

READMISSION GUIDE
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
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According to the **Student Registration** section (Revised: 2013) of the **Texas A&M University Student Rules** (<http://student-rules.tamu.edu/>), please note the following:

Student Rule 1. Student Registration: 1.3.1 Students who were previously enrolled at Texas A&M but not attend class through the official census date of the previous long semester must apply for readmission.

Student Rule 27.1 University Sanctions: 27.1.1 *Expulsion*: Separation of the student from the University whereby the student is not eligible for readmission to this University. 27.1.2. *Suspension*: Separation of the student from the University for a definite period of time. The student is not guaranteed readmission at the end of such period of time, but is guaranteed a review of the case and a decision regarding eligibility for readmission.

College of Arts and Sciences Readmission Criteria

Decisions will be based on the following criteria in a holistic review:

- TAMU GPA
- GPA in coursework since leaving TAMU (see Appendix A)
- Program/major availability and/or restrictions
- Time spent away from TAMU
 - Coursework taken away and skills gained
 - Work/internship experience and skills gained
- Information presented in the required essay (see below)

Applicant Instructions

NOTE: We have tried to give as much helpful information and guidance in this document, but readmission is not guaranteed

1. Determine if you are eligible for readmission. Please review the TAMU Undergraduate Catalog (catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/admission/#otheradmissionstext) for more information.
2. Meet with an academic advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office for Undergraduate Education. Appointments can be made on Navigate for applicants who still have access at tamu.campus.eab.com/ or via email artsci-advising@tamu.edu.
3. Consult the Office of Admissions website and follow their directions regarding application deadlines: admissions.tamu.edu/apply/readmit
4. After you submit your readmission application, you should expect to receive a decision on your application within 6-8 weeks of submission. Please continue to check the Applicant Information System (AIS) and your email inbox for communication from the university.

Application Requirements

The Required Essay

1. General Guidelines:

- a. The essay should be well thought out and explanatory, yet concise. Please proofread your essay prior to submission and ensure correct spelling and grammar.
- b. An academic advisor cannot review or edit your essay prior to submission.

2. Contents of the essay:

- a. Explanation of circumstances leading to dismissal or departure from the university.
- b. Explanation of how time since dismissal/departure has been spent.
 - i. If coursework was taken, explain how study habits/time management/prioritization skills have changed.
 1. Recommendations: We like to see that a student can be successful (>3.0 GPA) with a full course load (12+ credits) in a semester.
 2. Consult with an academic advisor for recommendations for courses to take away.
 - ii. If the student chose to enter the workforce, explain how the workplace has affected their work ethic or taught them transferable skills they will use to enhance their college experience.
 1. Consider asking your supervisor or boss for a letter of recommendation.
 - iii. If the student has neither taken classes away nor entered the workforce, consider the following:
 1. Letter(s) of support from member(s) of the medical community (doctor, therapist, psychiatrist, etc.) or maybe an internship or mission director.
- c. Explanation of how lessons, tools, skills, or just the time away in general will contribute to your continued improved success as a student at TAMU.
- d. Explanation for your choice in major/2nd choice major. Why this major? What are your goals for completing this degree? How will this major help you achieve your future career or life goals?

NOTE: Supporting documents such as transcripts, letters of support, and condensed medical documentation may be uploaded to the AIS portal once TAMU has received your application.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Do I need to turn in my high school transcript(s)?
 - a. No
- How long until I hear a response?
 - a. 6-8 weeks after your application is completed

- If I am readmitted, how do I take care of the holds that are on my account?
 - a. A Dean's Office advisor will assist you with the expiration of holds related to academic dismissal, probation and/or required admission contract.
 - b. Other holds could include:
 - i. Degree planner: see [departmental/major advisor](#)
 - ii. Past due balance: see [Aggie One Stop](#)
 - iii. Student conduct hold: see [Conduct Office](#)
- What if I have additional questions about the process or would like to meet with an advisor?
 - a. Email artsci-advising@tamu.edu
- If I'm not meeting the listed requirements yet, should I still apply?
 - a. As a general rule, if you are not yet meeting requirements, wait to apply until a future semester in which you are the most well-prepared applicant possible.
- Is there a credit hour limit for readmission?
 - a. There is not a set cap on the number of hours you have when applying for readmission. If you're applying to a major from which you did not leave, then having 75 or more hours could hinder your chances for readmission. Please check with an advisor in the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office. Appointments can be made on Navigate for applicants who still have access at <https://tamu.campus.eab.com/> or via email artsci-advising@tamu.edu
- How do I know what course I should take at my current college/university so that it will transfer back to A&M as an equivalent course?
 - a. Please consult the Dean's office academic advisor before choosing courses and check all courses in the Transfer Course Equivalency website before enrolling: howdy.tamu.edu/portal/p/tce-ui.ctf3/max/render.uP.
- I meet all the requirements listed in this document and have done everything you recommended. Is my readmission guaranteed?
 - a. No, we cannot guarantee readmission.

Appendix A: Major Specific Requirements

General Guideline: We like to see students complete coursework away with at least a 3.0 GPA with 12 hours in a semester. Students should earn a "C" or better in courses that count toward major coursework.

Anthropology

- At least one anthropology or archeology course complete

Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience

- Students who were not a Neuroscience, Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience Track (NRSC-BCN) or Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience (BCNS) major when they left Texas A&M, will not be readmitted to BCNS.
- If student was previously a NRSC-BCN or BCNS major when leaving Texas A&M, they must have completed:
 - PSYC/PBSI 107 with B or better (AP/IB credit accepted)
 - MATH 151 with a B or better (AP/IB credit accepted)
 - PSYC/PBSI 235 with B or better

Bioinformatics

- For readmit students **who were previously BIOI majors**, we require them to make a grade of C or better in the following courses that they have previously taken (completion of all courses listed is not required): MATH 147/151/171, MATH 148/152/172, BIOL 111, BIOL 112, CSCE 110/111, CSCE 120, MATH 304, STAT 211 and STAT 212.
- For readmit students who were **not** BIOI majors, the minimum requirements are (the same as change of majors):
 - 3.0 GPA or better in MATH 171/172 (or 151/152; or 147/148) with no grade less than a C
 - Must complete at least one MATH course on BIOI degree plan in residence at TAMU.
 - 3.0 GPA or better in all MATH, CSCE, BIOL, and STAT courses taken in residence at TAMU that apply to BIOI degree plan.
 - Completion of STAT 211 with a B or better is currently competitive (but not required)
 - No D's or F's in proposed major's courses, unless students have retaken courses and earned a B or better.

Biology

For students not in good academic standing or who were in a different major when they last attended, the minimum requirements must be met: BIOL I and II; General CHEM I and II; Calculus I and either Calculus II or STAT must be completed with at least a 3.0 GPA in all attempts of previously mentioned courses and a grade of B or better in each BIOL and in each CHEM course. Students must have grades of C or better in Math courses. All attempts in each course are calculated for the gap.

Chemistry

- If student was a former CHEM student, requirements are to be in good academic standing (cumulative GPA above a 2.0)
- If student was not a former CHEM student, requirements are as follows:

- 2.5 overall GPA, no more than 90 hours
- Completion of first year of chemistry for science majors (CHEM119 or 107/117 and 120 or transfer equivalents, NOT CHEM106/116) with a 2.5 average; (if CHEM courses taken elsewhere, must have a 3.0 average)
- Completion of the first year of calculus for science majors (only accepts MATH151/152 or MATH171/172, NOT MATH147/148 or MATH142) with a 2.5 average (will consider students with only one semester if they have earned a B here)
- If students have taken more than one year of chemistry, they must have a cumulative CHEM GPA of a 2.5.
- Students must have grades of B or better in CHEM or MATH if they are transferred from other institutions.

Classics

- 30-45 hours, completed 1st year (2 semesters) of beginner foreign language at the college level.
- 46-60 hours completed 3rd semester (intermediate college level) of foreign language and working on 4th semester.
- 61 hours or higher, completed all beginner and intermediate foreign language courses (4 semesters) at the college level.
- Applicants over 45 hours without the first year of the foreign language completed will not be considered for admission.
- Applicants must be completing the same foreign language to which they are applying.

Communication

- Communication, BA
 - 6 hours of COMM at the 200 level or higher with a C or better. If at the 200 level, must have a direct equivalent with a course at TAMU. No by title.
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
- Communication, BS
 - 6 hours of COMM at the 200 level or higher with a C or better. If at the 200 level, must have a direct equivalent with a course at TAMU. No by title.
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.

Economics

- Readmits who were previously ECON majors
 - Must be in good academic standing
 - Cumulative GPA at or above 2.0
 - ECON GPA at or above 2.0
 - No more than 2x ECON/ECMT classes with a D or F
 - If not in good standing, please consult with the Department of Economics
- Readmits who were NOT previously ECON Majors
 - Minimum GPA 3.0 or better
 - Completed ECON 202 and 203 with a C or better AND 3.0 ECON 202/203 GPA
 - If additional ECON courses have been taken, must have earned a C or higher and maintained an ECON GPA of 3.0 or higher Maximum of 75 hours or fewer from all sources (Accepted AP, IB, Dual Credit, Transfer credit and TAMU hours)
 - MATH 140/152 and (pick one) MATH 142/151 with a C or better AND 3.0 Math GPA

English

- In addition to ENGL 104, students looking to apply for readmission to English should have at least one other [literature course](#) completed
 - At least 1 course in the requested major
- Students requesting a BA with more than 60 hours should have progress on foreign language course work

Environmental Studies and Environmental Geoscience

- ENST - Introduction to Geoscience course: GEOG 203, GEOG 201, GEOG 202 or GEOL 101 and either CHEM 119 or BIOL 111
- ENGS-CHEM 119 and CHEM 120 or BIOL 111 and BIOL 112 and MATH 151 and MATH 152 or MATH 140 and MATH 142
- Both majors must meet with an advisor before decision is made.

Geography and Geographic Information Science and Technology

- GEOG 201,202 or 203
- MATH 140 and MATH 142; or MATH147 and MATH148; or MATH151 and 152
- BIOL 111, CHEM 119, PHYS 201, GEOL 101/102, ATMO 201/202 or OCNB 251/252
- Must meet with an advisor before decision is made.

Geology and Geophysics

- MATH 151/152
- CHEM 119
- GEOL 101/102
- Both majors must also meet with an advisor before a decision is made.

Global Studies

- 30-45 hours, completed 1st year (2 semesters) of beginner foreign language at the college level.
- 46-60 hours completed 3rd semester (intermediate college level) of foreign language and working on 4th semester.
- 61 hours or higher, completed all beginner and intermediate foreign language courses (4 semesters) at the college level.
- Applicants over 45 hours without the first year of the foreign language completed will not be considered for admission.
- Applicants must be completing the same foreign language to which they are applying.

History

- In addition to HIST 105 and 106, students looking to apply for readmission to History should have at least one other history course completed.

Journalism

- Journalism, BA
 - 6 hours of JOUR to include JOUR 102 plus 3 more hours of JOUR
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
- Journalism, BS
 - 6 hours of JOUR to include JOUR 102 plus 3 more hours of JOUR
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.

Math and Applied Mathematics

- If a readmission candidate was a MATH or APMT major at the time of withdrawal, then
 - As long as they are in good standing (i.e., no active scholastic dishonesty cases, 2.0 or higher overall TAMU GPA and 2.0 or higher TAMU MATH GPA with all attempts included in this calculation), then we would like for their readmission application to be automatically approved.
 - If they were not in good standing, then transfer credit taken during the intervening time can be considered, but we (the Associate Head and I) would like to be able to review the case.
- If a readmission candidate was not a MATH or APMT major at the time of withdrawal, then they must meet the following requirements for readmission directly into the Math Department:
 - If no college coursework has been completed during the intervening time, then the student must meet our published [change-of-major requirements](#) (note: TAMU MATH GPA calculation must include all attempts of math classes that apply to the degree).
 - If the student does not meet our change-of-major requirements but has taken college coursework in the intervening time, then the student must have no active scholastic dishonesty cases and meet our published [transfer requirements](#).

Meteorology

- Grade of B or better in:
 - Math 151 & 152
 - CHEM 119 & CHEM 120
 - PHYS 206/226
- Be in good academic standing if they left from the METR major
- Second choice majors considered

Microbiology

For students not in good academic standing or who were in a different major when they last attended, the minimum requirements must be met: BIOL I and II; General CHEM I and II; Calculus I and either Calculus II or STAT must be completed with at least a 3.0 GPA in all attempts of previously mentioned courses and a grade of B or better in each BIOL and in each CHEM course. Students must have grades of C or better in Math courses. All attempts in each course are calculated for the GPA.

Modern Languages

- 30-45 hours, completed 1st year (2 semesters) of beginner foreign language at the college level.
- 46-60 hours completed 3rd semester (intermediate college level) of foreign language and working on 4th semester.
- 61 hours or higher, completed all beginner and intermediate foreign language

courses (4 semesters) at the college level.

- Applicants over 45 hours without the first year of the foreign language completed will not be considered for admission.
- Applicants must be completing the same foreign language to which they are applying.

Molecular and Cellular Biology

For students not in good academic standing or who were in a different major when they last attended, the minimum requirements must be met: BIOL I and II; General CHEM I and II; Calculus I and either Calculus II or STAT must be completed with at least a 3.0 GPA in all attempts of previously mentioned courses and a grade of B or better in each BIOL and in each CHEM course. Students must have grades of C or better in Math courses. All attempts in each course are calculated for the GPA.

Neuroscience - Molecular and Cellular Track

- If a student was previously NRSC=MCB and left in good standing—OK to readmit
- If a student was not previously NRSC=MCB then no readmission to this program
- If a student was previously NRSC=MCB and left due to insufficient grades then we will hold them to transfer admission requirements plus successful completion of PBSI107
- Course requirements:
BIOL111 and BIOL111 with grades of B or better in each
CHEM119 and CHEM120 with grades of B or better in each
MATH151 or equivalent with grade of C or better
MATH152 or STAT201 or equivalent with grade of C or better
PBSI107—grade of B preferred, but C acceptable, or AP/IB

Oceanography

- BS Oceanography
 - Math 151- C or better in all math courses
 - At least one- BIOL 111, CHEM 119, PHYS 206 or PHYS 226- grade C or better
 - Must also meet with an advisor before a decision is made.
- BA Ocean Studies
 - Student must meet with an OCNG advisor prior to decision
 - Must also meet with an advisor before a decision is made.

Philosophy or Society, Ethics, Law

- At least one philosophy class complete

Physics

- Students who wish to change or readmit into Physics after beginning at Texas A&M in another major must satisfy the following requirements.
 - An overall GPA of 2.5 or better and a 2.5 or better in physics and math courses in the degree plan
 - Credit for PHYS 206 and the appropriate required lab: Engineers – ENGR/PHYS 216, all others – PHYS 226 (4 credits), MATH 151/171 (4 credits), and MATH 152/172 (4 credits). These classes require a C or better when taken at TAMU and a B or better when taken at another school. A minimum of one Physics or Math class.
- A clean academic history (no cases of scholastic dishonesty, etc.).
- Must have fewer than 90 credit hours.

Psychology

- Students who were not Psychology (PSYC) major when they left Texas A&M, will not be readmitted to PSYC.
- If student was previously a PSYC major at Texas A&M and is looking for readmission to Psychology, they must have completed:
 - PSYC 107 with B or better (AP/IB credit accepted)
 - Approved MATH (MATH 140, 168, 142, 147, 150, 151, 171, 148, 152, 172, OR STAT201) with B or better (AP/IB credit accepted)
 - If student is over 60 total earned hours and is applying to the BA
 - PSYC, 8 hrs of Foreign Language must be completed

Spanish

- 30-45 hours completed 1st year (2 semesters) of beginner foreign language at the college level.
- 46-60 hours completed 3rd semester (intermediate college level) of foreign language and working on 4th semester.
- 61 hours or higher, completed all beginner and intermediate foreign language courses (4 semesters) at the college level.
- Applicants over 45 hours without the first year of the foreign language completed will not be considered for admission.

Sociology

- SOCI 205 complete
- Meet with academic advisor prior to submitting application

Statistics

- For readmit students **who were STAT majors**, we require them to make a grade of C or better in the following courses ***that they have previously taken (completion of all***

courses listed is not required): MATH 171, MATH 172, MATH 221, MATH 304, STAT 211 and STAT 212

- For readmit students **who were not STAT majors**, the minimum requirements are:
 - 3.0 GPA or better in MATH 171/172 (or 151/152; or 147/148) with no grade less than a C
 - Must complete at least one MATH course on STAT degree plan in residence at TAMU.
 - 3.0 GPA or better in all MATH and STAT courses taken in residence at TAMU that apply to STAT degree plan.
 - Completion of STAT 211 with a B or better is currently competitive **(but not required)**
 - No D's or F's in proposed major's courses, unless students have retaken courses and earned a B or better.
- For students with transfer credit, we will accept MATH 151/152 in place of MATH 171/172 and we will accept MATH 253/251 in place of MATH 221; most community colleges offer these courses. We have had students transfer in MATH 304 or an equivalent linear algebra course in the past, typically from Blinn or other community colleges that offer upper-level math classes. I've very rarely seen STAT 211 transfer in, we have had some students take equivalent classes at universities like North Texas and Texas Tech. I have not seen STAT 212 transfer in before.

Telecommunication Media Studies

- Telecommunication Media Studies, BA
 - 6 hours of COMM at the 200 level or higher with a C or better. If at the 200 level, must have a direct equivalent with a course at TAMU. No by title.
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
- Telecommunication Media Studies, BS
 - 6 hours of COMM at the 200 level or higher with a C or better. If at the 200 level, must have a direct equivalent with a course at TAMU. No by title.
 - C or better in ENGL 104.
 - 0-59 hours: must have 3 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.
 - 60+ hours: must 6 hours from this list with a C or better: MATH 140, MATH 142, STAT 201, PHIL 240, MATH 151, MATH 152.

University Studies

- University Studies - BA, Race, Gender, Ethnicity Concentration
 - Coursework taken away should reflect interest in the degree/concentration.
 - Students should meet with an academic advisor before submitting application.

Women's and Gender Studies

- Students who were not in Women's and Gender Studies prior to leaving Texas A&M are not eligible for readmission to this program.
- Coursework taken away should reflect interest in the degree/concentration.
- Students should meet with an academic advisor BEFORE submitting an application.

Zoology

For students not in good academic standing or who were in a different major when they last attended, the minimum requirements must be met: BIOL I and II; General CHEM I and II; Calculus I and either Calculus II or STAT must be completed with at least a 3.0 GPA in all attempts of previously mentioned courses and a grade of B or better in each BIOL and in each CHEM course. Students must have grades of C or better in Math courses. All attempts in each course are calculated for the GPA.