

Admission for First-Year Students

A first-time in college (FTIC) student is an applicant with no college credit or whose only college credit was received prior to high school graduation (or in the summer immediately following high school graduation).

A domestic applicant is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, someone who has applied for permanent residency, or who qualifies for Texas residency based on Senate Bill 1528.

First-time in college applicants may obtain admission to Texas A&M-Kingsville by meeting the admission criteria.

Students who do not meet the admission criteria can be admitted through Texas A&M-Kingsville's individual review process. The individual review process involves a holistic review of academic achievements, extracurricular activities, community service, talents, awards, and other factors that support a student's ability to succeed at Texas A&M-Kingsville. We encourage applicants who do not meet the assured admission criteria to include their achievements in their Apply Texas application.

First-Year Student Admission Requirements

(Students with less than 12 transferrable college hours after high school graduation)

(Documents 1-2 below comprise a complete admission application. #3 is optional for students who have taken the SAT or ACT test. Applications can be reviewed without ACT or SAT test scores. Include #4 if courses were taken for college credit prior to admission to Texas A&M-Kingsville.)

- a. Submit a completed application for admission.
 - # Students applying for spring 2026 should submit their application through ApplyTexas.org.
 - # Students applying for summer or fall 2026 should use the TAMUK application at https://admissions.tamuk.edu/portal/app_start.
- b. For spring 2026 applicants, the ApplyTexas application is available online at <https://www.applytexas.org>. For summer and fall 2026 applicants, our TAMUK application is available at https://admissions.tamuk.edu/ortal/app_start.
- c. Request that an official high school transcript showing at least six completed semesters be sent directly to the Office of Admission, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, MSC 128, Kingsville, TX 78363. Upon graduation from high school, a student must request a final high school transcript showing date of graduation and rank in the class be sent to the Office of Admission, Texas A&M University-Kingsville.
- d. Notify the testing center to send official copies of ACT or SAT scores directly to the Office of Admission, Texas A&M University-Kingsville. Use ACT code 4212 or SAT code 6822.
- e. Students attending colleges or universities while still in high school or prior to enrolling at Texas A&M University-Kingsville must request official college transcripts be sent directly to the Office of Admission, Texas A&M University-Kingsville from each college/university attended.

Note: Applicants from Puerto Rico, where Spanish is the primary language, are required to submit a TOEFL or equivalent. See the *Proof of English Proficiency* section in this catalog.

Note: The process to become a U.S. Permanent Resident does not involve English proficiency training or verification. Therefore, U.S. Permanent Residents who were educated outside the U.S. are required to meet our English proficiency requirements, unless they were educated in one of the following countries:

American Samoa, Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Canada (except Quebec), Cayman Islands, Dominica, Federated States of Micronesia, Gambia, Ghana, Gibraltar, Grenada, Guam, Guyana, Jamaica, Liberia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Trinidad-Tobago, Turks and Caicos Islands, and the United Kingdom (all).