

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers:

If you are interested in applying for admission to our Graduate Program, please review the list of frequently asked questions (FAQ) and answers below.

To obtain more information regarding our graduate program, visit <http://www.utdallas.edu/chemistry/graduates/>

1. What is the address to send recommendations, transcript, and test scores to?

Official copies of your transcripts and test scores (GRE and possibly TOEFL) should be sent to:

The University of Texas at Dallas	Phone:	972-883-2270
Office of Enrollment Services HH10	Toll free:	1-800-889-2443
800 West Campbell Road	Fax:	972-883-2599
Richardson, TX 75083-0688	email:	interest@utdallas.edu
USA		

You should send the following materials directly to the chemistry department at the address below:

Betty Maldonado	Phone:	972-883-2909
Department of Chemistry	email:	bmaldonado@utdallas.edu
The University of Texas at Dallas		
Mail Stop: BE 26		
Richardson, TX 75083-0688		
USA		

2. Is there an application fee to formally apply with the Graduate School?

Yes. For U.S. citizens and permanent residents, the fee is \$50.00 USD. For international applications, the total fee is \$100.00 USD (\$50.00 application fee plus an additional \$50.00 foreign credential evaluation fee).

3. What are the admission deadlines?

The chemistry department accepts inquiries year-round but only admits students in the fall semester. Admission during the spring and summer sessions are less common and usually done for exceptional cases only. The UT Dallas Graduate School has specific deadlines for the fall classes. Please go to the following link for the most recent deadlines: www.utdallas.edu/enroll/apply/fees.php

UT Dallas Graduate School:

US	Fall:	July 1 application	August 1 documentation
International	Fall:	May 1 application	June 1 documentation

You should consider submitting your application and other required materials as early as possible for the best chance at securing a position in the fall incoming graduate class. Offers can be made as early as late December for scholarships.

4. Why are the admission deadlines for international students so far in advance of US domestic applicants?

Not only does UT Dallas have to process the admission, it takes 6 to 8 weeks after formal admittance is granted for most countries to process the I-20 Visa form, and to award an applicant a Student Visa. Please also note that international students must attend a special orientation nearly a week before classes begins.

5. What am I required to have submitted to the Graduate School by the deadline?

Application Deadline:

Application
Application fee
\$50 (U.S. and permanent
resident or \$100 if an
International student)

Documentation Deadline:

Official transcripts
Official GRE scores submitted from ETS
Official TOEFL scores submitted from ETS (if applicable)
3 Letters of recommendation (with accompanying
Request for Recommendation Form for each letter)

Info can be found at www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate/steps/guidelines.php

6. What are the admission requirements for UT Dallas?

Please see the link to the Graduate School Website below:

www.utdallas.edu/admissions/graduate/

7. What are the Chemistry Department's admission requirements?

The Recruiting Committee will consider an applicant's entire package including candidate's GPA (grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale), transcripts, school attended, research experience and the 3 letters of recommendation. The Chemistry/Biochemistry Department prefers a score of at least 300 for the combined verbal and quantitative GRE.

If you are an international student, the TOEFL exam must also be taken. The minimum scores for the TOEFL are as follows: if the IBT, the required minimum score is 80, and the IELTS, the required minimum score of 7.0 must be attained.

8. Can TOEFL exam be waived?

TOEFL exams are waived only if an undergraduate degree is obtained at a U.S. institution. U.S. citizens and permanent residents do not need the TOEFL.

9. What are the English speaking requirements for graduate school admission to UTD and the Chemistry Department?

An international applicant must take and pass the TOEFL exam. The minimum scores for the TOEFL are as follows: if the iBT, the required minimum score is 80, and if the IELTS the required minimum score of 7.0 must be attained.

10. What is The University of Texas at Dallas' ETS school code where I have my official test scores sent?

It is **6897**.

11. Are scanned images of the test scores emailed to the Chemistry Department or copies of the originals that are mailed considered official?

ETS must formally submit test scores to the Graduate School for the official application. The Chemistry Department, however, does encourage you to email scanned versions (or mailed-copies) of these documents directly to the Chemistry/Biochemistry Department (see Item 1 above) so that we can proceed with reviewing your file.

12. What kind of financial support does the Chemistry Department offer?

Students entering the Ph.D. program typically receive financial support in the form of a Graduate Teaching Assistantship (GTA) which currently starts at \$22,800 USD/yr. Students will also qualify for a Graduate Studies Scholarship (GSS) which covers your costs for UT Dallas tuition and some fees. Health Coverage is available to all supported students. The total award for the 2015/2016 academic year (Fall 15, Spring 16, and Summer 16) is approximately \$37,400. Students enrolling for a M.S. degree do not qualify for financial support. Please note that TX does not have state income tax.

13. What are the various statistics on the number of offers of assistantships you make each semester?

Currently the department has ~95 graduate students. We typically admit ~25 BS-PhD track students with support each fall semester.

14. Can I as an international student come to the US for only a couple of classes?

International applicants cannot apply for non-degree seeking status.