submit an official DIAGNOSTIC TEST report if applicable.
4. Have a GPA (based on all courses attempted at Tennessee Board of Regents colleges/universities) equal to TSU's retention standards.
5. Have a minimum 2.00 GPA, for out-of-state college/university.
6. You must take the DIAGNOSTIC subtest in English and/or mathematics if the ACT subscore(s) in the subject(s) is not acceptable or if college credit has not been earned in English and/or mathematics.
7. Submit high school transcript if applicant has not earned bachelor's degree.
8. Persons holding bachelor's degree are exempt from a high

school transcript.

## AUDIT STUDENTS

*Those applicants who wish to take a course without receiving credit must:*

1. Submit a transcript from the last college/university attended.

## SPECIAL STUDENTS

*Those applicants who do not wish to receive a baccalaureate degree must:*

1. Submit an official high school transcript or equivalent or college/university attended.
2. You must take the DIAGNOSTIC TEST in English and/or mathematics prior to enrolling in these areas, if the first college-level course in English and/or mathematics has not been completed.

## TRANSIENT STUDENTS

*Those applicants who are enrolled in another institution and desire admission for a limited period, usually one semester, must:*

1. Submit a letter of good standing from the college/university of current attendance, and college transcript.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

*Those applicants seeking admission from another country must:*

1. Submit requested information at least 90 days prior to the beginning of the semester of enrollment.
2. Submit official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) scores.
3. Submit a notarized affidavit of support and bank statement. These documents must not be older than six (6) months prior to desired semester of enrollment.
4. Submit official transcripts from each educational institution and examination certificate (0 levels). All international transcripts must be evaluated course by course by/from WES.
5. Proof of a current physical examination and freedom from tuberculosis.
6. Submit official transcripts from colleges/universities attended in the United States.
7. Copies of visa and Alien Registration Card.

## READMISSION STUDENTS (no Fee required)

*Former students who were not enrolled in TSU during the previous fall or spring semester must:*

1. Submit an application for readmission.
2. Submit official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended since last enrollment at TSU.
3. Consult the University catalog for eligibility, if suspended from TSU.

## ACADEMIC FRESH START

For persons who have not been enrolled in any institution of higher learning for the four years prior to this application for admission to TSU. Academic Fresh Start must be declared on this application. Upon completing 40 semester hours, these persons may petition to have grades on all courses prior to the 40 semester hours disregarded in calculating the cumulative grade point average. The dean of the college/school in which the student is pursuing a major should be contacted for additional information.

***Housing Note: A housing application cannot be processed until the admission application is approved.***

**TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY  
UNDERGRADUATE MAJORS AND DEGREES**

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HUMAN AND  
NATURAL SCIENCES** [www.tnstate.edu/agriculture](http://www.tnstate.edu/agriculture)

Agricultural Sciences (BS)  
Biology (BS)  
Chemistry (BS)  
Early Childhood Education (BS)  
Family and Consumer Sciences (BS)

**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS** [www.cob.tnstate.edu](http://www.cob.tnstate.edu)

Accounting (BBA)  
Business Administration (BBA)  
Business Information Systems (BBA)  
Economics and Finance (BBA)

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION** [www.tnstate.edu/education](http://www.tnstate.edu/education)

Psychology (BS)

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING** [www.tnstate.edu/engineering](http://www.tnstate.edu/engineering)

Aeronautical and Industrial Technology (BS)  
Architectural Engineering (BS)  
Civil Engineering (BS)  
Computer Science (BS)  
Electrical Engineering (BS)  
Mathematics (BS)  
Mechanical Engineering (BS)  
Physics (BS)

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES** [www.tnstate.edu/chs](http://www.tnstate.edu/chs)

Cardio-Respiratory Care Sciences (BS)  
Dental Hygiene (AAS, BS)  
Health Care Administration and Planning (BS)  
Health Information Management (BS)  
Health Sciences (BS)  
Human Performance and Sport Sciences (BS)  
Nursing (AAS, BSN)

**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS** [www.tnstate.edu/cola](http://www.tnstate.edu/cola)

Art (BS)  
Arts and Sciences (BS)  
Communication (BA, BS)  
Criminal Justice (BS)  
English (BA)  
Foreign Languages (BA)  
History (BA)  
Interdisciplinary Studies (BS)  
Music (BS)  
Political Science (BS)  
Professional Studies (BS)

**COLLEGE OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND  
PUBLIC SERVICE** [www.tnstate.edu/cpsua](http://www.tnstate.edu/cpsua)

Social Work (BS)  
Sociology (BS)  
Urban Studies (BS)

**REGENT ON LINE DEGREE**

Interdisciplinary Studies (BS)  
Professional Studies (BS)

**NOTE 1**

Elementary Education Certification Grades K-8, 1-8, College of Arts and Sciences offers a bachelor of science degree to persons seeking certification in elementary education in grades K-8 and 1-8. All persons wishing to pursue curriculum requirements for elementary certification must select as a major the Arts and Sciences BS degree program.

**NOTE 2**

Students who plan to pursue a major in Health Science, Business, Engineering and Technology, and Nursing must contact the dean of that school for additional information concerning specific requirements for admission to programs in the aforementioned schools.

**HIGH SCHOOL UNIT REQUIREMENTS**

4 Units of English

Algebra I and Algebra II

1 Unit of Geometry or Higher

1 Additional Unit of Math

3 Units of Natural Science

1 Unit of American History

1 Unit of European History, World History, or World Geography

2 Units of a Single Foreign Language

1 Unit of Visual or Performing Arts

**APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Fall semester July 1

Spring semester November 1

Summer semester April 1

**INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY**

If you have a learning or physical disability and want information on the types of services and support that are available, please contact the Office of Disabled Students, Room 117, Kean Hall, telephone: 615-963-7400. It is recommended that students who may benefit from these services make early contact with the office so that appropriate accommodations can be arranged.

Tennessee State University is committed to the education of a non-racially identifiable student body. Tennessee State University: A Tennessee Board of Regents Institution.

**STATEMENT OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

Tennessee State University, in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, of 1964 and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in any of its policies or procedures. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing assistance with these materials may contact the Department of Admissions and Records. Publication No. TSU-12-0143(B)-2a-12905

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